FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

New York Stock Exchange—Sales Sept. 15.

CLOSING PRICES OF UNITED STATES BONDS.

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
U. S. 2s, reg.	100	—	U. S. 6s, 1886	109¼	—
U. S. 4s, reg.	114	115¼	U. S. 6s, 1887	112¾	—
U. S. 4s, c.	115	115¾	U. S. 6s, 1888	115¾	—
U. S. 6s, 1895	107	—	U. S. 6s, 1889	118	—

RAILROAD AND OTHER BONDS (in $1,000s).

40 Atchison in	50¼	2 Norf. & W., M. & W. div.	91
10 "	50¾	15 "	90¾
5 Atchison in., T. R.	50	1 Norf. & W., N. R.	120¼
6 "	50¼	8 "	120½
2 Atl. & Pac. in.	111	7 N. Y. & S. 1st c. 4s	108¾
1 Am. U. O. 8s	111¾	2 N. J. Cent. gnl. 5s	111
3 "	111¾	5 N. Y. Cent. 1st, r.	124¾
3 "	111¾	5 "	124
2 Bur., C. R. & N. 1st	103	21 N. Y. C. ex. 5s	102
10 Bur., C. R. & N. C. T. 6s	98	11 N. Y. C. & St. L. 4s	97
7 Chi. & O. gnl. 4½s	80	1 N. W. ex. 4s	97
4 C., B. & Q. 7s	122¾	4 N. W. gold c. 5s	127
1 C., C., C. & I. 1st	116¾	3 N. Y., O. & W. cn. 5s	100¾
1 Can. So. 1st	105¾	5 "	100
1 Chic. & N. P. 1st	80	1 Oregon S. L. 6s	102¾
2 "	79¾	1 "	102¾
1 "	80	18 Oregon Imp. 5s	69
1 Ch. & E. Ill. gnl. 5s	100	3 Peo., D. & E. 1st	106¾
12 Chic. & Erie inc.	45¾	2 Penna. 4½s	108¾
5 C., C. C. & St. L.	80¾	1 Pitts. & Wn. 1st	84¾
3 Del., M. & N. lg.	41¾	16 Ill. & W. P. T. 5s	46
2 Dul. S. S. & At. 5s	101¾	1 Rock I. ex. 5s	109¾
2 Equit. G. & F. 5s	111¾	15 "	110
1 Ft. Smith 1st c.	101¾	4 Reading gnl. 4s	80¾
5 Fulton El. 1st	88	3 "	80¾
3 Genl. Elec. deb. 5s	103¾	3 "	80¾
4 H., H. & S. A. 2d	102¾	11 Reading 1st pf. in.	25
7 G., H. & S. A. 1st, W. div.	98¼	1 "	25
1 H. & T. C. gnl. 4s	80¼	4 "	24¾
3 Iron Mt. 5s	86	5 Reading 2d pf. in.	66¾
10 Int. & Gt. N. 6s, s.	78	25 Reading 3d pf. in.	50¼
2 Kan. Pac. con.	112	5 "	58¾
1 Kan. & Tex. 4s	70¾	10 "	58¾
2 "	70¾	15 "	58¾
14 Kan. & Tex. 2d s.	40¾	1 Reading 3d cnv.	69¾
6 "	40¾	2 Rich. & W. 1st	70
25 "	40¾	15 "	70¾
21 "	40¾	22 "	70¾
1 Kings Co. El. 1st	104¾	2 St. P. & Minn. cn.	121¾
1 "	104	10 So. P. of Ariz. 1st	102¾
1 "	104	10 St. P. & Ma. 2d	115¾
5 Ken. Cent. 1st	83¾	1 St. L. & S. F. cn 4s	68¾
1 "	83¾	10 St. P. 1st, C. & M.	102¾
1 L. E. & W. 1st	109	1 "	102¾
2 Lake Shore 1st, c.	119	1 St. L. & S. W. 1st.	80¾
1 L. N. R. H. & N. 1st	113	4 St. L. & I. M. 2d	30¾
8 Lou. & N. gd. 4s	79¾	5 Tex. Pac. 1st 5s	83¾
1 "	79	1 Tol., A. A. & C. 1st	97
2 "	79¾	4 Tol., St. L. & K. C. 1st	90
2 L., S. A. & Ch. cn.	102¾	1 "	90
2 L. & St. L. 5s	70¾	5 "	90
2 Met. El. 2d	108¾	5 "	90
8 Met. & O. 1st, new	117¾	216 U. P. gu. C. T. N.	93
2 Mich. Cent. 7s	121¾	1 U. P. L. & C. 1st	108
5 Mich. C. 6s, 1902	107	4 Wabash 1st	105
1 Mil. & L. S. cnv.	104¾	2 Wabash 2d	79¾
4 Nor. Pac. cn. 5s	74¾	2 Wab. deb. B.	21
5 "	74¾	30 West Shore 4s	102¾
10 "	73¾	5 West Shore 4s, r.	102¾
25 "	74	3 W., L. E. & P. con. 5s	73¾

