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Marion County Courthouse Bonds.

Sealed proposals will be received by me at my office in Palmyra, Marion County, Mo., up to 1:30 o'clock p. m., June 18, 1900, for the purchase of one hundred thousand dollars ($100,000) worth of Marion County, Missouri, courthouse bonds. Said bonds will bear interest at the rate of 4 per cent per annum, and will be redeemable within twenty years; five thousand dollars (being $5,000), and fifty thousand dollars ($50,000) bond is to be of the denomination of five hundred dollars each, bearing date of June 20, 1900; interest payable semi-annually, on the first days of January and July.
These bonds are legally issued, and are to be secured by a sinking fund. The principal and interest are payable at the office of the County Treasurer, in the town, county and State aforesaid. Proposals will be considered for the amount of bonds as above named, or for any part thereof not less than twenty-five thousand dollars ($25,000), at the option of the bidder.
Each proposal must be accompanied by a certified check of 1 per cent of the par value of the amount of bonds bidden on. All checks of unsuccessful bidders will be returned to them. All submitted proposals will be opened by me, in the presence of the County Court, at 1:30 o'clock p. m., June 18, 1900. The right is reserved to reject any and all bids. The transfer of these bonds and the payment for same must be consummated by June 30, 1900.
Marion County, Missouri, has at present no bonded or other indebtedness. The assessed valuation is about $9,500,000; actual valuation over $2,000,000.
Done by order of the County Court, this the 5th day of May, 1900.
F. H. BRUNK,
Treasurer Marion County, Missouri.

LONDON STOCK MARKET BECAME DEPRESSED.

INFLUENCED BY CHINESE TROUBLES.

London Weakness Reflected in New York Market—Steel Stocks Were Weak.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

New York, June 6.—The London market seems to be in a very unfortunate position and no sooner gets rid of one trouble then it finds another. The Chinese difficulty was responsible for a fit of depression which lasted all day. Consols lost about ¾ per cent, a very material fall in that security. The general market was heavy and Americans suffered with it. Money was rather harder and the movement in foreign exchange makes any further reduction in the bank rate considerably less likely. The money position in Berlin had cleared somewhat, but the tone of foreign markets generally showed the effect of political news. The South African War at any rate was progressing toward a satisfactory solution.

In the local market London was the paramount influence in the early part of the day, but still about 20,000 shares of the general list, 15,000 of these being Atchison preferred. In view of this fact the stock showed quite remarkable strength, but after selling down to 2⅞, rallied immediately, the pressure being removed. The grangers sympathized at the lower level, and the Rock Island statement, showing 9 per cent earned on the stock, also helped. The market was very largely in the hands of traders and outsiders did little. Sugar rallied and sagged under professional manipulation. The steel stocks showed some weakness on the further reduction in the price of billets and the rather depressing trade outlook. Tractions upon the whole were weak, and a considerable quantity of long stock came to market. The public evidently does not regard the outlook as very good in that department for the present. The market continued heavy up to the close. Granger stocks sagged by their own weight without any great pressure from bear operators. There were free offers to sell the Granger stocks well under the market price, "sellers 60." Sugar and the other industrials were heavy and the general tone in the absence of any outside interest was spiritless.

The difficulty in China is evidently having a considerable effect upon European markets and by reflection upon ours. The position there is not unusual and has been repeated in the same place at least twice before in history, and, in ordinary circumstances, would cause little alarm. War talk, however, is in the air and the fear that Russia or somebody else may not "play fair," together with the rather strained relations existing between Russia and Japan, makes the position rather ticklish. There is nothing in it, however, to cause serious alarm except that the recent failures here and the absence of outside support have produced a state of "cleryes" to which China, like the setting sun, gets magnified by distance. It is taken in the room as a foregone conclusion that Rock Island will pay the usual dividend on the 25th. The Street is equally confident that Northern Pacific common will get 1 per cent on the 15th. The dividend is not likely to be more, as after this rate is paid on the common the surplus must be divided equally between the common and the preferred. Sugar traders report a good demand for refined sugar, but not so large as last week. Money conditions in London point to easier rates, but it is likely that the Bank of England will pursue a conservative course in view of the stringency in Berlin. Officials of the various steel corporations speak hopefully of the trade outlook and do not consider that the cut of a few mills will materially affect the steel situation. Money continued easy.

BOND SALES AT NEW YORK.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

New York, June 6.—Sales of bonds were made here today as follows:

First Call.

