PRIZE-TENEMENT RUMPUS

ARCHITECT WARE REPELS THE IMPUTATION OF PLAGIARISM.

Says that Nothing Original in Architect Ernest Flagg's Published Plans Reappears in His—No Patent on a Central Court and Stairways in the Dead Corners.

The competition arranged by Richard Watson Gilder's Improved Housing Council for the best plans for a set of model tenement houses has resulted in something of a dispute between two of the competing architects, Ernest Flagg and James E. Ware. Mr. Flagg contends that Mr. Ware, in his plans, has copied the type of building originated by him and pictured in *Scribner's Magazine* two years ago. Mr. Ware maintains that the features in which the plans are similar are not original with Mr. Ware, but have been employed over and over again in buildings already erected, and that he has particularly avoided the features of Mr. Flagg's plans which are original, because they do not commend themselves to his judgment as valuable and practical. Furthermore, he says, the conditions to which the competing plans had to conform were such that they pointed directly to the general type of building designed by Mr. Flagg, so much so that they appeared to have been drawn with Mr. Flagg's plans in mind.

The Improved Housing Council is an association of sociologists and philanthropical persons of wealth, such as W. Bayard Cutting, Charles Stewart Smith, R. Fulton Cutting, S. Nicholson Kane, Isaac N. Seligman, August Belmont, Dr. Albert Shaw, and James B. Reynolds. It was organized as a direct result of the investigations made by the Gilder Tenement House Commission, and Mr. Gilder is its Chairman. The council, about two months ago, invited architects to submit plans for improved tenement houses in accordance with prescribed conditions. The plot of land was supposed to consist of an entire block 200 by 400 feet.

"To be successful," the circular said, "such a plan should be at least as economical as the plans in common use, but without their objectionable features. Perhaps the best and most popular of existing plans are those based upon the prize plan of 1879."

Twenty-eight architects submitted plans and from these a committee of experts selected the best three sets. These were submitted by James E. Ware, Ernest Flagg, and A. W. Rose.

The next step was for the council to summon the three successful architects and have them explain their plans in detail. This was done on Monday. Mr. Ware, who was first called in, had heard of Mr. Flagg's contention and he satisfied himself with denying that there was any foundation for it and asking that the council should not discuss it with Mr. Flagg, whose turn came afterward, unless Mr. Ware were present. The council decided not to take the matter up at all, at least for the present, on the ground that its business consisted in determining which were the best plans.

Mr. Ware had this to say yesterday about Mr. Flagg's charge that he had appropriated some of his ideas:

"Mr. Flagg's contention is absurd. It's mere baby talk. I am too well known to be injured by any such statements, and if any competent judge will take the two sets of plans and point out any particular in which I have imitated those published by Mr. Flagg, I will give $500 to any charity in the city. As a member of fact, there are some features of Mr. Flagg's plans as submitted that differ from those he published two years ago, but agree with my plans. I wouldn't think of charging him with plagiarism on that account. It would be absurd to do so. There must, of course, be some general resemblance in plans prepared for a given style of building under rigid conditions such as the council laid down.

"The principal respect in which my plans resemble his is that both provided for a square central court in each of the eight buildings which it is proposed to erect on the block. But Mr. Flagg can't claim any patent on that. He might as well claim a patent on the air. The device is as old as the hills. I built a house on that plan four years ago, and it never occurred to me that there was anything original about it.

"Another point of resemblance is that we both have a stairway at each corner of the court. Surely there is nothing new or original in that. There is no ordinary principle of architecture, because if you build a house with one set of rooms facing on the outside of the building and another on the court, you will have at each corner of the court a square space which can't light in any direction. This is called a dead corner, and it is naturally the best place for the stairway. The conditions of the contest call for four sections of the building, divided by fireproof walls, and each must have a stairway. Hence the similarity. Both the square central courts and the entrances at the corners are to be found in the Dakota, for instance, which was built years ago."

Mr. Ware took the plan published by Mr. Flagg in *Scribner's Magazine*, and, by comparing it with his own, showed wherein the two differed in respects other than the two named.

