FEATURES OF TRADE.

Uncle Sam's Business in Pittsburg Breaks the Record.

IMPORTED CIGARS ON THE BOOM.

Paris' Exposition Contributes Adornments to Our Homes.

THE HIDE AND HARNESS SITUATION

OFFICE OF PITTSBURG DISPATCH, TUESDAY, October 29, 1889.

The September and October trade of the Custom House on Penn avenue and Garrison alley, has broken all previous records for these months. Said Secretary Keating in an interview to-day: "We never handled the quantity of goods in any one month that we handled in September."

A large quantity of goods in the line of statuary, bronzes and paintings that were on exhibition at the Paris Exposition have found their way to our city, being purchased by visitors. One very fine bronze piece purchased at the Paris Exposition by a leading Fifth avenue jeweler reached here in time to do double duty, having been for some weeks in our own Exposition.

A number of fine paintings, which graced the walls of the Paris Exposition, and there received honorable mention, are now adorning some of Pittsburg's fine mansions, and yielded to Uncle Sam's revenues 30 per cent of their value, before passing through the Custom House.

The receipts of cigars are steadily on the increase. This is one of the lines of imported goods that never shows any decline, however hard the times, or stringent money may be. The trade in foreign cigars is having a special boom this fall, and in fact, the trade in all imported goods was never in a healthier condition than at this time.

The Government warehouse is unusually well cleaned up, as importers are ready to take away the goods so soon as it lands.

Hides and Harness.

The market is firm for heavy steer hides, but weak for light weights, as it has been for a month past. The general situation of trade remains much the same as at the beginning of the month.

Harness leather is dull, and stock in the hands of Allegheny tanners has been accumulating since the beginning of the month. Said a leading manufacturer of harness leather:

"We are now between seasons, and look for stock to accumulate from now on through the month of November. According to past experience trade will not be active until December. At present a direct cash offer would no doubt bring concessions on the part of the holder. Trade, however, is fully as good as it was a year ago at this time, and there is less stock in the hands of tanners here, though output is larger now than then."

When the revival comes, as it usually does about the beginning of winter, our tanners here will be among the first to reap the benefits, as their product is at a premium in the world's markets.

Prices of Hides.

The following price lists of hides are furnished by James Callery & Co.:

No. 1 green salted steers, 60 pounds and over	8
No. 1 green salted cows, all weights	5
No. 1 green salted hides, 40 to 60 pounds	5
No. 1 green salted hides, 25 to 40 pounds	4½
No. 1 green salted bulls	4
No. 1 green salted calfskins	6¼
No. 1 green salted veal kips	4
No. 1 green salted runner kips	3
No. 1 green steers, 60 pounds and over	7
No. 1 green cows, all weights	4
No. 1 green bulls	3½
No. 1 green hides, 40 to 60 pounds	4
No. 1 green hides, 25 to 40 pounds	3
No. 1 green calfskins	5
No. 1 green veal kips	4
No. 1 green runner kips	3
Sheepskins	15 @80
Tallow, prime	4 @ 4½

Reduction for No. 2 stock, 1½c per lb. on steers and light hides, ½c on bulls and 2c on calfskins.

Harness Leather.

Allegheny City is, as is well known, one of the great American centers for the manufacture of harness leather. The products of the Northside in this line travel to every part of the globe. Following are the prices:

No. 1 extra trace selection, weights 20 to 27 pounds	33
No. 1 extra trace selection, weights 29 to 27 pounds	30
No. 1 medium selection, weights 17 to 22 pounds	29
No. 1 medium selection, weights 17 to 22 pounds	26
No. 2 all weights	27
No. 2 all weights	25
Black line leather, made from stags, heads and bellies, split to an even substance	26
Fine harness backs	55
Fine finished rein leather, russet and stained, per dozen	$84 00
Fine finished bridle leather, russet and stained, per pound	45

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

The Condition of Business at the East Liberty Stock Yards.

OFFICE OF PITTSBURG DISPATCH, TUESDAY, October 29, 1889.

CATTLE — Receipts, 220 head; shipments, 280 head; market steady at yesterday's prices. No cattle shipped to New York to-day.

HOGS—Receipts, 1,500 head; shipments, 1,100 head; market slow; Philadelphias, $4 40@4 45; Yorkers, $4 25@4 35; common Yorkers, $4 15@4 25; rough Yorkers, $3 00@4 00. Four cars of hogs shipped to New York today.

SHEEP—Receipts, 1,400 head; shipments, 1,000 head; market fair at yesterday's prices.

By Telegraph.