10,000 Atch gen 4s ... 100¾	2,000 M P 1st col 5s ... 110⅝
17,000 do adj ... 89@91¼	7,000 M P 1st 5s ... 110
2,000 Ark Ark 1st ... 112	7,000 M P 1st 5s ... 110
Low Albany & S 4s ... 112	7,000 N Y C deb 5s ... 107
20,000 B & O 5s ... 110⅝	48 ... 107½
2,000 do S-W div 3½s ... 99¼	7,000 N Y C L S 4s ... 105⅝
9,000 B & W 1st pfd ... 67½	1,000 N Y C W ref 4s ... 102
1,000 Cent Ga 1st 5s ... 95⅝	20,000 N & W con 4s ... 87½
1,000 Cent Ga 2d ... 42	12,000 Nor Pac 1st 4s ... 102
1,000 C & O con ... 117	3,000 N P B 4s ... 75
10,000 do gen 4½s ... 99½	5,000 P & P U 2nd 4½s ... 95
2,000 C M St P con 7s ... 119½	20,000 Read gen 4s ... 81
Minn div 6s ... 119⅝	1,000 St L I M 4s ... 82
1,000 C R I P gen 6s ... 118⅝	1,000 St L I M gen 5s ... 100⅛
2,000 D R G con 4s ... 95⅝	2,000 St L S F gen 6s ... 123⅝
12,000 D M M land grant 3½s ... 89½	15,000 St L S W 1st 4s ... 89
2,000 Erie 1st gen 4s ... 79½	60,000 St L S W 2d 4s ... 61@62
1,000 E W D C 1st ... 71	1,000 S A & P 4s ... 75¾
15,000 Int Paper 1st 5s ... 105½	22,000 S R 1st 4s ... 113
4,000 L S M S 2½s ... 93½	7,000 T C I R Tenn div 1st 6s ... 109½
5,000 L E S L con 4½s ... 93½	62,000 T St L & K C 1st 4s ... 97½
2,000 L N of N Y gen 4½s ... 109	5,000 T P 1st 5s ... 112½
10,000 L & N con 4s ... 96	14,000 U P 1st 4s ... 103
1,000 L & N N O ... 111	4,000 U P L G 4s ... 89½
11,000 Mob Ohio 1st 6s ... 106	6,000 Wab 1st 5s ... 110
1,000 Mo Kan 1st ... 116	11,000 Wab Deb B ... 37½
10,000 Mex Cent 1st ... 86½	18,000 W N Y & P 1st 5s ... 109½
	4,000 Wis Cent gen 4s ... 91½

Second Call.

20,000 Atch 4s ... 100⅝	2,000 M K T 4s ... 91½
10,000 do adj ... 89@91¼	4,000 do 2d ... 81½
1,000 B C R N 1st ... 106½	15,000 N & W 4s ... 87½
2,000 Balto Un 1st ... 112½	5,000 N P 4s reg ... 102
2,000 B & O 3½s ... 96½	Low P & R 5s ... 98
1,000 do S-W ... 99½	10,000 do 1st ... 98
10,000 do 4s ... 102½	2,000 R G W 4s ... 90⅝
10,000 Col Sou 4s ... 86@87	25,000 Read 4s ... 80½
1,000 do 1st ... 107½	4,000 St L I M 4s ... 82
10,000 Cent Ga 2d ... 42½	14,000 do 5s ... 100½
1,000 C & O 5s ... 117	14,000 St L S W 1st ... 89
2,000 C B & Q 4s ... 102	1,000 Texas Sects 5s ... 97
1,000 C R I P con 6s ... 118½	25,000 Wab 1st ... 109½
2,000 D & R G con 4s ... 95½	1,000 W C 4s ... 91½
12,000 D M M land grant 3½s ... 89½	1,000 Atch 2d ... 84½
2,000 Erie 1st gen 5s ... 112	6,000 A N W 1st ... 94½
1,000 Int Paper 1st 5s ... 105½	
4,000 L S M S 2½s ... 93½	
2,000 L E S L con 4½s ... 93½	
1,000 L N of N Y gen 4½s ... 109	
1,000 L & N N O ... 111	
1,000 Mo Kan 1st ... 116	
10,000 Mex Cent 1st ... 86½	

Third Call.

