FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

TUESDAY, Oct. 10.

The announcement by the Treasury Department that it will prepay the interest upon the Government debt due Nov. 1, without rebate, and all interest due after that date until the end of the current fiscal year at a discount of two tenths of one per cent. a month had a decided effect upon the market for securities. The impression had prevailed for a day or two that the Government would anticipate the payment of its Nov. 1 interest, but no one was prepared for such comprehensive action as has been taken. The short interest in stocks was manifestly taken by surprise and hastened to reduce the volume of its commitments. The news also encouraged the buying of certain stocks by the pools and operators that are especially interested in them. Buying of this character was discernible in American Tobacco, American Steel and Wire, common, Sugar Refining, Federal Steel, and several of the so-called specialties.

The money market reflected in a smaller degree than the speculation in stocks, the effort of the Government to avoid locking up money, through the ordinary operations of the Treasury Department.

The ruling rates for call loans were only a little lower than yesterday, being 8@10 per cent., and there was no quotable change in the time money market. Still the action of the Government will doubtless have a good sentimental effect in addition to the actual addition to the supply of loanable funds which it permits. It is calculated by those familiar with the holdings of Government bonds that $15,000,000, or more than one half of the interest due upon the public debt during the remainder of the fiscal year will be paid in this city. It does not follow, however, that a large percentage of that amount will be asked for in advance of maturity. Banks and trust companies that can employ their funds to advantage in the present money market may take advantage of the Treasury's offer, but individuals are not likely to do so nor are the savings banks. These last find it difficult to secure more than 3½ per cent. upon the money entrusted to them, hence they are not likely to pay a discount of 2.4 per cent. per annum to obtain more money for investment.

The supply of time money from out of town institutions continues, and the monetary situation has been improved since the end of last week by the receipt of nearly two and a half millions gold from abroad, and $500,000 that arrived from Cuba to-day. The London money market was considerably easier and British consols were higher. These changes took place and were maintained in the face of reports that the Boers had sent an ultimatum to the English Government. The fortnightly settlement on the London Stock Exchange was conducted to-day with unexpected ease, and rates for carrying stocks until the next settement were lower than they were two weeks ago. These circumstances were not without effect here, though foreign dealers did very little in this market.

In the last hour of business traders who bought stocks early in the day endeavored to secure profits, and their operations produced a reaction. While it was in progress, a sudden demand for Sugar Refining developed that advanced the price of that stock rapidly, and left it 2¼ per cent. higher than yesterday. This movement had some effect upon the entire speculation. The closing was firm at slight recessions from the best prices.

United States and State Bonds (in $1,000s).

2 U S 4s, c, 1907 112

CLOSING PRICES OF UNITED STATES BONDS.

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
U S 2s, r, at pl of 0.100		—	U S 4s, c. 1925	129¼	129¾
U S 5s, r, 1908			U S 4s, c, 1925	129¼	130¼
U S 5s, c, 1908			U S 5s, r, 1904	111¼	112
U S 4s, r, 1907	111	111¼	U S 5s, c, 1904	111¼	112
U S 4s, c, 1907	112	112	U S 3-65s, r, 1924	110.117	—

RAILROAD AND OTHER BONDS.