Total sales of railway bonds (par value), $1,036,000.

RAILROAD AND OTHER SHARES.

Sales.		Opening.	High-est.	Low-est.	Closing. Bid.	Asked.
30	American Ex.	120	120	119	120	—
2030	Am. Cot. Oil	41	41¾	40¾	40¾	41¾
420	Am. Cot. Oil pf.	77	77	75	75	78
2845	Am. Tob. Tr. ctfs.	87¾	89¾	85¾	86¾	87¾
700	R., D. & S. W. pf.	49¾	49¾	49	49¾	50
610	Balt. & Ohio	94	94¾	93	94	94¾
1110	Can. Southern	54¾	55	54¼	54¾	55
14.00	Ches. & Ohio	21¾	21¾	21¼	21¾	21¾
5600	Chicago Gas	74	74	72	72	72¾
1100	Chi. & Alton	140	140	140	140	140
2075	C., C., C. & St. L.	66¾	66¾	66¾	66¾	66¾
5600	Chic. & N.W.	113¾	113¾	113	113	113¾
38.00	C., B. & Q.	98¾	99¾	98¾	99¾	99¾
6835	C., M. & St. P.	76¾	76¾	75¾	76¾	76¾
290	C., M. & St. P. pf.	124¾	124¾	124¾	124¾	124¾
20900	C., R. I. & Pac.	98¾	99	98	98	98¾
700	Chic. Junc. S.Y.	100	100	100	100	100
1400	Colorado Coal	37	37	36¾	36¾	36¾
100	Col., H.V. & Tol.	11¾	11¾	11¾	11¾	11¾
100	Col. Gas of N. J.	113¾	113¾	113¾	113¾	113¾
650	Consol. Gas	155	155	155	155	155
2750	Del. & Hudson	128	128	127	127	128
2800	Del., L. & W.	152	152¾	150¾	150¾	151
300	Den. & R. G. pf.	47¾	47¾	47	40¾	47¾
300	Distilling & C.F.	51¾	51¾	50¾	50¾	51¾
200	Edison El. Ill.	100	100	100	100	100
51	Flint & P. M.	18	18	18	18	20
450	Green Bay & W.	11¼	11¼	10¾	10¾	11
15	Green B. & Wip. pf.	24	24	24	24	24
5202	Lake Shore	111	111	110¼	110¼	110¾
150	Illinois Central	96¾	96¾	96¾	96	96¾
500	Iowa Central	10	10¾	10¾	10¾	10¾
100	Iowa Cent. pf.	36¾	36¾	36¾	35	37
100	Keo. & Des M.	6	6	6	6	6
	Lake Shore	130	130	127	127¾	127¾
400	Laclede Gas	2	2	1¾	1¾	2
9128	Louis. & Nash.	65¾	66¾	65¾	65¾	66¾
800	Louis., S. A. & C.	23	23	23	23	23
17005	Manhattan Con.	127¾	128¾	126¾	127¾	128
400	Mich. Central	104	104	103¾	103¾	104
7565	Missouri Pacific	48	48¾	47¾	47¾	48¾
100	Mo., K. & T.	14	14	14	14	14¾
100	Mo., K. & T. pf.	25	25	25	24¾	26
400	Mobile & Ohio	37	37	36¾	36¾	37
200	Nat. Starch	33	33	32	33	33
1000	Nat. Starch 1st pf.	102	102	102	98	103
50	N. Starch 2d pf.	56	56	56	56	60
6842	N. Y. Central	108¾	109¾	107¾	109¾	109¾
1100	N. York Gas	130¾	131	130¾	130¾	131
