FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

WEDNESDAY, June 16—6 P. M.

The fluctuations of the money market to-day were quite remarkable and very significant of the disturbed and unhealthy condition into which our local finances have drifted. Conversely to yesterday, its easier state was at the close and the most stringent period during the earlier hours of business. The highest rate paid was one-quarter of one per cent per day, but it varied down through the intermediate figures to seven per cent, currency, a few minutes before three o'clock. The demand had been entirely supplied by this hour, and the group gathered in front of the Stock Exchange, where the money market has become a fixture, suddenly found themselves all lenders. Loans late in the afternoon were made at six per cent, and were offered at five by half-past three. In accounting for this sudden change it should be borne in mind that Wall street can always get money if it will only pay the rates demanded. Those rates were paid in the forenoon and the market supplied. Again, it is very probable that the bankers who received the Sub-Treasurer's checks in payment for the bonds which they sold the government at noon to-day were very anxious to get interest for their money over night. Hence the free supply of funds offering after two o'clock, the amount thus thrown on the market being about one and a quarter millions of dollars. It was also said that the banks had sent in $300,000 of their three per cents for redemption, and a story was current that the Secretary of the Treasury intended disbursing about ten millions in payment of claims or other objects not specifically designated. The effect of this stringency was not so perceptible in the Stock Exchange as might have been expected. Prices at the opening were very strong and the market looked buoyant. The alarm first came from the Gold Room, where it was discovered that some of the cliques had been selling gold to get currency with which to carry their railways, the rate for cash gold advancing to such extreme figures as 5-32 and 3-16 upon the money collaterals. The effect was a brief decline, New York Central falling to 187¾, Northwestern to 81½, Pacific Mail to 88¾, Michigan Southern to 103¾ and St. Paul to 73. The yielding in the rest of the list was not so marked. This was the lowest point of the day. Thenceforward there was a steady improvement, although without great animation. The cliques, in stiffening up prices, were without the prestige which they would have had were the money market without these unusual fluctuations. It is hard to make the public believe that they are sincere in "bulling" prices at such a time. With the steady drain of money into the Treasury, where the currency balance is fast approaching $50,000,000, the money market has no guarantee of uninterrupted ease. The sudden relaxation of this afternoon may be a device to induce the public to buy again, but the latter can have little faith in the renewal of easy money until the Secretary of the Treasury has so shaped his policy as to deprive the market of its susceptibility to such sharp contraction as has been witnessed during the past week. The most that can be said is that the situation is befogged and befogging to the street, and hence the dulness and hesitation that were observable in the investment demand for stocks after the recuperation of the money market. A policy on the part of the cliques which would lead the street to oversell the market would be just as profitable to them as any other; hence there was apparently a pause in clique strategy, as if to test the temper of the public and ascertain its drift. According as that manifestation shall be will the schemes of the next campaign in stocks be shaped. The feature of the speculation this afternoon was Pacific Mail, which advanced to 91¼. Northwestern preferred rose to 95¾. The improvement in the stocks which have been most prominent during the recent excited period was of a corresponding character. The following were the prices on the call at the last session of the board:—Cumberland, 33¾ bid; Wells, Fargo & Co.'s Express, 31¼ a 31½; American Express, 40 a 40½; Adams Express, 59¼ a 59½; United States Express, 69¼ a 69¾; Merchants' Union Express, 15; Quicksilver, 15 a 17; Canton, 63½ a 63¾; Mariposa, 8¼ a 9¼; do. preferred, 17 a 17½; do. certificates, 43 a 48; Pacific Mail, 89½ a 89¾; Western Union Telegraph, 40 a 40¼; New York Central, 188¾ a 188½; Hudson River, 155¼ a 155½; Harlem, 143 a 147¾; Reading, 98½ a 98¾; Chicago and Alton preferred, 156 a 159; Alton and Terre Haute, 39; do. preferred, 56 a 60; Wabash, 71 bid; do. preferred, 80 a 83; Milwaukee and St. Paul, 73½ a 73¾; do. preferred, 84¾ a 85; Ohio and Mississippi, 32¾ a 32½; Michigan Central, 130 a 136; Michigan Southern, 104¼ a 104¾; Illinois Central, 143½ a 144; Pittsburg, 95½ a 95¾; Rock Island, 118½ a 118¾; Northwestern, 82 a 82½; do. preferred, 94¼ a 94¾; Boston Water Power, 16½ a 16¾; Delaware and Lackawanna, 117 a 118; New Jersey Central, 110 a 110¾; Hannibal and St. Joseph, 120 a 125; do. do. preferred, 120 a 122½; Columbus, Chicago and Indiana Central, 39 a 40.