Adams Ex 4s 1000	104	Chicago Term 4s 1000	96½
500	103½	5000	97½
5000	103¼	Cl Lor & Wh 1st 3000	105½
300	103	Colo Mid 2-4s 10000	53¼
Am Cotton Oil 8s 2000	104½	Colorado Mid 4s 10000	73
Atch T & S F 4s 50000	95½	Col & 9th ave 1st 5000	124
26000	95⅞	Denv & Rio G 4s 4000	99½
41000	95¾	Detroit Gas 5s 1000	98
10000	95⅞	E T Va & Ga Div 2000	98½
5000	95⅝	E T V & G con 5s 3000	118
45000	95½	Erie gen lien 3-4s 1000	71
5000	95¼	Gal H & San Ant 1000	85
18000	95½	Mex & Pac 1st 5000	103
Atch T & S F adj 4s 2000	75½	Ill Cent 1st gold 5000	102½
70000	75¼	Ind Ill & Ia 1st 2000	101
500	75½	Int & Great N 1st 10000	98
1000	75½	Iowa Cen 1st gold 5000	82
1000	75¾	Kan City Sou 1st 1000	106½
15000	75½	L Erie & West 2d 5000	107
1000	75⅞	Lake Shore div 10000	120
2000	75½	Long Island 7s 1000	132
1000	75⅞	Long Island gen 4s 5000	96½
2000	75½	Lou & Nash 4s 1000	99½
1000	75⅞	Manhat Ry 4s 3000	107½
2000	75½	Mex Cent 1st inc 5000	26¾
1000	75⅞	4000	27
2000	75½	Mexican Cent 4s 10000	77¾
1000	75⅞	Mexican Int con 5000	38½
2000	75½	Mich Cen 1st 5s 1000	101½
1000	75⅞	Minneap & St L 1st 2000	101½
2000	75½	Minn & St L 5s 4000	101½
1000	75⅞	Mo Kan & Tex 2d 5000	30
2000	75½	Mo Kan & Tex 4s 5000	92¼
1000	75⅞	Mo Kan & Tex 4s 14000	92¼
2000	75½	Mo Pac 1st 5000	103
1000	75⅞	Nat Cent 1st 6s 1000	102
2000	75½	N Y Cen deb 5s 1000	106½
1000	75⅞	N Y Cen M C 3½s 4000	99
2000	75½	N Y Out & W 4s 10000	104¾
1000	75⅞	Norfolk & W 4s 5000	101½
2000	75½	North Pacific 3s 25000	101½
1000	75⅞	4000	101½
2000	75½	41000	101½
1000	75⅞	2000	101½
2000	75½	2000	101½
1000	75⅞	Or Ral & Nav 4s 5000	102¼
2000	75½	2000	102¾
1000	75⅞	1000	103
2000	75½	Or Short Line 5s 5000	113¼
1000	75⅞	1000	114
2000	75½	5000	113½
1000	75⅞	Or Short Line 6s 1000	127
2000	75½		
1000	75⅞		

Total sales of railway bonds (par value), $2,086,000.

RAILROAD AND OTHER SHARES.