100	Natl. Cord. pf.	116¾	117	116	116¾	116¾
1405	North Amer.	12¾	12¾	12	12¾	12¾
10615	N. Y. & New Eng.	51¾	51¾	51¾	51¾	51¾
450	N. Y., L. E. & W.	16¾	16¾	15¾	15¾	16
100	N. Y., L. E. & W. 2d	33	33	33	33	33¾
20110	N. Y., L. E. & W. pf.	25	25	24¾	24¾	25
400	N. Y., L. E. & W. p.	61	61	61	61	61
700	N. Y., S. & W.	14¾	14¾	14¾	14	14¾
550	N. Y., S. & W. p.	63	63	63	62	65
10	Norf. & West.	150	150	150	150	150
1020	Northern Pac.	18¾	18¾	18¾	18¾	19¾
27700	North. Pac. pf.	51¾	51¾	51¾	51¾	51¾
200	Ohio Southern	28	28	40	40	41
115	Ontario & Min.	40¾	40¾	40	40	41
1320	Ontario & West.	17¾	17¾	17¾	17¾	18¾
50	Oregon Imp.	22	22	22	21	23
300	Oregon S. L.	21¾	21¾	21	21	21¾
200	Pacific Mail	39	39¾	38¾	38¾	39
40.00	Phil. & Read'g	5¾	5¾	5¾	5¾	5¾
500	Pull. Palace Car	192¾	192¾	192	192	192¾
100	P., C., C. & St. L.	19¾	20	19¾	19¾	20
100	Rio G. W. pf.	69¾	69¾	69¾	69¾	71
2010	St. L. & S. F.	8	8	7¾	7¾	8
250	St. L., W. & O.	110	110	109	109	112
610	St. L. & S. W. pf.	16¾	16¾	16¾	16¾	17
240	St. P. & Omaha.	48¾	49	48¾	48¾	49¾
400	St. P. & Om. pf.	111	111	111	111	111¾
300	Southern Pac.	34¾	34¾	34¾	34¾	35
100	Tenn. C. & I.	32	32	32	31¾	32
1615	Texas Pacific	9¾	9¾	9¾	9¾	9¾
100	Tol., A. A. & N. M.	25	25	25	25¾	25¾
10842	Union Pacific	50¾	51¼	50¾	50¾	50¾
310	U. Pac. D. & G.	7	7	6¾	6¾	7¾
1500	U. S. Express	58	58	58	57	60
23	W., Fargo Ex.	144	145	144	143	147
11385	West. Un. Tel.	94¼	95¾	94¼	94¾	94¾
700	Wh. & L. Erie	27¾	28	27¾	27¾	28
700	Wh. & L. E. pf.	68¾	68¾	68	68	68
100	Wis. Central	15¾	15¾	15¾	15	16

Total sales of stocks were 383,354 shares.

UNLISTED DEPARTMENT TRANSACTIONS.

Sales.		Open-ing.	High-est.	Low-est.	Clos-ing.
74198	Amer. Sug. Ref. Co.	106	108¾	105¾	107¾
1300	Amer. Sug. Ref. Co. p.	102¾	102¾	101	101
6202	Natl. Lead Co.	42	43	41¾	41¾
3572	Natl. Lead Co. pf.	102¾	102¾	102	102¾
800	Dul., S. S. & At.	12¾	12¾	12¾	12¾
20	Dul., S. S. & At. pf.	30¾	30¾	30¾	30¾
100	Tol., St. L. & K. C.	18	18	18	18
100	Chrysolite	22	22	22	22
2600	Comstock T. Co.	12	12	12	12
500	Horn Silver	3.60	3.60	3.50	3.50

