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STOCK MARKET STAYS DULL, BUT THE TONE IS FIRMER.

GOULD ISSUES MOST CONSPICUOUS IN TRADING.

Return of J. Pierpont Morgan, It Is Thought, Will Start Many Plans Moving.

New York, Aug. 13.—There was no improvement in the activity of the trading in the stock market to-day, but the tone was firmer and did not reflect the disposition to liquidate on all advances which was a feature of yesterday's market. For the most part, however, the representative stocks were neglected and sluggish. The Gould stocks were the most conspicuous in the trading, Missouri Pacific leading in point of activity. There were heavy dealings also in all of the Wabash securities and in Texas and Pacific. The Southwestern railroads are expected to gain a special benefit from the large crop and the winter wheat crop in that territory is also in a high average condition. The Wabash stocks were especially affected by reports of aggressive steps being taken to secure terminal facilities both in Pittsburg and in Baltimore for the use of Wabash's Eastern extensions.

Fitful Trading in Soft Coalers.

There was a fitful speculation in the soft coal stocks based upon the benefit felt by that trade as an incident of the paralysis of the anthracite trade. There were persistent rumors as well of an intention on the part of the Norfolk and Western directors to advance the dividend rate on that stock. The settlement of the elevated railroad troubles helped Manhattan and the Goulds as a group. There was a notable show of strength in a number of minor railroad stocks, especially in the granger region. The brokers employed by the speculative interest which accomplished the Louisville and Nashville transfer were conspicuous in these operations.

The National Lead stocks responded to the reports of a combination in the lead interests of the country. United States Steel shot up ⅞ on the news of an additional distribution of $10,000,000 profits to the underwriting syndicate, thus bringing the total distribution up to $30,000,000 on actual paid-in subscriptions of $25,000,000. The stock relapsed quickly into comparative inactivity, but with a fractional gain retained. The aggressive steps being taken on behalf of the Northern Securities Company to clear up litigation against that corporation and the hopeful views expressed of its earnings by James J. Hill give the impression that active steps are pending toward a distribution of the stock.

Awaiting Return of Morgan.

This and many other plans are supposed to be waiting on the return of J. P. Morgan, who sailed for New York to-day. Among the weak features Amalgamated Copper was affected by the unstable tone of the raw copper market. The price of Rock Island was lowered, supposedly with a view to discourage the disposition of minority holders to liquidate their holdings rather than consent to the conversion plan. Funds were more freely offered on call to-day and the rate was easier. The active export demand for wheat encouraged the offering of exchange bills and the rate for sterling showed no recovery from yesterday's decline. The closing was quite active and irregular.

Wabash debenture bonds were the feature of the bond market. The Central of Georgia second incomes were also in demand. Total sales, par value, $2,710,000. United States bonds were all unchanged on the last call.

New York Curb Market.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

New York, Aug. 13.—The curb market to-day opened with good firmness and animation. Dealings were also broader than for some time past and the transfers were made in a large number of issues, although some cynical brokers expressed the opinion that much of this was "washing," similar to the apparent activity that marked the upward progress of the recently collapsed Webb-Meyer securities. In fact, some brokers admitted that most of the present business was in "matched" transactions and others complained of trouble in executing orders for real customers at anything near the quoted levels. The close was strong in tone and with net advances for nearly all the active stocks.

Total transactions for the day were estimated at about 30,000 shares.

Seaboard Air Line was again the strong feature, the common selling from 33¾ up to 34¼, with about 3,500 shares changing hands, and 2,000 shares of the preferred sold at 52⅝ up to 53½. Virginia Coal and Coke common sold at 19½ for 1,000 shares, and 10 of the bonds sold at 72. Northern Securities was firm, selling at 107@107¼ and later at 106¾@107, and with about 3,500 shares dealt in. Rock Island common sold at 42@41½ for 1,000 shares; the preferred sold at 79 for 200 shares and 50 bonds at 93@93¼. New Orleans 4½s sold at 89¼ for 20, and Oregon Short Line 4s sold at 93½@93¼ for 150.

BOND SALES AT NEW YORK.

New York, Aug. 13.—Sales of bonds were made here to-day as follows:

First Call.

