FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

New York Stock Exchange—Sales Sept. 23.

UNITED STATES AND STATE BONDS (IN $1,000s).

$0 N. Car Sp'l tax, W. N. C. R.	34¾
7 Ark. 7s, M. & L.R.	10

CLOSING PRICES OF UNITED STATES BONDS.

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
U. S. 2s, r	100	—	U. S. 6s, 1896	100¼	—
U. S. 4s, r	113¾	115	U. S. 6s, 1897	112	—
U. S. 4s, c	114¾	116	U. S. 6s, 1898	115	—
U. S. 6s, 1895	107	—	U. S. 6s, 1899	117¼	—

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

1 Atchison 4s	83¼	2 Peo. & East. in	20¾
5	83	8	20
8	83¼	1 Penna. 4½s	106¼
10 Atchison in	58⅝	5 Rh. & W. P. T. 6s	70
25	58¼	2	70½
35	58⅝	3	70¾
5 Atchison in., T.R.	57⅝	12	70
50	57¾	4	38
2 Am. Dk. & Imp. 5s	106½	1 Rh. & W. P. T. 5s	47¼
10 Am. U. O. 8s	112	6	47¾
1 Chi. & W. Ind. gnl.	116	2	46½
30 Chi. & O. con. 5s	109¾	5	46¾
2	109¾	30	47
8 Chi. & O. gnl. 4½s	79¾	12	47¼
2	79¾	7	47⅜
1	79¾	7	48
1 Chi. & O. R. & A. 2d con.	78¼	5	44
3	79⅝	12	47⅜
5 Ch. & Alt. 1st	102	14 Rock I. ex. 7s	102⅝
12 C., B. & Q. 4s, D div.	92¾	10 Rock Isl. deb. 5s	105¾
3 C., B. & Q. deb. 5s	102	1 Reading gnl. 4s	73¾
6 Can. So. 2d	102	25 Reading 1st pf. in.	27
1	101⅞	5	26¾
8 Chic. & N. P. 1st	79⅝	16	26¾
1	79¼	20	27¼
5	78¾	20	27¼
5	78⅝	20 Reading 2d pf. in.	60⅝
87	79	20	57
1 Can. Pac. g. 6s	108	10 Reading 3d pf. in.	60⅝
1 Cen. Pac. 6s	109¾	5	60⅝
5 Cen. Pac. L. G. 5s	103½	5	60⅝
3 C. & E. Ill 1st	116½	5	60½
7	117	15	61¼
8 Ch. & E. Ill. gnl. 5s	101	20	61
1 Col. Coal 6s	102⅝	15	61¾
1 Ch., St. L. & N. O. 5s	117	20	61¼
58	117	2	62
10 Chic. & E. 1st	101⅝	85	61⅞
5 Den. & R. G. cn.	84	10	61¾
2 Det., M. & M. liq.	142¾	5	62¾
4	42¾	5	18¾
4	42¾	20	18¾
1 Hiz. L. & B. S. 1st	98¾	12 Rio G. & So. 5s	85
5 Erie cn. 2d	104⅝	5	85¾
8	105	10	85¾
8 Equit. G. & F. 1st	101	3 Rio G. W. 1st	79
2 Ft. Worth 1st	100¼	1 St. L. & I. M. 5s	82
1	100½	1 St. P. & Ma. 1st, M. C. 5s	102
20 G., H. & S. A. 1st, W. div.	88¾	1 St. P. & Ma. 1st, C. Ste. C.	114
8 Ga. So. & F. 1st	70	10 St. P. & Ma. cn. 6s	119
3 Hock. Val. 5s	94¼	1 St. L. & S. F. gnl. 6s	109
8	94	2 St. P., M. & P. div.	108
8	94¼	2 St. P. 1st C. & P., W. div.	100¼
8 Iron Mt., Ark. B.	104¾	20 St. L. & S. W. 2d	31
2 Ill. Cent. 3½s	93½	1 Security C. 6s	98¾
8 Int. & Gt. N. 1st, c. off	111½	8 Sav. & W. 1st	113¾
2	111½	3	71¼
12 Int. & Gt. N. 6s, s.	78¾	26	98¾
1 Kan. & Tex. 4s	79½	5	71¾
5	79¾	5	71¾
4	80	5	71¾
2 Kan. & Tex. 2d	46¾	5	71¾
2	46½	5	71¾
8	46¾	5	71¾
8 L. & N. N. & M. 5s	100¾	20	22¾
5 L. N. A. & Ch. gnl.	74¾	4	23
5	75	5	73¾
10 L. V. of N. Y. 1st	104	5	73¾
2 Le. St. L. & T. 1st	103¾	1 St. Jo. & G. I. 1st	103¾
2 Met. El. 2d	108	5	103¾
5	108¾	5 Tex. Pac. 1st 5s	83¾
8 Nor. Pac. 1st, r	110¾	10	83¾
74 Nor. Pac. cn. 5s	73¾	10 Tex. Pac. 2d in	31
85	72	17	30¾
11	71¾	5	30¾
1	71¾	1 Terre H. div.	45
1	71¾	1 Tol., A. A. & C. 1st	93
1	72¼	15 Tenn. C. I. & R. 6s, Bir. div.	92
62	72¾	5 U. P. g. 6s, C. T. N.	94¾
3 Nor. Pac. & M. 1st	93¾	2	93½
1 N. J. Cen. gnl. 5s	111¾	2 Un. Pac. C. T. 4½s	61
1 N. J. Cent. gnl. 5s	111¾	1	68
1 N. Y. C. 1st	124¾	1	68
2 N. Y. C. ex. 5s	102	1	68
6 N. Y., O. & W. r. 4s	82¾	1 Union El. 1st	115¾
1	82¾	7 U. P. D. & G. 1st	68¾
1	82¾	1	68¾
1 Or. R. & N. Con. 5s	108¾	4 Wabash 1st	108¾
1 Oregon S. L. 6s	103¾	1	105
2 Or. S. L. U. N. 1st	72	3	108¾
5 Oregon Imp. 5s	67	1	104¾
8	67¾	21 Wabash 2d	70¾
8 Peo., D. & E. 2d	25¾	2 West Shore 4s	102¾
5	70¾	5	102¾
38 Peo. & East. 1st	82	5 W. N. Y. & Pa. 2d	32¾