BOSTON CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
Bos. & Maine	171	—	Bo.-Hous. E.	110¾	110¾
Central Mass.	15	16	Westhouse E.	37¾	37¾
Fitchburg	83	84	Boston & Mon.	215	216
Y. N. & N. E.	65	70	Calumet & H.	465	470
Mex. Cent. 4s	66¾	66¾	Calumet & H.	280	281
Old Colony	180	181	Santa Fe M. & O.	10	12
Am. Bell Tel.	202	202¾	A., T. & S. Fe	81	82
Erie Tel.	44¾	45	A., T. & S. Fe n.	56¾	56¾
New Eng. Tel.	57	—			

PHILADELPHIA CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
Lehigh Val.	58	58¾	Penna. R.R.	54¾	54
L. C. & Nav. Co.	53	53¾	Met. Traction	138	139

LATEST LONDON QUOTATIONS.

Atchison	57	Norfolk & West. pf.	39¼
Canadian Pacific	86¾	Northern Pacific pf.	82¾
Erie Common	26¾	Ontario & West	13¾
Erie 2d consols	106¾	Pennsylvania	75¼
Illinois Central	99	Reading	29¼
Kansas & Texas	14¾	Rio Grande	17¾
Lake Shore	133	Union Pacific	37¾
Lou. & Nashville	67¾	Wabash pf.	29¾
N. Y. Central	111¾		

THURSDAY, Sept 15.

The business of disseminating news of the cholera was assumed by the speculative element in Wall street to-day, and conducted with vigor. It is unnecessary to repeat any of the many reports and rumors that unquestionably originated on the floor of the Stock Exchange, and which fulfilled an important part in a fairly successful bear campaign. If the fact did not exist it would seem to be incredible that a body of men of the intelligence of the members of the Stock Exchange and their clients should be influenced in financial transactions as they were to-day by wild and untrue reports. If a personal canvass could be made of those who are interested in the security market it would doubtless be found that no one is really apprehensive of anything approaching prevalence of the epidemic in this city or country, but the admission would be general that each is fearful of the effect of the presence of cholera in the city upon the minds of others who are interested in the course of prices. In other words, the preponderance of sellers on the Stock Exchange to-day betrays the deference that each individual operator entertains for the sentiment of the speculative community as a whole.

An analysis of to-day's operations on the Stock Exchange shows that it was not the cholera scare that produced lower prices, but the manner in which yesterday's news of the presence of the disease in the city was utilized by leading bear operators. Not only was the heaviest and most effective selling by brokers who invariably act for those operators, but, what is more to the point, the decline was far from uniform, being most pronounced in stocks that received the greatest attention from the contingent referred to above. At the opening a number of selling orders were executed by commission houses, and these in the main came from out-of-town clients. Their execution had but little effect upon prices, and after they had been disposed of the market showed a disposition to rally. In that movement Western Union, Union Pacific, Reading, St. Paul, and Atchison were conspicuous, but before midday the bearish forces settled down to work in earnest, and in certain quarters attained substantial results, notably in St. Paul, Chicago, Burlington and Quincy, Sugar Refining, Northwest, Lackawanna, and New York Central. The dealings in the three last named were not extensive, and the indications are that they were manipulated down for effect upon the general list.

The greatest net loss was sustained by Sugar Refining, the dealings in which were abnormally large. The selling was based upon a report that the company is running short of raw sugars; and an official statement was given out that until the embargo on beet sugar is removed the company will supply its customers with refined pro rata. In the trade this action is regarded as premature, for it is estimated that the company has on hand sufficient raw sugar to enable it to continue refining on its present scale of operations for at least thirty days to come. It is also computed in the trade that, owing to recent advances in its price for refined sugars, the company is now making an average net profit of about $4.37 ℔ barrel. Owing to the smaller consumption of fruit, on account of the cholera, it is much more probable that the demand for refined sugar will fall off than that the company will run short of raw material.

