FINANCIAL.

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The Merchants-Laclede National Bank

OF ST. LOUIS.

CAPITAL, - - - - $1,400,000
Surplus and Undivided Profits, - - - - $280,000

Letters of Credit Issued Payable in All Parts of the World.

MISSISSIPPI VALLEY TRUST COMPANY.

3% paid on 6 months' certificates of deposit.

SAFE, PROFITABLE INVESTMENTS.
The Colorado-Joplin Mining and Milling Co. (Incorporated)
"Easter Bell" Gold Mining and Milling Co. (Incorporated)
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FINANCIAL.

Three Forks Mining and Reduction Co. Stock. - - - $1.00 Per Share.
Room 900 Railland Building.

$100,000.00.
Marion County Courthouse Bonds.
Sealed proposals will be received by the undersigned, at his office in Palmyra, Marion County, Missouri, until 10 o'clock a. m. on the 11th day of June, 1900, for the purchase of the entire issue of Marion County Courthouse bonds, aggregating $100,000, bearing date July 1, 1900, and due in 20 years from date, subject to prior redemption at any interest paying period after five years, at the option of said county, bearing interest at a rate not exceeding 5 per cent per annum, payable semi-annually on the first days of January and July, and to be delivered to purchaser at the office of the County Treasurer of said county on the day of sale. Bids for a portion of the issue will be considered. Each bid must be accompanied by a certified check for $1,000, payable to the order of the undersigned, as a guarantee of good faith, which will be forfeited if the bid be accepted and the bonds not taken up by the purchaser on tender of delivery within ten days from the date of sale. The right is reserved to reject any and all bids. Bids will be opened at 10 o'clock a. m. on the day of sale, and the successful bidder will be notified by mail or telegraph. Bids may be left with the undersigned at Palmyra, Mo., or sent by mail addressed to him at Palmyra, Mo., Rural Route No. 1. Dated this 19th day of May, 1900.
T. J. HUDSON,
Treasurer Marion County, Missouri.

N. W. Harris & Co.
BANKERS
BONDS Government, Municipal, Railroad, Gas and Electric Companies
Bought and sold, including total issues
Letters of Credit and Drafts
issued on Bank of England, London, Crédit Lyonnais, Paris.
INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS
204 Dearborn St., Chicago.
13 Nassau St., New York. 57 Milk St., Boston.

BETTER FEELING IN THE STOCK MARKETS.

SOUTH AFRICAN WAR IS CONSIDERED OVER.

Strength of Grangers Was the Feature at New York—Sugar Settlement.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

New York, June 1.—The London market continued to show strength on the practical settlement of the South African campaign. Consols made a further advance to 100¼, the highest price recorded since the commencement of the war. The general market was firm. Many stocks in particular were very strong. American stocks showed considerable strength, with good buying in one or two special stocks. Money conditions in London were unchanged and the market in this respect was easy.

Paris Bourse was strong. French rentes recorded a substantial advance on the British victories in South Africa.

The feeling in Berlin was rather better, although money continued tight in that center.

In the local market the great strength displayed by the Granger stocks was the feature of the day. The bonds of St. Paul, Burlington, Rock Island and Atchison preferred was exceedingly good, and the scarcity in the book crowd in all these varieties indicated that the purchasers were strong enough to take the stock out of the street.

There was good investment buying of New York Central and Pennsylvania, which also advanced, while after London had finished selling in the morning, the Panama stocks showed considerable strength.

The settlement of the sugar war had apparently been discounted, and sugar was rather inclined to sell off, in spite of the further advance in the price of refined sugar. The Steel stocks were very strong, and it looked as if the trade interests were getting back their business, especially in Steel and Wire.

The general tone of the market was bullish, and more confidence was shown all round. Advices under continues light in Berlin, in consequence of the recent reduced by overspeculation in industrial properties, the outlook is larger generally in remarking.