Governments were dull and heavy, despite the advance in London to 80¾ a 80⅞. The activity of money induced realization to obtain the high rates on call, while the speculative interest was almost entirely suspended. In the more stringent hours of the money market 67's fell to 110. With the easier feeling in all the markets in the afternoon there was a recovery in prices and the following quotations ruled on the street at the close:—United States sixes, 1881, registered, 116½ a 117; do., do., coupon, 121½ a 121¾; do., five-twenties, registered, 116¾ a 116⅞; do., do., coupon, 1862, 122¼ a 122½; do. do., coupon, 1864, 116⅞ a 117⅛; do. do., coupon, 1865, 118¼ a 118⅝; do. do., coupon, 1865, new, 119¼ a 119½; do. do., coupon, 1867, 119¼ a 119⅝; do. do., coupon, 1868, 119¾ a 119⅞; do., ten-forties, registered, 107½ a 107¾; do. do., coupon, 108¼ a 108¾; currency bonds, 106 a 106½.

The government bought another million of bonds, making a total of six millions of the public debt redeemed thus far. The tenders amounted to nearly five millions. The awards were of the following prices:—$250,000 1867 coupons at 115.31; $250,000 1867 coupons at 115.30, $250,000 1867 coupons at 115.29, $250,000 1867 coupons at 115.28.

Foreign exchange was firmer in consequence of a better demand for bills induced by the decline in gold. Good to prime bankers' sixty day sterling was quoted 109¼ a 109⅜, and sight 110¼ a 110½.

The exorbitant rates required in carrying gold led to a pressure to sell, which was precipitated by a strong clique movement, having for its remote object the obtaining of currency wherewith to carry stocks. The price declined sharply, touching 137¾, but thence reacted to 137¾ when its buoyancy was secured by the sudden change in the money market. The highest price was 138¾. The larger transactions are reflected in the report of the Gold Exchange Bank which is as follows:—

Gold cleared	$103,762,000
Gold balances	3,240,114
Currency balances	4,904,380

The course of the gold market is shown in the table:—

10 A. M.	137¾	2:24 P. M.	138
10:10 A. M.	137¾	3 P. M.	137¾
11 A. M.	137⅞	3:15 P. M.	138
11:30 A. M.	137¾	3:30 P. M.	138¼
12 M.	137⅞	3:45 P. M.	138¼
1 P. M.	137⅞	4 P. M.	138
2 P. M.	137⅞	5 P. M.	138 a 138⅛

Cash gold was in so abundant supply that the currency collaterals advanced upon it commanded extravagant rates of interest, ranging all the way from nine per cent per annum to 5-32 and 3-16 per diem. The disbursements of coin interest amounted to $34,781.

The feature in Southern securities was a sharp advance in Missouri sixes to 97—the street price after the boards—based upon the decision that the bonds are payable, principal and interest, in gold. The Commissioners of the Sinking Fund having made the inquiry in a letter to H. B. Johnson, the Attorney General of Missouri, the latter replied as follows:—

Your letter of the 25th instant, asking my opinion in regard to the legal obligation of the State to pay the principal and interest in gold coin on bonds issued by the State, has been received. After carefully examining the decision of the Supreme Court of the United States, and the various laws under which bonds were issued by the State of Missouri to the Pacific Railroad, Southwest Branch of the Pacific Railroad, Iron Mountain Railroad, North Missouri Railroad, the Cairo and Fulton Railroad Company, and the Platte County Railroad Company, I have concluded that the State having sold all of said roads under the lien the State held on them for security of principal and interest in said bonds, and the State having by said sales assumed all the obligations of said railroad companies, is legally obligated to pay both the principal and interest of said bonds in coin as they become due.

State bonds were weak in new Tennessees, but comparatively steady in the general list, the following being the closing prices at the last board:—Louisiana sixes, 71 a 71½; do. levee sixes, 66½ a 66⅞; do. do. eights, 88; Tennessee sixes, ex coupon, 64¾ bid; do. do., new, 62½ a 62⅝; Virginia sixes, ex coupon, 57½; do. do., new, 61½ bid; Georgia sixes, 82 bid; do. sevens, 95 a 97; North Carolina sixes, ex coupon, 60 a 61; do. do., new, 55½ a 55¾; Missouri sixes, 95⅞ a 96; Missouri and St. Joseph's, 95 a 95½.