2,000 Atch gen 4s	103¾	4½s	101½
40,000 do adj stamped	94¾	10,000 N Y C L S col 3½s	94
5,000 B & O S W div 3s	80¼	4,000 N & W Poca Coal 4s	94¾
21,000 Cen Ga 1st inc 5s	84½@82	6,000 N P 4s	104¼
47,000 do 2d inc 5s	41½@42	2,000 do gen 3s	74¾
20,000 Cen N J gen 5s	136	2,000 P & E 1st	100
28,000 C & O gen 4½s	108¼@¾	5,000 Rdg gen 4s	95¾
24,000 C, B, Q joint 4s	95⅞@96	1,000 St L I M gen	117¾
120,000 C, F, I, con 5s	100¼@101	2,000 do pfd 4s	93¾
79,000 Con Tob 4s	65	8,000 St L S F gen 5s	114¾
20,000 Erie 1st con 4s	100	7,000 St L S W con 4s	88½
6,000 do Pa coll tr 4½s	90¾@¾	34,000 S A & A P 4s	88½@88¾
7,000 K C Ft S & M 4s	91¾@92	10,000 S P 4½s	100¼@100½
2,000 M K T 1st 4s	89⅞	1,000 S P 4s	91
2,000 M P ir 5s	108½	2,000 T St L & W 4s	83
20,000 Nat R Mex		8,000 U P 1st 4s	105
		83,000 U P con 4s	108¼@108⅝
		235,000 Wab deb B	76⅝@77½

Second Call.

5,000 B & O 3½s	93½	5,000 St. L W 2d	117¼
5,000 Chic Term 5s	89¾	13,000 S P 4s	94
7,000 C & O 4½s	105½	3,000 St L W con 4s	88⅞
5,000 C P I con 5s	100⅝	8,000 Tex Pac 4s	82
22,000 Cen Ga 2s inc	42¾	2,000 U P 1st 4s	105
23,000 C W & D C 1st	11	10,000 U P Conv	108⅝
2,000 Southern 5s	121¼@¾	6,000 Wab Deb B	77⅞
15,000 Edg 4s	98¾	9,000 W L E Con 4s	85½
6,000 St L I M 5s		8,000 W C 4s	94

Third Call.

10,000 Atch adj 4s	103.96⅝	4s	104¼
10,000 do Atch stamped	94⅞	7,000 N & W Poca 4s	94⅞
7,000 Atch 4s	104⅞@105	20,000 Seaboard 5s	104½
2,000 C R I & P 4s	109¾	3,000 do 4s	87½@¾
5,000 Cen Ga con 5s	111	5,000 S P 4s	91
6,000 Con Tob 4s	65	5,000 S R & T inc	31½
1,000 Cen Ga 2d inc	42¾	10,000 Toledo 4s	83
50,000 C F & I conv 5s	106⅝@⅞	10,000 S P Cal 5s stamped	109⅝
8,000 M K T 4s	89⅞	13,000 U P con	108¾
20,000 Mo Cen 4s	96¾@⅞	10,000 U P 4s	105
		2,000 W C 4s	92½
		8,000 Wab 1st	115½
		85,000 Wab deb B	77¼@¾
5,000 N Y O & W			

STOCKS AND BONDS IN BOSTON.

Boston, Mass., Aug. 13.—Money, bonds, stocks and mining shares were quoted here to-day as follows:

Money.

Call loans 3½@4; time loans 4@5.

Bonds.

Atchison 4s	102	Mex. Cent. 4s	82
Gas 1st	98	N. E. Gas & Coke	68

Stocks.

Atchison pfd	92½	Am. Tel. & Tel.	164¾
Atchison pfd	102¾	Dom. Iron & Steel	65¾
Boston & Albany	262	General Electric	134½
Boston & Maine	190	Mass. Electric	44½
N. Y., N. H. & H.	230	Mas. Elec. pfd	97½
Fitchburg pfd	144	N. E. Gas & Coke	54
Union Pacific	107¾	U. S. Steel	40¾
Mexican Central	22½	U. S. Steel pfd	90
American Sugar	121¾	Westinghouse com.	106½
American Sug pfd.	119½		

Mining Shares.