As illustrating the important part that sentiment plays in speculation it may be noted that only a few weeks ago St. Paul common sold at 84¾ in expectation of the declaration of a 2 ℔ cent. dividend. Now that the dividend has been declared, but has not yet been deducted from the price of the stock, the street presses it for sale around 76, though there has been no perceptible change in the conditions affecting the property or in the outlook for it. Manhattan Railway furnishes another example of the inconsistency of the speculative community. A short time ago the street, under the lead of a much-advertised operator, was climbing for the stock in the neighborhood of 140, and apparently declined to accept as true denials of Mr. Gould and others largely interested in the property that the Metropolitan Traction syndicate was likely to take the control of the company from them. Now it is argued that if cholera gains a foothold in this city the traffic of the road will fall off materially, and the street sells the stock as if a vision of empty cars running up and down the city had become a reality. At such a time as this, when a handfull of well organized operators, with ample means and a keen knowledge of human nature is intent upon making a handsome turn upon the short side of the market because a pestilence has reached our shores, it would seem that the exercise of common sense in business transactions, as well as in sanitation, was desirable.

The net declines other than in the half-dozen stocks mentioned above were fractional and unimportant. A few stocks, most of them specialties, resisted the almost general tendency and closed at last night's figures or fractionally above them. Among these were Union Pacific, on account of the excellent showing for July, printed further on in this column, Western Union, C., C., C. and St. Louis, Canada Southern, Richmond Terminal, and the Wheeling and Lake Erie stocks. London took no active part in the market, but a somewhat better feeling is reported as existing there, on account of the cessation of the run upon the Birkbeck Bank. Sterling exchange continues weak and is quotably lower. Rates have now reached figures that would make further shipments of gold to meet the Austrian demand expensive operations; consequently none of the foreign bankers that have been engaged in exporting gold expects to receive orders to ship this week. The most encouraging view that can be entertained of to-day's market is that the decline, if continued, may soon reach figures that will attract actual buyers of securities to the Stock Exchange. The closing was heavy, at a slight recovery from the lowest prices.

Full sales compare with those of yesterday as follows:

	Sept. 14.	Sept. 15.		Sept. 14.	Sept. 15.
Atch., T. & S. Fe	36	35¾	Natl. Cord. pf.	116	116
Amer. Cot. Oil	41¾	41	North. Am. Co.	12¾	12¾
Can. Southern	54½	54¾	Northw. con.	113¾	111¾
C., C., C. & I.	80	80¾	North P. com.	18¾	18¾
C., C. & A.	66¾	66¾	North. Pac. pf.	51¾	51¾
Ches. & Ohio	22	21¾	N. Y. Central	109¾	107¾
Chicago Gas	72¾	72	N. Y. & N. E.	34¾	34¾
Del., L. & West.	152¾	151	Omaha com.	48¾	48¾
Del. & Hud.	128¾	125¾	Ont. & West.	17¾	17¾
Den. & R. G. pf.	48	47	Pacific Mail	39¾	39
Dist. & F. C.	21¾	20¾	Rock Island	77¾	77¾
Erie	24¾	24¾	Rich. & W. P.	7¾	7¾
Hocking Val.	21¾	21¾	Reading	29	28¾
Kan. & Texas	14¾	14¾	St. Paul com.	76¾	76¾
Kan. & T. pf.	25¾	24¾	St. Paul pf.	127	124¾
Louis. & Nash.	66¾	65¾	Texas Pacific	11¾	10¾
Lake Shore	129¾	127¾	Tenn. C., I. & R.	32	32
Lacclede Gas	2¼	2¼	Union Pacific	50¾	50¾
Manh. Con.	128	127	U. P., D. & G.	7¾	7¾
Mich. Central	105	104¾	West. Un. Tel.	94¾	94¾
Missouri Pac.	48¾	47¾	Wh. & L. E.	28¾	28
Natl. Cordage	131¾	130¾	Wh. & L. E. pf.	67¾	68

Government bonds steady at unchanged quotations. Railway bonds weak. The features were New York, Chicago and St. Louis 4s, Richmond and Terminal 5s, Rock Island extension 5s, Kansas and Texas and Reading issues. The more important net declines were in Kansas and Texas 4s, ½ ℔ cent., to 70¾, and 2ds, ¾, to 45¾; New York, Chicago and St. Louis 4s, ¾, to 97; Richmond and Terminal 5s, ¾, to 46; Rock Island extension 5s, ¾, to 108, and Reading 3d preference incomes, ¾ ℔ cent., to 58¾.

