POSTOFFICE IMPROVEMENTS.

WHAT MR. VAN COTT HAS ACCOMPLISHED.

QUICKER DELIVERIES, CLOSER CONNECTIONS AND A BETTER SERVICE GENERALLY.

In entering upon his duties as Postmaster of this city last spring, Mr. Van Cott declared that he would conduct the office on business principles and do his utmost to make the administration of its affairs satisfactory to all fair-minded people. Mr. Van Cott has not yet been in office six months. He has hardly had time to get his huge department in running order—that is, as he would have it run—much less make the changes that he contemplates. But in view of the strained efforts that have been made recently by certain Mugwump organs to discredit his attempts to give the city a first-class postal service, it may not be amiss to call attention to some of the improvements that he has already made.

One of the most important of these is in regard to assorting the mail. This was formerly one of the most trying parts of the Postoffice work. There were eighty separators for carriers, boxes, stations, etc. To keep track of them all made it necessary for the distributors to remember 5,000 to 6,000 names. The strain was severe, and the men finished their labors in an exhausted condition. These separators have been cut down by rational divisions and sub-divisions from eighty to fifty-five, thirty-five and seventeen. The result is that where it formerly took an hour to distribute 1,200 letters now 3,600 letters can be assorted in that time. Under this new arrangement a steamer's mail can be prepared in less than two hours, or less than half the time formerly required. One ocean mail last Friday was made ready in an hour and forty minutes. The rapidity of distribution may be illustrated by the distribution of the Britannic's mails the other day. There were 205 sacks of letters and 503 sacks of printed matter. The first sack was received in the office at 10 o'clock and the last at 11:07 in the morning. At 2:10 they were ready for distribution.

Another improvement is in the distribution of mails in the upper part of the city. Formerly those mails coming on the Eastern and Northern railroads were taken to the Grand Central Station at Forty-second-st., and then sent back to the station at One-hundred-and-twenty-fifth-st. Now they are thrown off at Mott Haven, One-hundred-and-thirty-eighth-st., and taken directly to the One-hundred-and-twenty-fifth-st. station, where close connection is made with the mail wagons for the east and west sides. The result is that this mail is delivered on the first instead of the second delivery, or two or three hours earlier than under the old system. A similar improvement was made in the down town districts. Here the first delivery was at 7:30 a. m. The connection between it and the eastern and northern mails was so close that if the early trains happened to be five or ten minutes late, as is frequently the case, letters from Boston, etc., would not be sent out until the second delivery, at 9 o'clock. By making the first delivery at 7:45, Mr. Van Cott has provided for these frequent delays on the part of the trains, and made it certain that the eastern and northern mail will be sent out in the first delivery.

A good deal of complaint used to be made at the delay in getting back city "card" letters, that is, letters to be returned to the writers if those to whom they were sent could not be found. Formerly these were brought back to the station where they were mailed, kept there a day, then sent down to the General Office, and afterward sent back again. Now they are sent only to the receiving station. The trouble and delay that was caused by second-class matter has been done away with largely by the new rule requiring publishers to assort their publications by states. A vigorous effort has been made by the new Postmaster to ferret out the postal thieves that have given the service so much trouble in recent years. Five have been detected since July 1, three carriers and two boys.

The new Postal station "P," at the Produce Exchange for the accommodation of that part of the city, will be open for business on or about October 15. The twenty-one sub-stations in different parts of the city, recommended by the recent Postal Convention, will be opened as quickly as possible. These stations will be for the sale of stamps, registering of letters and the issuing of money orders and postal notes.

IN THE BERKSHIRES.

AN UNUSUALLY GAY WEEK AT LENOX—MRS. CLEVELAND'S VISIT—NOTES FROM PITTSFIELD.

Lenox, Mass., Oct. 5 (Special).—Lenox has been gay this week. There are many prominent people here from all parts of the country. Among the members of the diplomatic corps are Mavroyeni Bey, the Turkish Minister; Herr Von Munn and Herr Eckardstein, of the German Legation, and the Belgian Minister; also Count Sala and Baron and Baroness Schonburg.