4,000 Atch 4s ... 100⅝	6,000 M K T 4s ... 91½
10,000 B & O 4s ... 102½	6,000 Mex Int cons ... 77
2,000 C & O 4½s ... 102½	
1,000 C B & Q 4s ... 102½	2,000 Mont C ... 119½
6,000 Col Mid 4s ... 73	Low N & W 4s ... 97½
5,000 C C C & I 5s ... 102½	10,000 N Y G E 5s ... 105
6,000 Col Mid 5s ... 78	1,000 P & R 1st ... 98½
5,000 C H V & Sabs ... 103½	2,000 R G W 4s ... 90½
10,000 Del Gas 5s ... 99	4,000 Read 4s ... 80½
2,000 D R G 4s ... 95½	2,000 St P M & M 4½s ... 112½
10,000 E T 2d 4s ... 70	6,000 Sou Pac 4s ... 81
Mex & P 1st 99½	1,000 do of Cal 5s ... 107½
2,000 I & G N 1st 120½	1,000 S V N E 1st 99½
1,000 I C 4s of 1921 ... 96	8,000 Sou Pac of Ariz 1st ... 114½
6,000 L & N 4s ... 96	8,000 St L I M 5s ... 100⅝
25,000 L N 4s ... 95½	1,000 Tex Pac 1st ... 112½
	20,000 Wab R ... 36@36½

New York Stock Quotations.

St. Louis, Wednesday, June 6, 1900.

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

Stocks.	Sales.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yes.
Am. Cot. & Pfd.	800	79¾	79¾	79½	79½	80¼
Do. Pfd.	1,200	90½	90½	89½	89½	90½
Am. Cotton Oil	...	...	...	...	...	14
Am. Linseed Oil	...	13¾	...	...	13¾	14
Do. Pfd.	100	34	...	...	34	34
Am. Steel & Bef.	800	37¾	37¾	37¾	37¾	38
Do. Pfd.	800	90	90¼	90	90¼	90
Am. Sugar Ref.	22,800	132¾	133¾	131¾	133¼	134¾
Am. Tin Plate	200	33	33	33	33	37
Do. Pfd.	200	91	91	91	91	93
Am. Tobacco	1,500	124½	125	124½	125	126
Do. Pfd.	1,000	142	142	141½	142	142½
A. T. & S. F.	8,100	29⅝	29¾	29½	29¾	30
Do. Pfd.	400	67	67	67	67	67
Balt. & Ohio	1,100	47½	47½	47	47	47½
Do. Pfd.	100	72	72	72	72	72
Can. Sou.	1,100	51½	51½	51	51	51½
Can. Pac.	300	57	57	57	57	57½
Central N. J.	1,100	121	122½	120	122½	119
Ches. & Ohio	1,000	37	37	36½	36½	37
Chic. & E. I.	10,100	97	98	95½	96½	98½
Do. Pfd.	...	155	155	155	155	155
Chicago Gt. West.	...	13½	13½	13	13	13½
C. M. & St. P.	7,900	116½	119½	116½	119½	116½
C. R. I. & P.	1,000	104½	105	104½	105	105
C. C. C. & St. L.	1,000	50	50	50	50	50
Col. & Sou.	500	19½	19½	19½	19½	19½
Cons. Gas	2,700	187	189	186	189	189
Del. Lack. & W.	100	178	178	178	178	178
Denver & R. G.	200	18½	18½	18	18	19
Do. Pfd.	200	67½	67½	67½	67½	68
Distillers Sec.	1,600	24	24½	23½	23½	24
Do. Pfd.	...	...	...	...	...	91
Illinois Central	...	...	...	...	...	116½
Lacled. Gas	100	12	12	12	12	12
Lake Erie & W.	100	23	...	...	...	23
Do. Pfd.	3,300	78½	78½	78½	78½	80
Manhattan L.	1,200	106	106½	105½	106½	106½
Met. St. Ry.	1,000	152½	153	152½	153	154
National Tube	400	41	41	40½	40½	41
M. K. & T.	...	...	...	...	...	11½
Do. Pfd.	100	31	...	...	31	30½
N. Pacific	1,600	55½	55½	54½	54½	55½
National Biscuit	...	...	...	...	...	39
Do. Pfd.	...	...	...	...	...	124
National Lead	900	18½	18½	18½	18½	19
National Steel	200	34½	34½	34½	34½	35
Do. Pfd.	200	94½	94½	94½	94½	95½
N. Y. Central	1,500	137½	137½	136½	136½	137
N. Y. Chic. & W.	400	21½	...	...	21½	21½
Nor. & Western	2,100	34½	35	34½	34½	35
Do. Pfd.	...	...	...	...	...	73
North Pacific	4,700	67	67	66½	66½	68½
Do. Pfd.	900	77½	77½	76½	76½	78½
Pacific Mail	400	29	...	...	29	28
Pennsylvania	6,700	136½	136½	136½	136½	136½
Pullman Pal. Car	4,300	187	189½	187	189½	189
Pressed Steel Car	...	...	...	...	...	47½
Do. Pfd.	...	...	...	...	...	77
Reading	200	17½	17½	17½	17½	17½
Do. 1st pfd.	100	37½	37½	37½	37½	37½
Do. 2d pfd.	...	...	...	...	...	26½
St. L. & S. F.	...	...	...	...	...	62
Do. 1st pfd.	...	...	...	...	...	75
Do. 2d pfd.	...	...	...	...	...	64
St. L. S. W.	100	9	9	9	9	9
Do. Pfd.	100	26	26	26	26	27
Southern Pacific	6,600	34½	34½	33½	33½	34½
Southern Railway	100	12	12	12	12	12½
Do. Pfd.	1,000	94½	94½	94½	94	94½
Tenn. Coal & Iron	2,300	77	77	76½	76½	76½
Texas & Pacific	100	16½	16½	16½	16½	16½
U. S. P.	...	...	...	...	...	17½
Do. Pfd.	300	65	65½	65	65½	67
Union Pacific	9,300	59½	59½	58	58	59½
Do. Pfd.	1,000	74½	74½	74½	74½	75
U. S. Leather	215	10½	10½	10½	10½	10½
Do. Pfd.	...	...	...	...	...	83
U. S. Rubber	...	...	...	...	...	23
Wabash Pit Bell	900	20½	20½	20½	20½	20½
Do. Pfd.	200	40½	40½	40½	40½	40½
W. U. Tel.	1,200	94½	94½	94	94	94½
Wis. Cent. W. L.	100	19½	19½	19½	19½	19½
Do. pfd. W. L.	100	71½	71½	71½	71½	71½
Wheel. & Lake E.	100	12½	12½	12½	12½	12½
Do. 1st pfd.	400	75	75	74½	74½	75
Do. 2d pfd.	100	37	37	37	37	37