With reference to the recent charges of intended repudiation on the part of the authorities of Florida, we have received the following, signed by S. B. Conover, State Treasurer, and R. W. Gamble, Comptroller.

The bonds referred to as "issued under the Gleason-Osborn dynasty" were sold to defray the expenses of the late constitutional convention, and the accrued interest thereon, to March 1, 1869, was promptly paid, as also the interest due June 1, on all the bonds sold of the "five hundred thousand authorized by the last Legislature." The entire debt of the State does not reach $1,000,000, and, perhaps with one or two exceptions, is less than that of any State in the Union, and the idea of repudiation is as false as it is preposterous. The whole statement, from beginning to end, is a base fabrication, and, we are constrained to believe, maliciously and wilfully conceived for the purpose of injuring the State credit and retarding the State government. The State Treasury is not bankrupt, and it is untrue to say that any interest obligation of this State government has been dishonored.

The following shows the comparative earnings of the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad during the second week in June:—

1868	$266,913 89
1869	305,496 12
Increase	$38,582 23

SALES AT THE NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE.

Wednesday, June 16—10:15 A. M.

$3000 US 6's, '81, reg	116½	100 shs Am Merch Ex.bc	40¼
10000 US 5-20, r, '62 c	116¾	100 do b30	40¾
50 US 5-20, c, '65, n	119¼	200 United States Ex	69¾
481000 US 5-20, c, '67	119¾	100 do	69¾
5000 do s3	119¾	100 N Y Cen RR	187¾
20000 Tenn 6's, new	63	300 do	187⅞
20000 do bet call	62½	100 do	188
2000 Tenn 6's, ex cou	65	79 Reading RR	98
10000 Missouri 6's	94¾	500 Lake Shore&MS RR	104⅛
10000 do	94¾	100 do c	104⅛
10000 do	94¾	25 do	105
100000 do	95	200 Clev & Pitts RR	96
10000 do	95¼	500 Chicago & N W RR	82¼
1000 Mo 6's, H&StJo iss	96	100 do s3	82⅛
1000 La 6's, i b	68½	100 Chic & NW RR pf c	93⅝
10000 do	66¾	200 do	93⅞
10000 N Car 6's, n 2d c	55½	100 C, C, Cin & I RR	73
4000 Brooklyn 6's, w i	96	600 Chic & Rk I RR c	118¾
2000 Erie 2d mtge	89	10 do	119½
1500 Mor & Es 1st mtg	99¼	100 Mil & St Paul RR	73½
5000 Cleve&Tol s f bds	100¼	200 do	73¾
1000 N J Cen. new bds	100	50 do	74¾
1000 Tol & Wab 2d m	83¾	100 Mil & St Paul pref	84½
10000 Mar Tr 10's, c b c	46	100 do c b10	85¼
1000 Mich So 2d m	94	100 Tol, Wab & West	72
1000 Mil & St P 8's, 1st m	105	100 Pitts, Fort W&Chic	155½
2000 Chic & N W 1st	93½	100 do	155¼
11 shs Continental Bk	102	100 do	155½
25 Park Bank	103	200 do	155
100 Brunswick C Land	9	400 do bet call	156
100 Central Coal Co b3	70	200 Ohio & Miss RR	32⅝
100 West Union Tel s3	40	100 N J Central RR b c	110
51 Wells-Fargo Exp	31	200 Del, Lack & W	117
100 do	31⅞	100 Dub & Sioux C RR	106
100 Adams Express	59½	5 N Y & N H RR	135

12 M. and 2:15 o'Clock P. M.

$20000 US 6's, '81, c	121½	$10000 US 6's, currency	106¼
12000 US 5-20, c, '62	122½	10000 US 5-20, c, '67	119¾
10000 do	122¼	10000 do b3	119½
1000 US 5-20, r, '64	118¾	25000 do c	119¾
2000 US 5-20, c, '64	116¾	47500 do	119⅝
1000 US 5-20, c, '65	118¾	65000 do	119¾
50000 US 5-20, c, '65, n	119½	30000 US 5's, 10-40, c	108½

One o'Clock P. M.

