PRESBYTERIAN ASSEMBLY.

MODERATOR WITHROW PLEADS FOR A WEEK OF HARMONY.

A Proposition to Sell the Costly Mission House and Return to 53 Fifth Avenue Is Received with Much Applause—Young People's Societies Are Again Discussed.

SARATOGA, N. Y., May 25.—The General Assembly resumed its business sessions today with the usual half hour's devotional exercises.

Moderator Withrow appealed to the Commissioners in the Assembly to strive during the coming week to be harmonious. He based this appeal upon the great number of telegrams which had come to him urging peace and harmony in the deliberations of the assembly. He said that thirty or forty such telegrams had been received by him this morning, and he declared that if the week should pass without a clash of opposing parties in the assembly, the Church would be more pleased thereat than with anything else that could be done.

The report of the special committee on young people's societies was again taken up. Chairman Breed had the floor. This matter was raised at Pittsburgh by a request for the formal endorsement of the Christian Endeavor Union and for the establishment in the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian House of a young people's societies headquarters, with a Board and secretaries. A special committee was appointed at Pittsburgh and a report was prepared adverse to the proposals. A plan for the supervision and government of such societies as already exist in the church was prepared by the committee and reported to the present assembly. The Christian Endeavor forces were mustered to protect their interests in the assembly when this question should be considered.

Last week the assembly defeated one important provision in the report, the proposed plan for Presbyterian unions of young people's societies. They also adopted a clause forbidding the introduction of politics into the societies. The consideration of a proposal to prepare a plan for union of all Presbyterian young people's societies was then taken up.

The Rev. Dr. Lane of Westchester county opposed the clause under consideration and argued for the discharge of the committee, on the ground that the proposal of denominational young peoples' societies to take the place of the Christian Endeavor was unnecessary, unwise, and alien to the cause of the Church. Dr. Erdede defended the report. The Assembly adjourned for recess with the report still under consideration.

At the afternoon session Dr. William H. Hubbard of Auburn, editor of the *Assembly Herald*, obtained the floor to read a series of propositions in regard to the Presbyterian Mission House. The first proposal recited that at Bar Harbor last September, John S. Kennedy, in conversation with Dr. Hubbard and Secretary Roberts of the Home Board, proposed that, if the Church was not entirely satisfied with the new building as an investment, and did not care to continue to own the same, he was perfectly willing to purchase it at the price of its cost. Dr. Hubbard explained that Mr. Kennedy was out of reach of the telegraph and that a renewal of this proposition was not possible.

The second proposition was from Miss Rachael L. Kennedy to the effect that if the Boards of Home and Foreign Missions return to and occupy 53 Fifth avenue as their official home, in the confident hope that the Boards will continue to occupy the same as their permanent home, she will alter, enlarge, or improve the premises by changes or additions thereto so as to make them abundantly adequate to all their needs, provided this offer is accepted by the Boards on or before Sept. 1, 1896. In view of these two propositions, Dr. Hubbard offered for adoption the following:

Whereas, The General Assembly feels that such an expensive piece of property might be the cause of great anxiety to the Boards of Home and Foreign Missions in the management and disposition of the same, and that its continued ownership might not prove to the best interest of the causes represented by the Boards; and

Whereas, The General Assembly further feels, from assurances from all parts of the Church, that contributions to the great causes of home and foreign missions are being affected by the Boards' being responsible for so large an investment; and

Whereas, There is now a mortgage and other indebtedness on the investment, exclusive of the sum of $467,500.10 of the legacies of Mrs. R. L. Stuart invested therein and $1,224,000, and the report of the Building Committee shows an actual rental as of March 10, 1896, of $63,476.75, exclusive of the two floors used by the Boards and the chapel, and actual fixed charges, as estimated, of $47,520; and

Whereas, The premises No. 53 Fifth avenue are now and have been for over a year past vacant, with no present prospect of rental or disposition of the same, and that the two floors now occupied by the Boards in the new building is estimated by the Auditing Committee in this report to be $25,000 per annum, and the removal of the Boards to 53 Fifth avenue would be in the interest of economy. Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the General Assembly recommend to the Boards of Home and Foreign Missions to sell said Mission House, and to accept each of these propositions and carry the same into execution, and that the Boards consider carefully the provisions of the will of the late Mrs. Robert L. Stuart, whether placing so much of her bequest in a permanent fund could be reconsidered, and any amount of the same be applied to the payment of the debts of the Boards.