Chicago Stocks and Bonds.

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

St. Louis, Wednesday, June 6, 1900.

	High.	Low.
Sugar Ref.	115	115
Do. pfd.	118	118
National Biscuit	39½	39½
Do. pfd.	124	124
National Match	12½	12½
American Spaghetti	12½	12½
North Chicago Street Railway	23½	23½
West Chicago Street Railway	39½	39½
Diamond Match	130	129½
South Side Elevated	95	...
Metropolitan West Side Elevated	30	30
National Biscuit	39½	39½
Do. pfd.	124	124
Lindell Railway	20	20
Do. pfd.	71½	71½
Metropolitan West Side Elevated	78½	78½
National Carbon	81	81
Do. pfd.	120	120
	Bid.	Ask.
Union Chicago Street Railway	19	...
Lake Street Elevated	2	3
Do. first certificates	15	15½
Union Traction	16½	17
Allegheny City Bridge	2	3
Chicago City 12 per cent bonds	90	...
West Chicago Street Railway	106	107
Diamond Match	120	122½
South Side Elevated	95	...
Metropolitan West Side Elevated	30	30½
National Biscuit	39½	39½
Do. pfd.	124	124½
Limited 5s	111½	111½
Do. pfd.	109	109
Metropolitan West Side Elevated	78	78½
National Carbon	80	81
Do. pfd.	120	120½

Pittsburg Stocks.

St. Louis, Wednesday, June 6, 1900.

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

	Bid.	Ask.
Pittsburg Plate Glass	162½	163
Westinghouse Air Brake	140½	...

New York Curb Stocks.

St. Louis, Wednesday, June 6, 1900.