$10000 Tenn 6's, ex c	64¾	515 shs Bud River RR	155½
15000 do	64½	100 do b10	156
1000 do	64¾	100 do c	155¼
50000 Tenn 6's, new	62½	12 Reading RR	97¾
50000 do	62¾	200 do c	98
10000 N Car 6's, new	55¾	800 do	98½
5000 do c	55½	400 Lake Shore &MS RR	104¾
10000 Missouri 6's	95½	200 do	104⅝
10000 do	95½	100 Illinois Central RR	144
12000 do	95¼	200 Clev & Pitts RR	96¾
40000 do	95½	500 Chic & N W RR	82
5000 N Car 6's	55½	100 do s3	81⅞
6000 do bet c	60	200 do	82½
8000 La 6's, i b	68¾	500 Chic & N W RR pf	94¾
500 Chic & NW int bds	99	100 do b30	95
2000 Mich So s f bs	99½	10 do	95¾
50 shs Ninth Nat Bk	116	200 Chicago & R I RR	118½
100 Cumb Coal pf	34	100 do s3	118¾
100 Canton Co s60	63	100 Mil & St Paul RR c	73¾
200 Mariposa pref	17	200 Mil & St P pref	84¾
500 Pacific Mail SS Co	89½	200 N J Central RR	110
200 West U Tel b c	40¼	200 do b c	110¼
100 Wells-Fargo Ex	31¾	300 P, Ft W & Chi RR	155¾
100 U S Express Co	69¾	34 do	155
100 Merchants' Union Ex	15	100 H & St Jos pref	120
400 N Y Central RR	188¾	100 do b30	121
500 do	188½	50 Morris & Es RR	89

STREET QUOTATIONS.

Half-past Five o'Clock P. M.

Pacific Mail	90½ a 91	Ohio & Miss	32½ a 32¾
N Y Central	188½ a 188¾	Mich Southern	104¾ a 105
Erie	20 a 20½	Pittsburg	95¾ a 97
Reading	98¾ a 99	Northwestern	82¾ a 83
St Paul	73¾ a 74	Northwestern pf	95¼ a 95¾
Ft Wayne	155 a 155½		

COMMERCIAL REPORT.

WEDNESDAY, June 16—6 P. M.

ASHES.—Receipts, 22 bbls. Pot were quiet but steady at $7 62½ a $7 87½, while pearl were still dull and nominal.

COFFEE.—Rio was in improved demand, and more firmly held at the close. The sales were 4,000 bags ex Speed, 1,516 do. ex Wayfarer, 505 do. ex Goodwin, and 73 do. ex Lindheim on private terms. Other kinds, though quiet, were steady at yesterday's quotations.

COTTON.—The market for this staple opened active, excited and about ¼c. higher, but closed quiet though steady at the improvement. The sales were 4,867 bales, of which 3,260 were taken for spinning, 1,569 on speculation, and 138 were in transit. For future delivery there was more demand and the following sales were effected:—200 bales for July at 31½c., 50 do. low middling for November and December at 25c., 100 do. for December at 24½c., 100 do. for January at 24c., 150 middling for November and December at 25¾c. and 150 do. do. do. at 25c. We annex the closing quotations:—

	Uplands	Mobile and Florida.	New Orleans and Texas.
Ordinary	27½	27½	28
Good ordinary	29½	29¾	30¼
Low middling	32½	32¾	33¼
Middling	33	33¼	34
Good middling	34½	35	35½

FLOUR AND GRAIN.—Receipts, 12,629 bbls. flour, 52,326 bushels wheat, 18,241 do. corn, 16,691 do. oats, 1,000 do. rye. The flour market ruled very quiet to-day, and there was no change either one way or the other. There was but little demand for export and but little was done. California flour was dull and nominal; the sales were about 10,000 bbls. Southern flour was slow of sale and prices continued to rule heavy; sales 375 bbls. Rye flour was firm, with a moderate demand, the sales being 350 bbls. Corn meal was quiet at former prices; sales 150 bbls. We quote:—

No. 2 State	$4 25 a	$5 00
Superfine State	5 00 a	5 50
Extra State	6 00 a	6 25
Choice do	6 25 a	6 50
Superfine Western	5 00 a	5 50
Extra do	5 75 a	6 25
Extra Minnesota	6 00 a	7 00
Round hoop Ohio, shipping brands	6 00 a	6 50
Round hoop Ohio, trade brands	7 00 a	8 50
St. Louis low extra	7 00 a	7 50
St. Louis straight extra	7 50 a	8 00
St. Louis choice double extra	8 50 a	9 50
St. Louis choice family	10 00 a	11 00
Southern choice and family	9 00 a	11 50
Southern superfine and extra	5 50 a	8 00
California flour (sacks and bbls)	6 25 a	9 50
Rye flour	4 10 a	6 25
Corn meal, city	4 00 a	4 50
Corn meal, Brandywine	4 75 a	—
Corn meal, Jersey	4 00 a	4 25