Adventure	22½	Parrott	26
Allouez	2¼	Quincy	123
Amalgamated	66	Santa Fe Copper	2
Bingham	32	Tamarack	175½
Cal. & Hec.	540@545	Trimountain	34
Centennial	18	Trinity	11½
Copper Range	51½	United States	21
Dominion Coal	142	Utah	20¾
Franklin	10¼	Victoria	5
Isle Royale	13¾	Winona	4¾
Josmink	46	Wolverine	158
Old Dominion	18¾	Win. Copper	34½
Osceola	57	Daly West	51¾

New York Mining Stocks.

Adams con	29	Little Chief	11
Allce	29	Ontario	86¾
Breece	50	Ophir	100
Brunswick	6	Phoenix	6
Comstock Tunnel	5	Potosi	14
Con. Cal & Va.	310	Savage	8
Deadwood Terra	100	Union Nevada	12
Horn Silver	125	Small Hopes	35
Iron Silver	77	Standard	340
Leadville con	3		

New York Stock Quotations.

The following table shows the opening, highest, lowest and closing quotations on the New York Stock Exchange yesterday. Corrected daily for The Republic by Francis, Bro. & Co., bonds and stocks, No. 214 North Fourth street:

Stocks.	Sales.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Close Yes.
Am. Car & Fdry.	6,200	32½	34½	32½	34¼	33⅝
Do. pfd	100	90½	....	....	90½	92½
Am. Cot. Oil com.	200	56½	....	....	56½	54¾
Am. Linseed Oil.	400	14½	....	....	14½	24½
Do. pfd	....	....	....	....	72	....
Am. Smel. & Ref.	200	47⅝	....	....	47⅝	47½
Do. pfd	500	97⅞	....	....	97⅞	97¼
Am. Snuff pfd	100	98	....	....	98	98⅝
Am. Sugar Ref.	4,900	131⅝	132⅝	131⅝	131⅞	131¾
Amal. Copper	19,500	66⅞	67¾	66⅞	66¾	67¾
Anaconda	....	....	....	....	105	105
A., T. & S. F.	11,600	92¾	93⅝	92	92⅝	92
Do. pfd	1,300	102⅞	103	102½	103	102½
Balt. & Ohio	13,100	111¼	111½	111	111	110⅝
Do. pfd	400	96⅝	....	....	96⅝	96⅝
Bkln. Rap. Tran.	1,100	68⅝	68⅝	68	68	67⅝
Canada Pacific	3,400	136⅞	137	136¾	136¾	136¼
Canada Southern	100	91	....	....	91	91
Cent. of N. J.	....	....	....	....	185	185½
Chesp. & Ohio	5,200	54⅝	55½	54⅝	54⅝	52⅝
Chi. Gt. W. com.	12,000	31⅞	32½	31⅝	32¼	31½
Chicago & Alton	2,400	42⅞	43½	42	42	41⅞
Do. pfd	100	75⅞	....	....	75⅞	76
Chi., Ind. & L.	....	....	....	....	76	76
Do. pfd	1,000	90⅝	90⅝	90	90¼	90¼
C., M. & St. P.	5,000	186	186¼	185⅝	185⅞	184⅞
Chi. & Northwest	....	....	....	....	243	243
Chi., R. I. & P.	3,600	183	183	180¼	181¼	180¼
Chi. Term. Trans.	300	22¼	22½	22¼	22½	22¼
Do. pfd	....	....	....	....	39¼	39½
Cons. Tob. 4s	....	65	....	....	65	65
*C., Cy., C. & St. L.	300	106	106	105⅝	106⅝	108
Colo. Fuel & Iron	4,400	91½	91⅝	89⅝	89	89¼
Colo. Southern	400	34	....	....	34	33⅝
Do. 1st pfd	700	79⅞	79	78½	78½	78½
Consolidated Gas	200	222¼	222⅝	223½	222⅝	222½
Cont. Tob. pfd	....	....	....	....	121⅞	121⅞