"I can't see," said Mr. Ware, "any similarity in the plans beyond the central court and the stairways in the dead corners, and, as I said, there is nothing original in them. The most original thing about Mr. Flagg's plans, I should say, is the arrangement by which the toilet rooms are made accessible only by means of balconies put outdoors and unprotected. I think that is strictly original with him. I do not wish to be understood as criticising Mr. Flagg's plans in any particular, but as merely pointing out the differences that exist.

"I may say that I have made a study of this tenement house problem for a number of years. I submitted plans in the competition held in 1879 by Bishop Potter, Richard Auchmuty, Prof. Charles F. Chandler, Dr. John Hall, and a number of other philanthropic gentlemen. That was the first attempt to solve the tenement house problem, and it was followed by legislation which greatly improved the laws under which tenement houses are built. It led up to all the improvements of recent years. In that competition the first prize was awarded to my plans, and they are the plans referred to in the circular sent out by the council."

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WEEKLY CROP REPORT.

The Wheat Product Especially Good in the Pacific States.

WASHINGTON, June 9.—The weekly telegraphic crop reports of the Weather Bureau, issued to-day, is in part as follows:

Missouri—Wheat ripening rapidly; oats, flax, and grass generally doing well.

Illinois—Wheat harvest proceeding slowly; broom corn, pastures and meadows, gardens generally in good condition.

Indiana—Corn, oats, potatoes in excellent condition; the army worm is causing injury.

West Virginia—Crops making excellent growth.

Ohio—Wheat maturing and heading fairly, but no special improvement.

Michigan—Wheat shows less rust and has made some improvement; oats, rye, and new grass have done splendidly, but hay is light; because of cutworms much corn has been replanted.

Wisconsin—Wheat is heading and promises better than at beginning of season; fruit in good condition; hay will be lighter than was promised on account of cutworms.

Minnesota—Too much rain, lowland crops are backward and turning yellow; considerable replanting of corn and garden truck on account of cutworms.

Iowa—Corn is generally backward and needs warm, dry weather; oats and wheat are too rank.

North Dakota—Wheat on highland making strong growth, that on lowland unhealthy.

South Dakota—Gardens, small grain, and grasses did finely; most too cool for corn, and cutworms necessitated considerable replanting.

Nebraska—Corn has made a fair growth, considerable rust in wheat; oats heading and very rank growth.

Kansas—Wheat badly damaged by drought and hot winds in southwestern counties; corn, grass, and fruits making good progress.

Oklahoma—Wheat harvest over; oat harvest begun; corn and cotton generally in fair condition, but wetworm hurting cotton in some counties.

Idaho—Crops mostly all in and growing well.

Colorado—Water supply becoming short in eastern portion.

Montana—Absence of drying winds has kept the ground moist; cool nights have checked the rise in mountain streams.

Wyoming—The week has been generally beneficial to all crops.

Arizona—Wheat and barley being harvested; second crop alfalfa cut.

Utah—Crops in fine condition and growing nicely.

Washington—Wheat and grass are in exceptionally fine condition.

Oregon—Rain prevented haying, but beneficial to grain.

California—Conditions favorable for all summer crops.

A Verdict Against the Commercial Bank Directors.

The first of the three actions instituted by Receiver Dykman of the defunct Commercial Bank of Brooklyn against the directors to recover moneys alleged to have been improperly distributed in dividends resulted in a verdict for the plaintiff yesterday. The amount involved was about $4,000.

THE difference between the price of a Woodbury's Facial Soap and a cheap, impure soap is about one penny a cake. It is wise to economize in something besides soap.

NEBRASKA'S GREAT FLOOD.

Scenes of Desolation in the Loup River Valley.

OMAHA, June 9.—The storm which visited the Loup Valley on Saturday was the worst that has ever visited that section. The railroads, perhaps, suffered most, and traffic will not be resumed for several days, owing to the washing away of bridges and culverts. Much of the country is inundated. Officials of the Union Pacific say that it will be impossible to move trains before Friday.

