LESS ACTIVITY IN STOCKS

IRREGULAR PRICE MOVEMENT

CONTINUED FOREIGN BUYING—BONDS AND MONEY.

SALES AT THE STOCK EXCHANGE JULY 17.

DEALINGS IN BONDS AND BANK STOCKS.

$1000 U S 4s Cou 1925 113⅛	5000 M & St P G M 4s A 94
6000 do 113	6000 do S Minn Div 100
12000 do 113⅛	14000 M K & T 1st 4s 79
12000 do 114	3000 do 78⅛
2000 do 114⅛	1000 do 78
2000 do 113⅝	12000 do 2d 5s 53⅛
10000 do 4s 1907 Cou 107⅛	7000 do 53⅝
3000 do 106⅛	1000 do 54
2000 do 5s Cou 111⅝	5000 M Pac Con 84
4000 Ca 6s Def Tr Rcts Stpd 4	6000 M & O G M 4s 50
1000 Atchison Gen 4s 74⅛	5000 do 60
2000 do 74⅝	2000 do 50⅛
5000 do 74⅝	1000 N Y S & W 1st Ref 5s 94⅝
5000 do 74⅝	7000 do G M 5s 65
1000 do 74⅝	30000 N P Con 5s Rcts Asst 40½
1000 do 74⅝	68000 do 40
2000 do Adj 4s 34⅛	5000 do 40⅛
2000 do 34	10000 do 41
2000 do 33⅛	5000 do 41⅝
2000 do 33⅛	20000 do 41⅛
2000 do 33⅝	20000 do 41⅛
2000 do 33⅝	10000 do 40⅝
2000 do 33⅝	2000 do 40⅝
700 B'klyn B Tr 5s 77⅝	21000 Ore I Con 5s Rcts 12
2000 B'klyn U Gas 5s 102½	1000 Ore S L 6s Rcts 106⅛
1000 do 83 106⅛	10000 do 106
500 do 108	6000 O S L & U N Con Rcts 61
2000 do 102	6000 do 60⅛
1000 B W & W 8s 97	1000 Pac of M 4s 103
2000 Can S 1st s20F 107	4000 do 102
2000 do 2d 103	4000 Peo & East 1st 70
1000 C & O Gen 4½s Cou 68	2000 do 69⅝
1000 do Con 5s 106⅛	6000 P & R 1st pf inc 2d pd 27⅛
2000 do 106	5000 do 27⅛
2000 do 6s 1911 115	11000 do 28
2000 C & O R & A 1st Con 4s 94	1000 do 27⅝
1000 C B & Q Denver Div 4s 93	5000 do 28⅛
1000 do Neb Ex 4s 80	1000 P & R 2d pf inc 2d pd 16½
1000 C & N P 1st Rcts 5s 40	4000 P & R Gen 4s Rcts Asst 73
1000 do 39⅝	15000 do 73⅛
1000 do 39⅛	3000 do 73⅝
1000 do 39⅛	1000 do 72½
1000 do 39⅛	10000 do 73
2000 do 39⅝	2000 Pitts & W 4s 70
2000 C & N W Ex 4s 102	5000 Rio G W 4s 68
2000 do Deb 1909 106	1000 do 69
2000 C R I & P 6s Cou 124	5000 do 69½
1000 do 123	5000 St L S W 1st 69
12000 do Ext 5s Cou 100	16000 do 68½
1000 do 99⅛	1000 St P M & M 1st Mont C 5s 101
2000 do 99⅛	5000 S F & A P 4s 50
2000 do Reg 99⅛	1000 do 50⅛
1000 C H V & Tol 5s 85	3000 do 52
1000 Ches & Rio G 4s 87⅝	10000 S Pac Cal 1st 110½
2000 Ches & M 1st Rcts 87	10000 do Con 5s 91
12000 E H Ill Co of N Y 1st Con 5s 101	10000 South Ry 1st 5s 82½
1000 Erie prior 4s 89	15000 do 88
2000 do 89⅝	11000 do 88⅛
500 Ft W & D 1st Rcts 93⅛	1000 do 88
2000 do 50⅝	2000 do 86⅛
2000 do 50⅝	12000 T & Pac 1st 5s 81
1000 G H & San An M & P Div 5s 90	21000 do 24 Inc 18
1000 Iowa Cent 1st 64	3000 U P D & G 1st 29½
2000 do 64	2000 do 29⅝
1000 Ks L Ch of St L 1st 5s 92½	1000 do 29⅝
1000 La Gas L Co of St L 1st 5s 92½	1000 do 29⅝
3000 L Av & P F 1st 114⅝	4000 do 30
3000 L I Ferry 4½s 99½	10000 do 29⅝
3000 L & N G M 6s 114	4000 U S Cor 1st Rcts 20
2000 L N A & C 1st 110½	2000 U S Leather 6s 111½
2000 do Con 105	2000 Wabash 1st 5s 103½
2000 do 2d 72½	1000 do 104
2000 do 87	4000 West S Gid 4s 103⅛
5000 Metropolitan 1st 116½	2000 do Reg 103
1000 Mex Int 1st 75½	1000 W N Y & P Inc 11
	6000 Wis C 1st Rcts 30