Already engineers are being sent back to the Johannesburg mines and their output will be resumed immediately. This will give a feeling of assurance to the world's money market which will have a very excellent effect. The increasing alliance given to business may cause a better demand for money, but this will on a legitimate advance and anything in reason in that way would be a bull argument.

The demand for good railroad bonds continues. The better feeling indicates that it is extremely in the natural course of things to the more stable of the dividend-paying stocks.

The increase of $2,187,700 in the Pennsylvania net earnings for the first four months of the fiscal year is equal to more than 2 per cent on the entire capital stock.

The Rubber Goods directors to-day declared a dividend of 1 per cent on the common and 1½ per cent on the preferred.

Lead directors to-day report a more peaceful position in China.

The new Sugar agreement all the principal interests with the exception of the Arbuckles, who have little note a company in harmony with the American Sugar Refining Company. As Mr. Havemeyer now controls National Sugar, the sugar trusts strength should be able to work on a profitable basis. It is doubtful, however, if the friends of Mr. Havemeyer's stock hold, whether the forthcoming dividend will return to the old lines.

The South African campaign has apparently commenced into an affair of police and will have very little effect on markets in the future. Money is easy.

BOND SALES AT NEW YORK.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

New York, June 1.—Sales of bonds were made here to-day as follows:

First Call.

$500 Arch. adj.	80½	1st Ex.	128½
2,000 Atch. gen. 4s	101½	N Y C. gen. lien	111
40,000 B. & O. S. W. div 3½s	99½	2,000 N Y C & St L 4s	97
18,000 B. & O. S. W. 1st 4s	99½	5,000 N Y Gas & Elec 1st ref	107
26,000 Balto. Ches. 1st 4s	95	1,300 N. & W. con. 4s	97
2,000 C. & O. con. 5s	117½	7,000 N. P. gen. 3s	66¾
1,000 C. & O. 2d con. 4½s	97	500 Nor. Pac. 4s	105½
5,000 C. B. & Q. Denver 4s	114½	23,000 St. L. 1st gen. 4s	114½
1,000 C. B. & Q. Neb. 4s	99	25,000 Read. gen. 4s	58½
24,000 Cent. Ga. con. 5s	93	25,000 St. L. I. M. & S. gen. 5s	110½
10,000 Cent. Pac. 1st 6s	107	5,000 St. L. S. W. 1st 4s	89½
25,000 Del. Lack. & W. 7s	166½	2,000 S. A. & A. P. 4s	93½
2,000 C. H. & D. gold 4½s	97	5,000 S. C. & G. ex. int. 5s	104
41,000 C. I. & P. 4s	95	1,000 S. P. exp. int. 4s	80½
3,000 Del. Riv. Bge. 1st 6s	105	5,000 S. P. chf. con. gu. stamp	109½
14,000 Erie gen. & ref. 4s	70½	24,000 T. L. & K. C. 1st, gr. ctfs.	125½
1,000 Flint. & P. M. 6s	108	24,000 T. & P. 1st 5s	112½
26,000 H. V. 1st 4½s	102½	2,000 U. S. Rub. 5s	109½
20,000 Ill. Cent. 4s	105½	8,000 Wab. 2d 5s	102½
7,000 Lake Shore 2d 5s	120	43,000 Wab. deb. B.	20½
21,000 W. N. Y. & P. gen. 5s	88½
25,000 Man. con. 4s	105½	7,000 W. C. gen. 4s	98½
20,000 N. Y. C. 7s	104	4,000 Wilkes. & East. 1st 5s	106½
1,000 N. P. & P. L.	100½		

Second Call.