Wolbach was completely inundated, the water standing to a depth of ten feet over the entire town. The depot was almost completely destroyed, and six box cars standing on the side track were washed several miles away. Twenty two bridges on the Elkhorn road between Chadron and Deadwood are washed out.

Particulars of the tornado which wrecked the village of Lynch, Boyd county, say that every building in the town was shattered, only a part of the hotel being left standing. Only one man was injured. He was buried in the debris of a blacksmith shop.

At Columbus, Neb., in the Loup Valley, a path of destruction marks the course of the high water and the river for over twenty miles, ranged from two to six miles wide. All culverts and small bridges were washed out, and the approaches to the large steel bridge across the Loup will have to be repaired. The crops are entirely destroyed, and a number of farmers lost nearly all their hogs and calves.

St. Paul, Neb., reports that every bridge on the north Loup from Scotia to Fullerton, with the exception of the Burlington and Missouri Railway bridge, is out. Scores of low-lying farms are flooded, thousands of dollars' worth of live stock, farming implements, &c., have been swept away, and one of the prettiest and richest valleys in Nebraska is now a scene of desolation.

Several irrigation plants which were put in last year and the year before, were completely wiped out. The course of the river is changed in several places, and much good land was carried away by the terrible volume of water. Two fine farms about three miles north of the town were found to be almost totally covered with from three to six feet of sand when the water went down. Others are probably in the same condition, and it is certain that their value is destroyed. Very little grain except that in the actual path of the flood was damaged.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

New York Stock Exchange—Sales June 9.

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

4 U S 4s, r, 1907	108	7 U S 4s, c, 1925	116¾
	(c110¾)		(c117
1 U S 4s, c, 1907	109¾	10 Va F debt 2-3s of 1925	59¾
8 Tenn Set 3s	71		

CLOSING PRICES OF UNITED STATES BONDS.

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
U S 2s, r	94*	—	U S 5s, r, 1904	112¾	113¾
U S 4s, r, 1907	108	108¼	U S 5s, c	112¾	113¾
U S 4s, c, 1907	110¼	110¾	U S 6s, 1897	100*	—
U S 4s, r, 1925	116¼	117	U S 6s, 1898	103	—
U S 4s, c	116¾	117	U S 6s, 1899	105	—