NEW YORK—Beeves—Receipts, 400 head, all for exporters and slaughterers direct; no trading in beef cattle; slow, but fairly firm, for dressed beef at 5¼@7½c for city sides, and 4½@5½c for Texas do; exports to-day, 1,376 beeves and 2,200 quarters of beef. Calves—Receipts, 600 head; about steady at $2@3 for grassers and western calves, and at $8@7 for veals. Sheep—Receipts, 400 head, and 600 head were carried over yesterday; not much doing for lack of supplies, but a firmer feeling prevailed; common to good sheep sold at $3 75@5 35 per 100 pounds; common to good lambs at $5 50@6 50; no prime or extra offerings; dressed sheep sold at $8@9 per 100 pounds; dressed lambs, $9@10 50. Hogs—Receipts, 6,600 head; mainly for slaughterers direct; the limited trading in live hogs was at $4 00@4 65 for 100 pounds, and the feeling was firm and in favor of sellers.

CHICAGO—The *Drovers' Journal* reports—Cattle—Receipts, 3,500 head; shipments, 3,000 head; market strong at yesterday's choice, others weaker; choice to extra beeves, $4 60@5 10; steers, $3 00@4 50; stockers and feeders, $1 90@2 90; cows, bulls and mixed, $1 20@2 80; Texas cattle, $1 75@2 80; Western rangers, $2 00@3 80. Hogs—Receipts, 22,000 head; shipments, 8,000 head; market strong early, closing weak; mixed, $3 95@4 20; heavy, $3 85@4 22½; light, $3 00@4 30; skips, $3 00@3 90. Sheep—Receipts, 9,000 head; shipments, 2,000 head; market steady; natives, $3 00@4 90; Western, $3 50@4 15; Texans, $3 00@4 10; lambs, $4 25@6 80.

KANSAS CITY—Cattle—Receipts, 9,432 head; shipments, 3,410 head; market steady to strong on steers; common native cows, 5@10c lower; native beeves, $3 35@4 50; cows, $1 20@2 35; stockers and feeders, $2 25@3 15; Texans, $2 50@3 25. Hogs—Receipts, 9,379 head; shipments, 170 head; market 10c lower; good to choice, $3 90@4 00; heavy and mixed, $3 75@3 90. Sheep—Receipts, 235 head; shipments, 2,878 head; market 10c higher on good muttons; $2 75 to choice muttons; $5 60@4 90; stockers and feeders, $2 50@3 25.

ST. LOUIS—Cattle—Receipts, 4,455 head; shipments, 1,150 head; market stronger; choice heavy native steers, $4 30@4 90; fair to good, do, $3 30@4 35; stockers, $1 75@2 40; range steers, $2@3. Hogs—Receipts, 5,500 head; shipments, 500 head; market steady; fair to choice heavy, $3 85@4 10; packing grades, $3 70@4 00; light, fair to best, $3 90@4 10. Sheep—Receipts, 2,900 head; shipments, none; market firm; fair to choice, $3 35@4 60.

BUFFALO—Cattle—Feeling steady; receipts, 26 loads through; no sale. Hogs steady and unchanged; 12 loads received through; 4 loads sale.

NEW RAILROAD RULES.

Panhandle Train Men to Again Undergo an Examination.

The engineers, firemen and conductors of the Panhandle Railroad, are preparing to undergo another examination. The company has adopted a new code of rules which have been placed in the hands of the employes. A number of the rules regarding the movement of trains have been changed. About the most important, is that relating to delayed trains. The new rule, is to the effect that when a train is 12 hours late it loses all its rights on the road. According to the present code 24 hours is the time allowed. The men will also be examined on the new schedule and their sight will be again tested. Their timepieces will also be carefully examined.

The Fort Wayne men are undergoing a similar examination.

MARKETS BY WIRE.

Wheat Irregular and Lower Under the Influence of Liberal Receipts and Weakness on the Other Side of the Pond.

CHICAGO.—Wheat—The market opened dull, easy and steady for awhile and later became more active and weak at declining figures. Early trades were about ½c under closing figures of yesterday, held until 11 o'clock within ¼c range, but after that broke off ¾@⅞c, with ⅝c reaction later, and closing ⅝c lower for December and ⅝c lower for May than yesterday. There was quite a pressure to realize on the part of holders, and many of the early buyers let go their holdings, finding the market would not bull. Some of the traders who have adhered to the long side at the higher prices have, it is claimed, turned to the selling side.

The weakness was attributed to the continuous liberal receipts and the weakness in the European markets. Influences, true, were mainly one-sided and favored the short interest, but prices are nearing an export basis, and while they may eventually go lower there is such a thing as the market becoming oversold. The majority of traders lean to the short side, and when an effort is made to cover a reaction may result. Receipts in the Northwest continue large, aggregating at Minneapolis and Duluth 885 cars, with 2,000 cars reported on track at Minneapolis.

