FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

The Stock Market Active and Stronger.

GOLD 103 1-4 A 103 1-8.

Government and State Bonds Steady and Railroads Quiet.

Money on Call Easy at 5 a 6 Per Cent.

WALL STREET, TUESDAY, Sept. 25—6 P. M.

There were as many changes of prices this morning in the stock list as there are of weather in an average April day, and a pleasing variability in the shade of speculation that would have emulated the performance of the poet's quivering aspen. This irregularity was presaged by a slight advance at the opening, to be soon followed by a precipitation of prices all around, in which the coal stocks suffered most severely. Thus Delaware and Hudson tumbled from 47¾ to 43¾, Delaware and Lackawanna from 50⅞ to 48¾, and Morris and Essex from 76½ to 74¾. At the close, however, some recovery was made, but it had more the appearance of a temporary rally than of a steady convalescence. The news from the mines is not assuring, as it is said on good authority that the strikes are assuming a threatening attitude, which may lead to depredations upon property and to a popular disturbance. Without any such pressure to force it it is simply natural that the inflated figures of the coal shares should shrink back to where they belong. There never was any good reason to authorize the advance, as the prospects of the companies are not improved, and no sterling reasons exist, as is the case with the railroads, for supposing that they speedily will improve. As happened to the ass which went masquerading in the lion's skin, most of the timorous shorts have been frightened out of the market by a stock jobbing bray, which at the time was mistaken for the roar of returning prosperity. The Northwestern and St. Paul roads were held with much strength the day through. It is given out that a dividend of 3½ per cent upon the preferred shares of the latter company will be shortly declared and that a handsome surplus will remain. Added to this the report that the St. Paul road had increased its earnings for the third week in September $139,316, and the Northwest $109,500 for the same period, as compared with last year, made these securities hot favorites with many speculators, who boldly prophesy much higher prices. Western Union steadily advanced from 77 to 78¼ and grew into a star of very considerable magnitude, but lost some of its brilliancy at the end through being bought in, under the rule, for the account of a well known operator who, it is said, loved the short side "not wisely, but too well." The Vanderbilt stocks only require notice from their steadiness and the small fluctuations which marked dealings. Money continued active for call loans, but the price did not rise above 6 or fall below 5 per cent, and there was no difficulty of obtaining accommodation at these rates.

OPENING PRICES.

The opening prices at ten A. M. were:—

Gold	103¼	Pacific Mail	22⅞
Western Union	77	C., B. & Q.	101¾
Lake Shore	62⅝	Pittsburg	82½
N. Y. Central	100⅜	Fort Wayne	92
Rock Island	101½	Union Pacific	67⅜
Michigan Central	59	Han. & St. Jo.	12
Del., L. & West.	50	Han. & St. Jo. pf.	27
Del. & Hudson	47	Quicksilver	20½
Morris & Essex	76½	Quicksilver pf.	34¾
Erie	11⅜	St. Louis N.	5⅞
Dnos	7	St. Louis N. pf.	27
Wabash	12½	A. & P. rel.	21
St. Paul	34¾	Albany & Susq.	72
St. Paul pf.	71	Chicago & Alton	84¾
Northwestern	35¾	Kansas & Texas	5½
Northwestern pf.	62½	Ohio preferred	12¾
Illinois Central	68¾	N. J. Central	17½

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

The closing quotations at 3 P. M. were:—

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
At & Pac Tel	20	25½	Kan & Texas	6	—
C & Northwest	36¾	37	Lake Shore	63¼	63½
C & N'thwest pf.	63	63¾	Mich Central	58¾	58⅞
C, R I & Pacific	101¾	101⅞	Morris & Essex	75	75⅞
Chic, Bur & Q	101½	101¾	Mil & St Paul	35¾	35¾
C. C & I. C.	37¼	38	Mil & St P pf	71¼	71½
C, C, C & I C	38	39	N Y Central	100⅜	101
Cleve & Pitts	82½	83	N J Central	17⅛	17½
Chic & Alton	84	85¾	N J Southern	½	¾
Chic & Alton pf.	102½	104	Ohio & Miss	6⅞	7
D, L & Western	48¾	49	Ohio & Miss pf	11	14
D & H Canal	44	44½	Pacific Mail	22½	22⅞
Adams Express	94½	95	Pacific Express	112	115
American Ex	52¾	53	Pitts & F W	91	92
U S Express	47¾	48¾	Quicksilver	20¾	21
Wells, Fargo	83	84	Quicksilver pf	34¾	35¼
Erie	11	11⅛	St L, K C N	6	6½
Harlem	140	142½	St L, K C N pf	26⅞	27½
H & St Joseph	12	12½	T, W & Western	12¾	13
H & St Joseph pf	27	27½	Union Pacific	67	67⅜
Illinois Central	68¾	70½	W U Telegraph	78¼	78½