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

12 Atch gnl 4s	78¾	10 Nor R Ref Cal 5s	91¾
10	78¾	7 N Y, Ch & St L 4s	104¾
10	78¾	41 N Y O & W r 4s	70
32 Atch Adj 4s	40¾	10 N Y, O & W en 5s	107¾
2	40¾	1 O R & N con 5s, TR	92¾
8 Ann Arbor 4s	70	2 O R S N Con 5s, R H	110
1 F & 7th Ave cn 5s	115¾	10 Ohio South 1st	88
10 Bur, C R & N 1st	106	1 Oregon S L 6s	113¾
1 Brooklyn El 1st	83¾	58 Ore S L un cn, T R	65¾
1 Brooklyn El 2d	52	7 Oregon Imp 1st	84
2 Ch & W Ind gol	112	3	85¾
6 Ch & O gnl 4½s	72¾	1 Ore Imp 5s, T R	108¾
3	72	4	108¾
9 Ch & O, R & A 1st con 4s	96¾	21	15
1 Ch & R O, R & A 2d con 4s	82¾	15 Penna 4½s	110¾
1 C, B & Q cnv 5s	101¾	2 Pitts & W 1st	75¾
3	101	5 Pitts, C, C & St L 4½s, S A	110
4	101¾	3 Ro, W & Or 5s	107¾
1 C, B & Q 7s	119¾	1 Rock Isl ex 5s	105
9 C, B & Q 4s, I div	98	5	104¾
15 I, L & N 1st	104¾	1 Rh & Dav 1st	120
1 Can So 1st	110¾	15 Read gnl 4s, T R	78¾
7 Canada So 2d	104¾	15 Read 1st pf in 1st	26¾
1 Ch & N P 1st, T R	42¾	15 Read 2d pf in, 1st	13¾
9	42¾	5 Cen Pacific, 96s	103¾
5 Cen Pacific, 96s	103¾	1 Ch & Eas Ill 1st	113¾
5 Chic & Erie 1st	108¾	5	108¾
2 Den & R G cn	91¾	5	14
10 Ind B & Ill 5s, ex	90¾	2 Read 3d pf in, 1st	9¾
4 Erie prior lien	113¾	5	11
1 Edison E I 1st	107	30	11¾
2	107¾	4	11¾
11 Hock Val 5s	85¾	4 Rio G W 1st	76
5	85	9	76¾
1 H & T Cen 6s, 1911	109¾	10 So P of Ariz 1st	101¾
2 Ind, B & W 1st pf	30	5 St P & Ma con 6s	124¾
9 Iron Mt 5s	75	10	123¾
1 Int & Gt N 2d	30¾	1	124
1 Iowa Cent 1st	95	2 St P & Mar 4½s	105¾
1 Kan & Tex 4s	89	2 St P gnl 4s	97
1 Kan & Tex 2ds	57¾	3 St L, So W 1st	67¾
10	57¾	4 St L So W 2d	25
5 Knox & Ohio 1st	115¾	14 San A & A P 1st 4s	57
3 Kanawha & M 4s	81	30 So Ry 5s	92¾
5 Lex Av & P F 1st	113¾	1	92¾
10	113¾	1	92¾
1 L & W Ben 4s	104¾	14	92¾
1 Lake Shore 2d, c	116¾	5 Tex Pac 1st 5s	84¾
18 Lou & Nash	77	2	84¾
2 Lou & N, N O & M div 1st	119	3	85
23 Lou & N 2d 1st	113¾	12 Tex Pac 2d in	20¾
20 L, N A & Ch cn	100	5	20
1	99¾	20	20
23 Mo, K & T 1st	92¾	8 Tol & O C 1st	109¾
10 Mo K & T 2d in 6s B	6	1 Union P 4s, T R	99¾
5 Mex Nat 2d in 6s B	6	8 Union El 1st	82¾
5	82	6	82
1 Mor & Essex con, 136s	135	3 U S Cord 1st, T R	83
16 Man Ry 4s, s 20	97¾	1 Va Mid gnl	101
5 Met El 1st	110¾	6 Wabash 1st	105¾
3 Met El 2d	105¾	2	105¾
2	105¾	2	105¾
1 M & O 1st N s 20	110¾	5 Wabash 2d	73¾
4 Mil & L S A div	120	1 West Un col 5s	107¾
8 Morgan's L & T 6s	117¾	1	107¾
1 Nor Pac 1st, c	117¾	1 West Pac	100¾
2	117¾	4 West Shore 4s	106¾
1	117¾	4 West Shore 4s, r	106
80	117¾	2	105¾
45 Nor Pac 1st, r	117¾	8 Wis Cent 1st, T R	95
5	117¾	2	84¾
2 N Y & S 2d	67¾	2	84¾
1 N Y Cen 6s	104¾	6	94
5 N Y Cent deb 5s, r	106¾		

Total sales of railway bonds (par value), $1,034,000.

RAILROAD AND OTHER SHARES.