THE GENERAL LIST.

RAILROAD STOCKS.

	Actual sales Open	High	Low	Fin.	Closing Bid.	Ask.	Shares sold.
Albany & Sus	—	—	—	—	170	—	—
Ann Arbor	7½	7½	7½	7½	7	9	100
do pf 5 p c	20	20	20	20	20	23	98
Atch Top & S F	12⅛	12⅝	12	12⅝	12⅝	12½	6,800
do pref	17⅝	17⅞	17⅛	17⅝	17⅞	17½	8,323
Atl & Pacific	—	—	—	—	¾	½	—
Balt & Ohio	17	17	16½	16½	16	16⅞	200
B & O So Ry pf	—	—	—	—	3	8	—
B&NY AL pf 4%	—	—	—	—	102	105	—
Buff R & Pitts	—	—	—	—	—	23	—
do pref	55	55	55	55	55	57	100
Bur C R & Nor	—	—	—	—	68	—	—
Can Southern	43½	45	43½	45	44⅞	45	505
Can Pacific	—	—	—	—	59½	60½	—
C F & Minn	—	—	—	—	—	3	—
Central of N J	93⅝	93⅝	92⅝	92½	92⅝	93	1,670
Central Pacific	—	—	—	—	14	15	—
Ches & Ohio	13⅝	13⅝	13⅝	13⅝	13⅝	13⅞	437
Chic & Alton	154	154	154	154	—	155	45
Chic Bur & Qy	67⅞	68⅝	67	67⅞	67⅝	67½	14,432
Chic & East Ill	—	—	—	—	41	42	—
Chic Gt West	6⅝	6⅝	6⅝	6⅝	6½	7⅝	200
Chic Mil & St P	72⅝	72⅝	71⅞	71⅞	71⅞	72	42,291
do pref	122	124	122	124	122½	125	55
Chic & Northw	94⅛	95½	94⅛	95	94⅝	95⅛	2,480
do pref	145⅛	145⅛	145	145	—	—	275
Chic R I & Pac	58	58⅛	56⅝	57⅛	57⅛	58	8,085
Chic St P M & O	34⅛	35½	34½	34½	34⅝	36	500
do pref	—	—	—	—	123	125	—
C C C & St L	24	24	24	24	23½	24	150
Clev L & Wh pf	—	—	—	—	43	48	—
Clev & Pitts	—	—	—	—	159	—	—
Col H V & Tol	—	—	—	—	15½	17	—
do pref	57	57	57	57	55	60	125
Del & Hudson	117½	118	117½	117½	116½	118	1,310
Del L & W	150½	151½	150⅝	150⅝	150½	151	810
Den & Rio Gr	—	—	—	—	12⅝	13⅝	—
do pref	44	44⅝	43½	44	43⅝	44	500
Des M & Ft D	—	—	—	—	6	9	—
do pref	—	—	—	—	50	60	—
Erie	13⅞	14	13⅞	14	14	14⅛	710
do 2d pref	—	—	—	—	18	19	—
Evans & T H	—	—	—	—	27	30	—
do pref	—	—	—	—	40	50	—
Gt North pref	112	112	112	112	110	120	200
G B W & St P	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Illinois Central	—	—	—	—	99½	91½	—
Ind Ill & Iowa	—	—	—	—	—	25	—
Iowa Central	6	6⅛	6	6⅛	6⅛	6½	225
do pref	23½	23½	23½	23½	23½	24	285
Kans & Mich	—	—	—	—	6½	8	—
Kan & Des M	—	—	—	—	2½	3	—
do pref	—	—	—	—	12	15	—
L E & Western	15⅛	16½	15⅛	16½	15½	16	300
do pref	64⅞	65	64⅝	64⅝	64⅝	65	350