Ex-Secretaries Whitney, Fairchild and Endicott have also been here. Mrs. Grover Cleveland came here late Tuesday night, and was taken at once to the Whitneys', where she remained as their guest. One of the chief reasons for her coming was to be at the Endicott-Thoron wedding, which took place on Thursday. Ex-President Cleveland did not accompany his wife. He was never in Berkshire but once, and that was when he was making a campaign tour of the country just before his election. The first entertainment given Mrs. Cleveland was a luncheon party at the Kinnicutts'. There were over twenty covers. On Wednesday morning Mrs. Cleveland took a long drive on G. G. Haven's four-in-hand coach. The most notable event of Wednesday, however, was the large and brilliant reception given Mrs. Cleveland by Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Whitney, from 4 to 6 o'clock. Among those present were Mr. Fairchild, Mr. and Mrs. William C. Endicott, Miss Leiter, Mr. and Mrs. William Douglass Sloane, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Burden, G. G. Haven, Miss Sears, Miss Lockwood, Mrs. Todd, Mrs. Gardner, J. Webb Roosevelt, Colonel Oliver Payne, Mrs. William H. Draper, Charles Fearing, Mrs. Chapin, Miss Rathbone, Mr. and Mrs. Del Monte, Mr. and Mrs. George Folsom, Baron Eckardstein, Mavroyeni Bey, Mr. and Mrs. John E. Parsons, Mr. and Mrs. Brayton Ives, Miss Ward, H. B. Cabot, George L. Peabody, Sigourney Butler, Mr. Codman, Mr. and Mrs. Buchanan Winthrop and Miss Winthrop.

Mrs. Cleveland was entertained at an informal dinner by Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Sloane, on Wednesday evening. Besides the guests now at the Sloanes', Mr. and Mrs. Whitney were the only others invited.

Thursday morning the air was clear and cool, and everything seemed to be smiling on the wedding day of William Endicott and Miss Thoron. The ceremony took place at the cottage of Samuel G. Ward, the grandfather of the bride. It was performed by the Rev. Father Prendergast, assisted by the Rev. Father Smith, of Lenox. There was only one bridesmaid, Miss Ward, the daughter of Thomas Ward, of New-York. The ushers were Sigourney Butler, H. Tracy Sears and H. B. Cabot, of Boston, and George L. Peabody, of Salem.

Mrs. Whitney gave a ball on Thursday evening in the new assembly room. The hall was tastefully decorated. An addition was made to it for the serving of refreshments and for the musicians. The guests assembled soon after 10 o'clock, and at 11 o'clock the german was begun. It was led by Mr. Carter, of Washington.

General Barlow gave a luncheon to ex-Secretary and Mrs. Fairchild on Thursday morning. Mrs. Cleveland, Mr. and Mrs. Endicott, Mr. and Mrs. Whitney and a few other guests were present.

On Friday morning Mrs. Shattuck gave a musicale for Miss Alceste Stauffer, of New-Orleans.

Miss Moller gave an informal reception and tea Friday afternoon, when Miss Chatfield, of Brooklyn sang and played her own harp accompaniment, a rare accomplishment. The singing was delightful and the harp was played with much grace and ease.

This afternoon Mr. Schermerhorn gave a musicale to close the week's gayeties.

Pittsfield, Mass., Oct. 5 (Special).—The bright wood fires in the Maplewood fireplaces have been burning this week constantly. It has been cold and raw, yet there are many city people who are loath to leave the town. They amuse themselves with driving and bowling.