Corn—A moderate speculative and fair shipping business was transacted in this market, with the feeling quite strong early in the session, but as the day advanced an easier tone was manifested, and the early strength was not maintained. The speculative market opened firm at ¼@¾c above the closing prices of yesterday, and influenced some by small receipts, was steady for a time, but later offerings were larger, due to the weakness in wheat and bright clearing weather, became quiet and closed a shade lower than yesterday.

Oats—A stronger feeling developed, and, although the volume of transactions was light and below the average, prices ranged higher.

Mess pork—Not much feeling was exhibited. Local manufacturers were inclined to sell for November and January delivery, and prices declined 20@25c on the former and 7½@10c on the latter. October was in some request from the short interest, and prices ruled 15@25c higher.

Lard—A firmer feeling was developed, but trading was within very moderate limits. Shorts were anxious to purchase a few lots for October delivery, and opening sales were made at 15c advance, followed by a further appreciation of 10c. Later a reaction occurred, and prices receded 2½c. Other deliveries were quiet, and prices ruled 2½@5c higher.

Short ribs—The market was neglected, and trading was unusually light. Prices exhibited very little change.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

WHEAT — No. 2.	December,	80@80⅞c;	79½@	79⅞c; May,
79⅞@80c; year,	78@78c;	January,	80@80⅞c;	79⅞@
79⅞c; May,	83⅞@83⅞c;	83⅝@83⅞c.		
CORN — No. 2.	November,	31⅞@31⅞c;	31⅝@	
31⅞c; December,	31⅝@31⅞c;	31¼@31⅝c;	May,	
33⅝@33⅞c; 33⅝@33⅞c.				
OATS—No. 2.	November,	18⅝@18⅞c;	18½@	
18¾c; December,	18⅞@18⅞c;	18½@18⅞c;	May,	
21⅝@21⅞c; 21½@21⅝c.				
MESS PORK, per bbl.—November,	$9 75@			
9 75;	9 50@9 55;	year,	$9 17½@9 25;	9 17½@9 17½;
January,	$9 52½@9 52½;	9 42½@9 42½.		
LARD, per 100 lbs. — November,	$6 07½@			
6 07½;	6 05@6 05;	year,	$5 92½@5 92½;	5 92½@
5 92½; January,	$5 90@5 95;	5 82½@5 82½.		
SHORT RIBS, per 100 lbs.—November,	$4 90			
@4 92½;	4 90@4 92½;	January,	$4 77½@4 77½;	
4 77½@4 77½.				

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour nominal and unchanged. No. 2 spring wheat, 78c; No. 3 spring wheat, 62½@65c; No. 2 red, 78c; No. 2 corn, 31⅞c. No. 2 oats, 18½c. No. 2 rye, 41⅝c. No. 2 barley, nominal. No. 1 flaxseed, $1 28¾. Prime timothy seed, $1 15. Mess pork, per bbl, $10 90@11 00. Lard, per 100 pounds, $6 65. Short ribs sides (loose), $5 10@5 35. Dry salted shoulders (boxed), $4 50@4 62½. Short clear sides (boxed), $5 50@5 62½. Sugars, cut loaf, 8⅝c; granulated, 7¼c; standard "A," 7c. Receipts—Flour, 24,000 barrels; wheat, 1 3,000 bushels; corn, 210,000 bushels; oats, 234,000 bushels; rye, 13,000 bushels; barley, 140,000 bushels. Shipments—Flour, 9,000 barrels; wheat, 29,000 bushels; corn, 411,000 bushels; oats, 297,000 bushels; rye, 29,000 bushels; barley, 117,000 bushels.

On the produce exchange to-day the butter market was weak and unchanged. Eggs, 18½@19c.

NEW YORK—Flour—More active and steady. Cornmeal steady and more active. Wheat—Spot quiet, irregular and easy; options dull and irregular, closing barely steady at ⅛@¼c under yesterday. Rye quiet; Western, 49@53½c. Barley quiet. Barley malt quiet. Corn—Spot, moderately active and weaker on freer offerings; options less active, ⅛@⅜c lower and steady. Oats—Spot fairly active and steady; options firm and dull. Hay firm and in good demand. Hops quiet and steady. Coffee—Options opened steady, 5@15 points down, closed barely steady, 35@45 points down; sales, 48,250 bags, including October, 14.25@14.50c; November, 14.20@14.40c; December, 14.30@14.65c; January, 14.30@14.65c; February, 14.40@14.65c; March, 14.35@14.65c; April, 14.50@14.60c; May, 14.50@14.65c; June, 14.55@14.65c; August, 14.30@14.40c; September, 14.65@14.80c. Spot Rio depressed and dull; fair cargoes, 18½c. Sugar—Raw unsettled and nominal; refined quiet. Molasses—New Orleans dull. Rice easy and quiet. Cottonseed oil in better demand. Tallow dull; city, 4⅝c. Rosin quiet and firm. Turpentine quiet. Eggs firm for choice; western, 22@22½c; ice-house, 15@18½c; receipts, 3,929 packages. Pork firm and moderately active. Cutmeats steady; pickled shoulders, 4½c; middles steady. Lard—Spot and October higher; other months steady and quiet; western steam, $6 90@6 95; op ion sale, October, $6 90, closing at $6 92 asked; November, $6 50@6 56, closing at $6 56; December $6 34 bid; January, $6 32 bid; February, $6 37 asked; March, $6 42 asked. Butter—Fine firm and fairly active; Elgin, 24½@25c; western dairy, 9@15c; do creamery, 12@24c; do held, 12@19c; do factory, 7½@12½c. Cheese quiet and firm; western, 7½@10c.