Wheat was less active, but firm, with light receipts. At the close the market was firm, with $1 43¾ free y bid for No. 2 spring, to arrive. No. 1 spring was about 1c. higher. California and winter wheat was dull and nominally unchanged. The sales were about 160,000 bushels, at $1 43 a $1 43½ for No. 2 spring afloat, $1 43 for do. to arrive, $1 49 for No. 1 do., $1 28 for No. 3 do., $1 65 a $1 67 for white Michigan, $1 58 for amber do., $1 53 for do. State, and $1 42 a $1 43 for red Western. Corn was dull and nominal and 3c. a 5c. lower, closing at 90c. for choice new high mixed "railroad;" the sales were about 60,000 bushels, at 60c. a 89c. for inferior to choice "railroad," 91c. a 92c. for Western yellow, and 90c. for choice do. white. Oats were dull and nominal, with sales of 25,000 bushels at 76½c. a 78c., afloat—the inside price for small lots—and 75½c. at the railroad depot. Rye was inactive, though firmly held. Both barley and barley malt still continued to rule dull and nominal.

FREIGHTS were quiet, but the market was firm, especially for grain. Petroleum and grain vessels were sought after to a moderate extent, and higher rates were paid for the latter. The engagements were:—To Liverpool, per steamer, 25,000 bushels wheat, at 5½d. To London, 25,500 bushels of wheat at 6½d., and 3,000 bbls. flour at 2s. 3d. The charters were:—Two North German barks, to Cork for orders, one with 2,600 quarters grain and the other with 3,200 quarters do., at 5s. 3d.; a Norwegian bark, to Cork for orders, with 2,600 quarters grain, at 5s. 6d. and 6d. off if direct; a British bark, to London, with 3,600 quarters grain, at 6½d. and 5 per cent; an American schooner, from the Satilla river to the eastward, with 180,000 feet lumber, on private terms; a British bark, from Philadelphia to the Baltic, with 2,700 bbls. petroleum, at 4s. 7½d., and a Russian bark, from Philadelphia to Cronstadt, 2,500 bbls. do., at 4s. 9d.

GUNNIES were quiet but firm at 16½c. a 17c. for bags and 23½c. for cloth.

HAY.—The demand was moderately active and prices were steady at about former quotations. Shipping was selling at 60c., retail lots at 80c. a $1 15, long rye straw at $1 05 a $1 10 and short do. at 90c. a 95c.

HIDES.—The market was tolerably active at steady prices. There were sales of 3,000 Bogota at 19c., gold, and 4,000 wet salted Buenos Ayres, to arrive, at 11½c., do.

HEMP.—The market was dull and nominal for all kinds. We quote (nominally):—Manila, 12½c. a 13c., gold; jute, 6c. a 5c., do.; Sisal, 19c. a 19½c., do., and Tampico, 8c. a 8½c., in bond.

HOPS.—There was scarcely any demand, and the market was heavy at 5c. a 15c. for inferior to choice grades. Sales 29 bales.

MOLASSES.—The market was still dull, the demand continuing light, and prices were generally heavy. Sales 15 hhds. Porto Rico at 62c.

NAVAL STORES.—For spirits turpentine the market was dull, the demand from all classes of buyers being light, and with holders generally anxious to realize, prices were heavy and fully ½c. lower, closing at 42½c. for merchantable lots on the spot, and 42c. for do. to arrive. There were sales of 125 bbls. at 42½c. a 42¾c. Rosin was less sought after and the business was light, though prices were generally steady. There were sales of 200 bbls. No. 2 at $2 65; 101 do. strained at $2 40, and 320 do. extra pale, almost window glass, at $9. We quote:—Strained, $2 37½ a $2 42½; No. 2, $2 50 a $2 75; No. 1, $3 a $4 25; pale, $4 50 a $5 50; extra do., $6 a $9, and window glass, $9 50 a $10. Tar was dull and nominal at $3 12½ a $3 25 for Wilmington, and $2 50 a $2 62½ for Washington.

OILS.—Linseed was dull at $1 03 a $1 06, in casks, and we heard of no sales of importance. Other kinds, though quiet, were steady at former prices.