Among the recent arrivals are J. D. Hunter, jr., Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Blodgett, C. Whitman, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Hawley, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Douglas, Mrs. E. N. Lawrence, Mrs. W. L. Brown and family, W. E. Howland, Mr. and Mrs. Sturgiss Coffin, Miss Coffin, New-York; Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Leland, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Thompson, James M. Childs, Boston; Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Edgerly, Mr. and Mrs. S. Bowles, Springfield; H. W. Warner and wife, New-Haven; Mrs. R. C. Kims and family, St. Louis; L. B. Taylor, Mount Vernon; L. P. Bingham, jr., Salem; the Misses Prayton, Fall River; E. H. Jennings, H. C. Burbette, Buffalo; William Hogan, Washington; Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Kilburn, New-Brunswick; F. P. James, Hartford.

ALL KINDS OF CARRIAGES AND HARNESSES.

In the way of fine harnesses, carriages and horse clothing, the house of John Moore, Nos. 53, 57 and 59 Warren-st., is stocked with everything that a seeker for conveyances and horse trappings can desire. The varieties in harness number over 180, and include every style of coupe, rockaway, and double-road, besides all kinds of heavy coach and truck harnesses. The establishment is well supplied with a large line of English riding goods, saddles and bridles, which are offered at exceedingly low prices. Mr. Moore keeps the latest novelties in the way of horse clothing, both California Mills goods and the celebrated Burleigh farm truck and road blankets. In carriages he has everything for winter and summer use, high-door rockaways, coupe rockaways, which can be completely closed for winter and opened for summer; the Moore cart, which is said to be the only perfect riding vehicle in that line. There are also fine displays of buckboards, carriages, top-buggies, phaetons, surreys and cut-under extension-top phaetons. In pony carriages there is scarcely a style in present use which cannot be obtained at this establishment.

ACTIVITY IN STOCKS.

IRREGULAR FLUCTUATIONS.

THE UNLISTED DEPARTMENT AGAIN ALMOST MONOPOLIZES SPECULATION.

SALES AT THE STOCK EXCHANGE—OCT. 5.

BONDS AND BANK STOCKS.

East Riv N Bank 25 ..... 172½	Ft Worth & D C 1st 6,000 100	Nor Pac 3d coupon 2,000s30F. 109¼
Western Nat Bank 50 94	Great Western 2d Trust Receipts 2,000 102	2,000 ..... 109¾
50 ..... 93½	Gulf Col & S Fe Gold 6s 1,000 65	11,000 110
100 93	H and Tex Cen 2d Main Line Trust Receipts 1,000 120	Ohio South inc 2,000 ..b3.. 60
Alb & Sus Con 6s 8,000 122	Kansas Pacific 6s Denver Division Assented 5,000 ..... 117¼	3,000 ..... 59¾
Atlantic & Pacific incomes 5,000 15	Long Island 1st 1,500 120	Oregon Improvt 1st 1,000 ..... 103½
Brooklyn El 1st 7,000 ..... 109½	Louis & Nash G M 6s 1,000 115	Oregon Short Line 6s 2,000 ..... 114¼
Canada South 2d 2,000 ..... 96½	Lo N A & Chic con 1,000 ..... 101¾	Oregon & Trans 6s 2,000 ..... 104½
Central N J G M 5s registered 10,000 ..... 111¾	15,000 102	5,000 104
Cen Pacific G 6s '95 1,000 ..... 113½	5,000 ..... 102¼	Rich & Dan 5s 5,000 91
'97 4,000 ..... 115½	2,000 ..... 102¾	St L Ark & Tex 1st Coupons off 15,000 ..... 78¾
'98 5,000 118	4,000 ..... 102½	Tenn C'l & I R 6s Birmgm Div 1st 4,000 ..... 97¾
Central Pacific Land Grants 3,000 ..... 101¼	Lo St L & Tex 1st 8,000 ..... 99¾	3,000 ..... 97½
Ches & O 6s 1911 2,000 ..... 115¼	Louis South'n 1st 3,000 ..... 97¾	2,000 ..... 97⅝
Ches & Ohio con 5s 16,000 ..... 102½	5,000 ..... 97⅞	Tex Pac 2d inc 1,000 ..... 37¾
Chic Bur & Q 4s 2,000 ..... 92¼	Mil L S & W ex 5s 18,000 105	Tol St L & K C 1st 7,000 103
Col Coal & Iron 6s 1,000 ..... 101¼	Mobile & Ohio Gen Mtg 22,000 88	Union Pacific 1st '96 2,000 114
E Tenn V & Ga Con Gold 5s 4,000 ..... 107¾	5,000 ..... 88¼	'97 1,000 116
E Tenn V & G 1st 1,050 ..... 124½	10,000 ..... 88½	Wabash R R 1st 4,000 ..... 108¼
Ella Lex & B S 6s 1,000 105	Nor Pac 1st Reg 5,000 ..... 113⅛	West Sh G'f'd 4s 1,000 ..... 195¾
		13,000 ..... 195½
		West Un Col Tr 5s 1,000 ..... 102⅞