PHILADELPHIA—Flour dull and in buyers' favor. Wheat dull and lower; high grades scarce and firm; No. 2 Pennsylvania red, on track, 92½c; fancy Longberry, on track, 83c; No. 2 red October, 80⅝@81⅝c; November, 81⅝c; December, 82¼@82⅝c; January, 83¼@83½c. Corn—Options steady but quiet; car lots scarce and firm; ungraded mixed, in grain depot, 42c; No. 2 mixed in do, 42½c; No. 2 yellow, on track, 42½c; No. 2 mixed, 40½@41c; November, 41c; December, 39½@39⅝c; January, 39½@39⅝c. Oats—Car lots firm; No. 2 mixed, 29½c; rejected white, 26½c; ungraded white, 28c; No. 3 white, 27½c; No. 2 white, 29c; futures firm but quiet; No. 2 white, October, 28½@29c; November, 27½@28½c; December, 28½@28¾c; January, 28½@29½c. Butter quiet and barely steady; Pennsylvania creamery extra, 23@24c; do prime, 28@31. Eggs—Fresh stock scarce; Pennsylvania firsts, 24c.

ST. LOUIS—Flour—Little or no demand, and market dull and easy. Wheat lower; there was good buying early in the day, but a sharp break in Chicago increased the selling and prices declined rapidly; later there was a partial recovery, and the close was firm at ¼@¾c lower for December and ¼@⅜c off for May from yesterday's close; No. 2 red, cash, 76½c; December, 77¼@77½c, closing at 77½c bid; May, 82⅝@83⅛c, closing at 82⅞@83c. Corn dull; No. 2 mixed, cash, 29@29½c; November, 28½c; February, 28½c, closing at 28½c bid; May, 30½@30¾c, closing at 30⅝c bid. Oats weaker; No. 2, cash, 17½c bid; May, 19½c bid; January, 19½c asked. Rye quiet at 38½c. Barley—Demand only for bright, heavy grain; Minnesota, 52½c. Flaxseed, $1 25. Provisions firm but unchanged; very little business done.

MILWAUKEE — Flour unchanged. Wheat quiet; cash and December, 72½c; No. 1 Northern, 80½c. Corn firmer; No. 3, 32½c. Oats quiet; No. 2 white, 21½@22c. Rye firm; No. 1, 42½@43c. Barley firm; No. 2, in store, 52½c. Pork, $11 00. Lard, $6 65. Cheese unchanged; cheddars, 9½@9¾c.

BALTIMORE—Provisions steady. Mess pork, $12 50. Butter easy; creamery, 22@23c. Eggs firm; fresh, 21@22c. Coffee weak; Rio cargoes, fair, 19c.

TOLEDO—Cloverseed steady and lower; cash and December, $3 55; January, $3 60; February, $3 70.

Drygoods.

NEW YORK, October 29.—There was a continued good demand for spring specialties, as white goods, dress goods, zephyrs, ginghams, fancy seersuckers and shirtings, satins, batistes, and so forth. All these goods are more under the control of orders than usual at this period. Business in goods for current wants was moderate with both agents and jobbers, with stocks low in both directions and prices at first hands generally firm. The upward spurt of cotton favors those who insist upon higher prices for goods. A period of relative quiet is looked for as to the present season.

Wool Markets.

ST. LOUIS—Receipts 344,694 pounds. Market quiet and steady.

NEW YORK—Wool quiet and firm. Domestic fleece, 32@38c; pulled, 23@41c; Texas, 14@28c.

BOSTON—In Territory wool there has been some good sales on the 60c: fine medium at 65@68c, and medium at 50@55c. Texas wool quiet. California dull and weak. Michigan X and above and combing and delaine fleeces steady at 34c for No. 1 combing, 34c for Ohio delaine and 32@33c for Michigan delaine. In pond wools there have been sales of super at 33@38c and extra at 42@48c. Australian wool does not sell readily. Considerable bonded wool has been shipped to London for sale there.