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

	Bid.	Ask.
American Air Power	2	3
American Bicycle	8½	9
Do. pfd.	24	25
American Woolen	8	8½
New Amsterdam Gas	24	25
Do. pfd.	95½	96½
Amalgamated Copper	69½	69¾
Chicago Pneu Tool	120½	121½
Cod Iron Pipe	7	8
Do. pfd.	47½	47
Consolidated Ice	2½	3½
Do. pfd.	20	25
Electric Boat	3	3½
Do. pfd.	24	25
Electric Vehicle	34	35
Do. pfd.	...	...
Carriage	7	8
Havana Commercial	10½	11½
Do. pfd.	32	35
International Pump	17½	18½
Do. pfd.	65	66
National Salt	67	70
New York Electric Vehicle	8	8½
New England Electric Vehicle	2½	4½
Otis Elevator	24	25½
Do. pfd.	78	79
Royal Baking Powder	89	95
Rubber Goods	22½	24
Do. pfd.	74	78
Standard Oil	586	588
Sloss Iron	39	57
Do. pfd.	61	64
Trust Company of America	29	31
Do. pfd.	61	64

STOCKS AND BONDS IN BOSTON.

Boston, Mass., June 6.—The following were the quotations on the Boston Stock Exchange for money, stocks, bonds and mining shares:

Money.

Call loans 2½@3 per cent, time loans 3½@4.

Stocks.

A. T. & S. F.	29½	Dominion Coal	41
Do. pfd	72½	Fitchburg pfd	133
American Sugar	117½	General Electric	134
Do. pfd	117½	Ed. Electric Ill	320
Bell Telephone	326	Mexican Central	5½
Boston & Albany	254½	N. E. Gas & Coke L	16
Boston Elevated	159	Old Colony	206
Boston & Maine	173	Old Dominion	47
C. B. & Q.	134½	Rubber	14
Do. pfd	137	Union Pacific	74
Federal Steel	35	West End	92
Do. pfd	67		

Bonds.

Atchison 4s	100½		
New England Gas and Coke 5s	65		

Mining Shares.

Adventure	5¾	Humboldt	55
Allouez Mining Co.	1	Osceola	85
Amal. Copper	69¾	Parrot	24½
Atlantic	18	Quincy	1
Bost. & Mont.	250	Tamarack	183
Calu & Hecla	740	Utah Mining	27½
Centennial	17	Winona	2¼
Franklin	15½	Arnold	3@ 5½

Government Bonds.

New York, June 6.—Government bonds steady.

United States 2s, reg. when issued, registered	...
United States 2s, reg. when issued, coupon	100¾
United States 2s, registered	100
United States 3s, registered	109½
United States 3s, coupon	109½
United States new 4s, registered	136½
United States new 4s, coupon	138½
United States old 4s, registered	112½
United States old 4s, coupon	112½
United States 5s, registered	112½
United States 5s, coupon	112½
District of Columbia 3.65s	122½

FOREIGN FINANCE.

England.

London, June 6.—Consols for money 97; do. for the account 97 2-16; Atchison 28¾; Canadian Pacific 90¾; St. Paul 120; Illinois Central 116½; Louisville 81½; Union Pacific pfd. 76¾; New York Central 134½; Erie 17¾; Pennsylvania 57; Reading 8¾; Erie first pfd. 38¾; Northern Pacific pfd. 75½; Grand Trunk 7¼; Anaconda 4¾; Rand mines 4¾. Money 1@2 per cent. The rate of discount in the open market for short bills is 2⅞ per cent; do three months' bills 2⅞@2 13/16 per cent. Gold premiums are quoted as follows: Buenos Ayres 125.00, Madrid 36, Lisbon 29, Rome 6.67½. India Council bills were offered today at 16 4d.

France.

Paris, June 6.—Prices on the Bourse today were weak in sympathy with the decline in market values on the Berlin market and the complications in China. The Trusts were lower on the decline in the price of copper, but rallied slightly towards the close. Rentes lost 5c per on the terms with advance on Lenten settling, but rallied generally with a small improvement. Three per cent rentes fell 22½c for the account. Spanish fs closed 50 higher.

Germany.

Berlin, June 6.—Exchange on London 20m. for pfds. for cheques. Discount rates: Short bills 4¼, three months' bills 4¼. Money 4¼ per cent. Exchange on the leading cities was weak on satisfactory New York reports and speculation regarding the situation in China. Mines were particularly flat, but recovered partly at the close.

Treasury Statement.

Washington, June 6.—Treasury statement of the Treasury balances in the general fund, exclusive of the $150,000,000 gold reserve in the division of redemption, available for ordinary expenditures, $176,845,000, gold $1,000,000.

Bar Silver.