Sales.		High-est.	Low-est.	Clos-ing.	Net Ch'ge.
100	Am Car & F	16¼	16¼	16¼	+ ¼
150	Am Car & F pf	62¼	62¼	62¼	+ ¼
800	Am Cot Oil	44¾	44½	44¾	+ ¼
200	Am Cot Oil pf	95¼	95¼	95¼	+1
110	Am Exp	150	150	150	
450	Am Ice	37¾	37	37¾	— ¾
300	Am Lin Oil	9¾	9¾	9¾	+ ¼
1210	Am Smelt	39¼	38	38	— ¾
575	Am Smelt pf	88	86⅞	87½	+1⅛
121	Am Sp'ts	6	6	6	
1420	Am St H'p	44¼	44	44	+ ⅛
610	Am St H'p pf	85¼	85¼	85¼	+ ¼
52450	Am Sugar	143¾	140¼	143¾	+2¾
23745	Am Steel	54¼	52⅞	54¼	+1¼
2500	Am Steel pf	97¾	97	97	+ ¼
650	Am Tin Pl	39	38	39	+1⅛
200	Am Tin Pl pf	86	86	86	
84270	Am Tobac	123	120	122	+ ⅛
1765	Anaconda	49½	49	49¼	— ¼
100	Ann Arbor pf	42½	42½	42½	+1½
3650	Atch T & S F	21⅛	20⅞	20⅞	+ ⅛
82045	At T & S F pf	63¾	62¼	63¼	+ ⅝
232	Balt & O	50½	50¼	50¼	+ ¼
896	Balto & Ohio pf	70½	70¼	70½	
1110	B'klyn Rap T	89½	87⅛	88½	+ ⅞
100	B'klyn U Gas	135	135	135	
130	Brunswick Co	16	16	16	+1
180	Can Pacific	92	92	92	— ¼
1600	Central Pac	58⅛	58	58¼	+ ¼
520	Ches & Ohio	25⅝	25¼	25½	+ ⅛
100	Chi Tract	45¼	45¼	45¼	
825	Chic & East Ill	97¼	97¼	97¼	—1¼
210	Chi & N'wt	166½	166	166	+1
10040	Chic Bur & Q	131⅝	129¼	131⅝	+1⅛
1350	Chicago Gt W	14¼	14¼	14¼	+ ⅛
300	C G W pf (A)	81½	81	81	
200	C G W pf (B)	41⅞	41⅛	41⅞	+ ⅛
200	Chi Gt W deb	91½	91½	91½	—2¼
585	Chi I & L	11⅞	11¼	11⅞	+ ⅞
17820	Chic Mil & St P	125⅝	124¼	125	+ ⅛
515	Chi M & St P pf	170	170	170	+1
13545	Chic R I & P	113⅝	112	112⅝	+ ⅛
3139	C. C. C. & St. L	57	56	57	+ ¾
2710	Col Fuel & Iron	56¼	54¾	56	+1
3810	Con Gas	189	187	188	— ¾
3045	Contin Tobac	43¾	42	43	+ ⅛
784	Con Tob pf	94¾	93	94¾	
2353	Del L & W	188¼	186¼	188	+ ¾
600	Den & R G pf	74½	74½	74½	+ ¼
100	Dul S S & A pf	14	14	14	
300	Erie 1st pf	36⅝	36⅝	36⅝	
350	Erie T & T	116¼	116¼	116¼	+1
12330	Fed Steel	55¼	54⅝	55¼	+1⅛
1620	Fed Steel pf	78¼	77¾	78¼	+ ¼
300	General El	118⅛	118⅛	118⅛	
100	Glucose pf	108	108	108	+2
588	Great Nor pf	164¾	164⅛	164¾	+ ¼
219	Hock Val pf	62½	62½	62½	— ¼
900	Illinois Cen	113¼	112½	113	+ ¾
200	Int Paper	26	26	26	
1705	Int Paper pf	71¼	69	71	— ⅛
100	Iowa Cen	13¼	13¼	13¼	— ⅛
12625	Lou & Nash	81⅝	80⅛	81¼	+ ¾
8270	Manhat'n con	108¼	107⅛	107⅞	+ ⅝
2200	Met St Ry	197½	196	196½	+ ⅛
300	Met W S El pf	72½	72½	72½	+1
500	Mexican Cen	14¼	14⅛	14¼	+ ¼
230	Mexican Nat	5⅛	5⅛	5⅛	+ ⅛
100	Minn & St L	72⅞	72⅞	72⅞	+ ⅛
110	Min & St. 2d pf	95¼	95¼	95¼	— ¼
400	M Kan & T pf	30¼	29	29¼	+ ¼
1800	Missouri Pac	45⅞	44	44¾	+ ¾
150	Mobile & Ohio	45	45	45	
100	Nat Biscuit Co	44	44	44	+ ¼
190	Nat Biscuit pf	97⅞	97⅞	97⅞	— ⅛
4594	Nat Lead	31¾	30⅝	31	+ ¾
1910	Nat Steel	52	51⅛	52	+ ½
634	Nat Steel pf	96	96	96	
600	N J Central	120	119⅝	120	
2150	N Y Central	135¼	134¼	135¼	+ ⅝
100	NYC&St.L 1st pf	72	72	72	+2
2410	Nor & West	24¾	24⅛	24⅝	+ ⅝
1100	Nor & West pf	69¾	69⅛	69⅝	+ ⅝
700	No Amer Co	13	13	13	+ ⅛
5150	Nor Pacific	53¼	51⅞	52⅞	+ ¾
977	Nor Pacific pf	74⅝	74⅛	74⅛	+ ¼
1280	Ont & West	25	24¾	24¾	+ ⅛
100	Pacific Coast	48⅝	48⅝	48⅝	
300	Pac Coast 2d pf	66⅝	66	66⅝	+ ⅝
210	Pacific Mail	40½	40	40	— ½
3000	Penn R R	131⅛	130⅝	131	
10330	Peo G L & Co	111	108⅞	110⅛	+ ⅞
300	Pres'dt'l Car	58	58	58	
560	Pull Pal Car	189⅛	188⅛	188⅛	—1
200	Quicksilver pf	9⅛	8⅞	9⅛	— ⅞
1660	Repub Steel	28¼	27¼	28	+1
925	Repub Steel pf	73	72⅞	73	+ ⅛
612	Reading	21⅝	21¼	21¼	— ⅝
3160	Reading 1st pf	59	58	58⅝	+ ⅛
500	Reading 2d pf	33¼	32⅞	33¼	+ ⅝
100	R G West'rn pf	81	81	81	+ ⅛
200	St Jo & G I	5¼	5¼	5¼	+ ⅛
275	St Jo & G 1st pf	59¼	61	61	+2
462	St J & G I 2d pf	16¼	16	16¼	+ ¼
700	St L & S W pf	34	33	33¼	+ ⅛
300	St P & Omaha	120	120	120	— ⅛
100	St P & Omh pf	175	175	175	—10
29000	South Pacific	37⅞	36¾	37⅞	— ⅛
3510	South R Ry Co	11⅞	11⅞	11⅞	+ ⅛
3515	So Ry Co pf	52⅞	52	52¾	+ ⅝
6340	Tenn C & I	118⅝	114¾	116⅝	+1⅛
300	Texas Pacific	18¼	18¼	18¼	— ⅛
350	Third Ave R R	150	149¾	149¾	—5¼
200	Twin City R T	62	62	62	
110	Un Bag & P pf	80¼	80¼	80¼	
4770	Union Pacific	44	43⅛	43¾	+ ⅝
6340	Union Pac pf	76⅝	75¼	76⅛	+ ¾
3930	U S Leather	14¾	14⅝	14⅝	— ⅛
2776	U S Leather pf	78¼	77¼	78	+ ¾
150	U S Rubber	48⅝	48⅝	48⅝	+ ⅛
210	U S Rubber pf	116	115⅝	116	— ⅛
600	Wabash	7⅛	7⅛	7⅛	
200	Wabash pf	21¾	21¾	21¾	+ ⅛
110	W U Telegr'ph	88	88	88	+ ¼
1825	W & L E	12	11⅝	11⅞	
1540	W & L E 2d pf	31⅝	31	31¼	— ⅜
740	Wis Central	17¼	17	17	— ⅛
100	Wis Cen pf	54⅛	54⅛	54⅛	+ ¼