In bank stocks 20 shares of Western National sold at 120.

Silver bullion certificates for 2,000 ounces sold at 83¾. Bar silver in London, 38½d.

Money on call, 4½@5 ℔ cent. Time money, 5 ℔ cent. for sixty days and 6 ℔ cent. for four months and six months on good mixed Stock Exchange securities. Commercial paper dull. Prime endorsed bills receivable are quoted at 5@5½ ℔ cent.; first-class single name, four months, at 5½@6 ℔ cent.; good names at over 6 ℔ cent., and out-of-town names at 6@7 ℔ cent.

Foreign exchange weak. Posted asking rates for sterling were lowered ⅛ a cent per pound by some drawers, so that they are now $4.86½@$4.87; for long bills, and $4.88½@$4.89 for demand. Actual rates are: Long bills, $4.86@4.86⅛; sight drafts, $4.87½@$4.87¾, and cable transfers, $4.87¾@$4.88. Francs are quoted at 5.17½ for sight and 5.18¾ for long; reichsmarks, 95¼ for short and 95¾ for long; guilders, 40¼ for long and 40 5-16 for short.

Domestic exchange on New York: Boston—20@25 cents discount to par for cash. Charleston—Buying, ¼ discount; selling, par. Savannah—Buying, par; selling, ⅛@¼ premium. New Orleans—Bank, par; commercial, 125 discount. San Francisco—Sight, 5 cents; telegraphic, 10. St. Louis—30 cents discount bid; par asked. Chicago—70 cents discount.

The total amount of anthracite coal sent to market for the week ending Sept. 3 was 755,942 tons, an increase of 50,018 tons as compared with the corresponding week of last year. The total amount of anthracite mined thus far this year is 27,987,890 tons, an increase of 1,453,450 tons as compared with the corresponding period of last year.

The Louisville, New Albany and Chicago Railroad reports gross earnings for July of $204,256, an increase of $21,887 as compared with the same month of last year, and net, $106,650, an increase of $14,473.

The Union Pacific railway system reports gross earnings for July of $3,750,149, an increase of $166,861 as compared with the same month of last year, and net $1,508,982, an increase of $87,534. For the seven months ending July 2 the gross earnings were $23,728,423, an increase of $710,770 as compared with the corresponding period of last year, and net $7,432,751, an increase of $1,074,226. Companies composing the system report for July and the seven months ending July 31 as follows: Union Pacific, gross earnings for month of $3,615,358, an increase of $114,535 as compared with the same month last year, and net, $1,482,118, an increase of $354,409; Central Branch and leased lines, gross earnings for month of $91,432, an increase of $36,143, and net, $116,280, an increase of $12,011; Oregon Short Line, gross earnings for month of $63,201, an increase of $15,188, net $317,813, an increase of $67,849, and for the seven months gross earnings of $3,961,955, a decrease of $363,157 as compared with the corresponding period of last year, and net $1,558,352, a decrease of $105,143; Oregon Railway and Navigation Company, gross earnings for month of $383,465, a decrease of $23,163, net $148,746, an increase of $20,466, and for the seven months gross earnings of $2,943,940, a decrease of $134,153, and net $475,151, a decrease of $341,675; Union Pacific, Denver and Gulf, gross earnings for month of $480,972, a decrease of $49,417, net $140,955, an increase of $18,349, and for the seven months gross earnings of $3,265,891, an increase of $203,936, and net $680,143, an increase of $95,068; St. Joseph and Grand Island, gross earnings for month of $77,596, an increase of $7,539, net $17,871, an increase of $4,559, and for the seven months gross earnings of $545,730, an increase of $203,698, and net $217,174, an increase of $149,224.

Treasury balances compare with those of yesterday as follows:

	Sept. 14.	Sept. 15.
Gold coin and bullion	$114,356,668	$114,143,422
Silver coin and bullion	2,084,108	2,950,856
Legal tenders, including Treasury notes	14,053,426	14,710,387
Totals	$131,128,202	$131,784,665

Deposits in national banks, $11,402,536, against $11,086,408 yesterday. In addition to the foregoing the Treasury reports silver bullion purchased under the act of July 14, 1890, $110,412,010, and Treasury notes issued against the same, $110,313,280, of which $103,435,487 are outstanding.