HIGHEST AND LOWEST.

The following were the highest and lowest prices of stocks to-day:—

	Highest.	Lowest.
Chicago and Northwestern	37⅞	35¾
Chicago and Northwestern preferred	63¼	62⅞
Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific	101½	101¼
Cleveland and Pittsburg	82½	82½
Delaware, Lackawanna and Western	50¼	48¾
Delaware and Hudson Canal	47¾	43¾
Erie	11⅜	10⅞
Hannibal and St. Joseph preferred	27¼	26¾
Illinois Central	70	68
Kansas and Texas	5¾	5⅛
Lake Shore	63⅜	62¾
Michigan Central	59⅛	58¾
Morris and Essex	76½	74¾
Milwaukee and St. Paul	36	34¾
Milwaukee and St. Paul preferred	71⅜	70¾
New York Central	101⅛	99⅞
Ohio and Mississippi	7	6⅞
Pacific Mail	22¼	22¼
Quicksilver preferred	34¾	34⅝
St. Louis, Kansas City, Northern	6½	5⅞
St. Louis, Kansas City, Northern pref.	27¼	27
Toledo, Wabash and Western	12¼	12⅛
Union Pacific	67⅜	66⅞
Western Union Telegraph	78¾	77

THE MONEY MARKET.

Money on call was in active demand to-day, the rate being 5 a 6 per cent, with the closing rate at 5 per cent. Time loans were made at 7 per cent for the remainder of the year, and prime mercantile paper sold at 6 a 8 per cent. The following were the rates of exchange on New York at the undermentioned cities to-day:—Savannah, buying ⅛ off, selling ⅛ off; Cincinnati, fair demand, buying par, selling 1-10 premium; Charleston, none to be had; St. Louis, 25 premium; Chicago, 80 discount, and New Orleans, commercial ¼ a 3-16, bank ⅛ a ¼ premium. Foreign exchange was quiet at 4.82½ a 4.82¾ for bankers' sixty day sterling bills, and 4.86½ a 4.86¾ for demand.

THE GOLD MARKET.

Gold opened at 103¼ and declined to 103⅛, at which the final sales were effected. The carrying rate was 1 per cent, and the borrowing rates flat to 2 per cent.

GOLD CLEARINGS AT THE NATIONAL BANK STATE OF NEW YORK.

Gold balances	$1,133,000
Currency balances	1,171,578
Gold cleared	15,728,000

CLEARING HOUSE STATEMENT.

Currency exchanges	$69,262,524
Currency balances	2,392,856
Gold exchanges	4,008,358
Gold balances	784,854

THE FOREIGN MARKET.

The London advices quote consols and United States bonds steady at yesterday's prices. Illinois Central rose to 69¾ and declined to 69. Erie fell off to 11⅛. The Bank of England lost £8,000 bullion on balance to-day. The rate of discount in the open market for three months' bills is 2⅝ per cent, or ⅜ per cent below the bank rate. At Paris rentes were weak and declined to 104f. 85c. The weekly statement of the Imperial Bank of Germany shows a decrease in specie of 4,000,000 marks. The closing prices in London were:—Consols for money and account, 95⅝ a 95¾; new 4½ per cent bonds, 105¾; five-twenty bonds of 1867, 107⅜; ten-forty bonds, 107⅜ a 107⅝; fives of 1881, 107⅜; Erie common shares, 11¼ a 11⅜; Erie preferred shares, 21; New York Central, 105; Illinois Central, 69.

UNITED STATES TREASURY.

The Treasury balances were:—

Currency	$15,000,000
Coin	110,330,000
Less coin certificates	39,830,000

The Treasury will pay interest on about $65,000,000 four per cent bonds on October 1.