L S & Mich So	140	140½	139½	140	139⅝	140½	1,085
Long Island	—	—	—	—	76	77	—
Louis & Nash	46½	47⅛	45⅞	46⅝	46½	46⅝	9,300
Lou Aln & Ch	6½	6⅝	6½	6⅝	6	6½	200
do pref	13⅞	13⅞	13⅞	13⅞	13⅝	14½	150
Manhattan Cons	95½	95½	94⅝	94⅞	94⅝	94⅞	4,815
Mex Cent Lim	—	—	—	—	⅝	½	—
Mich Central	93	93	93	93	91	93	100
Minn & St L	—	—	—	—	13⅝	17	—
do 1st pref	66	68	66	68	68	74	300
do 2d pref	—	—	—	—	38	45	—
Mo Kan & Tex	10⅛	10⅛	10⅛	10⅛	10	10⅝	5
do pref	19	19½	19	19	19	19½	1,035
Mo Pacific	18⅛	18⅝	18⅛	18⅝	18⅝	19	3,145
Mob & C assd	17½	17½	17½	17½	17	18	200
N Y C & H R	94½	94	91⅝	92	92	93	1,010
N Y Ch & St L	—	—	—	—	10⅝	11½	—
do 1st pref	—	—	—	—	67	75	—
do 2d pref	22⅝	22⅞	22½	22⅝	23⅛	23½	400
N Y Lack & W	117½	117½	117½	117½	—	—	18
N Y N H & H	165	165	163⅝	163⅝	—	165	75
N Y Out & W	13⅛	13⅛	13⅛	13⅛	13⅛	13⅝	250
N Y Sus & We	8	8	8	8	7½	8	100
do pref	18	18½	18	18½	18	19	585
Nor & W 3d pd	—	—	—	—	5½	6½	—
do pref 3d pd	—	—	—	—	11	12	—
Nor Pac 2d pd	6½	6½	6½	6½	6½	6⅝	50
do pref 2d pd	14⅝	14⅝	14⅞	14⅞	14½	16	100
Ore Ry & Nav	—	—	—	—	12	16	—
OSL & UN 3d pd	—	—	—	—	8⅝	10	—
Peo & Eastern	4⅛	4⅛	4⅛	4⅛	4	6	100
Peo Dec & Evr	—	—	—	—	1½	2	—
Phil & R 2d pd	11⅞	12⅛	11⅞	12	11⅞	12	4,295
P C C & St L	13⅛	13⅛	13⅛	13⅛	13½	13⅝	100
do pref	51	51	51	51	45	51	15
P Ft W & C 2d pd	—	—	—	—	160	—	—
Pitts & W pref	—	—	—	—	—	15	—
Rens & Sara	—	—	—	—	176	—	—
Rome W & Ogd	—	—	—	—	113½	116	—
St Jos & G I	—	—	—	—	—	⅝	—
St L A & T H	—	—	—	—	58	63	—
do pref	—	—	—	—	3⅝	4	—
St Louis Southw	9	9	9	9	8	9	100
do pref	—	—	—	—	16	18	—
St Paul & Dul	—	—	—	—	—	87	—
do pref	—	—	—	—	107	114	—
St Paul M & M	18⅛	18⅛	18⅛	18⅛	18⅛	18½	400
South Pac Co	7⅝	8	7⅝	7⅝	7⅝	7⅞	1,613
South Railway	21⅝	21⅝	21	21½	21½	21⅝	3,407
do pref	6½	6⅝	6½	6⅝	6⅝	6⅝	300
Texas & Pacific	—	—	—	—	30	35	—
Tol & Cent	—	—	—	—	70	74	—
do pref	—	—	—	—	5½	9	—
Tol Peo & West	—	—	—	—	6½	6½	2,110
Union Pacific	6⅛	6⅛	6	6⅛	2	2½	—
Up Pac D & G	—	—	—	—	5⅝	6	240
Wabash	5⅝	5⅞	5⅝	5⅞	15⅛	16	1,482
do pref	15⅛	15⅛	14⅞	15	8⅛	8⅝	8,005
Wheel & L E	8⅛	8⅝	7⅞	8⅝	26⅝	28	250
do pref	27⅝	28½	27⅝	28½			

MISCELLANEOUS STOCKS.