Total sales of railway bonds (par value), $1,577,000.

RAILROAD AND OTHER SHARES.

Sales.		Open-ing.	High-est.	Low-est.	Clos-ing. Bid.	Asked.
250	Amer. Tob. pf.	101	101	100½	102	102
200	American Ex.	121	121	121	120	125
1697	Am. Cot. Oil	43¾	44¾	43¾	44	44¼
300	Am. Cot. Oil pf.	80	80	80¼	81¼	—
24564	Atch., T. & S. F.	57⅝	58	57	57¾	58
150	Buff., Roch. & P.	87½	87½	87	87	38
100	B. & O. S. W. pf.	5	5	5	4¾	5¼
400	Balt. & Ohio	94¼	94¼	94¼	94¼	94¾
500	Can. Southern	56½	57¼	56½	56¾	57¼
2350	Ches. & Ohio	22½	23½	22½	23	23¼
1075	Chicago Gas	81½	82	81½	81½	81¾
630	C., C., C. & St. L.	61	61¾	61	61¾	61¾
2800	Chic. & N. W.	113⅞	114⅝	113⅞	114¾	114¾
7455	C., B. & Q.	96½	98¼	96½	97¾	97¾
18885	C., M. & St. P.	79⅝	79⅝	78¾	78¾	78¾
200	C., M. & St. P. pf.	126¾	126¾	126¾	126¾	126¾
6498	C., R. I. & Pac.	79½	80¼	79½	80	80¼
133	Col. Fuel	80	80	80	81	—
200	Col. Fuel pf.	105	105	105	107	110
3680	Colorado Coal	40¼	40¾	40	40¼	40¾
500	Col., H. V. & Tol.	32	32¾	32	32¾	32¾
200	Cit. Gas of B.	113½	113½	113½	113½	114
200	Consol. Gas Co.	135¾	135¾	135¾	135¾	137½
500	Del. & Hudson	133	133½	132½	132½	133
8300	Del., L. & W.	154¾	156	154¼	155¾	155¾
100	Den. & R. G.	9½	9½	9½	9½	9½
10824	Distilling & C.F.	54¾	54¾	53¾	53¾	53¾
100	E. T., V. & G.	5½	5½	5½	4¾	5½
100	E. T., V. & G. pf.	10	10	10	10	11
168	Edison E. Ill.	104½	104½	102	103	103
100	Gt. North. pf.	137½	137½	137½	135	140
3550	Gen. Elec.	114¾	114¾	114¾	114¾	114¾
400	Iowa Cent. pf.	35½	35½	35½	35½	35½
215	L. E. & W. pf.	75½	75½	75½	75½	75½
3100	Lake Shore	129¾	130¾	129¾	130	130¼
400	Laclede Gas	22½	23	22½	23	23
26040	Lous. & Nash.	65¾	66¾	65¾	65¾	65¾
125	Louis., N. A. & C.	24	24	24	24	24
1570	Manhat'n con.	131¼	131¾	131	131	131¼
100	Mich. Central	109¾	109¾	109	109	109
