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- Applying current practice to historical research
- From Barzun, Jacques, and Henry F. Graff. 1985. The Modern Researcher. San Diego: Harcourt Brace Jovanovich.



Companies must disclose financials

Accounting standards mean uniform reporting





Disclosure avoided and not required

 Accounting standards developing, but not universally adopted



"The Delaware Lackawanna R.R. Co., make no reports and publish no statements and have done nothing of the sort for the last five years."

In response to request from the NYSE, 1866

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McLaren, Norman. *Annual Reports to Stockholders; Their Preparation and Interpretation*. New York,: Ronald Press Co., 1947.



Sources



Annual Reports

- First issued early 1830's
- No uniform requirements
- Many corporations issued no reports



CHICAGO & NORTH WESTERN RAILWAY AND PROPRIETARY POADS.

FUNDED DEBT, MAY 31st, 1879.

NAME OF BOND.	Bonds Out- standing May 31, 1879.	Date of Maturity.	Rate of Interest.	
CHICAGO AND N. W. RAILWAY CO. : Preferred Sinking Fund, Funded Conpon, General First Morigage, Appleton Extension, Green Bay Extension,	\$972,200 00 676,400 00 3,440,400 00 116,000 00 180,000 00	Nov. 1, 1883, Aug. 1, 1885, Aug. 1, 1885,	7 per et. 7 " 7 " 7 " 7 "	Feb. 1-Aug. 1 May 1-Nov. 1 Feb. 1-Aug. 1 Feb. 1-Aug. 1 Feb. 1-Aug. 1
GALENA AND CHICAGO UNION R. R. : First Mortgage, Mississippi River Bridge, Beloit and Madison R. R., 1st Mort.,	1,638,090 00 158,000 00 247,000 00		7	Feb. 1-Aug. 1 Jan. 1-July 1 Jan. 1-July 1
Peninsula R, R. of Michigan, First Mortgage,	272,000 00	Sept. 1, 1898,	7	Mar. 1-Sept. 1
Gal. and Chi. Union, 2d Mort. Bonds, matured and not presented for payment,	\$7,700,600 00 2,000 00			
Consolidated Sinking Fund Bonds, maturing 1915, may be issued in place of the above bonds as the latter shall be retired and cancelled.	\$7,702,000 00			
Consolidated Sinking Fund Bonds of Chicago and North Western Railway Co.,	5,198,000 60	Feb. 1, 1915,	7 "	{ Feb. 1-May 1. { Aug. 1-Nov. 1.
	\$12,900,000 00			
Chicago and Milwaukee Railway, First Mortgage, Menominee River Rail-Road, First	1,709,000 00		7	Jan. 1-July 1. Jan. 1-July 1.
Mortgage,	400,000 00	July 1, 1906,	7 "	Jan. 1-July 1.
Madison Extension, 1st Mortgage, Menominee Extension, 1st Mortgage, General Consolidated Gold Bonds,	$\begin{array}{r} 3,150,000 & 00 \\ 2,700,000 & 00 \\ 12,343,000 & 00 \end{array}$	April 1, 1911, June 1, 1911, Dec. 1, 1902,	7 7 7	April 1-Oct. 1. June 1-Dec. 1. June 1-Dec. 1.
Total C. & N. W. R'y, Chi. & Mil. R'y, and Men. Riv. R. R. Bonds,	\$33,193,000 00			
PROPRIETABLY ROADS: Winona & St. Peter R. R., 1st Mort., Winona & St. Peter R. R., 2d Mort., Winona & St. Peter Ex. Gold Bonds, Iowa Midland Railway, 1st Mort., North Western Union R'y, 1st Mort., Minnesota Valley R'y, 1st Mort., Bochester & Northern Minn. Rail- way, 1st Mortgage.	$\begin{array}{c} 2,750,000 & 00 \\ 1,650,000 & 0.1 \\ 4,313,000 & 00 \\ 1,350,000 & 00 \\ 3,500,000 & 00 \\ 150,000 & 00 \\ 200,000 & 00 \end{array}$	Nov. 1, 1907, Dec. 1, 1916, Oct. 1, 1916, June 1, 1917, Oct. 1, 1908, Sept. 1, 1908,	7	Jan. 1-July 1. May 1-Nov. 1. June 1-Dec. 1. April 1-Oct. 1. Mar. 1-Sept. 1. April 1-Oct. 1. Mar. 1-Sept. 1.
Plainview Rail-Road, 1st Mortgage,	100,000 00	Sept. 1, 1908,	7	Mar. 1-Sept. 1.
Total Proprietary Roads, 'OTAL BONDS : Currency,	\$14,013,000 00			
Total,	\$47,206,000 00			

Annual report of the Chicago and North Western Railway Company for the ... fiscal year ending May 31st, 1879

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Credit Agencies

- Develop as a resource for business to business transactions
- Two major players
 - R.G. Dun

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- William Bradstreet
- Not a good source for financials

Bradstreet's book of commercial ratings of bankers, merchants, manufacturers, etc., in the United States and the Dominion of Canada ...