PROVISIONS.—Receipts, 51 bbls. beef, 109 do. pork, 270 do. lard and 22 do. cut meats. The market for pork was quiet, there being but little demand, but prices were quite steady, closing at about $32 75 for new mess. The sales were 500 bbls. at $32 75 a $32 87½c. for new mess and $26 a $26 50 for prime and extra prime. For future delivery we heard of no sales. Live hogs were again higher, being quoted 10½c. a 10¾c.; the arrivals were 4,893 head, which were almost entirely for slaughterers. Beef was quiet, but prices were steady. Sales 50 bbls., at $10 a $14 for plain mess and $12 a $16 for extra do. Of beef hams, which were somewhat irregular in value, 75 bbls. were sold at $20 a $30 for Southern and Western. Tierce beef remained dull and nominal at $20 a $25 for prime mess and $25 a $31 for India do. Cut meats were quiet, but with a light stock the market was firm at 13¾c. a 13½c. for dry salted and pickled shoulders, 15½c. a 16c. for smoked do., 16c. a 16½c. for pickled hams, 19c. a 20c. for smoked do. and 19½c. a 20c. for bagged do. Bacon was dull, owing to the smallness of the stock; prices were firm. Lard was but little sought after, but held with firmness at former prices. The sales were 376 packages at 18c. a 20½c. for No. 1 to prime steam and kettle rendered.

PETROLEUM.—Crude, in bulk, was held at 16½c. a 17c., but there was no demand of consequence at these prices, and we heard of no sales of importance. Crude, in bbls., was dull and nominal at 22c. a 22½c. Refined was sparingly offered and firmly held at 31½c. a 32c.; but there were no buyers above 31c., and business was restricted in consequence. The sales were 500 bbls., on the spot, at 32c.; 500 do., for July, at 31½c., and 1,500 do., for July, August and September, reported at 32½c.; also, 15,000 gallons on tins, at 39c. Naphtha was in some demand at about former prices. Sales 1,500 bbls. for the last half July at 10½c. In Philadelphia the market was dull at 31c. a 31½c. The only sales we heard of were 1,000 bbls. standard white for September at 33½c. and 3,000 do. from July to December at 33½c.

RICE continued in demand, and sales were made of 300 tierces at from 8¼c. to 9c. for common to prime.

SEEDS.—Calcutta linseed was dull and nominal at $2 12½, gold, duty paid, while grass were dull at yesterday's quotations.

Stearine was steady, with sales of 10,000 bbls. within the range of 19c. a 20c.

SUGAR.—The market for raw was more active, the demand being principally from the refiners, but prices were heavy at 11⅜c. a 11½c. for fair to good refining Cuba. The sales were 1,200 hhds., part at 11½c. a 11¾c. for Cuba; also 50 boxes at 13c. Refined was moderately active at about former figures, hard selling at 15¾c., soft white at 14¾c. a 14⅞c., yellow at 13½c. a 14c., and extra C at 14⅛c. at 14⅜c.

TALLOW was steady, with sales of 70,000 lbs. at 11½c.

WHISKEY.—Receipts, 275 bbls. The market was firmer, though quiet. Sales 175 bbls. at $1 02½, tax paid.

REAL ESTATE MATTERS.

The excursion of the Real Estate Owners' Association of Staten Island over and around that island, which took place yesterday, particulars of which are given elsewhere, may be justly regarded as an event in the great real estate movement now in progress in New York and environs. While other localities less favored by nature, either as regards situation, beauty of surface, picturesque landscape, variety of natural scenic views and general healthfulness, have felt the appreciative and speculative influences of the real estate excitement of the past few years, Staten Island has been almost completely overlooked, and, either through the apathy and indifference of the property holders there, or from a spirit of exclusiveness, has not had in that period a fair presentation in the market. It has not, however, stood altogether still, but has been steadily improving in the multiplication upon its many verdant heights of a superior class of residences, its proximity to the business centre of the city bringing it into great favor with merchants, bankers, brokers and others whose offices are within a short radius of the Battery. The villa houses of these gentlemen appear on every hand, adorned with all the charms of grand primeval surrounding and cultivated luxuriance of lawn and park. The excursion of yesterday, however, initiates a movement to popularize the island and induce people of less means and more modest ambition to make it their home. It marks the decline of a pretentious spirit bordering on snobbishness, which has in a great measure in the past prevented the legitimate development that the excitement in other directions would have stimulated here, some of which yet remains to present in stronger relief by contrast with the larger recognition of a few leading minds the grand tendency of American progress toward pure democratic feeling. Much has of late been written upon the subject of Staten Island, many prejudices which existed against it have been removed, by proof of their absurdity, and general attention has been directed to what is regarded as its "manifest destiny" in connection with the growth of the metropolis. In addition, an opportunity, suggested doubtless by the circumstance that now was a chance to obtain a fair hearing, is shortly to be afforded to those who may have been favorably impressed, either through personal view or by unprejudiced reading, regarding Staten Island, to obtain suitable sites for building. Mr. Charles K. Hamilton, of Hamilton Park, one of the choicest estates on the island, situated on elevated ground, at New Brighton, overlooking New York city, which appears but a few minutes' sail distant, and is in fact only thirty, as well as Brooklyn, Jersey City, Hoboken, the Hudson and East rivers in front and the shores of Jersey and Long Island on either side, has induced to offer a portion of his park in building lots. The grounds of undulating surface, are beautifully laid out with winding drives and walks, terraced avenues and macadamized roads. Forest trees have been preserved, and ornamented trees and shrubs planted to beautify the place, the entire design being of that spirit which has made our own beautiful Park the glory it is to our city, viz.:—The application of art to the better display of the natural beauties of the place while preserving the variety of scenery which already abundantly existed.