Metal Market.

NEW YORK—Pig iron less active and firm; American, $16 00@18 50. Copper neglected; lake, nominal. Lead flat; domestic, $3 82½. Tin strong and active; straights, $21 40.

Whisky Market.

Finished goods are quoted active and firm at $1 02.

CAN MAKE OR UNMAKE

The Future of the Real Estate Business in the Hands of Owners.

FAIR PRICES BETTER FOR ALL.

A Nation of Aborigines Out West That is Fairly Rolling in Wealth.

EX-MAYOR HEWITT'S NOVEL BUILDING

Pittsburg real estate owners have it in their power to make or unmake the market. If they become unreasonable in their demands business will fall off; if they shall show a disposition to restrict prices to a fair valuation sales will increase. It is gratifying to know that exaggerated ideas of values are the exception, not the rule. The failure to carry out a bull movement on Penn avenue is likely to prove a salutary lesson. Buyers, as a rule, are willing to pay fair prices for property, but when their overtures are met by fancy figures, they become discouraged and retire from the market.

In this way needed improvements are retarded or abandoned altogether, and the growth of the city hindered. This is a critical period in the real estate business in Pittsburg. Capitalists are just awakening to its importance as an investment, and it would be poor policy to meet them on the very threshold with exorbitant demands. Holders of realty, therefore, should move cautiously, and so avoid the mistake of killing the goose that lays the golden eggs.

Occasional sales of property for special purposes to men loaded down with money, and who care very little what they have to pay, as mentioned in a transaction a few days ago, where $20,000 was given for a property worth about half as much, are entirely outside the market, and should not be urged by holders as precedents.

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Pittsburg is a wealthy community, but it will not bear comparison in that respect with the Osage tribe of Indians, whose reservation is between Kansas and the Creek country. They are five times as rich as the average of Americans, ten times as rich as the average of Englishmen, and the French and Italians are paupers in comparison. There are among the Osages no penniless people, and none in want except that insatiable want that always wants more. There are 1,501 of them, according to last year's census. They have in the United States Treasury $7,758,694 of their own money, drawing 7 per cent interest. This amounts to a capital of $5,175 apiece for the whole nation—men, women and children.

But beside this they have 1,470,000 acres of land, equal to just about 1,000 acres apiece. This land is mostly fine and arable, and would sell for an average of $10 an acre, or $10,000 for each individual's portion. This makes each individual Osage Indian worth $15,172. Each family possesses $60,000 on an average, and the head of it, if he be industrious and enterprising, can grow $10,000 worth of crops a year on his 4,000 acres of land. He is raised permanently above want and above fear of want.

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Hon. A. S. Hewitt, ex-Mayor of New York, is erecting a dwelling house at his country seat, at Ringwood, Passaic county, N. J., which for cheapness, originality, durability and fireproof qualities will probably excel any structure ever erected. Mr. Hewitt first erected a balloon frame; this he covered inside and out with woven wire fire-proof lathing. On this he placed a moderately thick coat of adamant plaster, serving the roof in the same manner. As a result he will have a stone house, positively fire, damp and vermin proof, at less than one-half the cost of a cheap frame building and a thousand times more durable.

The suggestion of cheapness in Mr. Hewitt's device has a popular flavor for this as well as other communities, and if the claims set up for it be fully sustained, it should be given a trial by a local builder and its merits thoroughly tested. What Pittsburg chiefly needs is cheap houses, but they must be good ones.

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Believing that the course of events has shown that the legal half holiday on Saturday is not an unmitigated pleasure, New York brokers have again started a petition which will be presented to Governor David B. Hill in due course, asking that the Saturday half holiday law be repealed and Wall street be given the advantages which three hours extra business would yield. The petition is being widely signed. It is stated that 9 out of every 10 commission brokers prefer returning to the old practice of keeping shop open between 10 and 3 to putting up the shutters at noon. Should the change be made in New York it is quite probable that Pittsburg brokers will make a similar move.

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Considerable of the lumber used for building purposes in Pittsburg comes from West Virginia. An Allegheny City firm has recently built a large sawmill in Randolph county and is building a railroad which will open up one of the finest lumber districts in the State. The timber has a healthy appearance, stands close together, and is, as a rule, remarkably tall and straight. The number of large trees is surprising. A recent letter from Randolph county says:

"The largest yellow poplar which I have measured in this county is 22 feet 10 inches around; the largest black walnut, 14 feet 10 inches (though stumps of this timber, where the trees have recently been taken, are found here over 20 feet around); the largest red oak, 17 feet 9 inches around; the largest wild cherry, 11 feet 6 inches around; the largest white ash, 12 feet around, the largest white oak, 12 feet 3 inches; the largest black birch, 8 feet 4 inches; the largest yellow linden tree, 12 feet around; the largest maple tree, 13 feet 4 inches around. Of course these figures are not the average timber, but serve to show the full development of the timber in this climate."