Dr. Hubbard proposed that if it should appear that this could be done, the General Assembly recommend that so much of said legacies as are available should be applied to that purpose. The reading of the propositions was received with applause.

Dr. John R. Davies of the Foreign Missions Board moved that the proposals be referred to the Finance Committee, with instructions not to report upon the same until the two Committees on Home and Foreign Missions should report.

Elder McDougall asked to have the matter reported upon to-morrow morning at 9:30 o'clock, and Dr. Davies consented that, provided that the Committees on Home and Foreign Missions and such members of the two Boards as are here should be present, after a conference, that the subject was a proper matter for discussion in advance of the regular reports of the Boards. Otherwise the Finance Committee should report to-morrow. This met with the approval of the Assembly, and it was so ordered.

Dr. Joseph Smith of Baltimore read the report of the special committee on Church Unity, a subject which has been before the Assembly for several years. It was laid on the table indefinitely, and the Assembly adjourned for the day.

The predicament of the Home Board on account of the mission house investment has caused a gathering of the friends of the Board to this city. Ex-Moderator Charles I. Thompson of New York and Charles A. Dickey of Philadelphia arrived to-night. John Hall, President of the Board, is here. John E. Parsons, the Board's counsel, has been called to its assistance, and other influential Presbyterians have been summoned, the date of the attack being fixed at Thursday. It is said that a proposition is to be made to the Assembly to retire those members of the Board whose terms expire this year, and elect in their stead Presbyterians from other parts of the country, thereby introducing new blood into the Board and breaking the clique of New Yorkers who play into the hands of the Wall street bankers.

Cotton Exchange's Biggest Year.

Copies of the report of the New York Cotton Exchange for the year ending April 30 were distributed to members yesterday, and the report will be formally submitted at the annual meeting to-day. President Siedenburg says that the volume of business done during the year was the largest in any year since the organization of the Exchange. The sales for future delivery aggregated 54,686,000 bales, against 32,110,100 bales the previous year, and those for immediate delivery, or "spot," were 342,712 bales, against 253,753 bales the previous year.

The Executive Committee recommend that a dividend be declared of $20 for each membership, and that the dues for the current year be fixed at $50. The surplus for this year is estimated at $11,000. The election of officers will occur on next Monday.

Tammany Man Good Enough for a Juror.

A jury was obtained yesterday in the case of Roundsman Daniel Redner, on trial before Judge Newburger in the General Sessions for attempted blackmail. Redner was on duty at Police Headquarters when he was arrested on Dec. 31 on a charge that he had taken money from a Mrs. Bachman of 230 East Ninth street, whose husband had been arrested for keeping a disorderly house.

Talesman A. Augustus Burke, a fish dealer, was asked if he was a Good Government Club man or a member of the Parkhurst society. He said he was a member of Tammany Hall. Lawyer Friend observed that the Judge and the prosecutor were with him in that respect. Burke was accepted.

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DEITSH'S LIFE INSURANCE.

Creditors Claim a Part of the $40,000 the Suicide's Wife Got.

Bennett, Sloan & Co., tea and coffee importers, have sued Mrs. Belle H. Deitsh to recover part of the insurance money due on the life of her husband, Maurice Deitsh, who committed suicide on April 17, 1895, by shooting himself at the Grand Union Hotel.