PRODUCE EXPORTS.

The exports of produce for the week ending to-day were $7,427,911, against $5,550,475 for the corresponding week last year and $4,100,294 in 1875. The total exports of produce since January 1 this year were $206,060,720, against $196,517,899 for the same period last year and $186,442,681 in 1875.

GOVERNMENT BONDS.

Government bonds were firm, and closed quiet at the following quotations:—United States currency sixes, 121 a 121½; do. sixes, 1881, registered, 109¼ a 109¾; do. do., do., coupon, 110⅜ a 110⅝; do. do., 1865, new, registered, 105½ a 105⅝; do. do., do., coupon, 105½ a 105¾; do. do., 1867, registered, 107¼ a 107⅜; do. do., do., coupon, 107½ a 107⅝; do. do., 1868, registered, 109⅜ a 109¾; do. do., do., coupon, 109⅞ a 109¾; do. ten-forties, registered, 106⅞ a 107⅛; do. do., coupon, 108¼ a 108¾; do. fives, 1881, registered, 107⅛ a 107⅜; do. do., do., coupon, 107⅜ a 107⅝; do. four and a halfs, 1891, registered, 105⅛ a 105⅜; do. do., do., coupon, 105⅝ a 105¾; do. fours, 1907, registered, 101⅜ a 101⅞.

STATE BONDS.

State bonds at the Board were generally steady, with sales of Tennessees, Missouris, Virginia sixes consolidated and Louisiana sevens consolidated, the latter ⅜ lower.

RAILROAD BONDS.

Railroad bonds were quiet, and the following were the changes compared with last previous sales:—An advance of ⅛ in Canada Southern firsts, and a decline of ⅛ in Wabash seconds, ⅛ in St. Paul firsts (La Crosse division) and Union Pacific sinking funds, and ⅛ in North Missouri firsts.

PHILADELPHIA STOCKS.

The closing prices of Philadelphia stocks were:—

City 6's, new	113¾	United Railroads of New Jersey	128
United Railroads of New Jersey	129	Pennsylvania Railroad	29⅞
Pennsylvania Railroad	29⅞	Reading Railroad	16⅞
Reading Railroad	16⅞	Lehigh Valley Railroad	41
Lehigh Valley Railroad	41	Catawissa Railroad preferred	33
Catawissa Railroad preferred	33	Philadelphia and Erie	9⅞
Philadelphia and Erie	9⅞	Schuylkill Navigation preferred	7
Schuylkill Navigation preferred	7	Northern Central Railroad	15½
Northern Central Railroad	15½	Lehigh Navigation	19⅞
Lehigh Navigation	19⅞	Pittsburg, Titusville and Buffalo	8⅞
Pittsburg, Titusville and Buffalo	8⅞	Hestonville Railway	12
Hestonville Railway	12	Central Transportation	30

MINING SHARES.

The closing quotations for mining stocks at San Francisco to-day were as follows:—

Alpha	14½	Kentuck	6½
Belcher	6½	Leopard	1½
Best & Belcher	19¾	Mexican	10½
Bullion	8¼	Northern Belle	2⅞
Consolidated Virginia	33	Overman	25
California	30	Ophir	16¾
Chollar	34	Raymond & Ely	13½
Confidence	5	Silver Hill	4½
Caledonia	4	Savage	8
Crown Point	4¾	Seg. Belcher	39
Exchequer	8¾	Sierra Nevada	4¾
Gould & Curry	9¼	Union Consolidated	6
Hale & Norcross	7	Yellow Jacket	10⅞
Imperial	1	Eureka Consolidated	45
Julia Consolidated	2¾	Grand Prize	17¼
Justice	18		

The sales of mining shares in New York, as officially reported, were:—

FIRST BOARD—11 A. M.