	Actual sales Open	High	Low	Fin.	Closing Bid.	Ask.	Shares sold.
Adams Express	146⅛	146⅛	146⅛	146⅛	145	150	3
American Cot Oil	—	—	—	—	110	125	—
Am Cot Oil Co. pf	—	—	—	—	9	10	—
do pref 6 p c	39⅝	39⅝	39⅝	39⅝	40½	43½	30
Amer Express	110	110	110	110	107	112	8
Am Tel & Cable Co	91	91	91	91	—	91	30
Am Tobacco Co	58	59⅝	57⅛	58⅝	58⅝	58½	31,622
do pref	94	94	94	94	93	100	75
Brooklyn Un Gas	84⅝	86½	84⅝	85½	84	86½	537
Brunswick Co	—	—	—	—	⅝	¾	—
Chicago Gas Co	53⅝	55	52⅝	54	54	54⅛	8,110
Con Fuel Supply Co	—	—	—	—	130	—	—
Col C & I D Co	⅝	⅝	⅝	⅝	—	—	100
Col Fuel & I Co	18½	18½	17	17⅛	—	17½	710
Col H C & I	—	—	—	—	1⅛	1½	—
Consol Gas Co	144½	146½	144½	145⅛	145	147	930
Con Coal of Md	32	32	32	32	32	36	100
Cons N Y P Co	11⅛	11½	11	11⅛	11⅛	11⅝	3,890
Erie Tel & T Co	57	57	57	57	—	—	20
Gen Electric Co	22	23½	21⅛	21½	22	22½	5,058
Home Min Co	—	—	—	—	34	—	—
Illinois Steel Co	—	—	—	—	56½	58½	—
Lac Gas (St L)	19	20	19	20	19	21	743
do pref	—	—	—	—	—	80	—
Man Beach Co	—	—	—	—	5	12	—
Md Coal Co pf	—	—	—	—	40	55	—
Mich Iron Co	55	55	55	55	54	60	200
Nat Lead Co	—	—	—	—	15	16	—
Nat Starch Co	—	—	—	—	—	8	—
do 1st pref	—	—	—	—	48	55	—
do 2d pref	—	—	—	—	10	20	—
Nat Cordage Co	—	—	—	—	4	8	—
Nor Am Cotton	3⅞	4⅛	3⅞	4	4	4½	877
Nor Sec Min Co	—	—	—	—	11½	13	—
Oregon Impt	—	—	—	—	—	3½	—
Pac Mail Ss Co	19⅛	20⅛	19	19⅝	19⅝	20	1,840
Pacific Coal	—	—	—	—	33½	—	—
Pullman Palace Car Co	145	145	145	145	144	145	50
Quicksilver Min Co	—	—	—	—	1½	3	—
do pref	—	—	—	—	18	18	—
R G W & Co	17⅛	18⅛	17	17½	17½	18	8,430
Standard Cordage Co	4	4⅛	4	4⅛	4	4⅛	625
do 2d 5 p c	15⅛	15⅛	15⅛	15⅛	15⅛	17	100
do pref	8	8	8	8	7⅝	8½	100
U S Express	40	40	40	40	40	42	200
U S Rubber Co	16	16	16	16	15⅝	16	110
do pref	71½	71½	71½	71½	71½	72½	325
Wells Fargo Ex	88	88	88	88	90	100	50
West Union Tel	79	79½	78	78	78	78½	6,800

UNLISTED STOCKS.

	Actual sales Open	High	Low	Fin.	Closing Bid.	Ask.	Shares sold.
Amer Sugar Ref	104½	105⅝	103⅞	104⅝	104⅛	104⅝	59,912
do pref	98½	98½	98½	98½	98	100	329
Bay State Gas	—	—	—	—	18	20	—
Bay State Rapid Tr	—	—	—	—	19⅝	20½	—
Bos & S & Atl	3⅝	4	3⅝	4	3⅝	4	400

UNLISTED STOCKS.