17,000 Atch. 2d inc.	50½	term	115
12,000 B. & O. S. W.	99½	1,000 M. & St. P. Sou. Minn.	119½
7,000 C. & O. 6s	118	2,000 Det. St. R. R.	116
4,000 Cent. Ga. 5s	93½	12,000 N. & W. 4s	97
2,000 C. B. & Q. 5s	117½	5,000 N. & W. new div 4s	97
2,000 C. B. & Q. 4s	99½	1,000 N. Y. C. deb. 5s	123
2,000 Col. Sou. 4s	87	1,000 N. Y. C. deb. 4s	102½
1,000 C. M. & St. P. 7s	121½	2,000 N. & W. 5s	105
1,000 C. M. & St. P. 5s	117½	2,000 N. & S. W. 4s	97
20,000 Del. Lack. & W. 7s	166½	1,000 N. & W. 5s	107
1,000 D. & R. G. 4s	94	1,000 N. G. H. & S. 4s	97
2,000 Erie gen. 4s	70½	1,000 O. S. L. 6s	120½
1,000 Ill. Cent. 4s	105½	1,000 Or. Sh. 5s	114½
1,000 L. & N. N. & M. 5s	107	1,000 O. R. & N. con. 5s	107
5,000 L. & N. N. & M. 4s	96	5,000 O. S. L. 4s	95
5,000 L. & N. E. & A. 5s	112½	5,000 O. S. L. & W. 5s	99
11,000 St. L. I. M. & S. gen. 5s	110½	5,000 St. P. & D. 5s	125½
8,000 Tex. & N. O. 5s	107½	1,000 St. L. & S. F. gen. 6s	121
10,000 St. L. K. C. 1st 5s	125½	1,000 St. L. & S. F. 7s	114½
1,000 T. P. 1st	112½	2,000 St. L. & S. F. 6s	121
2,000 W. N. Y. & P. con. 5s	110½	1,000 St. L. & S. F. 5s	114½
1,000 Wab. deb. B.	20½	2,000 T. P. 1st con. 5s	112½
1,000 W. N. Y. & P. gen. 5s	88½	2,000 W. N. Y. & P. 5s	110½
1,000 Wab. deb. B.	20½	2,000 Wab. deb. B.	20½

Third Call.

5,000 B. R. T. 5s	100	m 4s	85½
2,000 A. G. S. deb. 5s	115	3,000 N. Y. G. & E. 5s	107
2,000 C. P. 1st con. 5s	97½	1,000 N. Y. C. L. 5s	113
2,000 C. M. & St. P. 7s	121½	10,000 Reading 4s	80½
2,000 D. W. D. C. 5s	100	3,000 Rio Pan. 1st 6s	61½
1,000 D. & R. G. 4s	94	1,000 R. & R. G. 4s	72
4,000 Erie 2d 5s	96	2,000 S. L. & S. F. 6s	121
1,000 L. C. & N. 5s	105	Atl. Pac. 4s	114½
4,000 Lac. Gas 1st 5s	90	5,000 St. L. K. C. 1st 5s	125½
2,000 Man. 4s	105½	1,000 T. P. 1st	112½
1,000 M. & St. L. con. 7s	120	1,000 W. N. Y. & P. 5s	110½
2,000 M. K. T. 2d 6s	109½	2,000 W. N. Y. & P. 5s	110½
1,000 N. Y. C. 7s	104	1,000 Wab. deb. B.	23
1,000 N. Y. H. & H. 7s	140		

New York Stock Quotations.

The following shows the opening, highest, lowest and closing quotations on the New York Stock Exchange yesterday. Furnished daily by The Republic by D. R. Francis, Bro. & Co., bankers and stocks, 40 Olive street:

Stocks.	Sales.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Close.
Am. Car & Fdy	1,200	37	37	36½	37	36½
Do. pfd	200	124	124	124	124	124
Am. Cotton Oil	700	34½	35	34½	35	35
Am. Linseed Oil						11½
Do. pfd	100	24½	24½	24½	24½	24½
Am. Sugar Ref	1,400	127	128½	126½	128½	128½
Do. pfd	200	113	113	113	113	113
Am. Steel Hoop	1,700	51	51½	50½	51½	51½
Do. pfd	100	90	90	90	90	90
Am. Steel & Wire	1,100	47½	48½	47½	48½	48½
Do. pfd	400	94½	95	94½	95	95
Am. Tobacco	300	117	117	117	117	117
Do. pfd	100	142	142	142	142	142
Atch. T. & S. F.	1,100	41½	42½	41½	42½	42½
Do. pfd	300	81	81	81	81	81
Atlantic Coast Line	100	105	105	105	105	105
Balt. & Ohio	300	84½	84½	84½	84½	84½
Do. pfd	100	93	93	93	93	93
Brooklyn R. T.	1,300	71½	72½	71½	72½	72½
Canadian Pacific	100	127½	127½	127½	127½	127½
Canadian Southern	100	55	55	55	55	55
Canada Southern 2d mtg.	100	85	85	85	85	85
Chesapeake & Ohio	1,000	34½	35½	34½	35½	35½
Chicago & Alton	100	35	35	35	35	35
Do. pfd	100	70	70	70	70	70
Chicago Great Western	1,000	9½	9½	9½	9½	9½
Do. pfd	100	21	21	21	21	21
Chicago Indianapolis & Louisville	100	43	43	43	43	43
Do. pfd	100	45	45	45	45	45
Chicago & Northwestern	100	141	141	141	141	141
Chicago Rock Island & Pacific	1,000	111½	112½	111½	112½	112½
Chicago Terminal Transfer	100	3½	3½	3½	3½	3½
Do. pfd	100	9	9	9	9	9
Cleveland Cincinnati Chicago & St. Louis	100	75	75	75	75	75
Do. pfd	100	75	75	75	75	75
Colorado Southern	100	14	14	14	14	14
Do. 1st pfd	100	40	40	40	40	40
Do. 2d pfd	100	17	17	17	17	17
Consolidated Gas	1,000	187	188	187	188	188
Delaware & Hudson	100	137	137	137	137	137
Delaware Lackawanna & Western	100	170	170	170	170	170
Denver & Rio Grande	100	15	15	15	15	15
Do. pfd	100	75	75	75	75	75
Distillers & Cattle Feeders	1,000	21½	22	21½	22	22
Dominion Coal	100	122	122	122	122	122
Do. pfd	100	118	118	118	118	118
Distillers Securities Corp.	100	77	77	77	77	77
East Tennessee	100	27	27	27	27	27
Do. 1st pfd	100	70	70	70	70	70
Do. 2d pfd	100	30	30	30	30	30
Erie	1,100	14½	14½	14	14	14
Do. 1st pfd	1,000	34½	34½	34	34	34
Do. 2d pfd	1,000	24	24	23½	24	24
Fort Wayne	100	160	160	160	160	160
Gen. Electric	100	38	38	38	38	38
Illinois Central	100	118	118	118	118	118
Iowa Central	100	19	19	19	19	19
Do. pfd	100	37	37	37	37	37
Jersey Central	100	67	67	67	67	67
Kansas City Southern	100	23½	23½	23½	23½	23½
Do. pfd	100	57½	57½	57½	57½	57½
Lake Erie & Western	100	18	18	18	18	18
Do. pfd	100	73	73	73	73	73
Lake Shore	100	187	187	187	187	187
Lehigh Valley	100	50½	50½	50½	50½	50½
Long Island	100	52	52	52	52	52
Louisville & Nashville	1,000	76½	77½	76½	77½	77½
Manhattan	100	107	107	107	107	107
Metropolitan Street	100	131	131	131	131	131
Metropolitan Traction	100	130	130	130	130	130
Mexican Central	100	6½	6½	6½	6½	6½
Mexican National	100	7½	7½	7½	7½	7½
Minn. & St. Louis	100	1	1	1	1	1
Minn. St. P. & S. S. M.	100	150	150	150	150	150
Missouri Kansas & Texas	100	9½	9½	9½	9½	9½
Do. pfd	100	24½	24½	24½	24½	24½