Sales.		Open ing.	High est.	Low est.	Closing. Bid.	Closing. Asked.
31	Adams Ex	148	148	148	—	—
31650	Am Sug Ref	123¾	123¾	122¾	122¾	123¾
425	Am Sug Ref p	104	104	103¾	103¾	104¾
5350	Amer Tob	63¾	63¾	64¾	65	65¾
210	Amer Cot pf	54¾	54¾	54¾	54¾	55
1002	A, T & S Fe	14¾	14¾	14¾	14¾	14¾
1501	A, T & S Fe pf	22	22¾	21¾	21¾	21¾
570	Atlantic S P	⅝	⅝	⅝	⅝	⅞
2500	Brunswick M	.16	.16	.16	—	—
500	Bay State Gas	2¾	2¾	2¾	2¾	2¾
200	Balt & Ohio	24¾	24¾	24¾	24	24¾
100	Can South	50¾	50¾	50¾	49¾	50¾
8000	Consolidated T	.9	.9	.9	—	—
309	Ches & Ohio	15¾	15¾	15¾	15¾	15¾
100	Ch & E Ill	41	41	41	41	45
2295	Chicago Gas	67¾	67¾	67¾	67¾	67¾
50	Chic & Alt	159	159	159	157¾	—
40	C C C & St L	85	85	85	85	85
225	Chic & N W	105	105	104¾	104¾	104¾
25	Chic & N W p	148	148	148	148	149
3180	C, B & Q	77¾	77	77	77	77¾
2050	C, M & St P	76¾	76¾	75¾	76	76¾
155	C, M & St P p	127	127	127	126¾	127¾
1105	C, R I & Pac	69¾	69¾	69¾	69¾	69¾
150	Colo Southern	25¾	25¾	24¾	25¾	26
500	Cleveland & P	50	50	50	—	—
200	Col, H V & T	16¾	16¾	16¾	16¾	17
170	Consol Gas	154¾	155	153	155	156
26	Del & Hud	126¾	126¾	126¾	125¾	127
310	Den & R G pf	47¾	47¾	46¾	46¾	47
2985	Distilling & C F	17	17	16¾	16¾	16¾
100	E E Ill	14	14	14	14	14¾
1230	General Elec	82¾	82¾	82	82¾	82¾
12	Ill Cent	95¾	95¾	95	93	95
200	Iowa Cent pf	34	34	34	34	35¾
125	L E & West pf	70¾	70¾	70¾	70	70¾
200	Lacede Gas	23¾	23¾	23¾	23¾	23¾
2100	Lou & Nash	49¾	49¾	49¾	49¾	49¾
100	L, N A & C pf	21	21	21	21	22
1225	Manhat Con	104¾	104¾	104¾	104¾	104¾
200	Mex Cent	9¾	9¾	9¾	9¾	10
138	Mich Cen	100¾	100¾	100¾	105	116
105	Mon Cen	95	95	95	95¾	97
700	Missouri Pac	23¾	23¾	22¾	22¾	22¾
10	Mo, K & T	11¾	11¾	11¾	11¾	11
475	Mob & Ohio	24¾	24¾	24	24	25¾
300	N J Central	105¾	105¾	105¾	105¾	104¾
165	N Y Central	96¾	96¾	96¾	96	96¾
270	Norfolk & W	5	5	5	5	5¾
200	N Y, S & W	8¾	8¾	8¾	8¾	8¾
300	N Y, S & W p	23¾	23¾	23¾	23¾	24
4800	Nor West pf	29¾	29¾	29¾	29¾	30¾
700	N P pf 1st	48¾	48¾	48¾	48¾	48¾
100	Nor Pac, T R	⅞	⅞	⅞	⅞	—
5	Ontario & M	12	12	12	12	14
430	Ontario & W	13¾	13¾	13¾	13¾	14¾
1501	Pacific Mail	24¾	24¾	24¾	24¾	24¾
250	Peo, Dec & Evr	8	8	8	—	—
5092	Phila & Read	8¾	8¾	8¾	8¾	8¾
10	P, H W & C	162	162	162	165	—
60	St L S W	4	4	4	3¾	4
100	St L S W pf	9¾	9¾	9¾	9¾	10¾
630	St P & Omaha	42¾	42¾	42¾	42¾	42¾
300	South Pacific	19	19	18¾	18¾	19¾
1030	South Ry	8¾	8¾	8¾	8¾	8¾
1120	South Ry p	28¾	28¾	27¾	28	28¾
5810	Tenn C & I	24¾	24¾	22¾	22¾	23
600	Texas Pac	7¾	7¾	7	7½	8
1100	Union Pac	7¾	7¾	6¾	7	7¾
1312	U S Rubber	20¾	20¾	19	19	20
891	U S Leather	8¾	8¾	7¾	⅞	80
1650	U S Leather pf	85	85	84	84¾	85¾
1020	U S Rub pf	63¾	63¾	62¾	62¾	63
97	U S Express	40¾	40¾	40	40	42
100	Wabash	6¾	6¾	6¾	6¾	6¾
700	Wabash pf	16¾	16¾	16¾	16¾	16¾
1910	West Un Tel	85¾	85¾	85	85	85¾
2359	Wheel & L E	9¾	9¾	9¾	9¾	9¾

Total sales of stocks were 100,870 shares.