	Actual sales Open	High	Low	Fin.	Closing Bid.	Ask.	Shares sold.
do pref	—	—	—	—	6½	10	—
Horn Silver	1.90	1.90	1.90	1.90	1.80	2.00	200
Net Traction	95½	95½	95½	95½	94½	—	225
National Lead	19⅝	20½	19⅝	20½	19	20	900
do pref	81	81	81	81	80	82	51
U S Leather	6	6⅛	6	6⅛	6	6½	250
do pref	49	50½	48	49⅝	49¼	49½	6,520
West Un Beef	—	—	—	—	6⅝	7⅝	—

Total shares for the day 261,944

SILVER.

	Actual sales Open	High	Low	Fin.	Closing Bid.	Ask.	Shares sold.
Sil Bull Certfs	*69⅝	69⅝	69⅝	69⅝	69	69⅝	29,000

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SALES AT THE CONSOLIDATED STOCK AND PETROLEUM EXCHANGE.

STOCKS.

	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.	Shares sold.
Amer Sug Ref	104⅝	105⅝	103⅞	104½	22,880
Amer Oil & Ref	34	34⅝	34	34⅝	500
Amer Tobacco	57⅝	59½	57⅝	58⅝	4,190
At T & S F	12⅛	12⅝	12⅛	12⅝	210
Chicago Gas	53⅛	54½	53⅛	54⅛	640
Chic R & Pac	58	58⅝	56⅝	57⅛	1,520
Chic B & Qy	67⅝	68⅝	67	67⅞	6,350
Chic Mil & St P	72	72½	71⅝	71⅞	19,020
Cent of N J	93	93	93	93	50
Chic & Northw	94⅞	94⅞	94½	94½	200
Dist & C F	11	12⅝	11	12⅝	500
Gen Electric	21⅛	22½	21⅛	22½	110
Louis & Nash	46⅝	47⅛	45⅞	46½	2,020
Mo Pacific	18½	19⅛	18½	19	270
P & R 2d impt	12	12	12	12	20
Pacific Mail	19	19	19	19	40
Southern R'y	7⅞	8⅛	7½	7½	100
Tenn C & I	17⅛	18⅛	17⅛	18	110
Union Pacific	6	6	6	6	20
U S Leather pf	48½	50⅛	48⅛	49⅝	300
West Union	78½	79⅝	78⅛	78⅝	400

Total sales 59,740

BONDS.

	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.	Sales.
At T & S F genl	74½	74½	74½	74½	$10,000
At T & S F adj	84	84	83½	83½	17,000
Chic & N P 1st	39⅝	39⅝	39⅝	39⅝	5,000
Nor Pac con	40	41	40⅛	41	20,000
U S 4s 1925 c	113⅛	113½	113⅛	113½	12,000

Total sales $64,000

MINING STOCKS.

	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.	Shares sold.
Brunswick	.20	.20	.20	.20	500
Best & Belcher	.75	.75	.75	.75	1,00
Con Imperial	.04	.04	.04	.04	500
Con Cal & Va	1.85	1.85	1.85	1.85	100
Hale & Norcross	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	200
Horn Silver	1.95	1.95	1.95	1.95	300
Pharmacist	.10	.11	.10	.11	500
Sierra Nevada	.60	.60	.54	.54	600
Union Gas	.53	.53	.53	.53	200

Total sales $30,000

WHEAT.

	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.	Sales Bush.
September option	56⅝	57½	56⅝	57½	803,000

CLOSING PRICES OF PHILADELPHIA STOCKS.

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
Lehigh Valley	31	32	Con Tr of N J 8t	21½	22½
Leh C & N Co	40	41	C T of N J 5s	—	80
Nor Pac com	6⅝	6⅞	U Gas Imp Co	64⅞	65⅛
Nor Pac pf	14⅝	15⅛	Weis Gas L Co	57⅝	59
Penn R R	51⅝	52	Elec St Bat pf	21	21⅝
P & R Stock	5 15-16	6	Elec St Bat pf	24	24½
P & R G M 4s	72⅛	73	P H L & P com	11⅝	11⅞
Phila Traction	65	65⅝	P H L & P pf	14⅝	14⅞
Union Traction	12⅝	13	Weis Com com	15	18
Elec & P T Cer	68½	68⅝	Weis Com pf	54	58
Met Traction	95½	96			

CLOSING PRICES OF BOSTON STOCKS.

Boston, July 17, 1896.