75 shs Bertha & Edith	.30	500 shs Bertha & Edith	.32
150 do	.30	300 do	.32
100 do	.31	300 do	.32
100 do	.30	100 Hukill	b15 3⅜
100 do	.30	100 Lacrosse	s3 .32
100 do	.30	500 do	b30 .33
100 do	.30	100 do	.32
100 do	.30	800 do	.32
100 do	.30	100 Leopard	s10 2
50 do	.30	100 do	s10 2
200 do	.30	100 Seaton	s3 .86
300 do	.30	100 do	.83
300 do	.30	100 Moose	5⅞
300 do	.30	100 do	5⅞
200 do	.30	100 do	5⅞
500 do	.31	100 do	5⅞
100 do	.31	100 do	5⅞
500 do	.31	200 do	c 5⅞
100 do	.32	300 do	c 5⅞
100 do	.32	100 do	c 5⅞
100 do	.32	500 do	5⅞
100 do	.32	100 do	5⅞
500 do	.32	100 Ophir	17⅞

SECOND BOARD—1:30 P. M.

100 shs Bertha & Edith	.32	100 Mexican	10⅞
100 do	.32	100 do	10⅞
200 do	.32	100 Northern Belle	s10 2⅛
200 do	.32	100 Eureka	44½
200 do	.33	100 do	44½
200 do	.33	100 Moose	5⅞
200 do	.33	100 do	5⅞
500 do	.33	100 do	5⅞
500 do	.33	100 do	5⅞
500 do	.33	200 do	5⅞
200 do	.33	200 do	b10 5⅞
100 Bullion	8¼	100 do	5⅞
100 Caledonia	s10 4	100 Overman	27⅞
100 do	s10 4	100 Yellow Jacket	s10 10⅞
100 Kentuck M Co	b30 7½		

SALES AFTER CALL.

100 shs Bertha & Ed	.32	500 shs Lacrosse	b10 .33
100 do	.34		

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE SALES

TUESDAY, Sept. 25, 1877.

BEFORE CALL—10 A. M.

$10000 T&W1StLdxmc	70¼	200 shs Illinois Cen	69
100 shs Del & Hudson	47	100 do	69¼
500 do	47¼	200 do	s10 69⅞
700 Western Union	77	100 do	69⅞
1200 do	77⅞	800 Northwestern	35⅜
1700 do	s3 77	100 do	35¼
600 do	77¼	500 do	35¼
100 do	77¼	300 do	35¼
100 do	77½	100 do	35¼
400 do	77½	100 Northwestern pfd	62½
100 do	77⅞	100 do	62½
1000 Quicksilver pf	s3 34¾	700 do	62½
300 do	34¾	1000 Del, Lack & West	50
100 Pacific Mail	22⅞	200 do	50½
2300 Michigan Central	59	700 do	50½
300 do	58⅞	300 do	50⅝
1500 do	58¾	300 do	50⅝
500 do	58⅞	1000 do	50⅝
400 do	s3 59	400 do	50⅝
200 do	c 59	200 do	50⅞
200 do	c 59¼	1600 do	50⅞
100 do	59½	100 do	50⅞
200 Rock Island	101½	100 do	50⅞
200 do	101⅜	100 do	c 50⅞
300 N Y Cent & Hud	100⅜	100 do	50⅞
200 do	c 100⅜	100 do	50⅞
150 do	100⅜	400 do	50⅞
100 do	100⅜	200 do	50⅞
100 do	100⅜	300 do	50⅞
100 do	100⅜	300 do	50⅞
200 do	100⅜	200 Morris & Essex	76⅛
100 do	100⅜	200 St Paul	34¼
100 do	100⅜	100 do	c 34¼
1000 do	100⅞	200 do	34⅛
300 do	100⅞	100 do	b3 35
100 do	100⅞	100 do	c 34⅞
1000 do	100¾	400 do	34⅞
400 do	100¾	700 do	35
100 Erie RR	11⅜	100 do	35⅛
1700 Lake Shore	62¼	400 do	35¼
100 do	62⅛	200 do	35⅜
1600 do	62½	800 do	35⅜
700 do	62¼	100 St Paul pref	71
1000 do	62¼	600 do	71¼
600 do	62⅜	200 do	71
100 do	62¼	100 do	70⅞
1500 do	62⅜	100 do	71
100 do	62¼	200 do	71⅛
100 do	c 62⅛	35 Ch, Bur & Qy	s3 101¼
200 do	62⅛	200 St Lo, Kan C & N	5⅞
400 do	62⅜	200 do	b3 6
300 Han & St Jo	12	400 do	6¼
300 Han & St Jo pf	s3 27	300 St L, K C & N pref	27

10:15 TO 11:30 A. M.