BOSTON CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
Bos & Albany	210¾		Amer Bell T	204	205
Bos & Maine	162¾		Erie Tel	50¾	80¾
Chi June con	101	102	West'n Union	—	70
Chi June pf	101	102	Bos & Mon	86¾	86¾
Fitchburg pf	—	134	Calumet & H	—	310
Mex Cent 4s	—	68¾	Osceola	23	23
Old Colony	—	174¾	Quincy Min	113	119
West End 6 Cs	70¾	71¾	Tamarack M	87	90
Dominion C'L	12¾	12	Bay State Gas	1¾	1¾

PHILADELPHIA CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
Lehigh Val	33¾	33	C Gas Imp Co	70¾	70¾
Leh C & N Co	40¾	41	W'sh'n G L Co	19	19
Penn R R	50¾	50¾	Elec S Incom	20¾	20¾
Phila Trac	70¾	70¾	Elec S B pf	30¾	31
Union Trac	17¾	18	P H L & P com	14¾	14¾
S & Pen T Cer	74¾	74¾	P H L & P pf	15¾	15¾
Met Trac	105¾	105¾	Welsb C com	—	25
C Tr of N J Str	22	24	Welsb Com pf	—	66
C T of N J 5s	85¾	85¾			

CHICAGO CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
Alley "L"	6¾	7	Lake St "L"	23¾	24
Am Strawbd	8¾	8¾	Mil Brewing	14¾	15¾
Canal & Dock	65¾	67	Mil Brew pf	41¾	42¾
Chicago Brew	15¾	15¾	N Y Biscuit	94¾	94¾
Chi Brew pf	41¾	42¾	N'th Ch St Ry	215	215¾
City Railway	250	261	Street's St Car	14	15
Diam'd Mch	225	223¾	W'r C St Ry	104¾	105

LATEST LONDON QUOTATIONS.

Atchison A A P	14¾	Norfolk & W pf	10¾
Canadian Pacific	60¾	Northern Pac pf	14¾
Chesapeake & Ohio	16¾	Ontario & West	14¾
Erie com A A P	14½	Pennsylvania	53¾
Erie 1st pf	34¾	Reading 1st A P	4¾
Illinois Central	95¾	St Paul	78
Kansas & Texas	11¾	South Ry	9¾
Lake Shore	155	South Ry pf	27¾
Lou & Nash	50¾	Union Pacific	14¾
N Y Central	98¾	Wabash pf	17

TUESDAY, June 9.

As there was no change in the political situation to-day, there was none in sentiment, and hence no improvement either in dealings or in prices on the Stock Exchange. The situation would not be so gloomy if the assurances, that the managers of Mr. McKinley's campaign have given to practically every influential man in the financial community, could be accepted as made in good faith; but the fact that equally strong assurances regarding the treatment of the currency question by the St. Louis Convention, and as to the views of their candidate, have been made by these same managers to silver mine owners and their following, makes it impossible for business men in this section of the country, who are accustomed to honorable, straightforward dealings, to accept implicitly the statements that the St. Louis platform will be strong and unequivocal in support of the present standard of value, and that the candidate, who now leads in the race for the nomination, is absolutely sound and will prove to be immovable in defence of that standard. In brief, the policy of the McKinley managers to be all things to all men, and his silent acquiescence in that policy, compels the conclusion that it is a politician of a very common type, and not a statesman, that they are trying to foist upon the American people as a ruler for their own selfish purposes. It is not to be wondered at that in these circumstances business languishes and speculation halts.