* Ex-dividend.

Total sales to-day, 444,850 shares.

OUTSIDE SECURITIES—CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
Amalg Cop	91⅝	92¼	Hav Comp	63	64
Am G Co	—	19⅝	Ill Trans	4¾	4⅞
Am Wool	26	26½	Int Pump	21¾	23
Am W Cop	81⅛	82½	Int P. p	70	72
Air Power	38	42	N Gram	69	71
Amaterm G	29¾	29⅞	Nat Salts	46	47
Am Gas pf	53	55	Nat Salt p	75	77
Ams G bds	94⅝	95¾	Natl T'be	45⅝	46¼
Best B com	30	32	Natl T'be p	98	99
Best S pf	80	82	New Eng T	8½	9
B & N Y F	34	36	N Y Elec Veh		
B&NYF bds	95⅝	96	Trans	18	18¾
B S Gas	1⅝	1⅞	Otis Elev	33⅛	34⅛
Ch & Asbs	109	110	Otis Elev pf	94	97
C & A s s	—	95	Rubber G c	26	28
Dis of Am	13¾	14	Rubber G p	82½	83
Dis of Am p	49⅛	50	Royal S P p	98⅛	99¼
Fl Axle	5	5⅝	S Oil Trust	464	467
Elec Best c	18	20	St L S R subs	134	136
Elec Best p	—	40	St L S R c	—	32¼
Elec Veh c	79	88	St L S R p	—	94
Elec Veh p	100	110	St L S Ry 4s	—	94⅛
Elec Pass	1⅛	1¾	S & S Co	40¾	42
Flem C & C	30⅝	31	S & S Co p	78⅛	79⅛
Hav C Co s	22	24			