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England no longer spurns American ideas. In a recent letter from there the following occurs:

"It is a gratifying indication that our ironmasters have, during the depressed period which preceded the current revival, learned the lesson of adversity, that they are now taking a very lively interest in all manner of schemes for increasing the efficiency, and reducing the cost of their methods of production. The reports of our various technical institutes show that every proposal which has these ends in view receives the readiest attention in metallurgical circles just now. The application of electricity to mining and to metal manufacture is one of the directions in which we may expect to see English invention follow America's lead more closely in the future.

"We recognize that great steps have already been taken in America toward the employment of electricity as a motive power not only for street traction, but also in workshops and for general industrial purposes. If one may judge from the increasing attention the matter is receiving in this country it seems likely that we shall soon see a considerable approach over here to American methods."

SOME IMPROVEMENT.

Natural Gas Stocks Show a Disposition to Move Up.

Philadelphia Gas was practically stronger yesterday. It opened at 31¼ and closed at 31¾. Philadelphia Gas Trust was in demand at 30¼. It sold off 'Change at 30. The other natural gas stocks showed a disposition to follow Philadelphia in its upward movement.

Pleasant Valley Railway was higher. Electric was wanted at 48, but was held at half a point above that figure. Lawrence Bank was offered at 60, without takers. The tractions were featureless.

A broker unbosomed himself thus: "The season is so far advanced without any marked improvement in business that I have about given up all hope of anything better this year. The trouble is that almost everybody is carrying stocks bought at higher prices and they don't want to sell at a loss, and of course they are not in a position to buy. This blocks business." Bids, offers and sales were:

	Morning. Bid.	Morning. Asked.	Afternoon. Bid.	Afternoon. Asked.
Allegheny Nat. Bank	63	63¼	....	63¾
Fourth Nat. Bank	130	....	....	....
Lawrence Bank	....	....	....	60
Mechanics Nat. Bank	106	....	....	....
Tradesmen's N. Bank	....	250	....	....
German National, Al'y	150	....	....	....
Real Estate L. & T. Co.	80	....	....	....
Third Na. B., All'y	135	....	....	....
Chartiers Val. Gas Co.	....	48½	....	48¾
Nat. Gas Co. of W. Va.	....	78	....	....
Ohio Valley Gas	....	31⅝	....	....
People's N. G. & P. Co	....	17½	....	....
Pennsylvania Gas Co.	15	15¾	....	....
Philadelphia Co.	31¼	31½	31¼	31½
Pine Run Gas	....	85	....	....
Wheeling Gas Co.	27½	....	27½	29
Columbia Oil Co.	2½	....	2½	....
Hazelwood Oil Co.	50	....	....	....
Central Traction	31¾	31¾	30¾	31¾
Citizens' Traction	68½	....	68½	....
Pittsburg Traction	....	48	....	....
Pleasant Valley	20½	21	20½	....
Pitts. & L. E. R. R.	60	....	....	....
P., McK. & Y. R. R. Co.	60	....	....	....
P. C. & St. L.	17	....	....	....
Pitts. & Western R. R.	13	....	....	....
Pitts. & W. R. R. pfd.	19½	....	....	....
N. Y. & C. Gas Coal Co.	....	36	34	36
Union Bridge	....	....	15½	....
Hidalgo Minin'Co.	....	2½	....	2½
La Noria Mining Co.	¾	⅞	¾	⅞
Luster Mining Co.	....	10	4	10
Yankee Girl Mining	....	3	....	....
Westinghouse Electric	48	48½	48	48½
U. S. & Sig. Co.	19¼	20	....	....
U. S. & Sig. pref.	....	48	....	....
Westinghouse E. Co.	11½	....	112¼	113¾
Pittsburg Cyclorama	5	....	5½	10

Sales at the first call were 30 shares Switch and Signal preferred at 45, 111 Philadelphia Gas Trust at 30¼, 100 La Noria at ⅞, 100 Philadelphia Gas at 31¼, and 100 Electric at 48. At the last call 75 shares of Philadelphia Gas sold at 31¾.

Andrew Caster bought 100 shares of Philadelphia Gas Trust at 30 and sold 100 shares of La Noria at 3/32@⅞. C. L. McCutcheon sold 25 shares of Philadelphia Gas at 31.

The total sales of stocks at New York yesterday were 195,185 shares, including Atchison, 3,790; Canada Southern, 4,095; Delaware, Lackawanna and Western, 18,778; Denver, Texas and Fort Worth, 10,620; Lake Shore, 5,651; Louisville and Nashville, 7,360; Missouri Pacific, 10,910; Northern Pacific preferred, 3,836; Reading, 4,884; St. Paul, 9,675; Union Pacific, 23,775.