New York, June 6.—Bar silver 59c per ounce.
London, June 6.—Bar silver quiet at 27¾d per ounce.

The Banks.

New York, June 6.—Money on call easy at 1½@2 per cent, last loan 2 per cent; prime mercantile paper 3@4½ per cent. Sterling exchange firm, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.83@4.84¼ for demand and at $4.84@4.85 for 60 days; posted rates $4.84½@4.86; commercial bills $4.82@4.83¾. Silver certificates 61@62c. Mexican dollars 47c. Exchanges $103,000; balances $1,225,000.

Boston, June 6.—Exchanges $21,907,179; balances $1,600,000.

Philadelphia, June 6.—Clearings $10,795,359; balances $1,204,142. Money 3@4 per cent.

Baltimore, June 6.—Clearings $1,175,823; balances $620,006. Money 1@4½ per cent.

Chicago, June 6.—Clearings $21,501,537, balances $1,896,445. Exchange, $4 50@4 60. New York exchange 5c premium.

LOCAL MONEY MARKET.

Business Among the Banks Continues Quiet—Money Demand Light.

St. Louis, Wednesday, June 6, 1900.

There was no change in the conditions surrounding the local financial situation, the street railway strike is still on, business is still quiet, and money is still in good supply. As a natural consequence the money situation is the same. Truly the business in and investments of banks has been far better than for years taken in the aggregate, the exceptions being a few branches, yet, for the most part, the business is done in a quiet way and rather light, and while there was no quotable change in interest rates, they were still easy at 2 to 3 per cent in the extremes for call loans, with the bulk of the loans made at 3 to 4 per cent. There was more than enough funds on hand at the various banks and trust companies to easily satisfy the wants of all who were in want of legitimate business with the security required.

The local bank clearings continue to show up very encouragingly, considering the conditions prevailing, and this morning they reported at $3,403,244, the balances being reported at $334,000.

Domestic Exchange.

Whitaker & Hodgman, local stock, commercial paper and exchange brokers, 300 North Fourth street, quote exchange as follows:

	Bid.	Asked.
New York	par	50c prem
Louisville	par	par
Chicago	par	par
New Orleans	50	par
Chicago	par	50c prem

City of St. Louis.

Corrected daily by Gerriod, Dessing & Co., 327 Olive street.

	Bid.	Ask.
City 2-6s, J. D., 1905	102	104
City 3.65s, gold, M. N., 1905	100½	101
City 3s, J. J., 1919	100½	101
City 4s, gold, M. N., 1911	108	109
City 4s, sterling, 20 years, 1908, J. D.	104	105
City 4s, gold, A. O., 1918	109	111
City 4s, gold, 1904	100	101
City 4s, gold, J. J., 1905	101	102
City 4s, sterling, A. O., non, 1908	105	107
City 6s, gold, A. O., 1907	112½	113½
City 6s, gold, A. O., 1908	112½	114
City 6s, currency, A. O., 1908	112½	114

LOCAL STOCKS AND BONDS.

A Fairly Active Market, With Some Price Changes.

While dealings in the aggregate on the Stock Exchange this morning were not heavy, the day's business was the most satisfactory at the market is quite active. The tone, as usual, was cheery centered in the trades, and the great bulk of the trades made were in them. There was not much doing in the rest, only three selling, but two bought, 386 in all, and there were buyers at 98.50 with 98.60 asked.

Transit preferred and common stock met with a good demand, and during the morning a total of 305 shares changed ownership, so follows: 100 of the former at 41¼ and 45 at 41¼, and of the common, 25 at 83¾, 50 at 83¾ and 40 at 83¾.

The demand for Suburban was not so urgent to-day as on yesterday, but, nevertheless, there was a sale of 100 shares at 19½, and more was sought at 19½. The best bids for the bonds was only 104.

Brewery 6s continue to meet with a quiet demand, and one brought par. Several more could have sold at that, but sellers demanded 100¼.

Bank and trust stocks were not in it this morning, hardly any attention being given to them.

Mining stocks of all descriptions were dull and largely neglected.