BOSTON CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
Bos & Alb	249	250	Bos & Mont	360	364
Bos & Me	—	201	C & Hecla	780	790
Chi Junc c	141	145	Osceola	86¼	88
Chi Junc p	—	139	Quincy M	158	162
Fitchb'g p	119	121	Tam Min	225	230
Merg'nt'ler	205	215	Old Dom	33	—
Boston El	107⅛	108⅛	Butte	78	80
Old Colony	206	207	B U G 1sts	85	86
W End R	94	94½	Arcadian	51	52
Dom Coal	46¼	47	White Knob	10	11
Am Bell T	375	377	Rhode Is	6¼	6¾
Westh Elec	46	47	Utah	38	38¼
Gen Elec p	139	140	Isle Royal	45	46

PHILADELPHIA CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
Camb Steel	24	24½	Pa Mt L&P	28¾	28¼
C O & G c	41	41¼	Phila Trac	96	96¼
C O & G p	47¼	48	T'water St	15¼	1[illegible]
E L C of A	17¾	17¾	Union Trac	38¾	38⅞
E S Bat c	127¾	130	U G I Co	164	165
E S Bat p	130	135	W N Y & P	6¼	6¾
E & P T 4s	98¾	99	Wels L Co	49¼	51
Leh V R R	26¼	26¾	Wels C c	111	112
Marsden	13¼	14¼	Wels C p	58¼	63

CHICAGO CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
Am Strwb	34	34½	M W S Ep	73	73¾
Canal & Dk	76	77¾	N Carbon e	20	21¼
City R'way	285	290	N Carbon p	81	84
Dd Match	128	129	So S "L"	98	98¼
Lake S "L"	17¼	18	West Ch St R	118¾	119¾

LATEST LONDON QUOTATIONS.

Anaconda	10⅛	Norfolk & W pf	71⅛
Atchison	21⅛	Northern Pacific	53⅝
Atchison pf	64½	Northern Pacific pf	76¼
Balt & Ohio	51⅝	Ontario & West	25⅝
Balt & Ohio pf	72⅛	Pennsylvania	67⅛
Canadian Pacific	94⅝	Reading	11
Chesapeake & Ohio	25¼	Reading 1st pf	30¼
Central Pacific	59⅝	Reading 2d pf	16⅝
Denver & R G	21⅝	St. Paul	127⅞
Denver & R G pf	76¾	South Railway	12
Erie	13⅝	South Railway pf	53⅝
Erie 1st pf	37⅛	Southern Pacific	36⅝
Illinois Central	115	Union Pacific	44⅝
Kansas & Texas	13	Union Pacific pf	77⅞
Louisville & Nash	83	Wabash pf	22⅛
New York Central	138		

Final sales compared with those of yesterday as follows:

	Oct. 9.	Cet. 10.		Oct. 9.	Oct. 10.
A, T & S F	20⅝	20⅞	N'westcorn	166	166
A, T & S F p	62⅝	63¼	Nor Pac c	52¼	52⅝
Am Cot O	44¼	44⅝	Nor Pac p	74¼	74¼
Am S K	141	143⅝	N Y Cen	134⅞	135¼
Am Tob	121⅛	122	N J Cen	120	120
Bost & T	87⅝	88¼	O & West	24¾	24⅝
Can Pa	92¼	92	Peo G & C	109¼	110⅛
C. C. C & St L	56¼	57	Pac Mail	40¼	40
C. B & Q	129⅝	130⅝	Pul P Car	188⅛	188⅛
Ches & O	25⅝	25¼	Rock Isl	112¼	112⅝
Chi Gt W	14¼	14⅝	Reading	21⅛	21¼
Del L & W	187¼	188	Read 1st p	58⅛	58⅝
D & R G p	74¼	74⅛	St Paul c	124¼	125
Erie 1st p	36¼	36⅛	So Railway	11⅝	11⅞
Gen Elec	118⅛	118⅝	So R'y p	52⅛	52⅝
Gt North p	164⅛	164⅝	St L & S F p	33	33¼
Ill Cen	112¼	113	Tex Pac	18⅝	18¾
Kan & T p	39⅝	39⅛	Tenn C & I	115	116⅛
Lou & Nash	80¼	81¼	Union Pac	43¼	43⅝
Man Con	107⅛	107⅞	Union Pac p	75⅝	76⅛
Min & St L	72⅝	72⅞	U S Rub	48	48⅝
M & St L 2 p	96	95¼	U S Leather	14⅝	14⅝
Mo Pac	44⅛	44⅝	U S L p	77¼	78
Met St Ry	196	196⅛	Wab & Pp	21⅝	21⅝
Nat Lead	30¼	31	W U Tel	87⅝	88
North Am	12⅞	13	Wh & L E	11⅛	11⅛
N & W	24¼	24⅝	W & L E 2d p	31⅝	31¼
N & W p	69	69⅝			

Government bonds easier. The 4s of 1925 closed ¼ per cent. lower bid. Railway and other bonds, Central of Georgia consol 5s, Norfolk and Western consol 4s, Reading general 4s, Southern Pacific 4s w. i, Union Pacific 4s, Wisconsin Central 1st 4s, Atchison, Baltimore and Ohio, Kansas and Texas, Northern Pacific, St. Louis Southwestern and Wabash issues.

Commercial price of bar silver in New York, 58⅛c. Bar silver in London closed at 26¾d. Mexican silver dollars were quoted at 47c. Exports to Europe tomorrow, 371,000 ounces.

Money on call 4@10 per cent. closing at 4 per cent. Time money is quoted at 6 per cent. for six months on first-class railroad stocks, for three and six months 6 per cent. bid on good mixed collateral, and on all industrials loans are made at 6 per cent. for eight months. The commercial paper market is nominal and rates are quoted at 4½@5 per cent. for bills receivable; acceptances and prime single names, 5@5½ per cent.; other names, 6@7 per cent.

Sterling exchange opened firmer for long and weaker for short on easier discounts at London, but closed firm for all classes of remittances on the let-up in local interest rates. Continental exchange was firm. Posted rates are: Long bills, $4.82; sight drafts, $4.87. Actual rates are: Long bills, $4.82⅛@$4.82¼; sight drafts, $4.86¾@$4.86⅞; and cable transfers, $4.87¼@$4.87½; francs are quoted at 5.23¾@5.21¼ for long, and 5.20⅛@5.20⅞ for short; reichsmarks, 94@94⅞ for long, and 94⅞@95 for short; guilders, 39⅞@39 15-16 for long, and 40 3-16@40⅛ for short.

Domestic exchange on New York: Boston—par and 5c. premium. Charleston—Buying, 1-16 discount; selling, par. Savannah—Buying, ⅛ off; selling, par. New Orleans—Bank, par; commercial, $1.50 discount. San Francisco—Sight, 12½c. premium; telegraph, 15c. premium. St. Louis—75c. discount. Chicago—70c. discount. Cincinnati—Between banks, par and 50c. discount; over counter, 50c. premium.

Exports of general merchandise from the port of New York for the week ending to-day were valued at $11,427,208, against $9,310,948 in the preceding week and $9,318,315 in the corresponding week of last year; since Jan. 1, $340,031,923 against $367,940,700 the corresponding period of last year.

The Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton Railroad Company has declared a quarterly dividend of 1¾ per cent. on its preferred stock, payable Nov. 8.

