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Congregational Home Missionary Society,
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The receipts for the eleven months of the year now closing have fallen off in contributions \$78,000, and in legacies \$79,000, a total of \$157,000, and we are now borrowing \$125,000.

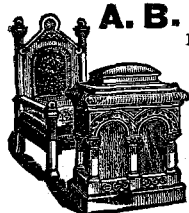
A large increase of gifts during the present month is all that will save us from a step which will occasion widespread disturbance and serious loss to the cause, but which otherwise is inevitable; and this notwithstanding the fact that no increase has been made in the expenditures of the National Society for the past three years.

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The chief influence which has agitated Wall Street for the week has emanated from the Senate Committee's possible modifications of the tariff schedules as they were passed by the House. On Thursday these modifications were given out by the Committee, and the effects on the industrial stocks in the market were conflicting. American Sugar Refiners shares were adversely influenced by the fact that practically no protection of their interests had been secured in these modifications, and that the German refiners would have a distinct advantage in supplying our markets for the refined article because of the bounty for exports paid by the German Government. On the other hand, National Lead stocks were advanced, because the Senate schedule for both the pig lead and for pigments was an advance on the Wilson Bill. The Distillers stock advanced because of favorable changes in permitting whisky to remain in bond eight years instead of four, and because of an increased tax; so that the Stock Exchange market has rather centered on these industrials, and fluctuations in them have been wide. The directors in the St. Paul Company declared a 2 per cent. dividend on the common shares, which tended to strengthen the Granger list. The further progress in the Reading Railway reorganization gave especial strength both to the bonds and stock of the company, resulting in 1 per cent. to 3 per cent. advance in the different issues. An advance in the Erie Railway stocks and bonds was made on the official announcement that the reorganization plan of that corporation had become operative, due to the assent of a majority of the bondholders. Several other stocks and bonds participated in a better feeling, and the result was an advance along the whole line—not large, but more general than any heretofore made for months past. Money is still a great drug at 1 per cent. for call loans. Six-months money can be negotiated at 4½ per cent. on fair collaterals.

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Deposits, increase.....	1,362,500
Reserve, decrease.....	145,525

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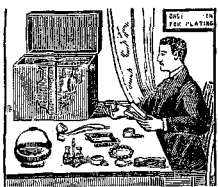
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RESOURCES:

Loans and discounts, less due from directors, \$1,147,486 77	
Liability of directors, as per schedule (as makers) secured by collateral.....	77,000 00
Overdrafts, as per schedule.....	485 85
Stocks and bonds, as per schedule.....	51,411 00
Due from trust companies, State and National banks.....	\$98,195 68
Due from Clearing-House agent.....	363,437 56
U. S. legal-tender notes and circulating notes of National banks.....	104,501 00
Specie, as per schedule.....	13,137 41
Cash items, viz.:	
Bills and checks for the next day's exchanges.....	52,270 70
Other items carried as cash, as per schedule.....	2,365 42

Current expenses.....	\$633,907 77
Furniture and fixtures.....	7,022 00
Total.....	\$1,922,914 29

LIABILITIES:

Capital stock paid in in cash.....	\$250,000 00
Surplus fund.....	250,000 00
Undivided profits, viz.:	
Discount.....	\$9,113 48
Interest.....	2,860 55
Other profits.....	58,767 17
Total.....	70,740 70

Due depositors as follows, viz.:	
Deposits subject to check.....	\$1,289,925 12
Demand certificates of deposit.....	18,310 26
Certified checks.....	29,490 55
Cashier's checks.....	16,447 00
Reserve for taxes.....	1,351,173 50
Total.....	\$1,000 00

Total.....	\$1,922,914 29
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STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF NEW YORK, ss.:

ALFRED C. BARNES, President, and JOHN T. PERKINS, Cashier of the Astor Place Bank, a bank located and doing business at Astor Place and Eighth St. in the city of New York, in said County, being duly sworn, each for himself, says that the foregoing report, with the schedule accompanying the same, is in all respects a true statement of the condition of the said bank before the transaction of any business on the 1st day of March, 1894; and they further say that the business of said bank has been transacted at the location named, and not elsewhere, and that the above report is made in compliance with an official notice received from the Superintendent of Banks designating the 1st day of March, 1894, as the day on which such report shall be made.

(Signed) ALFRED C. BARNES, President.

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