THE GENERAL LIST.

STOCKS	ACTUAL SALES. Op'g.	High'st	Low'st	Final.	CLOSING. Bid.	Ask'd	No. shares sold.
Albany & Sus	--	--	--	--	165	175	....
Atch T & S F	31	31¼	30¼	30½	30⅝	30¾	14,800
Atlantic & Pac	--	--	--	--	4¾	5	....
B & N Y Al pr	--	--	--	--	102	105	....
Buf R & Pitts	--	--	--	--	20½	25	....
Buff R & P prf	--	--	--	--	78¼	79	....
Burl C R & Nor	--	--	--	--	26	35	....
Canada South	54¼	54½	54¼	54¼	54	54½	325
Canada Pacific	71	71	71	71	70¾	71	100
Cen Iowa	--	--	--	--	9	9	....
Cen Iowa pr new	21½	23	21½	23	21½	24	66
Central N J	126⅞	127½	126⅞	127¼	127¼	127½	800
Central Pacific	--	--	--	--	34¾	35¼	....
Ches & Ohio	22¾	22¾	22¾	22¾	22½	22⅞	300
do 1st prf	62½	62½	62½	62½	62½	63	100
do 2d prf	39¾	39¾	39¾	39¾	39¾	40¼	100
Chic & East Ill	--	--	--	--	41½	42	100
Chic & E Ill pref	--	--	--	--	97½	98½	....
Chic & Alton	--	--	--	--	128	130	....
do pref	--	--	--	--	160	....	....
Chicago Northwest	113	113¼	112	113	113	113¼	855
Chic & Nor pref	--	--	--	--	141	143	....
Chic M & St P	72¼	72⅝	71⅞	72	72	72¼	7,900
Chic M & St P pref	114	114	114	114	114½	....	120
Chic St L & P	--	--	--	--	14½	16	....
Chic St L & P pref	--	--	--	--	38	38	....
Chic St P M & O	33¾	33¾	33¾	33¾	33½	34	100
C St P M & O pref	--	--	--	--	....	100	....
Chic R I & P	109½	110	109½	109½	109½	109⅝	14,800
C R I & Pacific	101½	101⅝	100⅞	101	101¼	101½	2,750
Cin W & Balt	2¼	2¼	2¼	2¼	2	2¾	250
CW & B pr certfs	4⅝	4⅝	4⅝	4⅝	5	5	100
Cleve & Pitts	--	--	--	--	157	....	....
Col HV & Tol	17½	17½	17½	17½	18	18¼	200
CC & StL	73	73	73	73	72⅞	73	400
do pref	99¾	99¾	99¾	99¾	99¾	100	100
Del L & W	145	145½	145	145½	145¼	145¾	2,900
Del & Hudson	--	--	--	--	151½	151¾	....
Denv & RG	--	--	--	--	17	18½	....
Den & RG pref	--	--	--	--	50⅞	52	....
Den & RG W	--	--	--	--	16½	17	....
Det & FW ctfs	27¾	27¾	27¾	27¾	27	27¾	500
E Tenn V & Ga	--	--	--	--	10¼	10¾	....
E Tenn 1st pref	--	--	--	--	74½	75½	....
E Tenn 2d pref	22⅞	22⅞	22⅞	22⅞	22½	23½	100
Evans & TH	--	--	--	--	92¾	93¾	....
Green Bay	--	--	--	--	4	4¾	....
Houston & Tex	--	--	--	--	4½	5	....
Illinois Cent	--	--	--	--	115	117	....