Maurice Deitsh was employed by Bennett, Sloan & Co. as manager of the Southern department of their business. He carried about $40,000 of insurance. Plaintiffs say he owed them $2,556.43, money advanced from time to time. The case was called for trial yesterday before Justice MacLean in the Supreme Court. Mrs. Deitsh was in court in deep mourning.

The suit is brought under an act of 1870, which provides that a man's life insurance made payable to his wife shall be exempt from all claims of creditors where the amount of annual fees paid by the insured does not exceed $500. Where the annual premiums paid by or out of the money of the insured do exceed $500 a creditor may make the excess paid on premiums over $500 a year deducted from the insurance money and applied in satisfaction of the claims.

The plaintiff claims that the annual premiums paid by Deitsh to the several insurance companies were far in excess of $500, and in the aggregate exceed the plaintiff's claim. The case was not concluded.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

New York Stock Exchange—Sales May 25.

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

1 U S 4s, r, 1907	109	13 U S 4s, c, 1925	112¾
2 U S 4s, r, 1925	116¾	5 U S 5s, r	112½

CLOSING PRICES OF UNITED STATES BONDS.

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
U S 2s, r	94½	—	U S 5s, r, 1904	112¼	113¼
U S 4s, r, 1907	109	109	U S 5s, c, 1904	112¼	113¼
U S 4s, c, 1907	109¾	110	U S 6s, 1897	103¼	—
U S 4s, r, 1925	116¾	116¾	U S 6s, 1898	108	—
U S 4s, c	116¾	116¾	U S 6s, 1899	109¼	—

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

15 Atch gnl 4s	79¾	10 Ohio & Miss cn	104½		
19	79¾	3 Ohio Sou gnl, Tr	29		
5	79¾	4 Or S L un cn, I R	66¼		
7 Atch Adj 4s	42¾	1 Ore Imp 5s, T R	72¾		
10 Balt & Ohio, 1925	94½	2 Ore & S Lin, T R	45		
15 Balt & O 5s, 1988	102½	2 Pitts, C, C & St L	70¾		
2 Buff & Ph gnl 7s	90	4½s, S R	110½		
1 Brooklyn El 1st	85	3 P, C & St L 1st cn	106		
1 Brooklyn El 2d	55	1 Ro, W & O ex 5s	117		