Del. & Hudson	400	178½	179½	178½	179½	178
D., L. & West	....	278	....	....	278	278
Den. & Rio G.	100	44½	....	....	44½	44⅞
Do. pfd	200	93	93½	93	93	92½
Erie R. R.	8,300	39¼	39⅝	39	39¼	38⅞
Do. 1st pfd	400	68½	68⅝	68½	68⅝	68½
Do. 2d pfd	300	53⅝	54	53⅝	53⅝	53
Glucose Ref. com.	....	....	....	....	46	46
Gt. Northern pfd.	200	192	....	....	192	192
Illinois Central	300	168½	168⅞	168¼	168¼	167⅝
Ia. Central com.	2,500	49⅝	50⅝	49½	49⅝	49
Laclede Gas com.	....	....	....	....	99	99
Lous. & Nash.	10,700	149⅝	149⅝	149½	149¼	149
Manhattan "L"	11,300	135¼	136⅝	135¼	135¼	134
Met. St. Ry.	300	148¼	148½	148¼	148½	148¼
Mexican Central	500	22	....	....	22	22
Mexican National	500	18½	18⅞	18½	18⅞	18½
M., K. & T.	900	31⅞	31⅞	31	31½	30⅞
Do. pfd	1,800	62⅞	63⅝	62⅞	63¼	62⅞
Missouri Pacific	53,500	117¼	118⅝	117	118⅝	117
National Biscuit	200	48	....	....	48	48
Do. pfd	....	106	....	....	106	106
National Lead	12,400	24½	26	24½	25½	23⅝
Do. pfd	600	93½	94	93½	93⅞	92⅞
N. Y. Air Brake	300	190	190⅝	190	190⅝	189
N. Y. Central	4,100	163¼	164⅞	163¼	163⅞	163¼
N. Y., O. & W.	2,800	34½	34⅞	33⅞	33⅞	33⅝
Norf. & West	22,800	69½	70⅝	69⅝	70½	69½
Do. pfd	....	....	....	....	90½	90½
North American	....	....	....	....	123	123
Pacific Mail	....	....	....	....	40	40
Pennsylvania	3,500	159½	160	159½	159⅞	159⅝
People's Gas	800	104	104	103⅞	103⅞	103⅞
Pressed Steel Car	....	48¼	....	....	48¼	48
Do. pfd	300	....	....	....	85⅝	85⅝
Reading	8,400	66⅝	66⅝	66⅝	66½	66⅝
Do. 1st pfd	100	85	....	....	85	85
Do. 2d pfd	4,500	73	73	72⅝	72⅝	72
Rep. Iron & Steel	1,300	19½	19⅝	19½	19½	18⅞
Do. pfd	200	75⅞	75⅞	75⅞	75⅞	75⅞
St. L. & S. F.	2,100	80⅝	81½	80½	80⅞	79⅞
Do. 1st pfd	....	....	....	....	89	89
Do. 2d pfd	100	78	....	....	78	78
St. L. Southw'n	14,600	28⅝	29	28½	28⅝	28⅝
Do. pfd	2,700	74	74	73	73	73
Southern Pacific	12,100	69¼	69½	69	69½	69⅝
Southern Railway	11,200	39½	40	39⅝	40	39½
Do. pfd	1,500	97¼	97⅝	97¼	97⅝	97½
Tenn. Coal & Iron	3,200	67⅝	68⅝	67½	67⅞	68
Texas & Pacific	33,600	49½	50⅝	48⅝	50	50
U. S. Steel	18,400	40¼	40⅝	40	40½	39⅞
Do. pfd	7,300	89⅝	90⅝	89⅝	90½	....
Union Pacific	6,000	107⅝	107⅝	107⅝	107⅝	107¼
Do. pfd	100	92⅝	92⅝	92	92	92
U. S. Leather	1,200	12⅝	....	....	12⅝	12⅝
Do. pfd	700	86	86½	86	86½	85⅝
U. S. Rub. com.	....	....	....	....	19½	19¼
Wabash pfd	15,800	46⅝	47⅝	46½	47½	47⅞
West. Un. Tel.	5,600	91½	92⅝	91¼	92	92
Wheel. & L. E.	1,400	23⅝	23⅝	23¼	23⅝	23¼
Do. 2d pfd	1,600	27⅝	27⅝	27⅝	27⅝	27⅝
Wis. Cent. W. I.	1,200	28⅝	28⅝	28½	28½	28¼
Do. pfd. W. I.	3,400	51⅝	51⅝	51⅝	51⅝	51⅝

Government Bonds.