200	Minn. & St. L.	10¾	10¾	10¾	10¾	10
500	Minn. & St. L. p.	45	46¾	45	45¾	46¾
1700	Missouri Pacific	59¾	60¾	59¾	60¾	60¾
100	Mo., K. & Tex.	14	14	13¾	13¾	14¼
10	Nat. Starch 1pf.	102	102	99	102	—
200	Nat. Starch 2pf.	101	100¾	99	101	—
2225	N. J. Central	113¾	113¾	111¾	112¾	113
9635	N. Y. Central	109½	110¼	109¼	109¾	110¼
275	Natl. Cordage	132¾	133¾	132¾	133	133¾
1340	Natl. Cord. pf.	119¾	121¾	119¾	121¾	121¾
450	North Amer.	3¾	3¾	3¾	3¾	3¾
21600	N. Y. & New Eng.	36¾	37¾	36¾	37	37¾
450	N. Y., C. & St. L.	16	16¾	16	16¾	16¾
5	N. Y., C. & St. L. 2d	94	94	93¾	93¾	93¾
8720	N. Y., L. E. & W.	25¾	26¾	25¾	26	26
400	N. Y., L. E. & W. p.	63	63¾	63	63	64
4670	N. Y., S. & W.	15¾	16¾	15	15¾	16¾
100	N. Y., S. & W. p.	66	66	66	65¾	66
200	Norf. & West.	9	9¾	9	9	10
100	Norf. & W. pf.	37½	37½	37½	37½	38¾
975	Northern Pac.	18¾	18¾	18¾	18¾	18¾
2640	North. Pac. pf.	48¾	48¾	48¾	48¾	48¾
800	Ontario & West.	18¾	18¾	18¾	18¾	18¾
700	Pacific Mail	39	39¾	39	39¾	39¾
32175	Phil. & Read.	5¾	5¾	5¾	5¾	5¾
400	P., C., C. & St. L.	21	21¾	20¾	21	21
450	P., C., C. & St. L. p.	58¾	61¾	58¾	58¾	61
6170	Rich. & W. P.	8¾	9¾	8¾	9	9¾
600	R. & W. P. pf.	40	43¾	40	43¾	44
300	R., W. & O.	111½	111½	111½	111	112½
300	St. L. & S. W. pf.	16¾	16¾	16¾	16¾	17
300	St. P. & Duluth	41	40¾	40¾	40¾	41¾
5200	St. P. & Omaha	50¾	51¾	48¾	51¾	51¾
600	St. P. & Om. pf.	118¾	119¾	118¾	119½	120
200	Southern Pac.	35¾	36	35¾	35¾	36¾
1700	Tenn. C. & I.	34	34	33¾	33¾	34
1500	Texas Pacific	11¾	11¾	11¾	11¾	11¾
300	Tol., A. A. & N. M.	26¾	27	26¾	27	27¾
8500	Union Pacific	57¾	58¾	57¾	58¾	58¾
100	U. P., D. & G.	7¾	7¾	7¾	7¾	7¾
600	W., St. L. & P. p.	23¾	24¾	23¾	24¾	24¾
1610	West. Un. Tel.	95¾	95¾	95¾	95¾	95¾
3050	Wab. & L. Erie	20¾	20¾	20¾	20¾	20¾
400	Wh. & L. E. p.	68¾	69	68¾	69¾	69