Missouri Pacific	1,000	47½	48½	47½	48½	48½
Mobile & Ohio	100	38	38	38	38	38
Nashville Chattanooga & St. L.	100	95	95	95	95	95
National Biscuit	100	43½	43½	43½	43½	43½
Do. pfd	100	124	124	124	124	124
National Lead	100	21	21	21	21	21
Do. pfd	100	104	104	104	104	104
National Steel	1,400	38½	39½	38½	39½	39½
Do. pfd	1,100	86½	87	86½	87	87
N. Y. Central	1,100	134½	135½	134½	135½	135½
N. Y. O. & W.	1,200	13½	13½	13½	13½	13½
Norfolk & West.	4,300	50½	50½	50½	50½	50½
Do. pfd						77
North Pacific	7,000	61½	61½	61½	61½	61½
Do. pfd	1,100	76½	76½	76½	76½	76½
Pacific Mail	1,100	31	31½	31	31½	31½
Pennsylvania	16,100	132½	133	132½	133	133
People's Gas	2,800	101½	101½	100½	101½	101½
Pressed Steel Car	400	46½	46½	45½	46½	46½
Do. pfd	100	77	77½	77	77½	76½
Pullman Palace Car	100	187	187	187	187	187
Reading	1,700	17½	17½	17½	17½	16½
Do. 1st pfd	3,200	56½	56½	55½	56½	56½
Do. 2d pfd	1,000	36½	36½	36½	36½	36½
St. L. & San F.	50	19½	19½	19½	19½	19½
Do. 1st pfd						74
Do. 2d pfd	1,000	34	34½	34	34½	34½
St. L. Southwest.						12½
Do. pfd	200	27	28½	27	28½	28½
Sloss Sheffield	100	35	35	35	35	35
South. Pacific	12,700	51	51½	50½	51½	51½
South. Railway	1,700	27½	27½	27½	27½	27½
Do. pfd	2,300	75½	75½	75½	75½	75½
Tenn. Coal & Iron	2,700	57½	58½	57½	58½	58½
Texas & Pacific	200	16½	17	16½	17	17
Toledo, Ann A. & N. M.	100	10	10			10
Toledo, Ann A. & T.	100	7	7			7
Union Pacific	31,200	56½	56½	55½	56½	56½
Do. pfd	6,100	75½	76½	75½	76½	76½
U. S. Leather	1,000	14½	14½	14½	14½	14½
Do. pfd	400	79½	80½	79	80½	80½
U. S. Rubber	100	34½	34½	34½	34½	34½
Do. pfd	100	93½	93½	93½	93½	93½
Wabash pfd. B	100	24½	24½	24½	24½	24½
Do. pfd	1,100	37½	38½	37½	38½	38½
Wheeling & L. E.	200	9½	9½	9½	9½	9½
Do. 2d pfd	100	20½	20½	20½	20½	20½
West. Union	700	90½	90½	90½	90½	90½
Wis. Cen. W. L.						19½
Do. pfd. W. L.	300	47½	47½	47½	47½	47½
Wheel. & Lake Erie	100	12½	12½	12½	12½	12½
Do. 2d pfd	100	37½	37½	37½	37½	37½
Wisconsin Central	100	19½	19½	19½	19½	19½
Do. pfd						48
Adams Express						150
American Express						111
American Tobacco						97
Chicago Junction						13½
Do. pfd						70
Colorado Fuel & Iron						37
Do. pfd						80
Consolidated Tobacco						2½
Do. pfd						77
Federal Steel	3,400	39½	39½	38½	39½	39½
Do. pfd						75½
Glucose Sugar	100	44	44	44	44	44
Do. pfd						92
National Biscuit	100	43½	43½	43½	43½	43½
Do. pfd	100	124	124	124	124	124
National Lead	100	21	21	21	21	21
Do. pfd	100	104	104	104	104	104
National Steel	1,400	38½	39½	38½	39½	39½
Do. pfd	1,100	86½	87	86½	87	87
N. Y. Central	1,100	134½	135½	134½	135½	135½
N. Y. O. & W.	1,200	13½	13½	13½	13½	13½
Norfolk & West.	4,300	50½	50½	50½	50½	50½
Do. pfd						77
North Pacific	7,000	61½	61½	61½	61½	61½
Do. pfd	1,100	76½	76½	76½	76½	76½
Pacific Mail	1,100	31	31½	31	31½	31½
Pennsylvania	16,100	132½	133	132½	133	133
People's Gas	2,800	101½	101½	100½	101½	101½
Pressed Steel Car	400	46½	46½	45½	46½	46½
Do. pfd	100	77	77½	77	77½	76½