If the success of the McKinley movement is to be such an excellent thing for the country, as those who are promoting it claim, it seems remarkable that the most sensitive market in the world does not reflect a conviction on the part of some people who have capital that the claim rests upon a substantial foundation. On the contrary, the market for securities grows narrower every day, and values fade away. The increasing fear that the people of this country, misled by specious arguments, may vest the control of the Executive branch of the Government in a combination of tariff robbers and silver-mine owners, prevents the market for securities from enjoying the usual rally of relief that marks the adjournment of Congress. It is a curious spectacle indeed, that of all substantial interests regarding with deep satisfaction the approaching adjournment of the National Legislature, while at the same time the two most conspicuous political movements at the moment are in favor of a tariff for the benefit of a few, and a debased currency for the delusion and loss of the many.

Of the stock market it is hardly necessary to speak, since the only two noteworthy movements were further material declines in Sugar Refining and Tennessee Coal and Iron. The decline in the first was due in part to the circulation of a false report of the sudden death of a broker long identified with the larger manipulation of the stock. Throughout the remainder of the list the net losses were unimportant and apparently very few transactions were attempted.

Final sales compare with those of yesterday as follows:

	June 9.	June 8.		June 9.	June 8.
A, T & S Fe	14¾	14¾	Nor Pac com	3¾	3¾
A, T & S Fe pf	21¾	21¾	Nor Pac pf	14¾	14
Can Pac	52¾	52¾	N Y Central	100¾	100¾
Can Sou	50¾	50¾	Omaha com	42¾	42¾
Central Pac	14¾	14¾	Pac Mail	24¾	24¾
Ches & Ohio	15¾	15¾	Rock Island	69¾	69¾
C, B & Q	77¾	77¾	Reading	3¾	3¾
Chic & Ohio	15¾	15¾	St Paul com	76	76¾
Chicago Gas	67¾	67¾	St Paul pf	128	127
Edison E I	107	107	Reading 1st pf	—	73
Gen Elec	82¾	83¾	South Ry pf	28¾	27¾
Hock Valley	16¾	16¾	Texas Pacific	7¾	7¾
Kan & Tex pf	23¾	23	Tenn C I & R	24¾	22¾
L E & Wash	44	44	Union Pacific	7	7
L E & West pf	70¾	70¾	U S Leather	8¾	8¾
Lacede Gas	23¾	23¾	U S Leath pf	84¾	84¾
Lou Nash	49¾	50¾	Wab & Pf pf	16¾	16¾
Missouri Pac	22¾	22¾	West Un Tel	85¾	85
North Am	5¾	5	Wh & L E	9¾	9¾
Northw com	104¾	104¾			

Government bonds easier. The 4s of 1925 closed ¼ ⅌ cent, lower bid. Railway bonds weak. The features were Chesapeake and Ohio general 4½s, Kansas and Texas 2ds, Louisville, New Albany, and Chicago consols, Oregon Improvement 5s, T. R., Wisconsin Central 1sts, T. R., Atchison, Northern Pacific, and Reading issues. The more important net declines were in Atchison Adj. 4s, ¼ ⅌ cent., to 40¼; Chesapeake and Ohio general 4½s, 1, to 72; Kansas and Texas 2ds, 1, to 57; Louisville, New Albany and Chicago consols, ¼, to 80¼; Northern Pacific 1st s. f. 4s, 1, to 117, and 1st pref. to 116⅞; Oregon Improvement 5s, T. R., 1½, to 15; Reading general 4s, ¾, to 78½; 1st preference incomes, 1st L. P., ¾, to 26¼, 2d preference incomes, 1st L. P., 2, to 14, and 3d preference incomes, ½, to 11½, and Wisconsin Central 1sts, T. R., 1, to 84.

In bank stocks 5 shares of American Exchange sold at 170.

Sales of silver bullion certificates for 20,000 ounces were made on the Stock Exchange at 69c. Commercial price of bar silver in New York, 68⅝c. Bar silver in London closed 31 5-16d. Exports to Europe to-morrow 375,000 ounces.

Money on call, 1½@2 ⅌ cent. Time money is quoted at 3 ⅌ cent. for sixty and ninety days, 3½ ⅌ cent. for four months, and 3½@3¾ ⅌ cent. for six months, on good mixed Stock Exchange collateral. In the commercial paper market prime endorsed bills receivable are quoted at 4@4½ ⅌ cent., four months' acceptances and choice single names at 4½@4¾ ⅌ cent., and good single names at 5@5½ ⅌ cent. and upward.