Yesterday.	To-day.		Yesterday.	To-day.
Mexican 4s	64½	64⅝	Boston W Power	30	30
Atchison P R	12	12⅛	Lamson Store	17⅝	17
Bost & Albany	207	207	Gen Electric	21⅛	21½
Bost & Lowell	207	208	do pref	60	55
Bost & Maine	154	154	U S Rubber	15½	15⅝
Bost & Prov	209	—	do pref	74	74
Chic Bur & Qy	67⅝	67½	Dominion Coal	8⅝	8½
Fitchburg pref	88	88	Allouez	1	1
Mass Cent pref	—	52½	Atlantic	16	16
Old Colony	176	176	Bost & Mont	83⅝	82⅝
Pullman Car	141	144	Butte & Bost	1½	1½
Wis Cent	1½	—	Cal & Hecla	300	300
West End pref	87	87	Franklin	8½	9
West End com	65	65½	Kearsarge	⅝	9½
Bell Phone	200	200	Osceola	21½	22
N E Phone	95	95	Quincy	112	112
Erie Phone	58	57½	Tamarack	76	76
Boston Land	4	4	Tamarack, jr	9	—

CLOSING PRICES OF CHICAGO STOCKS.

Chicago, July 17, 1896.

Yesterday.	To-day.		Yesterday.	To-day.
Am Strawboard	30	30	Int Pkg Co	24	23
C & C C & D Co	50	53	do pref	37	36
Brew & Malt Co	15	12	Mil & C Rr Co	14⅝	12
do pref	39⅝	35	do pref	35	35½
Chic City Ry	205	202	N Y Biscuit Co	91⅝	91½
Chic P & P Co	35	25	N Chic St R R	221	219⅝
C & S S R T Co	1½	1	Streets W S C L	13½	13½
Diamond Match	221½	222⅝	W Chic St Ry	99½	99½
Lake St Elev	18⅝	18⅝	West Stone Co	59	59
			Lake St E T certs	15⅛	15⅛

Friday, July 17—p. m.

Bear pressure was not so pronounced to-day and there was more support to the market, which, with covering of shorts, gave a better tone and made sentiment more cheerful among the timid ones in the early dealings. Opening prices were irregular at small declines from last night, and throughout the morning the market ruled irregular, with changes small, generally advances from first prices, but at the close the majority of stocks showed small net losses, due to a recession in the late trading. Gold to the amount of $2,000,000 was taken for export, and an effort was made to weaken the market on its account, but there was no response, and it looked as though the attempts to create fear over the gold-export movement were about played out. The demand in the foreign exchange market is not urgent, and it is doubtful if any large amount of the yellow metal will be sent abroad next week. There is a slight profit in sending gold to France, but it is not likely that the rates will hold strong enough to make such exports an object for any length of time. The decline in the price of the new Government bonds in the last few days to 111⅝@112¾ has made them extremely attractive to a large number of operators; also to investors, bond houses reporting considerable buying from this source on the decline. The result of such buying was reflected in the price of the bonds to-day, the quotations for the coupons standing at one time as high as 114, against 111⅝@112¾ yesterday, but they lost a part of the gain at the close, last quotations being 112@113 for the coupons and 112@112½ for the registered. Some of the buying of Governments was for the foreign account. In to-day's stock market arbitrage houses were again buyers, and prominent houses reported no disposition on the foreign bourses to take a pessimistic view of the situation here on account of the slump in prices in all classes of securities. A serious decline in values, like that of yesterday and Wednesday, is likely to be accompanied by considerable foreign liquidation; and that there was none may be accounted for by the insight the Europeans have of bear manipulation here and the confidence that the revolutionary programme of the Chicago Convention will not be received favorably by the voters of this country in November. It is interesting to note that in this week's slump there has been no disturbance in the money markets, and that while prices have declined from 2 to 7 per cent, the rate of call loans remained unchanged at 2@2½ per cent, with exceptions at 3 per cent. All branches of the money market are dull, and probably will remain so until general business picks up and the crops begin to move. The time money market was a trifle stronger to-day.