To-day's quotations:

	Bid.	Asked.
United Railway 4s	$ 86.25	$ 86.50
Do. pfd.	39	40
St. Louis Transit com	32.25	32.50
Missouri-Edison com	19.00	19.50
Do. pfd	92.00	94.00
St. Louis and "Suburban" stock	99.25	.....
Do. 5s	104.00	99.00
Mississippi Valley Trust	252.00	.....
Union Trust	216.50	.....
Third National Bank	.....	150.00
Merchants' Bank	226.00	.....
International Bank	121.00	.....
St. Louis Safe Deposit	.....	136.50
American-Nettle mining	1.50	.....
Granite-bi-Metallic mining	2.37½	2.62½
Sta. Sebastian mining	.05	.....
Bonanza Lead	10.00	.....
Brewery 6s	99.00	100.25
Alton Bridge bonds	.....	80.00
Kennard Carpet pfd	99.00	.....
Century Building bonds	99.25	100.00

New York Market Gossip.

The following synopsis of the gossip in regard to the leading features of the New York market was furnished by D. R. Francis, Bro. & Co.:

New York, N. Y., June 6.—London cables reported a weak market on the other side, which foreign losses attribute to fears of Russian aggression in China.

Arbitrage brokers were fairly large sellers in this market, putting out about 25,000 shares, of which almost half was Atchison preferred.

Early trading was influenced by the lower prices in London and heavy selling on arbitrage account. Change soon came, however, because of the bad showing for winter wheat made in the Ohio State crop report. There was some selling by traders on reports of unfavorable weather in the spring wheat States. The declines in May stocks in last hour were attributed partly to closing out of some of Price, McCormick's loans by banks in the city. At the same time some traders who had been selling short took hold and covered. This helped to create a heavy tone in the later dealings. The room traders generally attached increased importance to the situation in China, because of the reports of Russian aggression in Corea. The sharp advance in Jersey Central was the special feature of the market. L. W. Wormser was the chief factor in advancing the price and Wormser brokers were buyers of other Anthracite shares. The movement was reported on the exchange to have some connection with a scheme of closer relations, Reading, R. & O. and Pennsylvania, and was alleged to provide for guaranteed dividends on Reading first preferred. The two bankers who are generally regarded as representing the controlling interests in Baltimore and Ohio are both in Europe, and that fact was differently regarded by believers and disbelievers in the reported pending deal.

There was quite accumulation of New York Air Brake, both in and out of the exchange in connection with negotiations that are now pending for the absorption of New York Air Brake by the Westinghouse company.

Brokers active in Northern Pacific said that the directors will meet on Wednesday next and put the stock on a 4 per cent dividend basis. They thought that J. P. Morgan will arrive from Europe in time to attend the meeting.

Late London cables were as follows:

London, 1:45 p. m.—The securities markets generally are unfavorably affected by the increasing complications in China, where the situation is reported to be assuming a decidedly grave aspect. American railway securities show declines extending to ¾ per cent. The tone of the department is unsettled.

2 p. m.—The securities markets generally are dull and drooping in tendency, on the lack of outside support. Consols have declined ⅛ per cent. American railway securities are steadier. Atchison preferred is the feature in this department.

London, 3:30 p. m.—The market for American railway shares is weak.

The following gossip in regard to cotton was received:

New York, June 6.—Cotton in Liverpool declined ⅛d on spots. Middlings 5 1-16d. Sales 5,000 bales. Futures opened about 4 lower, but 2 more, but closed at about yesterday's prices. This market opened 3 to 8 points down on old and 3 to 5 points on new. There was a good demand from shorts and some new buying, which caused prices to improve about 5 points on account of deliveries during the morning session. Prices eased off after 1 p. m., when some long selling, but at this writing (2 p. m.) are still about 5 points over yesterday's close.

Houston's report for the weather has improved somewhat. The strength in July delivery in New Orleans helped the improvement here this morning.

Foreign Exchange.

There was a better demand for foreign exchange yesterday and the market was firm.

Sterling, cables, 4.87¾@4.87¾; checks 4.84¾@4.85; sixty days, 4.81.

Commercial bankers' checks 4.87; sixty days 4.84¾; sixty days 4.82½.

Francs, cables, 5.18¾; checks 5.20; sixty days 5.19¾@5.19 5-16.

Reichsmarks, cables, 95 1-16@95⅛; checks 95 3-16; sixty days 94⅝@94 15-16.

Guilders, cables, 40.20; checks 40¼; sixty days 40 1-16.

Commercial bills—Francs, checks, 5.19¾; sixty days, 5.19¾@5.19 15-16.

Swiss francs, checks, 5.20; sixty days 5.20¼.

Belgian francs, checks, 5.19@5.19 1-16; sixty days 5.20@5.20 1