New York, Aug. 13.—Government bonds:

United States refunding 2s, registered	107¼
United States refunding 2s, coupon	107¼
United States 3s, registered	106⅝
United States 3s, coupon	107⅝
United States new 4s, registered	133¼
United States new 4s, coupon	133¼
United States old 4s, registered	106⅝
United States old 4s, coupon	106⅝
United States 5s, registered	104
United States 5s, coupon	104

Bar Silver.

New York, Aug. 13.—Bar silver 62⅝c per ounce. London dull, 24¼d per ounce.

LIGHTER BUYING INTEREST IN LOCAL SECURITIES.

TRACTION ISSUES SLIGHTLY HIGHER.

Bank Stocks Wanted at Higher Prices, but Firmly Held at the Advance.

Following Tuesday's busy session there was rather startling reversal in the market for local securities yesterday. Though values were fairly well maintained, the volume of trading was much smaller.

Tractions again claimed attention, with sales of Transit at $31.12½ and $31.25. United Railways preferred held strong at $81.50 and $84.75.

Trust company issues were in moderate demand and only fairly steady. Missouri Trust sold at $123.75. Colonial had good support at $217. Lincoln and Mercantile were easier, the former at $270.50 and the latter at $424.

Sales of bank stocks were extremely light. An odd lot of Boatmen's sold $2 a share higher at $244 and $245 was bid for more. Third National was wanted at $235. Merchants-Laclede Bank was one of the strong spots of the group at $300.

Central Coal and Coke led the miscellaneous list with an advance of 50 cents a share to $69. Granite-Bi-Metallic sold up to $2.05.

Yesterday's Session.

Closing quotations:

	Bid.	Asked.
St. Louis Transit	$ 31.12½	$ 31.25
United Railways pfd	84.50	84.75
United Railways 4s	81.25	80.37½
Missouri Trust	124.75	125.25
Mississippi Valley Trust	450.00	456.50
American Central Trust	152.00	156.00
Colonial Trust	217.00	218.00
Lincoln Trust	240.00	241.00
Mercantile Trust	424.00	424.50
American Exchange Bank	240.00	....
Boatmen's Bank	243.50	246.00
Third National Bank	235.00	240.00
South Side Bank	130.00	....
German Savings Institution	....	415.00
Fourth National Bank	235.00	240.00
Bank of Commerce	....	294.00
State National Bank	....	229.00
Merchants' Bridge 4s	110.50	....
Simmons Hardware com	148.00	....
Missouri-Edison pfd	....	46.00
Missouri-Edison 5s	91.00	93.00
Brewery $1,000 6s	96.00	98.25
Central Coal and Coke	68.50	....
Lacede Gas com	....	49.00
Laclede Gas 5s	107.50	....
Simmons Hardware com	148.00	150.00
Simmons Hardware 1st pfd	140.00	....
Simmons Hardware 2d pfd	112.00	115.00
American Central Insurance	270.00	....
Granite-Bi-Metallic	2.05	2.07½

Sales:

125 St. Louis Transit at.....$ 31.12½
50 St. Louis Transit at.....31.25
10 United Railways pfd at.....84.50
15 United Railways pfd at.....84.75
50 Missouri Trust at.....124.75
30 Colonial Trust at.....217.00
25 Lincoln Trust at.....270.50
25 Mercantile Trust at.....424.00
1 Boatmen's Bank at.....244.00
6 Third National at.....234.50
10 Merchants-Laclede at.....300.00
25 Central Coal and Coke at.....68.50
60 Central Coal and Coke at.....69.00
100 Granite-Bi-Metallic at.....2.05

New York Curb Stocks.