Ind Bloom & West	--	--	--	--	98	....	....
Keo & DM	--	--	--	--	3	9	....
K & DM pref	--	--	--	--	10	17	....
Kings & Pem	--	--	--	--	29¾	30¼	....
LE & W	--	--	--	--	18⅝	19	....
LE & W pref	63½	63½	63½	63½	63	64	150
Lake Shore	105½	105⅝	105⅝	105⅝	105¼	105½	2,120
Long Island	94½	94½	94½	94½	92	94	100
Louis & Nash	77½	77¾	77	77¾	77¼	77½	3,977
L N A & Chic	--	--	--	--	41	43	....
Manhat Con	103⅝	104½	103⅝	103⅝	103½	104	2,135
Manhat Beach	--	--	--	--	6	7	....
Mar H & O	--	--	--	--	10	14	....
Mar H & O pref	--	--	--	--	91	94	....
Mex Cent	--	--	--	--	15½	16	....
Mich Cent	92	92	92	92	91¾	92½	220
Mil S & W	--	--	--	--	95	95½	....
Mil S & W pref	--	--	--	--	115	116	....
Minn & StL	--	--	--	--	4	4½	....
M & StL pref	--	--	--	--	8	9½	....
Mo Kan & T	--	--	--	--	12	12½	....
Mo Pacific	73¾	73¾	72⅞	73½	72¾	73	3,200
Mob & Ohio	--	--	--	--	14½	15	....
Morris & Es	152½	152½	152½	152½	....	....	80
N C & StL	--	--	--	--	97	99	....
N Y Central	107	107	107	107	107½	107½	189
NY C & St L	--	--	--	--	17	17¾	....
NY C & StL pref	--	--	--	--	68	70	....
NY C & StL 2d pr	--	--	--	--	26	30	....
NY L E & W	29	29	28⅞	28⅞	28¾	29	600
NY & N E	48¾	48¾	48	48	48	48¾	2,205
NY N H & H	--	--	--	--	245	250	....
NY O & W	18⅝	18⅞	18⅝	18⅞	18⅝	18⅞	750
NY S & W	--	--	--	--	8½	8¾	....
NY S & W pref	35	35	35	35	35	35½	300
Norfolk & Wes	--	--	--	--	17½	18½	....
Nor & W pref	57½	57½	57½	57½	56¾	57½	900
North Pac	32	32	32	32	31¾	32½	100
Nor Pac pref	73½	74½	73¾	73¾	73½	73¾	1,600
Ohio & Miss	23	23	23	23	23	23½	200
Ohio South	--	--	--	--	15	17	....
Oregon Imp	--	--	--	--	32	34	....
Or Imp pref	--	--	--	--	94	95½	....
Or R & N	--	--	--	--	100	101½	....
Ore Transcon	32	32½	31½	32	32	32¼	500
Or Short Line	55¼	55¼	54¾	54¾	54	54¾	70
P Dec & Ev	--	--	--	--	20	21¾	....
Phil & Reading	45⅝	45¾	45¼	45⅝	45⅝	45¾	7,868
P Ft W & Chic	157	157	157	157	157	....	8
Pullman P C Co	187¾	187¾	187¾	187¾	187½	188½	110
Pitts & W	--	--	--	--	25	28	....
Pitts & W pref	40	40	40	40	39½	40	200
Rens & Sar	--	--	--	--	185	192	....
Rich & Allegh	--	--	--	--	19	21	....
Rich & West Pt	22⅞	22⅞	22¾	22¾	22¾	22⅞	819