Total sales of stocks were 638,545 shares.

UNLISTED DEPARTMENT TRANSACTIONS.

Sales.		Open-ing.	High-est.	Low-est.	Clos-ing.
1056	Amer. Sug. Ref. Co.	108¾	109¾	108¾	109¾
33	Amer. Sug. Ref. Co. p.	104¾	104¾	104¾	104¾
700	Natl. Lead Co.	43¾	43¾	43¾	43¾
267	Natl. Lead Co. pf.	94¾	94¾	94¾	94¾
75	Dul., S. S. & Atl. pf.	31¾	31¾	31¾	31¾
100	Enterprise Mining	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00
1800	Phenix of Ariz.	.57	.58	.57	.58

BOSTON CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
Bos. & Albany	203	—	New Eng. Tel.	77	—
Bos. & Maine	174¾	176	Bo'ton El.	114¾	114¾
Central Mass.	16	16½	West'house E.	37¼	37¾
Fitchburg	84	84¾	West End Land	1¾	1¾
N. Y. & N. E.	50	50¾	Mex. Mon.	30¾	31¾
Mex. Cent. 4s	66¾	—	Butte & Boston	75	—
Old Colony	180¾	182	Calumet & H.	278	280
Wis. Cent. pf.	—	50	Santa Fe M. Co.	10	12½
Am. Bell Tel.	200	—	A. T. & S. Fe	57¾	—
Erie Tel.	45½	46	A. T. & S. Fe m.	58¾	58¾

PHILADELPHIA CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
Lehigh Val.	59¾	60½	Penna. R. R.	55¾	55¾
L. C. & Nav. Co.	53¾	—	Met. Traction	140¼	—

LATEST LONDON QUOTATIONS.

Atchison	37⅞	Norfolk & West. pf.	30
Canadian Pacific	85¾	Northern Pacific pf.	59
Erie Common	26⅝	Ontario & West.	8¾
Erie 2d consols	107¾	Pennsylvania	55⅞
Illinois Central	99	Reading	29
Kansas & Texas	14¾	St. Paul	80¾
Lake Shore	132¾	Union Pacific	39
Lou. & Nashville	67	Wabash pf.	24¾
N. Y. Central	112		

FRIDAY, Sept. 23.

Nearly 100,000 full shares of Reading were traded in on the Stock Exchange to-day within a range of 2¾ ₱ cent., and with the net result of leaving the price 1¾ ₱ cent. higher than last night. The action of the stock was generally regarded as confirmatory of current reports that the differences between the Reading and the Pennsylvania Railroad companies are in a fair way of being adjusted. Unfortunately no other corroborative evidence as to the accuracy of those reports has yet come to hand. The establishment of entirely harmonious relations between the two corporations is not improbable. The magnitude of the two systems is such that a contest between them for supremacy would be disastrous to both; and as each is controlled by conservative and experienced managers such an event is hardly worth considering seriously.