There are now seventeen first class modern houses of the villa style built upon different parts of the Park, so admirably located as to each seem to enjoy the place of prominence and be chief among the number, thus adding to the delights of a suburban residence, all the charms of social surroundings. Four of these houses will be sold, with about 200 lots on the 22d inst.

The market yesterday was animated and active, two very large sales being held out of town. One of these was at Plainfield and the other at Rutherford Park, N. J. The attendance at both was excellent and the prices indicative of continued firmness. The Rutherford Park sale will be continued to-day.

Auction Sales of Real Estate Yesterday.

The following are the particulars of the dealings in the market yesterday:—

RUTHERFURD PARK, N. J.—BY A. J. BLEECKER, SON AND CO.

2 lots on Livingston av, each 75x285, each	$860
3 lots on Livingston av, each 50x205, each	265
1 lot adjoining, 50x205	710
1 lot on Devoe av, 50x250	425
1 lot on Livingston av, 50x280	630
5 lots on Ogden place, each 50x150, each	230
3 lots on Livingston av, each 50x150, each	260
4 lots adjoining, each 50x150, each	275
1 lot on Lake av, 80x230	610
7 lots on Ogden place, each 50x150, each	250
1 lot on Delafield av, 75x250	500
3 lots Ogden place, each 50x150, each	260
1 lot adjoining, 50x250	450
4 lots adjoining, each 50x250, each	220
1 lot adjoining, 80x270	550
6 lots adjoining, each 50x150, each	250
4 lots adjoining, each 50x170, each	225
5 lots on Rutherford av, each 50x170, each	205
1 lot on Lake av, 80x230	530
1 lot adjoining, 80x230	560
2 lots on Livingston av, each 75x135, each	325
2 lots on Livingston av, each 75x135, each	350
4 lots on Livingston av, each 75x135, each	300
2 lots on Stuyvesant av, each 50x200, each	295
4 lots, Ogden place, each 50x150, each	247
5 lots on Court av, each 50x150, each	225
5 lots on Court av, each 50x150, each	215
1 lot on Stuyvesant av, 150x140	620
2 lots on Stuyvesant av, each 50x140, each	200
6 lots on Stuyvesant av, each 50x140, each	215
4 lots on Stuyvesant av, each 50x140, each	285
4 lots on Stuyvesant av, each 50x140, each	295
1 lot on Jay av, each 80x180, each	195
4 lots on Park av, each 80x180, each	450
2 lots on Park av, each 80x180, each	480
1 lot on Park av, 80x180	450
1 lot on Park av, 75x120	625
1 lot on Riverside av, 100x320	2,100
1 lot on Riverside av, 60x120	1,500
1 lot on Riverside av, 200x280	1,475
2 lots on Riverside av, each 280x300, each	1,425
2 lots on Riverside av, 280x100	1,500

PLAINFIELD, N. J., PROPERTY.—BY A. MELLICK, JR., AND BROTHER.

Lot 4, block A	$495	Lot 9, block B	$215
Lot 3, block A	425	Lot 10, block B	170
Lot 2, block A	400	Lot 11, block B	135
Lot 1, block A	400	Lot 12, block B	155
Lot 1, block B	445	Lot 13, block B	135
Lot 2, block B	420	Lot 14, block B	155
Lot 3, block B	415	Lot 15, block B	120
Lot 4, block B	350	Lot 16, block B	120
Lot 5, block A	355	Lot 17, block B	120
Lot 8, block A	285	Lot 18, block B	160
Lot 9, block A	260	Lot 19, block B	120
Lot 10, block A	275	Lots 238 and 178, intersected by Green Brook	195
Lot 11, block A	235	Lot 4, block C	145
Lot 12, block A	205	Lot 3, block C	125
Lot 13, block A	155	Lot 2, block C	105
Lot 8, block B	250	Lot 1, block C	105
Lot 6, block B	250	Lot 5, block C	110
Lot 7, block B	250	Lot 14, block A	200
Lot 8, block B	250		

Official Transfers of Real Estate Yesterday.