Money in London, 3 ℔ cent. Rate of discount in the open market, for both short and three months' bills, 13-16@¾ ℔ cent. The Bank of England's minimum rate of discount remains unchanged at 2 ℔ cent. Amount of bullion gone into the Bank of England on balance to-day £17,000. The proportion of its reserve to liability is 48.05 ℔ cent., against 50.33 ℔ cent. last week, and 47.13 ℔ cent. last year. Bullion in the Bank of England increased last week £197,000, and reserve decreased £722,000. Paris advices quote 3 ℔ cents at 100 francs 57½ centimes, and exchange on London at 25 francs 11½ centimes. The weekly statement of the Bank of France shows an increase of 575,000 francs gold and a decrease of 3,375,000 francs silver.

The Homestake Mining Company has declared monthly dividend No. 170 of 10 cents per share (making $4,893,750) of its dividends to date, payable at the office of the transfer agents, Messrs. Lounsbery & Co., Mills building.

The sales of mining stocks at the New York Consolidated Stock and Petroleum Exchange to-day were as follows:

Sales.		Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
100	Belmont	30	30	26	26
200	Brunswick	10	10	10	10
200	Crown Point	80	80	80	80
1100	Comstock T. Co.	13	13	13	13
300	F. Jim Con.	25	25	25	25
100	Hale & Norcross	1 55	1 55	1 55	1 55
100	Sinbad	1 05	1 05	1 05	1 05
100	Small Hopes	95	95	95	95
100	Yellow Jacket	80	80	80	80

The total sales were 2,300 shares.

Electric Stock Quotations.

BOSTON, Sept. 15.—The closing quotations of electric stocks to-day were:

	Bid.	Asked.
Boston Electric Light Co.	11¾	11¾
General Electric	110¾	110¾
General Electric pf.		120
Westinghouse Electric	37¾	37¾
Westinghouse Electric pf.	49	50
Fort Wayne Electric	12¾	12¾
Fort Wayne Electric (A)	2¾	3
Thomson-Houston Trust (D)	7¾	8
Tesunsa Europ. Electric Welding	10	—

New York Markets.

THURSDAY, Sept. 15.—There was a light business in flour at weaker quotations, in sympathy with a decline in wheat. The receipts were 47,400 bbls., and the exports 18,500 bbls. Ale. The sales were 12,000 bbls. Winter in bbls. No grade, $1.75@1.85; fine, $1.80@$2; superfine, $2.10@$2.15; No. 2 extra, $2.25@$2.45; No. 1 do., $2.25@$2.60; clear, $3.40@$3.75; straights, $3.65@$4; patents, $4.10@$4.40. Michigan straights, $3.75@$4; city mills for West Indies, $4.25; "patents," $4.40@$5; rye flour, superfine, $3.40@$3.65; corn meal, Western, $2.90@$3.10; Brandywine, $3.25.

Grain—Wheat declined ⅛ to ¾c., owing to large receipts, weak cables, an increased crop in France, and cholera reports. The receipts at the ports were 450,000 bush., including 17 loads for export. Ungraded red, 76@78c.; No. 2 red afloat, 78¾c.; No. 2 hard winter, 79½@79¾c. The aggregate stock increased 402,824 bushels. These were the receipts: Chicago, 285,159 bush.; Milwaukee, 54,450; Minneapolis, 192,780; Duluth, 248,921; St. Louis, 42,000; Toledo, 174,941; Detroit, 43,015; New York, 457,200; Baltimore, 32,201; Philadelphia, 14,176; Boston, 35,160. Grand total, 1,659,422; total yesterday, 1,830,247; total last year, 1,330,981. Future sales, 970,000 bush., as follows:

	Opening.	Lowest.	Highest.	Closing.
September	77 15-16	77¾	78	77¾
October	79	78¾	79¼	78¾
November		80¾	80¾	80¾
December	82⅝	81 13-16	82⅝	81⅞
March		86¾	86¾	86¾
May	88¾	87⅞	88⅝	87⅞