$15000 U S 6's, '81	b3 110¾	$25000 U S 5-20, c, '67	107⅞
14000 U S 5-20, r, '67	107⅜	5000 U S 5-20, r, '68	109⅛

FIRST BOARD—10:30 A. M.

$6000 Tenn 6's, new	42¾	2600 shs L S & Mich So	62¾
10000 Tenn 6's, n s	s60 41	200 do	s3 62¼
10000 Va 6's, c, x m c	62	1200 do	b3 62⅛
5000 Mo 6's, 1 bds	106¾	100 do	c 62½
3000 Mo 6's, '77	bc 101	500 do	b3 62⅝
6000 La 7's, consol	89⅞	900 do	62⅝
1000 Ches & O 1st, c on	23	300 do	62⅝
3000 Mil&StPist,LCd	102¾	150 N Y, N H & Hart	153
2000 Mil&StP, C&M d	98⅞	100 Union Pacific	bc 67⅞
2000 Mil&StP, con s f	80	40 do	67⅞
5000 O&NW c g bds	91¾	100 do	67⅞
6000 B,NY&E n b	'16 107	200 Cl & Pitts guar	bc 82⅞
3000 North Mo 1st	100	200 do	82⅞
4000 do	96¾	100 Chi & N W	bc 35⅞
2500 West Pacbds	105⅞	100 do	c 35⅞
11000 Cen Pac 1st	104	800 do	35⅞
4000 Un Pac s fund	94¾	500 do	35⅞
5000 Alt & T H 2d pf	84¼	100 Chi & N W pf	bc 62¾
500 P, Ft W & C 2d	100¾	100 do	62¾
1000 Can So 1st, c on	58½	300 do	b3 62¾
1000 Tol, C So & L 1st	40	100 do	c 62¾
2500 Tol & Wab 2d	75	30 Chi & Alton	bc 162
10 shs Am Ex Bk	110	100 do	161½
5 Park Bk	106¾	100 Wab P Con rts	bc 12⅞
100 U States Ex	bc 48	100 St L, KC & N	b3 6⅞
173 American Ex	bc 52¼	400 do	6⅞
15 do	52½	300 do	6¾
60 Adams Ex	bc 96⅞	47 StL, K C & N pf	bc 26⅞
100 Pac Mail s3	bc 22⅞	100 do	b3 27¼
300 do	s3 22¾	200 Mo, Kan & Tex	b3 5⅞
400 N Y C & Hud	bc 100⅞	600 Del, L & West	bc 50⅞
200 do	s3 100⅞	300 do	50⅞
1100 do	100⅞	100 do	c 50⅞
200 dy	100⅞	200 do	50⅞
700 do	100⅞	100 do	s3 50⅞
300 do	100⅞	100 do	s5 50¼
500 do	100⅞	500 do	50¼
250 Del & H Canal	bc 47⅞	200 do	50¼
200 do	47⅞	300 do	50
5 do	47	600 do	49⅞
100 do	s5 46	1400 do	49⅞
200 do	45⅞	1400 do	49⅞
200 do	45	1200 do	49⅞
600 do	45	1200 do	49⅞
100 do	44⅞	500 do	49⅞
200 do	44⅞	100 do	49⅞
100 do	s10 44⅞	1200 do	49
200 do	44⅞	200 do	49⅞
200 do	44⅞	200 do	49⅞
100 do	s3 44	200 do	49⅞
300 do	43⅞	300 do	49⅞
100 do	s5 43⅞	700 do	49⅞
400 do	43⅞	1900 do	49
300 do	43½	500 do	48⅞
100 do	44	300 do	48⅞
700 Mich Central	bc 59⅞	100 do	48⅞
300 do	s3 59⅞	300 do	48⅞
100 do	c 59⅞	300 do	c 48⅞
100 do	59	300 do	48⅞
300 do	58⅞	300 do	48⅞
300 do	58¾	3-70 do	48½
700 do	58⅞	1200 do	48½
400 do	s3 58⅞	900 do	48¾
800 do	58⅞	200 do	48⅞
500 do	58⅞	100 do	48⅞
800 do	58⅞	400 Chi, Mil & St P	bc 35⅞
100 Ill Central	bc 69⅞	700 do	35⅞
20 do	68⅞	300 do	s3 35⅞
300 West Un Tel	bc 77⅞	800 do	35⅞
100 do	77⅞	800 do	35⅞
100 do	78	600 do	35⅞
100 do	77⅞	100 do	s3 35⅞
100 do	s3 77¼	100 do	35⅞
400 do	77¼	300 do	35⅞
400 do	77½	200 do	35⅞
400 do	77⅞	600 do	b3 35⅞
100 do	s3 77⅞	100 do	35⅞
1900 do	77⅞	500 do	35⅞
200 do	s3 77⅞	300 Chi, M & StP pf	bc 71¼
100 do	77⅞	400 do	71¼
100 do	c 77⅞	1000 do	71¼
200 do	77⅞	1300 do	70⅞
500 do	77⅞	600 do	71