10 Can & O cnv 5s	107½	13 Rock Isl ex 5s	104¾		
10 Ches & O Val 1st	95¾	3 Read gnl 4s, T R	79¾		
C T of N J S 6s	56¾	10 Read 1st pf in, 1st	29		
5	56¾	4 P	30¾		
5	56¾	2	30½		
2	56¾	2	30		
1	56¾	2	29¾		
1	56¾	2 Rio G W 1st	76		
2 Col Coal 6s	98¾	2	76¼		
1 Ch & Alton 1st	74	2	76		
1 C B I I & N 5s	102	8 So P of Ariz 1st	100¾		
1 Den & R Gn	91	5	100¾		
5 Detroit G 5s	81½	5 St L & S F 2d cl	116		
3 Erie 1st ext 5s	108½	4 St L & S F con 4s	76¾		
6 East Tenn 5s	110	11	77		
10 Ft Worth 1st T R	100¾	7 St P gnl 4s	97½		
10	100¾	2 St P C & P 1st	115½		
10	100¾	1 St P, M & M, T R	105		
5	100¾	5 Gen Pac S J br	103		
2 Ga Pac 1st, 5s	114	2 Col Coal 6s	98¾		
10 Gen Electric deb 5s	93	1 Ch & Eas Ill 1st	91		
2 Hock Val 5s	85	1 C R I I & P 5s	102		
2 Iron Mt 2d	106¼	1 Den & R G cn	91		
1 Jol & Ott 1st	117½	5 Detroit G 5s	81½		
3 Iowa Cent 1st	97¼	5 Fri ctf for 1st 5s	90½		
8	97¾	6 East Tenn 5s	110		
3 Kan Pac 1st, '95s	110¼	10	109¾		
1	109¾	1 L E & West	18¾		
4 Kan Pac con, T R	28¾	2 L E & West pf	72¾		
3 Keok & Des 5s	103	5 Lake Gas	94½		
10 Kan & Tex 4s	25¾	2 Lacl Gas	94¾		
5	25¾	2 L E & West pf	72¾		
5	25¾	5 Lacl Gas	94¾		
5 Kan & Tex 2ds	59¾	2 Mich Cent con	107		
2 Long Isl 5s	120	10 Minn iron	68½		
10 Lou & Nash 1st	99¾	200 Mex Cent	10¾		
3	99¾	700 Mer Tran	109¾		
1 Manh El 1st	130	2755 Missouri Pac	24¾		
10 Met S R	109¾	1 N Central	105		
1 Mil & Nor 1st	106	10 N Central	104¾		
5 Mil & L S 1st	115	13 Nat Lead pf	99¾		
1 Mil & L S ex 5s	115¼	100 Nat Starch	56		
10 Minn & St L	90	500 N Y S & W p	25		
5 Nor Pac 1st, r	117¾	50 N Y & W 1st	24		
10 Nor Pacific 5s, T R	50	2 N Y C & St L	8		
5 Nor Pac, C T N, T R	91¼	1 N Y & S 1st, r 5s	97¾		
1 N Y & S 1st, r 5s	97¾	2 N Y, Ch & St L 4s	103¾		
2 N Y, Ch & St L 4s	103¾	1 N Y, N H & H 4s, deb cts	137		
1 N Y, N H & H 4s, deb cts	137	5 West Shore 4s	105¾		
1 N Y C & H R 3½s, M 1st	52	4 West N Y & Pat	100¾		
1 N W 7s, r	138¾	10 Wis Cent 1st, I B	50		
1 N W s f deb 5s	110	1	86¾		
2	110	2	86¾		