WHAT BANKERS ARE DOING.

A Good Demand for Money, but Nothing New in Conditions.

Business at the banks yesterday was satisfactory in character and volume, but nothing in the way of new features was discovered. There was, as has been the case all along, a good supply of funds for which there was a moderate demand at 6@7 per cent. It would take doubly gilt-edged names to get money from banks for less than the inside figure. Some of the banks complained of a shortage of both currency and exchange. The exchanges were $2,110,875 01 and the balances $329,238 07.

Money on call at New York yesterday was tight, ranging from 6 to 10 per cent; last loan, 6; closed at 8 bid. Prime mercantile paper, 5½@7½. Sterling exchange quiet but weak at $4 85¼ for 60-day bills, and $4 85¾ for demand.

Closing Bond Quotations.

U. S. 4s, reg	127	M. K. & T. Gen. 5s	87¾
U. S. 4s, coup	127	Mutual Union 6s	103½
U. S. 4½s, reg	109½	N. J. C. Int. Cert	113¾
U. S. 4½s, coup	109½	Northern Pac. 1sts	116
Pacific 6s of '95	117½	Northern Pac. 2sts	110
Louisiana stamped 4s	89	Northw'n consols	146
Missouri 6s	101	Northw'n deben's	114½
Tenn. new set 3s	70½	Oregon & Trans. 6s	116
Tenn. new set 5s	101	St. L. & I. M. Gen. 5s	86
Tenn. new set 3s	74	St. L. & S. F. Gen. M.	115
Canada So. 2ds	104	St. Paul consols	117¾
Cen. Pacific 1sts	114	St. P., Chi. & P. 1sts	120
Den. & R. G. 1sts	122½	Tex., Pac. L. G. Tr Rs.	91¼
Den. & R. G. 4s	77¾	Tex., Pac. R. G. Tr. Rcts	27
E. T., Va. & Ga. 5s	74	Union Pac. 1sts	115
Erie, 2ds	104¾	West Shore	105¾
M. K. & T. Gen. 4s	64½		

Yesterday's bond offerings were as follows: Registered 4s, $71,000 at 127; registered 4½s, $1,000 at 109¾.

NEW YORK—Clearings, $156,006,825; balances, $5,043,845.

BOSTON — Clearings, $13,863,195; balances, $1,867,717. Money, 3¾ per cent.

PHILADELPHIA—Clearings, $13,596,635; balances, $1,761,641.

BALTIMORE—Clearings, $2,252,600; balances, $265,253.

CHICAGO—Bank clearings were $10,498,000. New York exchange was 50@60c discount. Money rates continue firm at 6 per cent for call and 7 per cent for time loans to regular customers. Outsiders who succeed in getting money at all generally pay 16c or more above these rates.

ST. LOUIS—Bank clearings, $3,257,297; balances, $464,498.

A GOOD MARKET.

Petroleum Continues Strong and Active—New York Uses the Hammer.

The oil market opened strong and active yesterday at $1 07¼. The highest price was $1 08¼, the lowest $1 05¾ and the closing $1 06¾. Pittsburg was a good buyer. New York and Oil City sold. In the afternoon the former pounded the market without much selling and succeeded in lowering the price for a time, but the local bulls came to the rescue and the market recovered most of the loss, closing steady.

There were sales of cash oil at $1 08¼, the highest price of regular, as a precaution against accidents. Monday's clearings were 1,678,000 barrels. Nothing additional was received in regard to the Sheffield well. It is known, however, that it is not dangerous.

The *Daily Investigator*, a Wall street publication, says: "The strong hand of the Standard Oil Company is controlling the petroleum market." If that be so, look out for a squall before long. Shorts had better keep close to shore.

Features of the Market.

Corrected daily by John M. Oakley & Co., 45 Sixth street, members of the Pittsburg Petroleum Exchange.

Opened	107¼ Lowest 105¾
Highest	108¼ Closed 106¾

	Barrels.
Average runs	83,023
Average shipments	79,939
Average charters	43,333

Refined, New York, 7.35c.
Refined, London, 6¾d.
Refined, Antwerp, 17¼f.
Refined, Liverpool, 6 1-16d.

A. B. McGrew & Co. quote: Puts, $1 04¾; calls, $1 08¼.

Other Oil Markets.

OIL CITY, October 29.—National Transit certificates opened at 107¼; highest, $1 08¼; lowest, $1 05¾; closed, $1 06¾.

BRADFORD, October 29.—National Transit certificates opened at $1 07¼; closed at $1 06¾; highest, $1 08¼; lowest, $1 05¾.