It is a question whether the speculative community has not magnified and attached too much importance to the chagrin of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company at the increasing prosperity of its neighbor. It is worth remembering, also, that the two are not in sharp competition in the lines in which they are respectively most largely engaged. The bulk of the Reading's business consists of the mining and transportation of coal and local traffic, whereas the Pennsylvania is not a miner of coal and transports only a small proportion of the total output of that product, but handles a large through business in both its freight and passenger departments, and enjoys a local patronage which the Reading cannot touch. In view of these circumstances it seems preposterous to regard the friction that has recently developed between the two relative to joint rates on anthracite as the precursor of something approaching a railroad war in the ordinary acceptance of the term.

At the start the stock market showed some hesitancy, but when Reading resumed its advance, and C., B. and Quincy developed exceptional strength, the remainder of the list fell into line and the result was a strong and active market. The only noteworthy exceptions to the first condition were Louisville and Nashville, Distilling and Cattle Feeding, and Erie. The attempt to work up a market for the last named appears to have been abandoned, or at least deferred. Louisville and Nashville, which ranked second to Reading in point of activity, though far behind it, was sold with a good deal of confidence by the professional element. No reason for the selling was advanced, except that the stock was found to be without any support worthy of the name. The decline in Northern Pacific preferred appears to have attracted some buying other than from the short interest. The stock rallied a point, but the improvement was not maintained. The ease with which Chicago, Burlington and Quincy has recovered from the attack upon it yesterday morning seemed to inspire a more confident feeling relative to the entire Granger group. Rock Island and Omaha common, particularly, reflected the more bullish sentiment.

Now England was a feature. The market for it did not betray any disappointment on the part of those most largely interested in the company, because of the difficulty they are experiencing in perfecting a new issue of bonds, with the proceeds of which they propose to build up the property. It is known that the new management is making a careful study of the traffic of the road and the possibilities of increasing it, both locally and in connection with facilities offered it through the medium of the Poughkeepsie Bridge. It is authoritatively stated that already the local traffic of the road has begun to show the effects of energy and experience in the management.

Of stocks that were not extensively dealt in, Sugar Refining, Rock Island, Missouri Pacific, Lackawanna, and National Cordage made the best showing. They closed at an average net advance of 1 ₱ cent. National Cordage sold at the highest price it has yet touched. The closing was firm, at a moderate reaction from the best prices.

Final sales compare with those of yesterday as follows:

	Sept. 23.	Sept. 22.		Sept. 23.	Sept. 22.
Atch., T. & S. F.	57	57½	North. Pac. pf.	48¾	48¾
Amer. Cot. Oil	43¾	44	N. Y. Central	109⅞	110
Can. Southern	56⅝	57¼	N. Y. & E.	36½	37
C., C. & St. L.	61	61¾	Penna. R. R.	55¾	55¾
C., B. & Q.	96⅝	97¾	Reading	27	27¾
Ches. & Ohio	22¾	23¼	Omaha com.	50¾	51¼
Colorado Coal	40	40¾	Omaha pf.	118¾	119½
Chicago Gas	81½	81¾	Ontario & W.	18¾	19
Del., L. & W.	154¾	155¾	Oregon Imp.	30	30½
Del. & Hud.	132¾	133¾	Rock Island	112¾	113¾
Dist. & C. F. Co.	54¾	55¾	Rich. & W. P.	8¾	9½
Erie	26¾	26¾	Reading	58¾	58
Louis. & Nash.	65¾	65¾	St. Paul com.	78¾	79
Lake Shore	129	130½	St. Paul pf.	125¾	126¼
L. E. & W. pf.	75¾	75¾	Texas Pacific	11½	11¾
Manh. Con.	130¾	131¾	Union P., L. & R.	34	36
Mich. Central	108¾	109¼	Union P., D. & G.	7¾	7¾
Missouri Pac.	59¾	60¾	Wab. & Pac. pf.	24¾	24¾
Nat. Cordage	132	133¾	West. Un. Tel.	95¾	95¾
Natl. Cord. pf.	119¾	121¾	Wh. & L. E.	20¾	20¾
North Am. Co.	12½	12¾	Wh. & L. E. pf.	67¾	69
Northw. com.	114	114¾			