Total sales of railway bonds (par value), $636,000.

RAILROAD AND OTHER SHARES.

Sales.		Open ing.	High est.	Low est.	Closing. Bid.	Closing. Asked.
8603	Am Sug Ref	124¾	124¾	122¾	122¾	122¾
7100	Am Tob	85¾	87½	85¾	85¾	87
2	Am Tob pf	99¾	99¾	99¾	99	100
2	ANor Ex	115	115	115	111	116
120	Am Cot Oil pf	55	55	55	54¾	55¾
812	A T & S Fe	15¾	15¾	15¼	14¾	15
200	A T & S Fe pf	23¾	23¾	23¾	23¾	23¾
400	Bost & Maine	185	185	185	185	188
510	Bay State Gas	3¾	3¾	3¾	3¾	3¾
428	Balt & Ohio	24¾	24¾	24¾	24¾	25
100	Can South	55	55	51	50¾	55¼
10	Ches & Ohio	16¾	16¾	16¾	16¾	16¾
1800	Chicago Gas	68⅝	68⅝	68	67¾	68
433	C C, C & St L	84	83¾	83¾	83¾	84
1000	Chic R I & P	105¾	106¼	105¼	105¼	106
6065	C B & Q	76¾	76¾	76¾	76¾	76¾
10150	C M & St P	77¾	77¾	77¾	77¾	77¾
30	C M & St P pf	128	128	128	128	128½
20100	C R I & Pac	71	71	70¾	70¾	71
15	Clev, L & Wp	51	51	51	52	54
450	Col Gas	159	159	157¾	157¾	158
243	Del L & W	127¾	127¾	127¾	126¾	127¾
200	Den & R G pf	48	47¾	47¾	—	—
250	Des M & F C	8¾	8¾	8	7¾	9¾
10	Det Lim & CF	18¾	18¾	18¾	18¾	18¾
10	Erie 1st	140¾	140¾	140¾	140¾	140¾
1710	General Elec	35	35	35	35¾	35¾
90	Ill Cent	95¾	95¾	95¾	95	97
100	Ind B & W	20¾	20¾	20¾	21	24
100	L E & West	18¾	18¾	18¾	18	18¾
250	L E & West pf	72¾	72¾	72¾	71½	72
5100	Lacl Gas	94¾	94¾	94¾	94¾	94¾
3620	Lou & Nash	51¾	51¾	51¾	51¾	50⅞
9625	Manhat Con	107	107	106¾	106¾	104
50	Minn iron	68½	68½	68½	67½	68½
200	Mex Cent	10¾	10¾	10¾	10¾	10¾
700	Mer Tran	109¾	110	109¾	109	109¾
2755	Missouri Pac	25¾	25¾	25¾	25¾	25¾
10	Mobile & Ohio	17¾	17¾	17¾	17¾	18
1125	Mo, K & T pf	25¾	26	25¾	25	25¾
10	N J Central	105	105	105	105	106¾
10	N Central	104¾	104¾	104¾	104¾	97
1	N Y & Harl	261	261	261	261	262
13	Nat Lead	25¾	25¾	25	25¾	26
13	Nat Lead pf	99¾	99¾	99¾	99¾	91⅞
100	North Amer	5¾	5¾	5¾	5¾	5¾
100	N Y Gas	90	90	90	90	90
800	N Y S & W p	25	25¾	25	25	25⅞
50	N Y & W 1st	24	24	24	24	24
100	N Y & W 2d	8¾	8¾	8	8¾	8¾
2054	Nor Pac, T R	14	14	13¾	14	14
1430	Nor Pac pf, T R	12	12¾	12	11¾	12
14	North Pac, T R	14¾	14¾	14¾	—	14¾
500	Ontario & W	14	14	14	14¾	14¾
400	Pacific Mail	26¾	26¾	26	26	26¾
600	Pitts & Read	11¾	11¾	11	11	11¾
10	Rich & Dan	18¾	18¾	18¾	18¾	—
60	St L S W	5	5	4¾	4¾	—
1630	St P & Omaha	44	44¾	43¾	43¾	43¾
400	South Pacific	19¾	19¾	19¾	19¾	19¾
200	South Rwy	30¾	30¾	30¾	30	30¾
1800	Tenn C & I	20¾	20¾	20¾	20¾	20¾
200	T St L & K C	6¾	6¾	6¾	6¾	6¾
220	Texas Pac	5¾	5¾	5¾	5¾	5¾
400	Union Pac	4¾	4¾	4¾	4¾	4¾
125	U S Rubber	24¾	24¾	24¾	24	24¾
105	U S Rub pf	84¾	84¾	84¾	84	85
1520	U S Cordage	5¾	5¾	5¾	5¾	5¾
100	U S Cord pf	11	11	11	10¾	10¾
55	U S Leather	9¾	9¾	9¾	10¾	10¾
8300	U S Leath pf	65¾	65¾	64¾	64¾	65¾

Sales.		Open ing.	High est.	Low est.	Closing. Bid.	Closing. Asked.
1600	U S Express	41	41	41	40	48
4400	Wabash	7¾	7¾	7¾	7¾	7¾
1995	Wabash pf	19¾	19¾	17¾	17	19
2947	West Un Tel	85¾	86¾	85¾	85	85¾
4025	Wheel & L E	10¾	10¾	10	10	11¾
100	Wh & L E pf	57¾	57¾	57¾	55¾	57¾

Total sales of stocks were 125,383 shares.