COMMERCIAL REPORT.

COTTON: SPOT STRONG; FUTURES CLOSED FIRM—FLOUR EASY—WHEAT EASIER—CORN EASIER—OATS QUIET—WHISKEY STEADY—PORK FIRM—LARD STEADY—PETROLEUM HIGHER—OILS STEADY—SPIRITS TURPENTINE QUIET—ROSIN QUIET—COFFEE STEADY—SUGAR NOMINAL—FREIGHTS STEADY.

TUESDAY, Sept. 25—6 P. M.

Business was fairly active in all the leading products and full prices were in most cases readily paid, while in some there was a further advance. As a rule, however, the markets were fairly active, but somewhat irregular. On 'Change flour was easy. Wheat easier. Corn easier. Oats were quiet. Whiskey steady. Pork firm. Lard steady. Freights steady. Cotton on the spot was strong, but unchanged; futures closed firm. Coffee was steady, but sugar remained nominal. Oils steady. Petroleum was decidedly higher. Naval stores were quiet.

ASHES were steady but quiet, at 4½c. a 5c. for pots and 6¼c. a 7c. for pearls.

ANTIMONY was firm at 11½c. a 12c. for regulus, according to brand.

BEESWAX remained steady at 30c. a 30½c. for Western and Southern.

BROOMCORN dull at 4½c. a 5c. for red tipped, 5c. a 7c. for medium, and 7½c. a 8c. for choice green.

COFFEE.—There was no change in Rio; market very quiet but steady; 2,500 bags sold in Baltimore at 18c. for strict good ordinary, which closes out the cargo of the Brazanier. Mild coffee was quiet and steady. We quote:—Ordinary cargoes, 16¾c. a 17¾c.; fair do., 19½c.; good do., 20c.; prime do., 20½c. a 20¾c.; extreme range for lots 16¾c. a 22½c. Santos, fair to good, 18½c. a 19c., gold, 90 days; Java, government bags, 22c. a 23c.; do., grass mats, 22c. a 24c.; Singapore, 18½c. a 20c.; Ceylon, 18c. a 20c.; Maracaibo, 17c. a 19½c.; Laguayra, 18c. a 20c.; Jamaica, 17c. a 18½c.; St. Domingo, 16c. a 16½c.; Porto Rico, 18c. a 20c.; Costa Rica, 17c. a 20c.; Mexican, 18c. a 19½c.; Macassar, 18½c. a 20c.; Augostura, 18c. a 20½c.; Savanilla, 17c. a 19½c.; Curacoa, 16c. a 18½c.

COOPERAGE STOCK.—Market dull. We quote:—Molasses shooks, 32-inch, with heads, $1 65 a $1 90; sugar shooks, with heads, 36-inch, $2 a $2 20; do., 36-inch, $1 50 a $2; box shooks, 50c. a 60c.; rum do., $4; pipe do., $6 a $6 50; empty hogsheads, $2 50; hoops, 14 feet, ordinary to prime, $33 a $35 do., 12 feet, do., $28 a $30 per M.

CORDAGE.—The market was fairly active and steady. We quote:—Manila, large and small size, per lb., 11½c. a 14½c.; do. cordage, bolt rope yarns, 16c. a 17c.; tarred Manila, 14c.; Sisal rope, 9½c. a 10½c.; New Zealand, 11½c. a 12½c.; Russia hemp, tarred, 14c.; American, do., 14c.; Russia bolt rope, 17c.