Government bonds steady at unchanged quotations. Railway bonds strong. The features were Chicago and North Pacific 1sts, Chicago and Erie 1sts, St. Louis and Southwestern 2ds, Savannah and Western 1sts, Atchison, Reading and Richmond and Terminal issues. The more important net advances were in Atchison general 4s, ⅝ cent, to 88¼; Chicago and Erie 1sts, ¾, to 101½; Richmond and Terminal 6s, 2½, to 78, and 5s, 1¼, to 47¼; Reading 2d preference incomes ½, to 70; 3d preference incomes, ¾, to 61¼, and deferred incomes, ¼, to 18¾; St. Louis and Southwestern 2ds, ¼, to 70¼, and Savannah and Western 1sts, ¾, to 112¾ ₱ cent., to 73½. Chicago and North Pacific 1sts declined ½ ₱ cent., to 79.

In bank stocks 10 shares of Hanover sold at 340.

Silver bullion certificates for 30,000 ounces sold at 83½. Bar silver in London, 38¾d. The offers to sell silver bullion to the Government aggregated 512,500 ounces. The amount purchased was 337,000 ounces, as follows: 100,000 ounces at ₱0.8378 and 237,500 ounces at ₱0.8398.

Money on call, 3@3½ ₱ cent. Time money is 4½ ₱ cent. for sixty days and 5 ₱ cent. for four months and six months on good mixed Stock Exchange securities. Commercial paper in better demand, with a few city banks the principal buyers. Prime endorsed bills receivable sell at 5@5½ ₱ cent.; first-class single names, four months, at 5½@6 ₱ cent.; good names and out-of-town names at 6@7 ₱ cent.

Foreign exchange firm. An easier money market has stimulated buying by importers, and at the same time the supply of bills of all kinds has fallen off. Posted asking rates for sterling, $4.89½ for long bills, and $4.88 for demand. Actual rates are: Long bills, $4.87½@$4.87¾; sight drafts, $4.89½@$4.89¾; cable transfers, $4.87¾@$4.87⅞. Francs are quoted at 5.19¼@5.18¾ for long and 5.17½ for sight; reichsmarks, 95¼@95⅛ for long and 95⅝ for short; guilders, 40¼ for long and 40 5-16 for short.

Domestic exchange on New York: Boston—10@17 cents discount for cash. Charleston—Buying, ⅛ discount; selling, par. Savannah—Buying at ¼ off; selling, ⅛ discount to par. New Orleans—Bank, par; commercial, 100 discount. San Francisco—Sight, 10 cents; telegraphic, 15. St. Louis—75 cents offered. Chicago—50 cents discount.

The Proctor & Gamble Company has declared the regular quarterly dividend of 2 ₱ cent. upon its preferred stock, payable Oct. 15.

The total amount of anthracite coal sent to market for the week ending Sept. 17 was 1,030,248 tons, an increase of 100,570 tons as compared with the corresponding week of last year. The total amount of anthracite mined thus far this year is 28,624,054 tons, an increase of 1,563,029 tons as compared with the corresponding period of last year.

Railroads in this State belonging to the Delaware and Hudson Canal Company's system report for the year ending June 30 as follows: Albany and Susquehanna, gross earnings, $3,880,464; operating expenses, $2,198,763; net earnings, $1,681,671; fixed charges, $1,176,018; surplus for year, $505,653; total surplus, $2,182,297. New York and Canada, gross earnings, $954,385; operating expenses, $775,385; net earnings, $218,000; fixed charges, $310,746; loss for year, $92,237; total deficit, $67,051. Rensselaer and Saratoga, gross earnings, $2,563,732; operating expenses, $1,581,604; net earnings, $982,128; other income, $9,545; fixed charges, $1,178,884; deficit for year, $187,210; total deficit, $630,000.

The Treasury statement issued to-day shows an increase in the net gold held in the Treasury since Sept. 19 of $2,250,000, making the total $116,560,659. The receipts from customs at New York from Sept. 1 to Sept. 20 was $6,044,000, as against $6,531,757 for the like period of last November, showing an increase, due to the existence of quarantine.