BOSTON CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
Bos & Albany	213	215	Erie Tel	60	—
Bos & Maine	—	160½	West'gh'se E	20	—
Chi Junc com	103	—	Gen Elec pf	74¼	78
Chi Junc pf	103	—	Bos & Mon	87¾	88
Fitchburg pf	92¾	—	Calumet & H	310	315
Rex Cent 4s	98½	—	Osceola	90½	91
West End Hlds	71½	72	Quincy Min	122	125
Dominion Cl	158¾	159¾	Tamarack M	98	—
Amer Bell T	205	206	Bay State Gas	14¾	15

PHILADELPHIA CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
Lehigh Val	54¾	54¾	U Gas Imp Co	21	21¼
Leh C & N Co	92	93¾	Welsh O L Co	53	54
Penn R R	52¾	52¾	Elec S Com	84¾	85
Phila Trac	71¾	71¾	Elec S B pf	86	87
Union Trac	18¾	18¾	Phila Ger	14¾	15¼
Ex Peo T Cer	74¾	74¾	F R, L & P pf	16¾	16¾
Met Trac	109¾	110	Welsh C com	—	39½
C Tr of N J 5s	106	107	Welsh Com pf	67	68
C T of N J S 6s	56¾	56¾			

CHICAGO CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
Alley "L"	6	7	Mil Brewing	15½	16¾
Am Strawbd	40¾	41	Mil Brew pf	41	42
Canal & Dock	68	68	N Y Biscuit	96	96¼
Chicago Brew	15	17	N'h Ch St Ry	250	251
Chi Brew pf	41¾	42¾	Street's St Car	14¾	15
Diam'd Mch	221¾	222¾	W'l C St Ry	105¾	106¾
Lake St "L"	24¾	24¾			

MONDAY, May 25.

The fluctuations in stocks to-day, as for many days past, resulted entirely from the constantly changing views of the professional element. The hopeful sentiment that prevailed at the close of last week, and which was engendered largely by a comparatively slight improvement in prices, disappeared to-day, chiefly because a natural reaction took place. It now appears that the level attained on Saturday was the culmination of the purely professional buying movement that gave direction to the market last week. The demand for stocks from that element having been exhausted, those who bought for long account were constrained to-day to endeavor to take their profits, and, as on many previous occasions, they found that the strength of the market vanished with the cessation of purchases by themselves and by the short interest. In consequence prices yielded easily wherever there was any pressure.

The liquidation of speculative ventures was most pronounced in Sugar Refining and Manhattan Railway, which closed 2¾ and 3½ ₱ cent. lower respectively. A number of other stocks, notably St. Paul, C., B. and Quincy, Lacl de Gas, and Louisville and Nashville, sustained net declines of a point or more. The most discouraging feature of the situation was the almost utter absence of a market for inactive stocks and bonds. Some of these last suffered net losses of several points. The temper of the Street was unfavorably affected by the withdrawal of $1,550,000 gold from the Sub-Treasury for shipment to Germany to-morrow and prospects that fully twice that amount will be shipped later in the week. To-day's withdrawal of gold reduced the Treasury's net gold balance to about $109,500,000. Other disturbing influences were the persistence with which the Populist measure prohibiting the administrative branch of the Government from issuing bonds is forced upon the attention of the Senate, and the fact that the appropriations, now nearly completed by Congress, are so large that it is estimated that the deficit of the Government for the coming fiscal year will be many millions larger than for the present year.

The most trustworthy advices from Washington are that the so-called anti-bond issue bill which the Populist and free-silver elements in the Senate are likely to put through that body will not become a law; but this is offset by equally trustworthy statements that the advocates in Congress of the free coinage of silver are swelling the appropriations way beyond the income of the Government with the hope that they can thus compel inflation of the currency. It is possible that the radical protection element is acquiescing in this scheme, that it may have a deficit as a basis for future manipulation of the tariff. It is to be noted that the decision of the Supreme Court of the United States sustaining the constitutionality of the sugar bounty act compels the Treasury to disburse about $5,000,000 which it has heretofore declined to do.

The effect of these untoward circumstances, and also of increasing uncertainty as to the outcome of the Presidential campaign, so far as sound money is concerned, is shown by the voluntary liquidation of loans and the return of money to this centre from the interior to an extent that lowered the rate on call money to-day to 2 ₱ cent. Large amounts were offered at that rate to-day. At the same time the demand for time money and the inquiry for commercial paper have died out.