COTTON: On the spot was more active, and the market was very strong, but not quotably higher. Futures opened firm and a trifle higher. The receipts at the ports were very light, but the market soon weakened and prices fell about 10 points on the months below September and October, the two latter months about holding their own. Before the close most of the loss was recovered, and the market closed firm with a decline on the months below September of from 1 to 9 points; September was 2 points higher. The closing and opening prices to-day, compared with Monday's, were as follows:—

Monday, Sept. 24.			*Tuesday, Sept. 25.*		
September	11.33 a	—	September	11.33 a	11.35
October	11.25 a	11.26	October	11.24 a	11.25
November	11.15 a	11.16	November	11.12 a	—
December	11.14 a	11.15	December	11.10 a	11.11
January	11.23 a		January	11.18 a	11.19
February	11.35 a	11.36	February	11.31 a	11.33
March	11.51 a	11.52	March	11.45 a	11.46
April	11.63 a	11.65	April	11.60 a	11.64
May	11.76 a	11.78	May	11.74 a	11.75
			June	11.86 a	11.90

—Current prices of spot cotton (quotations are based on American standard of classification and on cotton in store running in quality not more than half a grade above or below the grade quoted):—

	Uplands.	*Alabama.*	*N. Orleans.*	*Texas.*
Ordinary	9 15-16	9 15-16	10 1-16	10 1-16
Strict ordinary	10 5-16	10 5-16	10 7-16	10 7-16
Good ordinary	10 9-16	10 9-16	10 11-16	10 11-16
Strict good ordinary	10 13-16	10 13-16	10 15-16	10 15-16
Low middling	11 ⅛	11 ⅛	11½	11½
Strict low middling	11 3-16	11 3-16	11 5-16	11 5-16
Middling	11⅜	11⅜	11⅝	11⅝
Good middling	11⅝	11⅝	11¾	11¾
Strict good middling	11⅞	11⅞	12	12
Middling fair	12¼	12¼	12½	12½
Fair	13	13	13½	13½

—Stained.—Good ordinary, 9 9-16c; strict good ordinary, 10⅛c. low middling, 10⅝c.; middling, 10⅞c. Spot sales were as follows:—

	To-Day.	*Last Evening.*	*Total.*
Export	2,531	—	2,531
Consumption	1,168	806	1,974
Total	3,699	806	4,505

—For future delivery the sales were as follows:—Yesterday after two P. M.—September, 200 bales at 11.33c.; October, 1,100 at 11.26c., 400 at 11.25c.; November, 100 at 11.17c., 600 at 11.16c., 600 at 11.15c.; December, 300 at 11.17c., 700 at 11.15c., 100 at 11.14c.; January, 300 at 11.26c., 1,000 at 11.25c., 200 at 11.23c.; February, 200 at 11.38c.; March, 100 at 11.52c., 100 at 11.51c.; May, 100 at 11.77c. Total, 6,100 bales. To-day up to five P. M.—September, 600 bales at 11.35c., 200 at 11.34c., 400 at 11.33c.; October, 3,100 at 11.25c., 500 at 11.24c., 700 at 11.26c., 1,800 at 11.27c., 200 at 11.28c., 1,600 at 11.23c., 200 at 11.21c., 900 at 11.20c., 900 at 11.22c., 300 at 11.24c.; November, 500 at 11.15c., 300 at 11.14c., 400 at 11.17c., 300 at 11.16c., 400 at 11.11c., 900 at 11.10c.; December, 1,300 at 11.14c., 1,800 at 11.15c., 300 at 11.16c., 400 at 11.13c., 100 at 11.12c., 100 at 11.11c., 400 at 11.10c., 300 at 11.09c., 500 at 11.08c., 300 at 11.07c., 200 at 11.08c., 300 at 11.10c.; January, 500 at 11.23c., 500 at 11.21c., 1,200 at 11.22c., 500 at 11.24c., 800 at 11.14c., 100 at 11.13c., 900 at 11.15c., 900 at 11.16c., 200 at 11.17c.; February, 200 at 11.37c., 200 at 11.34c., 200 at 11.32c., 200 at 11.27c.; May, 200 at 11.72c. Total, 26,500 bales. Grand total, 36,600 bales. The receipts at the ports were as follows:—Galveston, 893; New Orleans, 362; Mobile, 223; Savannah, 1,759; Charleston, 1,294; Wilmington, 50; Norfolk, 561; Baltimore, 98; Boston, 206. Total, 4,543 bales. This day last week, 4,168 bales. This day last year, 12,993 bales. Total since September 1, 53,626 bales, to last night. Cotton freights to sail as follows:—To Havre, by steam, ⅝c., compressed; to Bremen, by steam, ⅝c., compressed; to Liverpool, ½d. by steam, by sail ⅝c., compressed. Market quiet.