Rich & W Pt pref	--	--	--	--	81	82	....
Rome W & Og	--	--	--	--	99	100	....
St L Ark & T	--	--	--	--	5¾	7	....
St L A & TH	--	--	--	--	40	48	....
St L A & TH pr	--	--	--	--	110	125	....
St L & San Fr	--	--	--	--	25½	26	....
St L & SF pref	59¾	59¾	59¾	59¾	58	59	100
St L & SF 1st pr	109½	109½	109½	109½	110	112	5
St P & Dul	--	--	--	--	28½	30	....
St P & D pref	82	82	82	82	81	83	100
St P M & Minn	118	118	117	117½	117	118	984
South Carolina	--	--	--	--	2	2½	....
South Pacific	32¾	32¾	32⅝	32¾	32½	32¾	300
Texas Pacific	20	20¼	20	20¼	20⅛	20¼	425
Tex Pac LT	18	18	18	18	....	....	129
Tol & Ohio Cen	--	--	--	--	....	35	....
Tol & O C pref	--	--	--	--	56	58	....
Tol A A & N M	33½	33¾	33½	33¾	33	34	350
Union Pacific	64¾	64¾	64¼	64¼	64¼	64¼	400
Va Midland	--	--	--	--	82	87	....
Wiscon Cen	26⅝	26⅝	26⅝	26⅝	26½	26⅝	200
Wabash	--	--	--	--	17	17½	....
Wabash pref	32⅛	32¼	32	32¼	32¼	32½	620
Wh & LE pref	70⅝	70⅝	70⅝	70⅝	70⅛	71	200
Wes Union Tel	84⅝	85	84⅝	84⅝	84⅝	84¾	2,417
Adams Expr	--	--	--	--	140	145	....
Amer Expr	--	--	--	--	117	118	....
US Expr	85	85½	85	85½	84	85	50
Wells Fargo Ex	--	--	--	--	141	145	....
Amer Cable	--	--	--	--	85	86½	....
Chic Gas Tr	57½	57½	56¾	56¾	57	57½	1,300
Pacific Mail	33¾	33¾	33¼	33¼	33¼	33½	205
Con Gas	88	88	88	88	88	88½	100
Cameron Coal	--	--	--	--	9½	9¾	....
Col Coal	30½	31	30½	31	30½	31	200
Con Coal	--	--	--	--	23	26	....
Maryland Coal	--	--	--	--	12	15	....
New Cen Coal	--	--	--	--	8	10	....
Tenn C & I	51¾	52	50¾	52	52¼	52½	2,550
do pref	101½	101½	101½	101½	100	102	100
Homestake	9	9	9	9	....	10½	10
Ontario Mining	--	--	--	--	34½	35¾	....
Quicksilver	--	--	--	--	6	7	....
Quicksilver pref	--	--	--	--	35	36½	....
Com Cable	101	101	101	101	100⅝	101¼	200
Am Cattle Tr	--	--	--	--	12	16	....
Cotton Oil	43	46¼	41¼	41¾	41¾	41⅞	24,060
D & CF Tr	40¾	40¾	40¾	40¾	40	40¾	100
Lead Trust	23	23½	22¾	22¾	22¾	22¾	5,545
Sugar Refin	86½	86½	83⅞	84½	84½	84¾	24,212
Brunswick	27	27	27	27	27½	27½	520
Louis StL & T	30¼	30¼	30¼	30¼	29¾	....	100
Phoenix	42	56	51	51	56	60	2,100
Total sales for the day							142,998