Reported by G. H. Walker & Co., No. 319 North Fourth street:

Close.	Bid.	Ask.
American Tin Can com.	11	11½
Do. pfd.	82½	82¾
Bay State Gas	1⅝	2
British Columbia Copper	2¼	2½
Consol. Reirig. and Ltg. Co.	7½	8
Electric Boat com.	23	27
Do. pfd.	49	52
Electric Vehicle com.	6½	....
Do. pfd.	14	14¾
Electro-Pneumatic	1¼	1½
Enameling com.	23	24
Do. pfd.	85½	90
General Carriage	2½	2⅞
Green Consolidated Copper	2⅞	27
Havana Commercial com.	46	49
Do. pfd.	63	72
Illinois Transportation	11	11½
Northern Securities	106⅞	107
N. Amster. Gas 1st 5s, J. & J. 1948	112	113
N. Y. Electric Vehicle Trans.	11½	12
N. E. Electric Vehicle Trans.	1	1½
Otis Elevator com.	28½	28⅞
Do. pfd.	102	105
Royal Baking Powder pfd.	104⅝	105½
Seaboard Air Line com.	33½	33⅞
Do. pfd.	51⅝	54⅝
Standard Oil of N. J.	667	671
Storage Power	1	1⅛
Tennessee Copper	16¾	17
St. Louis Transit Co. com.	31	31¼
United St. Rys. of St. Louis pfd.	84	84⅝
Do. 4s	81	82½
Union Copper	2⅞	3⅛
Virginia Iron, Coal and Coke	19¼	19½
Do. 5s	72	72½
White Knob Copper	21¾	22

Chicago Stock Market.

Reported by G. H. Walker & Co., No. 319 North Fourth street:

Close.	Bid.	Ask.
American Strawboard Receipts	4½	4¾
National Carbon com.	33	34
Do. pfd.	110	112
Diamond Match of Illinois	139	141
Metropolitan Elevated St. R. R. com.	27½	29
Do. pfd.	90	91½
National Biscuit Co. com.	47¾	48¼
Do. pfd.	106	106½
Northwestern Elevated com.	26½	26⅞
Do. pfd.	82	84½
Union Traction com.	15	15⅝
Do. pfd.	48	60
American Tin Can com.	11¼	11⅝
Do. pfd.	82½	82⅞
Box	15⅝	16
Do. pfd.	62¼	65¾

Foreign Exchange.

Prime sterling cables 4.88½@4¾; checks 4.87⅝@4.87⅞; 60 days 4.83⅞@4.84¼.

Commercial sterling checks 4.8760@4.8770; 60 days 4.8525@4.8530; 90 days 4.84¼.

Cotton bills 4.83⅞@4¾; cotton bills 4.84¾@⅞.

Bankers' Paris cables 5.15⅝; checks 5.16¼; 60 days 5.18¾.

Commercial French francs, checks 5.16¼@5-16; 60 days 5.18¾.

Swiss checks 5.18¾; 60 days 5.20¾.

Belgian checks 5.16¼@5-16; 5.17½; 60 days 5.19¾@1-16.

Bankers' reichsmarks, cables 95¾; checks 95¼; 60 days 94 15-16@95.

Commercial sterling checks 85¼; 60 days 94 13-16@⅞; 90 days 94 11-16.

Bankers' Dutch guilders, checks 40 3-16@¼; 60 days 40@1-16.

Commercial sterling checks 40⅛@3-16; 60 days 39 15-16@40.

Market weak.

Domestic Exchange.

New York, 15c discount bid, par asked; Chicago, 25c discount bid, 25c discount asked; Cincinnati, Louisville and New Orleans, 25c discount bid, par asked.

Local Money Market.

Transactions at the banks were heavy and the local and outside demand for call and time loans was brisk, with discount rates steady between 5 and 6 per cent.

Yesterday's Bank Clearings.

Yesterday's Clearing-house statement showed clearings $8,240,012, balances $1,030,276, compared with clearings $7,843,200, balances $1,077,082 Tuesday.

Treasury Statement.

Washington, Aug. 13.—Available cash balance $203,646,129; gold $104,506,998.

The Banks.

New York, Aug. 13.—Close: Money on call steady at 3½@4 per cent; last loan 3¾; prime mercantile paper 4¾@5 per cent. Sterling exchange barely steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.8750 for demand and $4.8430 for 60-day bills; posted rate $4.86 and $4.88½; commercial bills $4.84⅝@4.85⅞. Mexican dollars 41½c. Government bonds steady. State bonds inactive. Railroad bonds steady.