The Cincinnati, Sandusky and Cleveland Railroad Company has declared a semi-annual dividend of 3 per cent. on its preferred stock, payable Nov. 1.

The American Type Founders' Company has declared a dividend of 1 per cent., payable Oct. 16. The earnings for the fiscal year were reported as follows: Gross earnings, $249,563; less interest charges, $59,511; net earnings, $190,052. Four quarterly dividends were paid during the year of 1 per cent. each, $160,000; added to surplus for the year, $30,052.

The Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway Company reports gross earnings for the first week of October of $901,805, an increase of $99,702 as compared with the corresponding week last year.

Railway gross earnings for September compare with those of the same month of last year as follows:

Northern Pacific	$3,150,908	Inc. $209,453
W. N. Y. & Penn	328,300	Inc. 40,100

The Detroit, Grand Rapids and Western Railroad reports gross earnings for August of $154,751, an increase of $11,423, as compared with the same month of last year, and net $41,256, an increase of $4,412. For the eight months ending Aug. 31, the gross earnings were $1,051,709, an increase of $82,319, as compared with the corresponding period of last year, and net $202,036, an increase of $4,951.

The Chicago and West Michigan Railroad reports gross earnings for August of $82,242, an increase of $20,887 as compared with the same month of last year and net $61,495, an increase of $1,108. For the eight months ending Aug. 31 the gross earnings were $1,440,493, an increase of $219,121 as compared with the corresponding period of last year and net $263,497, an increase of $64,068.

The Choctaw, Oklahoma and Gulf railroad reports gross earnings for August of $165,242, an increase of $26,335, as compared with the same month of last year and net $57,296, an increase of $11,452. For the ten months ending Aug. 3, the gross earnings were $1,571,217, an increase of $253,019 as compared with the corresponding period of last year and net $571,886, an increase of $103,767.

The receipts of the Government to-day were: Customs, $670,427; internal revenue, $441,884; miscellaneous, $30,191; a total of $1,152,170. The disbursements were $1,750,000, an excess of expenditures over receipts of $597,830. The receipts of the fiscal year to date have been $157,424,978, and the expenditures $153,342,776, an excess of receipts over expenditures of $4,082,203.

The official count of cash in the Treasury to-day compared with that of yesterday shows:

	Oct. 9.	Oct. 10.
Gold coin and bullion	$256,709,549	$256,902,061
Silver dollars and bullion	6,976,151	6,976,739
U. S. notes	15,927,799	16,083,478
Other assets, less demand Liabilities	9,460,726	8,786,427
Available cash balance, including gold reserve	$289,074,226	$288,748,760

Money in London, 3 per cent. Rates of discount in open market for short and three months' bills, 4¼@4⅜ per cent. Amount of the bullion gone into the Bank of England on balance to-day, $160,000. Paris advices quote 3 per cent. at 100 francs 50 centimes. Exchange on London, 25 francs 31 centimes. The weekly statement of the Imperial Bank of Germany shows the following changes: Cash on hand increased 8,380,000 marks; Treasury notes increased 420,000 marks, "other" securities decreased 51,720,000 marks, notes in circulation decreased 70,983,000 marks.

COMMERCIAL.

TUESDAY, Oct. 10.—GRAIN—Wheat—Spot was steady. Sales 224,000 bushels, mainly for export here and at the outports, with rumors of 30 loads more. No. 1 northern Duluth 3c. over Dec. f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 hard Duluth 5½c. over; No. 1 northern New York 2½c. over. Futures closed ⅝c. to ⅞c. lower. Sales, 1,900,000 bushels. After Change Dec. on curb was 76⅛c. Prices as follows:

	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.	Last Night.
Dec	76¾	76¾	76⅜	76⅝	77⅛
March	79⅝	79⅝	79¼	79⅜	80⅛
May	79⅞	79⅞	79⅝	80	80⅝