Total sales for the day, 394,700 shares.

STOCKS AND BONDS IN BOSTON.

Boston, June 1.—The closing quotations on money, stocks and bonds:

Money.

Call loans, 5@3; time loans, 5@4.

Stocks.

A. T. & S. F.	42½	Federal Steel	39½
Do. pfd	81	Do. pfd	75½
American Sugar	128½	Dominion Coal	122½
Do. pfd	113	General Electric	170
Bell Telephone	297	Mexican Central	7½
Boston & Albany	257	N. E. Gas & Coke	15
Boston Elevated	167	Old Colony	193
Boston & Maine	187½	Old Dominion	37½
C. B. & Q.	131	Rubber	25
Dominion Coal	122½	Union Pacific	39
Do. pfd	118½	West End	91½

Bonds.

Atchison 4s	100	Mex. Central inc.	4½
N. Y. Gas & Coke 5s	46		

Mining Shares.

Adventure	8	Humboldt	60
Allouez Mining Co.	1½	Osceola	67½
Amal. Copper	67½	Parrot	15
Atlantic	22	Quincy	115
Bonanza & Montana	50@60	Santa Fe Copper	3
Butte & Boston	19	Tamarack	180
Calumet & Hecla	700	Utah Mining	27
Centennial	19	Winona	3
Franklin	13½	Wolverine	150
		Arnold	50 1½

Government Bonds.

New York, June 1.—Government bonds (regular):

United States 2s, reg. when issued, ex-int.	102½
United States 2s, registered	102½
United States 2s, coupon	102½
United States 5s, coupon	112½
United States new 4s, registered	137½
United States new 4s, coupon	138½
United States old 4s, registered	112½
United States old 4s, coupon	112½
United States 5s, registered	104½
United States 5s, coupon	104½
District of Columbia 3.65s	122

Chicago Stocks and Bonds.

St. Louis, Friday, June 1, 1900.

Received daily by D. R. Francis, Bro. & Co., 40 Olive street:

	Bid.	Ask.
Linseed Oil	34½	35½
Do. pfd	78	80
National Biscuit	43½	44½
Do. pfd	124	126
National Starch	13½	14½
North Chicago Street Railway	31	32
West Chicago Street Railway	34½	35
Metropolitan West Side Elevated	69	70
Do. pfd	94	95
Union Traction	16½	17½
Do. pfd	36½	37½
National Carbon	120	125
Lake Street Elevated	3½	4½

	Bid.	Ask.
North Chicago Street Railway	31	32
Lake Street Elevated	3½	4½
Do. trust certificates	2	3
National Starch	13½	14½
Union Traction	16½	17½
Do. pfd	36½	37½
American Toilet	2	3
Chicago City Ry. per cent bonds	110	111
West Chicago Street Railway	104	105
Diamond Match ex. div.	147	148
South Chicago Street Railway	21	22
Atmospheric Dredgeard	1	2
National Biscuit	43½	44½
Do. pfd	124	126
Linseed Oil	34½	35½
Do. pfd	78	80
Metropolitan West Side Elevated	69	70
Do. pfd	94	95
National Carbon	120	125
Do. pfd	37	38
Havana Commercial	4½	5½
Do. pfd	14	15
Illinois Central Farms	100	105
National Salt	150	155
Do. pfd	40	45
Chicago Pneumatic Tool	5	6
Chicago Pneumatic Tool Scrip	2	3
New England Electric Vehicle	4	5
Otis Elevator	13½	14½
Do. pfd	37½	38½
Royal Baking Powder	100	105
Rubber Goods	12	13
Do. pfd	70	75
Standard Oil	540	550
Sears Roebuck	140	150
Do. pfd	91	94
Trust Company of America	3	5

Pittsburg Stocks.