Treasury balances compare with those of yesterday as follows:

	Sept. 23.	Sept. 22.
Gold coin and bullion	$116,560,659	$116,456,875
Silver coin and bullion	27,526,988	25,606,175
Legal tenders, including Treasury notes	11,065,040	11,775,944
Totals	$155,311,787	$153,838,994

Deposits in national banks, $11,072,149, against $10,741,291 yesterday. In addition to the foregoing the Treasury reports silver bullion purchased under the act of July 14, 1890, $111,225,442, and Treasury notes issued against the same, $110,845,220, of which $105,640,128 are outstanding.

Money in London, ½ ₱ cent. Rate of discount in the open market, for both short and three months' bills, 1 1-16@1 ⅛ ₱ cent. Amount of bullion gone into the Bank of England on balance to-day, £10,000. Paris advices quote 3 ₱ cents at 100 francs 82½ centimes, and exchange on London at 25 francs 20 centimes. The weekly statement of the Bank of France shows an increase of 4,650,000 francs gold, and a decrease of 125,000 francs silver.

The business failures of the last seven days, as reported to R. G. Dunn & Co., number for the United States, 188, and for Canada, 23, a total of 211, as compared with totals of 182 last week, and 179 the week previous to the last. For the corresponding week of last year the figures were 244, representing 210 failures in the United States, and 34 in the Dominion of Canada.

Mr. B. Stikeman, for several years first agent of the Bank of British North America in this city, has been made assistant general manager of the head office of the Bank of Montreal, and Mr. W. Lawson, for ten years past first agent of the bank at San Francisco has been appointed first agent of the branch in this city.

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

Sales.		Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
3100	Comstock T. Co.	14	14	14	14
1000	Con. Cal. & Va.	4 90	4 90	4 90	4 90
500	Crown Point	25	27	25	27
100	Mexican	2 20	2 20	2 20	2 20
200	Plymouth	50	50	50	50
100	Phoenix of Arizona	58	58	57	57
100	Sierra Nevada	2 80	2 80	2 80	2 80
100	Union	1 85	1 85	1 85	1 85
100	Yellow Jacket	1 30	1 30	1 30	1 30

The total sales were 4,550 shares.

Electric Stock Quotations.

BOSTON, Sept. 23.—The closing quotations of electric stocks to-day were:

	Bid.	Asked.
General Electric	114¾	114¾
Westinghouse Electric	37¾	37¾
Westinghouse Electric pf.	49¾	50
Detroit Electric Works	40	—
Fort Wayne Electric	12¾	12¾
Thomson-Houston Trust (D)	7¾	8

NEW YORK MARKETS.

FRIDAY, Sept. 23.—The low grades of flour were still to a great extent neglected, but there was a fair demand for the higher grades. Prices were generally unchanged. The sales were 15,900 bbls. The receipts were 27,700 bbls, and the exports 28,000 bbls, 50,000 spring in bbls. Fine, $1.70@$1.90; superfine, $1.80@$2; No. 2 extra, $1.35@$2.30; No. 1 extra, $2.40@$3.10; clear, $3.10@$3.40; straights, $4@$4.30; patents, $4.25@$4.60.

GRAIN—Wheat declined ¼c, owing to warm weather at the West, larger receipts than had been expected, a falling off in the export demand, small clearances, and reports that large Chicago operators were selling. The reports that large Chicago operators were selling, however, was the occasion of a comparatively small speculation, however, was the occasion of a comparatively small scale. Nothing has transpired to give the Anti-option bill increased trading in futures. The spot sales were 150,000 bush. choice red, affloat, Rio, steamer, No. 3 red, 90c; sample red, 1 car, 87½c; delivered at store; ungraded red, 77@81c; No. 2 red, 87½c; delivered at store; ungraded red, 77@81c; No. 2 red in car lots, 90c; red in elevator, 73c. No. 2 red in car lots, 77@79c; in elevator, 72c. Exporters took 48,000 bush. Futures were the reverse at Chicago, 386,440 bush. Milwaukee, 42,500; Minneapolis, 240,000; Duluth, 285,000; St. Louis, 15,000; Toledo, 108,000; Detroit, 7,000; N. Y. Central, 22,000; total, 1,296,940. Pit sales, 1,000,000. Total, 2,296,940. Chicago, 33,745; grand total, 1,342,685; total yesterday, 1,836,435; total last year, 1,445,585 bush. Future sales, 1,150,000 bush., as follows:

	Opening.	Lowest.	Highest.	Closing.
September	78¾	78¾	78¾	78¾
October	79¾	79⅝	79¾	79⅝
November	81⅛	81	81⅛	81
December	82⅝	82⅛	82⅝	82⅛
May	89	88¼	89	88¾

CORN dropped ½c, owing to liberal receipts and exceptionally favorable weather at the West. The spot sales were 136,000 bush, including 11,000 bush delivered part of the contract for October delivered and 5½c. in elevator; ungraded, 73@74c. The total receipts were 611,512 bush, including 116,000 bush here. The future sales were 952,000 bush, as follows:

	Opening.	Lowest.	Highest.	Closing.
September	53¾	53	53⅛	53
October	53	52¾	53⅛	53
November	53¾	53⅛	53⅝	53⅝
December	54⅛	53⅝	54⅛	54⅛
May	56⅝	56⅛	56⅝	56⅝

OATS closed ¼c. with a fair business. The decline was due to very favorable weather at the West and good receipts, as well as a fair export demand. The spot sales were 129,000 bush. No 2 white, 35@35¼c; No. 3 white, 35@35½c; No. 2 white for October, 34¾@35c; No 3 do, 33¾@34c; No. 2 white for December, 35¼@35½c; No. 3 do, 34¾@35c. The total receipts were 512,000 bush, including 116,000 bush here. The future sales were 340,000 bush, as follows:

	Opening.	Lowest.	Highest.	Closing.
September	32⅝	32⅝	32⅝	32⅝
October	33¾	33¾	33⅞	33¾
November	33⅝	33⅝	33⅝	33⅝
December	34⅝	34⅝	34⅝	34⅝
May	37	36¾	37	41¾

PROVISIONS—The clique at Chicago gave support to short pies and other products, and here lard was stronger though now of sale. The spot sales were 200 tcs, 750 tcs, 1,000 tcs, 1,500 tcs, 2,000 tcs, 2,500 tcs. The future sales were 250 tcs December at 7.05c, closing sellers, with September, 7.15c; October, 7.25c, and January, 7.10c. Pork dressed hogs, 7½c. Beef and provisions were steady or firm, with a moderate business. Tallow quiet at 4¾c. Stearine, 8¼c; in bbls, 9½c. Lard, 6¾@7c. State cheese, 10@10½c, for the best. Extra creamery butter, 24½@25c.

GROCERIES—Coffee futures again had a disagreeable taste for the bears, for the fourth consecutive day experience showed that in the last few weeks, what with big deliveries, small Brazilian receipts, higher European markets, rising spot quotations, and the knowledge that the Brazilian Government is merciful to their unfortunate opponents, toward the close part of to-day's advance of 10 to 15 points was lost, owing to large selling and a turning out in the demand from the short side of the exchange, as higher. The sales here were 40,000 bags Havre, Hamburg and London were all materially higher. There were the closing prices here: September, 14.30@14.35c; October, 14.30@14.35c; November, 14.30@14.35c; December, 14.20@14.25c; January, 14.15@14.20c; February, 14.10@14.25c; March, 14.10@14.25c; April, 14.10@14.25c. Spot Rio and July, 14@14.10c. Rio on the spot was firm at 15¾@15¾c for No. 7, with sales of 5,000 bags, including No. 7 to arrive, at 15¾c. No. 7 for wants at 15¾c. Mild cocoa was quiet, with sales of 300 bags. Raw sugar was quiet, but firm, at 2@3¾c for 96° test. Refined was in fair demand and firm at unchanged prices.

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