‡ Ex-dividend.

SALES AT THE CONSOLIDATED STOCK AND PETROLEUM EXCHANGE.

STOCKS.

	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.	Sh'res sold.
Atch Top & S F	30⅝	31⅛	30⅛	30¼	7,870
Amer Cotton Oil	42⅞	42¾	41½	41¾	9,230
Chic R I & Pac	101¼	101¼	101¼	101¼	10
Chic Bur & Quincy	109⅞	110	109½	109½	3,970
Col Coal	31	31	31	31	100
Chic Mil & St P	72¼	72½	72	72	11,750
Chic & Northwest	113	113¾	113	113¾	130
Central of N J	127⅞	127⅞	127⅞	127⅞	100
Del Lack & West	145	145½	144⅞	145¼	1,220
Kansas Pacific	29⅞	29⅞	29¼	29¼	200
Lake Shore	105½	105⅝	105½	105½	570
Louis & Nash	77¾	77¾	77⅛	77⅝	2,210
Manhattan Consol	104¼	104¼	104	104	750
Missouri Pacific	73⅝	73¾	72½	73	680
N Y Cent & West	18⅞	18⅞	18⅞	18⅞	100
N Y & New-England	48½	48¾	47⅞	47⅞	490
Northern Pacific	30⅞	30⅞	30⅞	30⅞	20
Northern Pacific pfd	73½	73¾	73½	73½	20
National Lead Trust	22⅞	22⅞	22¾	22¾	800
Reading	45⅞	45⅞	45¼	45⅝	8,200
Rich & West Point	22¾	22⅞	22¾	22¾	140
Sugar Ref Co	86¼	86¼	85	85	520
Tenn C & I	51¼	51¼	50⅝	51	310
Union Pacific	64½	64½	64½	64½	10
W St L & P pref	32½	32½	32⅛	32⅛	100
Western Union	85	85	84¾	84¾	100
Total shares sold					44,250

BONDS.

At & Pac inc	15	15	15	15	$3,000
Brooklyn El 1st	109½	109½	109½	109½	2,000
Ches & Ohio 5's	102¾	102⅞	102¾	102⅞	5,000
Erie 2d con	103⅞	103⅞	103⅞	103⅞	1,000
G C & S F 2d	65	65	65	65	2,000
Ft W & D C 1st	100	100	100	100	15,000
Mob & O 4s	58	58¼	58	58¼	15,000
Ohio South inc	60	60	60	60	4,000
Reading 1st pf inc	64½	64½	64½	64½	1,000
Rock Island 5s	106	106	106	106	5,000
Tex. Pacific 2d	37¾	37¾	37¾	37¾	6,000
Total amount					$59,000

MINING STOCKS.

Bullion	.80	.80	.80	.80	200
Bodie	.80	.80	.80	.80	100
Belle Isle	.15	.15	.15	.15	300
Caledonia B H	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	100
Con Cal & Va	6.50	6.50	6.50	6.50	100
Exchequer	.75	.75	.75	.75	200
Julia	.30	.30	.30	.30	200
Mutual S & M	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50	200
North Belle Isle	.80	.80	.80	.80	200
Plutus	.71	.71	.71	.71	600
Phœnix of Arizona	.53	.53	.50	.50	800

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
United Copper	1.15	1.15	1.15	1.15	400
Total sales					3,400

CLOSING PRICES OF PHILADELPHIA STOCKS.

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
Pennsylvania	54⅛	54¼	St Paul	71⅞	72⅛
Reading	22⅝	22 11-16	Reading gen'ln	90¼	91
Lehigh Valley	53⅝	53½	Reading 1st pref	81¼	81¾
Nor Pac com	31¼	32	Reading 2d pref	64¾	65
Nor Pac pfd	..	73⅞	Reading 3d pref	52	53
Lehigh Nav	54	54½			

THE BANK STATEMENT.

Saturday, Oct. 5—p. m.