St. Louis, Friday, June 1, 1900.

Received daily by D. R. Francis, Bro. & Co., 40 Olive street:

	Bid.	Ask.
Westinghouse Air Brake	38	38½
Pittsburg Plate Glass	154½	158½

New York Stock Gossip.

The following synopsis of the gossip in regard to the leading features of the New York market was received by D. R. Francis, Bro. & Co., New York, June 1: The strength in the early New York to-day permitted the sale of about 30,000 shares for foreign account, notably in Atchison pfd., St. Paul and Union Pacific. London sold Atchison pfd. at the lowest figures. General commission business was comparatively poor, but there was a decided improvement in the demand for good investment securities, particularly evident in the bond crowd. Some sale of St. Paul, C. B. & Q., Union Pacific pfd., B. & O. S. W. pfd. and others, making a considerable aggregate, were taken and paid for by investing companies.

The foreign strength of C., B. & Q. and R. & G. and a half dozen others was due in a large measure to the covering of a large short account of an operator about to sail for Europe.

During the first hour Sugar declined gradually 2 per cent, the market being entirely in the hands of room traders, a majority of whom were anxious to take profits. A rally followed the announcement of another advance of 10 cents in refined sugar by all refineries. This was tempered by strong cumulative evidence that a fast price agreement was in force between all the companies.

German brokers were conspicuous in advancing Atchison pfd. The belief in the crowd was general that 2½ per cent for the half year will be declared next Wednesday.

Recent figures were inclined to take profits on the theory that the recent doubling of 10 per cent of the Cuba crops of the H. C. Frick Coke Company was added on the Stock Exchange as an indication of slow business in the Steel trade.

The apparent weakness of Pacific Mail was due to traders' liquidation and disappointment at the company's annual report.

It was reported that a house with First National Bank connections was a heavy buyer of Atchison pfd. Orders through brokers, taking 5,000 to 7,000 shares in all.

Late London cables were as follows:

London, 12:15 p. m.—The delay in receiving offers of stocks for sale in consequence of the British forces has a tendency to curtail operations in the securities markets, but the tone is confident. American Railway shares are firm at about yesterday's quotations.

The Continent is reported a buyer of the Pacific shares. Northern Pacific com. is selling equal to 150, and Atchison sold at ten figures.

London, 1 p. m.—The securities markets are practically at a standstill, but attendance at the "Stocks" pens meeting reduces the volume of business. Canals are strong and higher. American Railway shares are firm and business shows a tendency to increase.

The following gossip in regard to cotton was received:

New York, N. Y., June 1.—Cotton in Liverpool declined 1-16 on spots. Middlings 4 25-32d. Sales 8,000. Futures opened 2 points higher and closed 4 above yesterday on old and 3@5 points in new crops. The spot market was quite active. Supplies had been our market opened at a decline of 10 points on old and 4 to 8 points on new crops deliveries, but owing to rumors in Liverpool and reports of more rain in Southwestern Texas showed a rally from new low values. The market closed quiet at the advance, which took prices to last night's close. The late decline having attracted general selling, the market is in a position to respond to unfavorable news, which is expected. Demand for cash cotton for export, which seems probable in view of the short supply of American cotton and effort for Great Britain.