DRUGS, &c.—Opium remained firm at 9c. gold, in bond. Shellac remained steady at old prices; quoted at 25c. for D. C. and 23c. for Y. S. G., both currency. Quinine was very firm at manufacturers' price, which is still $3 40; outside lots were held at $3 50. Blue vitriol was quoted at 7¾c. for prime. Morphine was steady at $4 20. Seneca root was quiet, with 65c. a 67c. bid on the spot, a 72c. asked. Ginsing was quoted at $1 12½ a $1 25. Camphor was quoted at 27c. a 27½c. for refined in bbls., on spot. Cream tartar was quoted at 29½c., gold, for American; 27½c. a 28c. for powdered in bbls, and 26c. for do. in boxes. Alcoholics—Chloroform and ether were quiet at 80c. for the former and 55c. a 65c. for the latter. Borax was quiet at 9½c. a 9¾c. for refined city and 8c. a 9½c. for do. California. Burgundy pitch was quoted at 5c. Guarana was quoted at $2 a $2 10. Manna was quiet at 32c. a 34c. for small, 90c. for large and 25c. a 30c. for sorts. Cutch was quiet at 6½c. a 6¾c., gold. Prussiate potash was quiet at 13½c. a 14c. Sal ammoniac was dull at 10¼c a 10½c., gold. Gambier was quiet at 4½c., gold. Sumac was dull at $1 15 a $1 20. Gentian root was quiet at 5c. a 5½c. Cassia buds were quoted at 8c. a 30c. Colombo root was quoted at 9c. for whole and 14c. for powdered. Gum gedda was quiet at 10½c. a 11c.; do. Talca, 11c. a 11½c. Juniper berries were dull at 2c. a 3½c., and ordinary Italian at 3c. a 3½c. Orange peel was quiet at 7c. a 9c. Venice turpentine was quoted at 18c. Castile soap—Conti white was quoted at 13½c. a 14c.; Marseilles pure mottled, at 10½c. a 11c., gold, and do. common at 8½c. a 8¾c., currency. Rochelle salts were quoted at 30½c. for bbls and 31½c. for boxes. Iodine held at $4 10 a $4 15. Iodide potash was lower, and now quoted at $2 75 a $2 90. Alum—Lump was quoted at 2½c. a 2¾c. Chlorate potash quiet at 19c., gold, for small lots; do. powdered, 21c., gold. Tartaric acid was quoted at 40½c., gold, for crystal, and 43½c. a 44½c., currency, for powdered. Citric acid was quoted at 66c. a 67c., gold. Licorice root was quiet at from 7c. to 15c., currency, for selected. Licorice paste—Calabria at 30c.; Spanish solid at 25c. a 28c., gold; Pignatelli at 30c.; small Guzalina at 29c. a 30c.; large Guzalina at 31c. a 34c.; P. & S. small at 25½c. a 30c.; Cerigliana at 42c. Cuttlefish bones were lower and now quoted at 19c. a 20c. Balsam copaiba was easier and quoted at 36c. a 37c. Balsam tolu was held at $1 35 a $1 40. Saffron was steady at 22c. for American and $9 a $9 50 for Spanish. Galangal root was quoted at 10c. a 12c. Squills were quiet at 8c. a 9c. Cod liver oil was quiet; quoted at $1 50 a $1 60 for Newfoundland and $1 95 a $2 for Norwegian. Rhubarb was quiet at prices ranging from 50c. to $1 15c. Aloes were quoted at 13c. a 14c. for Cape. Ginger was quoted at 17c. a 17½c. for Jamaica bleached. Ergot was quiet; now qu