TRANSFERS IN NEW YORK CITY.

Broadway, s w corner Leonard st, 28x129.5x25x	$125,000
Cherry st, s s, 49.3 ft e of Pike st, 20.8x60x21x60	14,000
Water st, No 4 8, 22.6x60x2.8x42.7½x21x17.4	
Cliff st, s s, 21.6 ft w of Frankfort st, 21.2x62.4x21.2x61.4	30,000
Front st, Nos 283 and 285, 42x71.6x25.10x61.11	7,500
Hester st, No 63, 21.10½x80	10,600
Oliver st, n e corner Oak, 25x50	15,000
Pearl st, n s, 20.9 ft from ground of A Stockholm, 20.9x80x22.6x80	15,000
Perry st, No 18, 22x31	9,000
Varick st, w s, lot known as No 135, 20x75	10,000
8th st, n s, 230 ft e of 2d av, 25x97½	23,500
16th st, n s, 325 ft e of 1st av, 25x94	Nom.
25th st, s s, 137.2 ft e of 8th av, 16.7x98.9x19.11½x98.9	6,000
27th st, s s, 269 ft e of 6th av, 22.6x98.9	45,000
27th st, n s, 220.2 ft w of 9th av, 18.6x98.9	7,000
34th st, n s, 180.6½ ft e of Madison av, 18.8½x98.9	Nom.
40th st, n s, 192.7 ft w of 2d av, 12.4x98.9	6,750
42d st, n s, 149 ft e of 2d av, 17x100.5	14,500
42d st, n s, 207 ft w of 11th av, 23x100.5	28,000
51st st, s s, 406.3 ft e of 2d av, 18.9x100.5	Nom.
116th st, s s, 235.8 ft w of av A, 16.8x100.10	9,000
118th st, n s, 206.9 ft w of av A, 18.9x100.5½	2,000
125th st, n s, 275 ft w of 7th av, 50x199.10	15,400
Ave A and B, between 51st and 52d sts, middle line of block, 26 ft e of av A, 55.10x18,9x60.1x19.5	Nom.
2d av, w w corner of 11th st, 26x92.6	35,000
2d av, n e corner 77th st, 64.2x75x28x23.4x102.2x108.4 (½ part)	20,000
2d av, e s, 64.2 n of 77th st, 63.4x100x25.6x25x38x75 (½ part)	20,000
3d av, e s, 88.4 ft s of 100th st, 18.10½x105	4,000
9th av, n w corner 52th st, 97.6x100	20,000

Broadway, No 339, 8 months, per annum 7,500

TRANSFERS IN KINGS COUNTY—BROOKLYN.

Decatur st, s s, 50 ft e of Hopkinson av, 49x200x51x200	1,491
Decatur st, s s, 500 ft w of Patchen av, 100x100	7,000
Ewen st, w s, 100 ft n of North 2d st, 25x100	3,000
Fillmore place, s s, 71 ft w of Bedford st, 20x55	2,000
Huntington st, n s, 120 ft e of Court st, 20x105	Nom.
Jackson st, n s, 60 ft e of Leonard st, 60x75	2,200
Madison st, n s, 275 ft e of Stuyvesant av, 25x100	4,600
Madison st and Nostrand av, n w corner, 120x100	7,325
Monroe st, s s, 100 ft w of Patchen av, 25x100	600
Middle st, n e s, 425 ft s e of 3d av, 15.6x55	1,600
Moore st, n s, 125 ft e of Smith st, 25x100	200
Oxford st, n s, 117.10 ft n of Atlantic av, 25x100	6,750
Pulaski st, n s, 250 ft e of Lewis av, 25x100	800
Quincy st, n s, 180 ft w of Tompkins av, 20x145	1,500
Skillman st, w s, 275 ft n of Tillary st, 200x200	35,000
Woodbine st, n w s, 156.4 ft s w of Evergreen av, 25x100	450
Washington and Kent sts, n e corner, 50x100	11,100
28th st, s s, 232.4 ft w of 6th av, 50x100.2	700
Fulton av and St Felix place,