Final sales compare with those of Saturday as follows:

	May 23, 1896.	May 25, 1896.		May 23, 1896.	May 25, 1896.
A T & S Fe	15¾	15	North W com	105¾	105¼
A T & S Fe pf	23¾	23¾	Nor Pac com	14	14
Am Sug Ref	125¾	122¾	Nor Pac pf	12	12
Am Tobacco	86¾	85¾	Omaha com	43¾	43¾
Balt & Ohio	18¾	18¾	Ont & West	14¾	14¾
Canada Sou	51¾	51¾	Pacific Mail	26½	26
C C C & St L	84¾	83¾	Rock Island	74	73⅞
C, B & Q	80¾	79¾	Reading	11¾	11
Con Gas	158¾	158	St Paul com	78¾	77¾
Chesapeake	16	15¾	St Paul pf	76	76
Chicago Gas	68⅝	68	South Ry pf	30¾	30¾
D & C F Co	18¾	18	Tenn C & I	26¾	26¾
Gen Elec	35¾	35	Union Pac	5¾	5¾
Kan & Tex pf	25¾	25	Un Rubber	24	24
Louis & Nash	51⅝	50¾	U S Cord pf	11¾	10¾
Lake Shore	140⅞	139	U S Leath pf	65¾	64¾
L E & W pf	72	71¾	Wabash pf	17¾	17
Lacl de Gas	94¾	94¾	Wab & P pf	18¾	17¾
Man Elev	109¾	109¾	West Un Tel	85¾	85¾
Missouri Pac	25¾	25¾	Wheel & L E	10¾	10¾
North Am	5¾	5¾	Wh & L E pf	57	57¾

Government bonds easier. The 4s of 1925 closed ¼ ₱ cent, lower bid. Railway bonds dull and weak. The features were Atchison general 4s, Baltimore and Ohio 5s, 1925, Fort Worth and Denver City 1sts, Reading 1st preference incomes 1st L. P., St. Louis and San Francisco consol 4s, Texas Pacific 2ds, Union Elevated 1sts, Wisconsin Central 1sts, T. R., and Kansas and Texas issues. The more important net declines occurred in Atchison general 4s, ½ ₱ cent, to 78¾; Baltimore and Ohio 5s, 1925, ¾, to 94¼; Fort Worth and Denver City 1sts, T. R., 8½, to 56½; Kansas and Texas 4s, ⅝, to 85½, and 2ds, ⅞, to 59⅞; Reading first preference incomes, 1st L. P., 1½, to 29½; St. Louis and San Francisco consol 4s, 1, to 78; Texas Pacific 2ds, ½, to 22; Union Elevated 1sts, 4¼, to 85, and Wisconsin Central 1sts, T. R., ½ ₱ cent., to 39½.

Commercial price of bar silver in New York, 68⅛c. Bar silver in London closed at 31 1-16d. Exports to Europe to-morrow 150,000 ounces.

Money on call, 2 ₱ cent. Time money is quoted at 3 ₱ cent. for sixty days, 3½ ₱ cent. for three to four months, 4 ₱ cent. for six months, and 4½ ₱ cent. for eight months, on good mixed Stock Exchange collateral. In the commercial paper market prime endorsed bills receivable are quoted at 4½@4¾ ₱ cent., four months acceptances and choice single names at 4½@5¼ ₱ cent., and good single names at 6 ₱ cent. and upward.

The sterling exchange market opened steady, but closed a little weaker because the demand from remitters was smaller than expected. Commercial bills were scarce, and the chief supply came from gold shippers. Continental exchange was dull. Posted asking rates for sterling, $4.88½ for long bills and $4.89½ for demand. Actual rates are: Long bills, $4.87¼@$4.87¾; sight drafts, $4.88½@$4.88¾, and cable transfers, $4.89. France are quoted 5.16¾@5.16¼ for long and 5.15 for sight. Reichsmarks, 95¼@95⅝ for long and 95⅝@95¾ for short; guilders, 40¼@40 3-16 for long and 40 5-16@40⅜ for short.