By the operations of the New-York Sub-Treasury in the week ended last night, which included receipts of $4,878,000 for exchange on other Sub-Treasuries and $1,532,102 for gold taken from the Assay Office for export, and the payment of $1,649,135 for purchased bonds, the New-York banks lost $2,025,760 cash. To-day's bank statement of the week's averages reports a loss of $3,866,400 cash from the averages of the preceding week. As it is known that the receipts of cash by express from the interior during the week exceeded $2,000,000, the loss of $3,866,400 forces the conclusion that there has been a withdrawal and lock-up of some $5,000,000 cash. Under such circumstances it would be idle to estimate the condition of the banks at the close of business yesterday. The decline of $5,050,400 in deposits is $800,000 less than the decrease the other changes call for—cash loss $3,866,400 and contraction in loans $1,995,200. The statement results in a deficit of $1,668,050 from the rule of 25 per cent reserve to deposits, but it must be remembered that the statement includes $18,000,000 of State bank capital as well as the $42,000,000 of National banks. The "surplus" reserves of corresponding dates of preceding years were as follows: 1888, $11,417,500; 1887, $8,112,750; 1886, $5,098,800.

The Clearing House statement is as follows: For to-day: Exchanges, $147,237,321; balances, $5,632,038. For the week: Exchanges, $832,631,301; balances, $37,583,097.

The following are the comparative statements of September 28 and October 5:

	Sept. 28.	Oct. 5.	Differences.
Loans	$400,311,700	$407,316,500	Dec. $1,995,200
Specie	69,574,000	67,821,700	Dec. 2,252,300
Legal-tenders	35,062,800	34,078,700	Dec. 1,614,100
Deposits	417,324,200	412,273,800	Dec. 5,050,400
Circulation	3,948,100	3,959,700	Inc. 11,600

The following shows the relation between the total reserve and the total deposits at the respective dates:

	Sept. 28.	Oct. 5.	Differences.
Specie	$69,574,000	$67,821,700	Dec. $2,252,300
Legal-tenders	35,062,800	34,078,700	Dec. 1,614,100
Total reserve	$105,236,800	$101,400,400	Dec. $3,866,400
Reserve required against deposits	104,331,050	103,068,450	Dec. 1,262,600
Surplus	$935,750	*$1,668,050	Dec. $2,603,800

* Deficit.

The unlisted department of the Stock Exchange again monopolized the lion's share of the day's speculation. Cotton Oil, after opening up to 43 1-4 declined to 41 3-8, and closed at 41 3-4, and Sugar, after opening off 1-2 per cent at 86 1-2, declined to 83 7-8, recovered to 85 3-4, and closed at 84 1-2. Neither stock sold as low as yesterday, but both were more or less influential in checking business in the general list. Burlington and Quincy was specially strong in a strong market. The bank statement proved to be a great surprise to the street, but it scarcely affected the market values. After opening firm with general improvements on last evening's figures, prices were adversely affected by the continued demoralization among the trusts, and last figures were small fractions lower than last evening. The tone of the market was strong.

THE DAY IN THE BOND MARKET.

There were no sales of Government bonds and the closing quotations were as follows:

	Bid.	Ask.		Bid.	Ask.
U.S. 4½s, 1891, reg.	105¼	106¼	U.S. cur. 6s, 1896	120	....
U.S. 4½s, 1891, cou.	105¼	106¼	U.S. cur. 6s, 1897	123	....
U.S. 4s, 1907, reg.	127	127⅛	U.S. cur. 6s, 1898	126	....
U.S. 4s, 1907, cou.	127	127½	U.S. cur. 6s, 1899	129	....
U.S. cur. 6s, 1895	118	....	District Col. 3-65s	1924	123 ....

State issues were entirely neglected. Of city bank stocks, East River sold (25) at 172 3-4 and Western National (200) at 94a93.

The general bond market was dull, but generally firm. Louisville, New-Albany and Chicago consols rose from 101 3-4 to 102 1-2. Northern Pacifics 3s were firm at 110. Mobile and Ohio general mortgage 4s sold at 58a58 1-2. Reference is made to our full report of bond sales.

Money at the Stock Exchange was nominally 4a5 per cent.

The Sub-Treasury was debtor to the Clearing House $948,765.

TREASURY STATEMENTS.

The customs receipts reported at Washington to-day were $604,427, the internal revenue receipts were $437,775, and the miscellane