New York, Aug. 13.—Exchanges $253,148,499; balances $14,663,271.

Boston, Aug. 13.—Exchanges $21,146,797; balances $1,819,242.

Philadelphia, Pa., Aug. 13.—Clearings $16,629,592; balances $2,625,724. Money 4@4½ per cent.

Baltimore, Md., Aug. 13.—Clearings $3,209,709; balances $378,628. Money 4@4½ per cent.

Chicago, Aug. 13.—Clearings $25,652,948; balances $1,607,712. New York exchange 20c premium. Posted exchange $4.86 for 60 days; $4.88½ demand.

Cincinnati, O., Aug. 13.—Money 3½@6 per cent. New York exchange 50@60c discount. Clearings $3,352,650.

BOYS RELEASED UNDER BOND.

Charge of Robbery Withdrawn in Bissell Station Cases.

William Hartman of No. 2712 North Broadway, Roger Siekmann of No. 2607 North Ninth stret, Sterling Newman of No. 921 St. Louis avenue, and George LaChance of No. 917 Warren street, boys whose ages range from 14 to 17 years, who were charged with breaking into the Bissell Station on the Burlington road were released from the Ninth Street Station yestrday morning under bonds of $100 each.

The charge of robbery was withdrawn, the boys having secured only an old pistol. They will be tried before Judge Tracy in the Dayton Street Police Court for jumping on moving trains.

LOCOMOTIVE ORDERS SHOW DEVELOPMENT

Gould Roads Expend $2,025,000 for Engines to Meet Increased Southwestern Traffic.

FRISCO-SEABOARD ALLIANCE.

Terminal Association Managers Meet in New York City—Presidents Will Confer To-Day—Appointments—Notes.

The wonderful development of the Southwest and that section of the West north of the imaginary dividing line is nowhere better shown than on the locomotive order sheets of the railroads operating in that territory.

The Missouri Pacific and Iron Mountain sheets for 1902 show eighty-five locomotives of the heaviest and speediest types delivered, and fifty to be delivered before January 1. Averaging the cost at $15,000, these two Gould roads, operating as one system, have received orders amounting to $1,275,000, and have yet to receive orders amounting to $750,000. Total expenditure for the year for locomotives will reach an aggregate of $2,025,000.

Of these locomotives fifty-three are for the Missouri Pacific, eleven being passenger types and forty-two for freight use. By January 1, 1903, the Iron Mountain will have received sixty-eight freight locomotives and fourteen passenger engines. These orders for 135 locomotives were placed with the American Locomotive Company and were divided between the Brooks works and the Cooke works.

The Iron Mountain has just received thirteen locomotives weighing in working order 163 1-3 tons, all twelve-wheel freight class, having eight driving wheels. These engines have 21 by 32 inch cylinders, with 48-inch driving wheels. The tank capacity is placed at 6,000 gallons of water.

One of these engines will pull from 2,600 to 2,250 tons. The average train could be made about seventy-five cars. Sometimes more than that are pulled, according to the tonnage capacity of the freight cars.

The traffic in the Southwest has increased so rapidly that every railroad in that section of the country has lately ordered new locomotives. This increase in expenditure is welcomed, however, as the railroad managers believe it is the result of aggressive development made sure by good crops and extensions into new territory.

FRISCO-SEABOARD ALLIANCE.

Agreement for Joint Use of Belt at Birmingham and Coast Line.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

New York, August 13.—The statement is made here to-day that the Seaboard Air Line has at last secured an entrance to Birmingham by the use of the belt line which was recently purchased outright by the St. Louis and San Francisco Railway.

This has given rise to the belief that the Frisco has made an agreement with the Seaboard by which it will reach the Atlantic coast over the Seaboard lines, which extend from Richmond and Norfolk, Va., along the eastern coast, with terminals at these Atlantic ports, including Charleston and Savannah. The Seaboard Air Line controls nearly 3,000 miles of railroad, extending from Northern Virgin