Transactions in stocks to-day showed a falling off in volume, the total business amounting to 261,944 shares, against 457,056 yesterday. The Industrials, Grangers, Louisville and Nashville and the Gould shares again furnished the largest part of the business, the total in these amounting to about three-quarters of all sales. The Vanderbilt shares were lightly dealt in, and inclined to weakness in the morning, but closed at small fractional gains, with the exception of Lake Shore, which lost 1 per cent, while the general railway list showed a stronger tendency throughout, and the recession at the close caused only slight fractional declines. Rumors about a new issue of Government bonds were persistently circulated again, and the heavy dealings in the new 4s were reported due to such rumors, in certain quarters, but a good outside demand for them, based upon the value of the bonds as a purchase at their present level, was the real cause of the increased transactions and advance. The reaction in the afternoon was general throughout the list, and was due to a falling off in demand from the "shorts." Among the principal shares where net declines were made there were none which suffered more than fractions, with the exception of Jersey Central, Lake Shore and Western Union. Atchison, Chesapeake and Ohio, Brooklyn Union Gas, Consolidated Gas, General Electric, Iowa Central, Laclede Gas, Louisville and Nashville, Missouri Pacific, New-York Central, Susquehanna and Western preferred, Northwestern, Pacific Mail, Southern Railway preferred and Tennessee Coal were among the stocks which showed net gains at the close.

Closing prices to-day of a number of active stocks compare with yesterday's as follows:

	July 16. Bid.	July 17. Ask.		July 16. Bid.	July 17. Ask.
Am Tobacco	58½	58⅝	M K & T pf	19⅛	19
Atchison	12⅛	12⅝	Manhattan	95	94⅞
do pref	17⅝	17⅞	N Y Central	94½	92
Burlington	68	67½	Northwest	98⅝	95
Canada South	45⅝	45	Pacific Mail	19⅝	19⅝
Cent of N J	92⅝	92½	Reading	12	12
Chicago Gas	54⅝	54	Rock Island	58	57⅝
Ches & Ohio	13⅝	13⅞	St. Paul	72⅛	71⅞

C C C & St L	23	24	Sugar Refining	104⅝	104⅝
Con Gas	144½	145⅛	Sus & West pf	17½	18⅛
Del & Hudson	117½	117	Southern Ry pf	21⅛	21½
Dist & Cat Fdg	11⅛	11⅝	Tenn Coal	17⅝	17½
Gen Electric	21⅛	21⅝	U S Leather pf	49⅝	49⅝
Laclede Gas	19	20	Union Pacific	6	6⅛
Lake Shore	141	140	Wabash pref	15⅛	15
Louis & Nash	46⅛	46⅝	Wheel & L E	8⅛	8⅝
Mo Pacific	18⅝	18⅝	West Union	79⅛	78

BONDS—THE MONEY MARKET.

Sales of Government bonds consisted of $51,000 coupon 4s of 1925 at 113¼, $63,000 at 113, $110,000 at 113½, $107,000 at 113¾, $10,000 at 114, $25,000 at 114¼, $10,000 at 113⅝, $10,000 registered 4s of 1907 at 106½, $2,000 coupon 4s of 1907 at 107½, and $40,000 coupon 5s at 111¾. Final quotations follow:

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
U. S. 4s, 1891, continued at 2	95	—	U.S. cur. 6s 1897	100½	—
U.S. 4s 1907 reg	106½	105⅝	U.S. cur. 6s 1898	103½	—
U.S. 4s 1907 cou	107½	108½	U.S. cur. 6s 1899	105½	—
U.S. 4s 1925 reg	112	113	Ches. 4s 1896	100	—
U.S. 4s 1925 cou	112	112½	Ches. 4s 1897	100	—
U.S. 5s 1904 reg	110½	111½	Ches. 4s 1898	100	—
U.S. 5s 1904 cou	111½	112¼	Ches. 4s 1899	100	—

In State issues there were sales of $10,000 Virginia 6s deferred trust receipts at 4.

Railway bonds were irregular, and exhibited less strength than stocks, final changes showing about an equal number of small net losses and declines. The features were the Northern Pacific, Reading and Atchison issues, Chicago and Northern Pacific first receipts, Southern Railway first 5s, and Kansas and Texas issues. The chief declines were in Atchison adjustment 4s, ⅝ to 33¾; Chicago and Northern Pacific first receipts, ¼ to 39¾; Rock Island extension 5s, ⅛ to 100; Denver and Rio Grande 4s, 1¼ to 87¾; Iowa Central first 5s, ¾ to 94¼; Kansas and Texas first 4s, 1 to 78; Northern