Oats were steady on the spot. Sales 80,000 bushels, No. 2 in elevator, 29c.; do. delivered, 29½c.; No. 2 white, 31c.; track and mixed white, 30@35c. Chicago received 888 cars and expects 250 to morrow. Corn was steady on the spot. Sales 1,120,000 bushels for export here and at the outports. No. 2, 40¾c. over Dec. in elevator; do. white, 41c. over. Chicago received 1890 cars and expects 640 to morrow. Futures closed ⅛c. higher to ⅛c. lower. Sales 60,000 bushels. Prices as follows:

	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.	Last Night.
Dec	—	—	—	38⅝	38¾
May	37¾	37¾	37⅛	37⅜	37⅞

Wheat declined on disappointing cables, large receipts, a rise in consols and what appeared to be a somewhat more Pacific outlook in South Africa though later despatches were not so peaceful. Consols rose ⅛ to ½ cent. Liverpool fell ⅝ to ¾d., Paris five centimes on wheat and ½ to 15 on flour and Berlin ¼ mark. The visible supply increased 2,083,000 bushels. Much colder weather is advancing at the Northwest. In the extreme North at 7 A. M. it was 12° to 36° above; in the Dakotas and Minnesota 34 to 54. Bulls were rather discouraged, however, by the big financial shipments, the heavy world's exports and the large increase in the visible supply. The Northwest sold May. There were reports that 60 loads had been taken for export. The rise in ocean freight, however, is usually regarded as an unfavorable feature. Liverpool's receipts for three days are no less than 4,384,000 bushels including 3,192,000 American. The Government report on wheat due to-day was postponed. A special investigation is being made. Some think that owing to the dry weather during to the past month the acreage of winter wheat is likely to be smaller than last year. Ocean freights rose ½c. bid, and railway freights at the West are expected to advance shortly.

Corn advanced on higher cables and a steady foreign demand, though Liverpool despatches said that the rise had checked business there. Long liquidation was understood to be going on at Chicago and the visible supply increased 2,260,000. But it was a strong market for all that. Liverpool advanced ½d. The Chicago receipts decreased for the week only 450,000 bushels. At one time prices there were 3½c. higher than on Saturday. One hundred and forty loads were reported taken for export and elevator people were good buyers. May was the strongest month and the premium is increasing Liverpool's receipts for three days were 1,400,000. Interior receipts were 1,818,000; shipments east 1,603,000. Clearances from seaboard reached 590,000; stocks at the seaboard and Gulf ports 5,685,000. The Government report was received at 4 o'clock and stated the condition at 82.7 against 85.2 last month and 82 last year. There was no trading on the curb. Oats were firm with small receipts and light stocks, facts which offset the smallness of the demand at the present time. The visible supply of 6,600,000 is small and 56 per cent. of it is at the seaboard. There is very little inquiry here from city dealers. The visible supply decreased 698,000 bushels.

FLOUR—The tone was somewhat easier, but prices were generally unchanged. Sales 12,000 bbls. Receipts were 11,885 bbls. and 35,276 sacks; exports, 10,701 bbls. and 10,100 sacks. Winter in bbls. Superfine, $2.30@$2.45; No. 2 extra, $2.45@$2.60; clears, $3.00@$3.15; straights, $3.40@$3.60; patents, $3.70@$3.75. Spring in bbls. Clears, $3.00@$3.10; straights, $3.35@$3.60; patents, $3.80@$4.05.

COTTON—Spot cotton here declined 1-16c. with sales of 919 bales for spinning; 100 were delivered on contract. Middling uplands, 7⅛c. against 7⅜c. last year. New Orleans and Gulf, 7⅛c. against 7⅜. Wilmington advanced ⅛c., Augusta declined ⅛c., Memphis sold 2,700 bales, Augusta 879 and Mobile 300. Liverpool declined 1-32 d. on the spot with sales of 10,000 bales; futures declined 4 points, but recovered part closing, 2½ to 3½ lower. Manchester was quiet. The movement to-day was as follows:

	To-day.	Last Week.	Last Year.
Port receipts	40,071	47,241	74,800
New Orleans est. to-morrow	10,000