Domestic exchange on New York: Boston, 10 cents discount. Charleston—Buying, par; selling, ⅛ premium. Savannah—Buying, 1-16 off; selling, par. New Orleans—Bank, 150 premium, commercial, 25 cents premium. San Francisco—Sight, 12½ cents; telegraph, 15 cents premium. St. Louis, 50 cents premium; offered at 50 cents premium. Chicago, 90 cents premium.

The Consolidated Gas Light Company has declared a semi-annual dividend of 2½ ₱ cent. and an extra dividend of 1 ₱ cent. on its preferred stock, payable June 15.

The Cleveland, Lorain and Wheeling Railroad Company has declared a dividend of 1 ₱ cent. on its preferred stock, payable June 15.

The all-rail east-bound shipments of dead freight from Chicago last week were 49,305 tons, against 50,707 tons the previous week and 47,215 tons the corresponding week of the previous year.

The Southern Railway reports gross earnings for April of $1,393,097, a decrease of $10,647 as compared with the same month of last year, and net $323,524, an increase of $39,351. For the ten months ending April 30 the gross earnings were $16,377,415, an increase of $1,058,384 as compared with the corresponding period of last year, and net $5,162,326, an increase of $396,050.

The Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railway Company reports for the quarter ending March 31:

	1896.	1895.	Changes.
Gross earnings	$5,048,870	$4,698,411	Inc. $348,459
Oper. expenses	3,182,514	2,986,587	Inc. 195,977
Net earnings	$1,864,356	$1,711,874	Inc. $152,482
Other income	98,713	92,200	Inc. 6,513
Total income	$1,963,069	$1,804,074	Inc. $158,995
Fixed charges	1,103,713	1,112,200	Dec. 8,487
Surplus	$859,356	$691,878	Inc. $167,483

Cash on hand $1,740,574, and profit and loss surplus $11,850,012.

The Metropolitan Street Railway Company reports for quarter ending March 31:

	1896.	1895.	Changes.
Gross earnings	$1,879,521	$1,229,740	Inc. $649,781
Oper. expenses	1,109,978	759,925	Inc. 349,653
Net earnings	$778,503	$469,415	Inc. $299,178
Other income	90,199	76,805	Dec. 16,196
Total income	$868,702	$546,220	Inc. 274,982
Fixed charges	657,863	503,402	Inc. 154,461
Surplus	$180,839	$60,818	Inc. $120,521

Cash on hand $105,513, and profit and loss surplus $974,685.

The receipts of the Government to-day were: Customs, $580,774; internal revenue, $703,034, and miscellaneous, 61,346, a total of $1,346,054. The disbursements, including $500,000 for pensions, were $1,013,000, being an excess of receipts over expenditures of $400,054. For the month to date the excess of expenditures over receipts has been $4,441,247, and for the fiscal year to date the excess of expenditures over receipts has been $27,890,438.

The net assets of the Treasury at the close of business to-day, as officially computed, compare with those of Saturday as follows:

	May 22.	May 25.
Gold coin and bullion	$112,266,834	$111,132,993
Silver dollars and bullion	27,006,679	27,087,041
United States notes	85,019,210	85,888,798
Other assets in excess of demand liabilities	41,375,409	42,668,767
Available cash balance, including gold balance	$266,261,916	$267,927,601

The State Trust Company has removed its offices from 36 Wall street to 100 Broadway.

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

Sales.	Name.	Open ing.	High est.	Low est.	Clos ing.
100	Best & Belcher	1 60	1 60	1 60	1 60
200	Comstock	8	8	8	8
200	Halo & Norcross	2 35	2 35	2 35	2 35
300	Leadville	14	14	14	14
200	Potosi	1 40	1 40	1 40	1 40
300	Pharmacist	8	8	8	8
200	Sierra Nevada	1 10	1 10