Sterling exchange market was firmer in tone and rates were slightly higher, chiefly on account of reduced offerings of bills. Continental exchange was quiet and firmer. Posted asking rates for sterling, $4.88 for long bills and $4.89 ⅌ cent., and actual rates: Long bills, $4.87¼@4.87½, sight drafts, $4.88½, and cable transfers, $4.88¾. Francs are quoted 5.17½@5.16¾ for long and 5.15⅝@5.15 for short; reichsmarks, 95 3-16@95 5-16 for long and 95⅝@95¾ for short; guilders, 40 1-16@40 3-16 for long and 40 5-16@40⅜ for short.

Domestic exchange on New York: Boston, par; Charleston—Buying, par; selling ⅛ premium. Savannah—Buying, 1-16 off; selling, par. New Orleans—Bank, 150 premium; commercial, 50 cents premium. San Francisco—Sight, 12½ cents; telegraph, 15 cents premium. St. Louis, 50 cents premium; offered at 30 cents premium. Chicago, 80 cents premium.

The exports of general merchandise from the port of New York for the week ending to-day were valued at $7,421,017, against $6,166,562 last week and $7,788,182 for the corresponding week of last year.

The Manhattan Railway Company has declared a quarterly dividend of 1¼ ⅌ cent., payable July 1 to holders of record June 20.

The Executive Committee of the Western Union Telegraph Company has recommended the declaration of the regular quarterly dividend of 1¼ ⅌ cent.

The Oregon Improvement railroad reports gross earnings for April of $281,501, an increase of $26,725 as compared with the same month of last year, and net $77,800, a decrease of $49. For the five months ending April 30 the gross earnings were $1,271,183, a decrease of $16,235 as compared with the corresponding period of last year, and net $46,398, a decrease of $47,140.

The receipts of the Government to-day were: Customs, $210,449; internal revenue, $280,055, and miscellaneous, $86,593, a total of $576,457. The disbursements, including $500,000 for pensions, were $743,000, being an excess of expenditures over receipts of $176,543. For the month to date the excess of receipts over expenditures has been $581,687, and for the fiscal year to date the excess of expenditures over receipts has been $26,400,187.

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

	June 9.	June 8.
Gold coin and bullion	$106,435,845	$106,345,201
Silver coin and bullion	50,366,435	51,358,435
United States notes	89,968,475	89,975,499
Other assets in excess of demand liabilities	38,948,258	38,476,798
Available cash balance, including gold balance	$266,418,813	$265,756,185

Money in London ½@¾ cent. Rate of discount in open market, for bank bills and three months' bills, ¾ ⅌ cent. Amount of bullion gone into the Bank of England as balance to-day, £8,000. Paris advices quote 3 ⅌ cents at 101 francs 75 centimes. Exchange on London, 25 francs 17 centimes. The statement of the Imperial Bank of Germany shows an increase in specie of 3,295,000 marks.

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.	Close Bid.
2000	Brunswick	.18	.18	.18	.18
140	Con Cal & Va	3 25	3 25	3 25	3 25
1000	Con Imperial	.4	.4	.4	.4
100	Horn Silver	2 25	2 25	2 25	2 25
200	Hale & Norcross	2 70	2 70	2 70	2 70
300	Isabella	.59	.59	.59	.59
500	Little Chief	.19	.19	.19	.19
900	Mt. Rosa	.11	.11	.11	.11
200	Pharmacist	.8	.8	.8	.8
100	Yellow Jacket	.70	.70	.70	.70
800	Portland	1 75	1 75	1 75	1 75

Total sales, 5,040 shares.

Electric Stock Quotations.

BOSTON, June 9.—The closing quotations of electric stocks to-day were:

	Bid.	Asked.
Edison Electric Illuminating	136	140
General Electric	32¾	32¾
General Electric pf	—	72
Westinghouse Electric	—	30
Westinghouse Electric pf	52¾	53
Fort Wayne Electric	1	2
Thomson-Houston Trust (series D)	3¾	4¼

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