TITUSVILLE, October 29.—National Transit certificates opened at $1 07¾; highest, $1 08; lowest, $1 05¾; closed at $1 06¾.

NEW YORK, October 29.—Petroleum opened strong, but after the first sales became weak and declined. A slight reaction then set in on which the market closed steady. Stock Exchange—Opening, $1 07¼; highest, $1 08; lowest, $1 05¾; closing, $1 06¾. Consolidated Exchange—Opening, $1 07¼; highest, $1 08; lowest, $1 05¾; closing, $1 06¾. Sales, 1,768,000 barrels.

KEEPING IT UP.

More Buyers and Sellers of Real Estate Come Together.

Ewing & Byers, No. 93 Federal street, sold through Reed B. Coyle & Co., for Martin Preuter, a vacant lot 25x106 on Irwin avenue, Allegheny, near North avenue, for $2,622 50, being $105 50 a foot front.

Alles & Bailey, 164 Fourth avenue, placed a mortgage of $1,500 for two years at 6 per cent, on property in South Fayette township.

Reed B. Coyle & Co., 131 Fourth avenue, placed a mortgage of $2,500 at 5 per cent, on property in the Second ward, McKeesport.

Black & Baird, 95 Fourth avenue, sold to Henry Levi lots Nos. 93 and 94 in the J. Walter Hay plan of Valley View place, Nineteenth ward, city, having a total frontage on Fannell street of 40 feet, for $450. They were sold on the monthly payment plan. They also placed a mortgage of $4,000 on a property for three years at 5 per cent, no State tax, on a property in the Sixth ward, city.

W. A. Herron & Sons sold for the Alta Land Company two lots, 20x100 feet each, on Virginia avenue and Plymouth street, Thirty-fifth ward, for $200 each.

James W. Drape & Co. placed a collateral loan on manufacturing property on the Southside, of $16,000 at 6 per cent. The manufacturing site thus offered was also placed at sale on the Allegheny Valley Railroad and Thirty-fourth street, was withdrawn on an offer of $12,500.

J. C. Reilly, 77 Diamond street, closed the following sales: For McCullough and Smith to P. C. Duffy, two-story frame building on Grant street, adjoining Mr. Duffy's hotel, for $9,200; for John J. Murphy to John F. Cluley, the well-known Sixth avenue painter, two-story mansard brick dwelling and storeroom on Grant street, near Webster avenue, for $13,000 cash; for O'Hara Insurance Company to Peter McGinness, two-story brick building, corner Locust and Magee streets, for $5,000 cash; for John Fiedler to Frederick Bucking, large frame hotel building on Second avenue, near Glenwood station, for $6,000; for Charles A. McClelland to Mary Broderick, seven-room two-story brick dwelling on Locust, near Gist street, for $2,400.

Samuel W. Black & Co., 99 Fourth avenue, sold to Joseph Bruening, the well-known and prominent brewer, the property No. 638 Fifth avenue; lot 22x120, with a two-story and mansard brick dwelling of 13 rooms; also two four-roomed houses in rear for the price of $9,500. This property adjoins the residence of Mr. Bruening, which gives him now a width of 44 feet on Fifth avenue, running through to Ann street.

Philadelphia Stocks.

Closing quotations of Philadelphia stocks, furnished by Whitney & Stephenson, brokers, No. 57 Fourth avenue. Members New York Stock Exchange.

	Bid.	Asked.
Pennsylvania Railroad	54¼	54¾
Reading	21 9-16	21 9-16
Buffalo, Pittsburg and Western	....	9½
Lehigh Valley	55	55½
Lehigh Navigation	54¾	54¾
Northern Pacific	21⅝	22
Northern Pacific preferred	73¾	74¼

GOOD IN SPOTS.

Railroad Shares More Feverish Than Active—The Coal Stocks and Sugar Trust Conspicuously Weak—Early Losses Partly Recovered.

NEW YORK, October 29.—The stock market to-day was active in spots, but the general list was quiet to dull, and feverishness marked the dealings from opening to close, while the coal stocks and trusts were weak and the Vanderbilts, Union Pacific and specialties were strong, all within narrow limits. The news of the day was not important, and while there seemed to be a great indisposition to buy, the selling was done principally by the traders, though the few weak stocks were the objects of bear attacks. There was considerable support to the market from the covering of shorts, aided by some little purchasing by commission houses. The market was narrow and uninteresting throughout.

Sugar took up the greatest amount of attention, and the selling of that stock at the opening was very heavy, supposed by some to be inside offerings, but which had the appearance of another bear drive to others. The stock, after opening only ½ lower, at 69¾, rapidly receded to 67¾, and, after a material recovery, dropped to 67⅜. There were undoubtedly large cov