Aberdeen, June 1.—Cotton continued cool weather has checked germination and prevented growth. Cotton plant smaller for years at this date. Only three-fourths worked over first time. Heavy rains the last thirty-six hours, accompanied by cool temperature, will further retard young plant. Some lands badly washed and drowned.

FOREIGN FINANCE.

England.

London, June 1.—Consols for money 100⅛; ex-interest. Consols for the account 100⅞; ex-interest. Atchison 27½; Canadian Pacific 86⅞; St. Paul 126⅞; Illinois Central 116; Louisville and Nashville 81; Union Pacific pfd. 76½; New York Central 135⅛; Union Pacific 56⅞; Reading 17⅞; Erie first pfd. 35⅞; Erie second pfd. 24⅞; Grand Trunk 7⅞; Anaconda 34; Rand 4⅞. Money 1@. The rate of discount in the open market for short bills is 2 11-16@3 per cent; do. three months' bills 2¾ per cent. Gold premiums are quoted: Madrid 25.50; Buenos Ayres 159.

France.

Paris, June 1.—Prices opened firm on the Bourse to-day, but subsequently weakened, owing to the influence of numerous sales being reported forced. Internationals were mostly affected. Rio Tintos were pressed for sale on the report that the copper statistics will show an increase in the stock of at least 1,000 tons. Kaffirs were firm, but closed below the best prices of the day. Three per cent rentes 100f 74c for the account. Exchange on London 25f 16c for checks. Spanish is closed 72.70.

Germany.

Berlin, June 1.—Exchange on London 20 marks 45c plus for checks. Discount rates: For short bills 4 per cent, three months' bills 4¼. On the Bourse today home funds advanced sharply on large purchases. Internationals were quiet. Americans and Canadian Pacifics were harder. Transvaal mines were strong and Rand shares were enlivened on the satisfactory news from Johannesburg. Mine shares hardened, being encouraged by manufacturing reports.

The Banks.

New York, June 1.—Money on call steady at 1@2 per cent; last loan 2. Prime mercantile paper 4@5 per cent; sterling exchange firm with actual business in bankers' bills at 4 87@4 87½ for demand, and at 4 84½@4 84¾ for sixty days; posted rates $4 86 and $4 88; commercial bills $4 83@4 84; silver certificates 63@63½c. Mexican dollars 48@48½c. Government bonds steady. Railroad bonds irregular.

Boston, June 1.—Exchanges $19,337,339; balances $1,900,000.

Baltimore, June 1.—Clearings $3,372,637; balances $337,537.

Philadelphia, June 1.—Clearings $17,032,231; balances $1,930,016.

Chicago, June 1.—Clearings $20,716,367; balances $1,916,[illegible]; New York exchange 10@15c discount.

Bar Silver.

New York, June 1.—Bar silver 59c per ounce. London, June 1.—Bar silver firm at 27 9-16d.

Treasury Statement.

Washington, June 1.—To-day's statement of the Treasury balances in the general fund, exclusive of the $150,000,000 gold reserve in the vaults of assistant treasurers, available cash balance, $[illegible].

Foreign Exchange.

There was very little demand for foreign exchange, and the market was weak, but there was very little change in quotations.

N. D. Francis, Bro. & Co. report closing rates as follows:

Prime sterling cables 4 87½; checks 4 87¼; 60 days 4 84@4 84¼; sixty days 4 81@4 81¼; ninety days 4 79@4 79¼; francs cables 5 18¾@5 18⅞; checks 5 19¼; Berlin 95@95⅛; 60 days 4 14@4 14¼; ninety days 4 13½@4 13¾; Antwerp cables 5 18¾@5 18⅞; checks 5 19¼; 60 days 5 16@5 16¼; ninety days 5 15@5 15¼; Swiss francs cables 5 18¾@5 18⅞; checks 5 19¼; 60 days 5 16@5 16¼; ninety days 5 15@5 15¼; Bankers' guilders cables 40@40⅛; checks 40 1-16@40 3-16; 60 days 39 3-16@39 5-16; ninety days