Corn was ⅝c. to 1c. lower and more active on the spot. The weather at the West was warmer than had been expected, the cables were weaker, and the market was also affected by the cholera news. The sales were 210,000 bush., including 23 car loads for export, of which 130,000 bush. to arrive. No. 2 mixed afloat, 58⅝@58¾c.; do. for special October delivery, 57c.; No. 3 mixed, 55½c., afloat. Yellow in elevator, 55½@55¾c. The receipts at all points were 457,045 bush., including 81,900 here. Future sales, 765,000 bush., as follows:

	Opening.	Lowest.	Highest.	Closing.
September	55	55¾	55¾	55¾
October	55¾	55	55¾	55¾
November	55 5-16	55 13-16	56¼	56
December	56⅝	56⅝	56⅝	56⅝
May	57	57¼	57¼	57

Oats were fairly active and ⅛c. lower, in sympathy with corn. The receipts at all points were 554,048 bush., including 171,340 here. Future sales, 680,000 bush. September, 31½@31⅝c.; October, 38¾@38⅞c.; November, 39@39⅛c.; December, 40¾@40⅞c., and May, 42c., closing at the lowest prices. Rye was dull and nominal.

Provisions—Chicago was depressed partly on the cholera news and partly because of a decline in the corn and the large receipts of hogs, and New York was weak in sympathy with the Western markets. Lard was dull, 250 tcs. October sold at 7.05c., closing steady at 7.03c. for September and 7.06c. for October. Spot sales 100 tcs. city at 6.75@6.80c., and 500 tcs. Western at 7.00@7.05c. Dressed hogs, 7¾@7¾c. and pigs, 7¾c. Other provisions unchanged. Beef, quiet. Tallow quiet at 4⅛@4 9-16c. Eggs, 19@23c. State cheese, best, 10@10½c. Extra creamery butter, 24½@25c.; choice, 23c. Western, 19@22c. Lean pork, 7c.

Groceries—Coffee jobbers and others sold coffee futures with sufficient freedom to cause a decline of 20 to 30 points. Rio Janeiro and Santos were lower, but Rio at the close was firmer, and advances were made, leaving it lower. Hamburg was steady. London was slightly easier. The warehouse deliveries were 5,000 bags smaller than on the previous day. The close here was weak, with sales of 33,000 bags, including, as follows: September, 13.70@13.80c.; October, 13.55@13.60c.; November, 13.30@13.40c.; December, 13.25@13.30c.; January and February, 13.20@13.30c.; March, April, and May, 13.20@13.25c. Rio on the spot was quiet and weaker at 14½c. for No. 7, with sales of 5,000 bags, including 2,000 to arrive at 14¾c. and No. 8 Santos at 15¾c., cost and freight. Mills were quiet, with sales of 1,000 pieces. Raw sugar was in fair demand and firmer, but the bid for refined. The sales were 200 hhds. and 5,700 bags. Refined was in good demand and firm at unchanged prices.

Cotton—Everybody was surprised at the early advices from Liverpool, which made practically no response to the weakness here yesterday occasioned by the news of cholera in the city. Prices therefore moved up 1 to 3 points. The bulls were also encouraged by the spot sales in Liverpool of 15,000 bales, and more bullish advices from Liverpool followed. Liverpool declined 2-64d., and closed weak. Then the New York market took a downward turn, losing the early advance, and falling 3 to 4 points below the official closing price. A Memphis dispatch said that receipts were in circulation, but cotton operators were not disposed to pay much attention to reports which lacked official sanction. Later in the day there was some outside buying, some local covering, and not much disposition to sell. The market according ✓ became steadier, and at the close was about the same as last night. The New Orleans market was steady, higher; Galveston advanced 1-16c., and Augusta partially 1-16c.; Memphis was 1-16c. lower. Steady prices generally prevailed at the South. Spot quotations here were unchanged on the basis of 7 2-16c. for middling uplands, with sales of 100 bales for spinning. Silver was steady and unchanged. The receipts at the ports were still light, reaching 16,852 bales, against 8,617 b