New York, J.M. Bradstreet and Son, 1863

GALESBURG-CONTINUED Boots & Shoes OCD McChesney & Miller MeLaren & Van Schaark __Hardware CCC E Gro. & Liquors McQueen, Thos. M (lothing _____ CCD Marshal, John Sad, & Harness, C C D D Merrill, Isaac Tobacco & Cigars C C D Milbaeck, M CCD Milliner ____ Milbaeck, Mrs. M. CCD R. Drugs Millard, W. C ____ Mus. Instruments D D E Miller, L ____ CCC Bankers__ Myers, S. & Co. C D Farniture Nelson, A CCC Lumber Post, E_ EE Lumber _. Post, E. C DD R. Drugs Preston & Hearmann Daguerreotypist___E E E Ray, Edward .----CCD Grocer ... Raymond, D. E _H'ware&Agr.Imps_D Reed, Babcock & Co General Merchant_C C C Ruger & Ogden CCC Dry Goods Sage, R. P. CCD Dry Goods_ Spear, S___ Cigars & Tobacco _C C D Stremmel, W .46 Dry Goods, &c Tilden, Josiah CCC Commission_ Ward & Lyford_ CCC Jewelry_ Washburn, W. N. & Co. BBCC Groceries_ Watkins, H. A. & Bro_ E Drugs_ White & Son - ----GALLATIN--SALINE CO. CCCC Dry Goods . Massay, P ... DDDD Dry Goods Watkins, Wm. GALLULA --- MENARD CO. CD Thrapp, George GALVA-HENRY CO. _General Merchant_C C C D Yocum, Henry -----GARDEN PLAINS---WHITESIDE CO. _Country Store____B C C C Grant, John GARDEN PRAIRIE---MCHENRY CO. _Country Store ____ D E E E Nichols, Olney

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Ainsworth, Henry A	Country Store46 Country StoreC C D D Hardware C C C
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Byers, J. B	Packs & Station'y C C C C
Dillingham John	Boots and ShoesD D D C C D D

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Town, J. J	Gen'l Merchant	CCD
Way & Cooper	Flour Mill	_C D D
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Flint, S. B	Lamber	br. St. Charles
Hight, John	Wagons	D D
Kelly, John J	Grocer	C D D
Krum & Poor	Hardware	CCDD
Martin, David	Farming Mills	0.0
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Wilson, Benjamin.	Printer	O D
Worsley, Timothy.	Dry Goods, &c	-BBC
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Brown, P. & I	General Store	CCCCC
Sickes, Robt	General Store	CCCC
Thomason & Horman	General Store	C C C·C
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Peter & Boosinger	Grain & Com	CCDD
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Stone, E	Shoemaker	DDD
Stone, E. Updyke, P. H. Vandorn, Chas	Blacksmith	CCDD
Vandorn, Chas	Dry Goods	DDD
Woodroof A	Grocer	DDD

Woodroof, A_____D D D

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State Public Utility Agencies

Primarily canal and railroad companies



Annual report of the Railroad and Warehouse Commission of Illinois, 1879

Cash dividends have been paid by consolidated company as follows:

DATE.	PREFERRED STOCK.	COMMON STOCK.
In December, 1868	5 per cent.	5 per cent.
In June, 1869	5 per cent.	5 per cent.
In December, 1869	5 per cent.	4 per cent.
In June, 1870	2 per cent.	
In December, 1870	5 per cent.	5 per cent.
In June, 1871	5 per cent.	5 per cent.
In December, 1871	3½ per cent.	
In June, 1872	3½ per cent.	
In December, 1872	3½ per cent.	3½ per cent.
In June, 1873	3½ percent.	
In December, 1876	2½ percent.	
In December, 1877	3½ percent.	
In June, 1878	3½ percent.	3 per cent.
In December, 1878	3½ percent.	2 per cent.
In March, 1879	1% per cent.	
In June, 1879	1% per cent.	2 per cent.

The bonded debt of the company at the close of the year was:

NAME OF BOND.	OUTSTANDING,	RATE OF INTEREST.	DATE OF MATURITY.	INTEREST PAYABLE.
Preferrred sinking fund Funded coupons General first mortgage Appleton extension Green Bay extension Galena & Chicago Un. first mort. Galena & Chicago Union second mortgage Mississippi River Bridge. Peninsula first mortgage Beloit & Madison Consolidated sinking fund.		7 per ct. cy. 7 per ct. cy.	Aug. 1, 1885. Nov. 1, 1883. Aug. 1, 1885. Aug. 1, 1885. Feb. i, 1885. Feb. i, 1882. Past due. Jan. 1, 1884. Sept. 1, 1898. Jan. 1, 1888 Feb. 1, 1915.	Feb. 1; Aug. 1 May. 1; Nov. 1 Feb. 1; Aug. 1 Feb. 1; Aug. 1 Feb. 1; Aug. 1 Feb. 1; Aug. 1 Jan. 1; July Mch. 1; Sept. Jan. 1; July J Feb. 1; May 4 Aug. 1;Nov.
Chicago and Milwaukee Railway first mortgage. Menomenee River R. R. Madison extension-gold Menomenee extension-gold General consolidated. Total	1,700,000400,0003,150,0002,700,00012,343,000	7 per ct. cy. 7 per ct. cy. 7 per ct. gold. 7 per ct. gold. 7 per ct. gold.	April 1, 1911. June 1, 1911.	Jan. 1; July

All interest paid on presentation of coupons.

The company has no unfunded debt excepting the bills for supplies and wages for the current month.

Total cost of construction and equipment, \$72,499,585 14. Average cost per mile, \$60,428 89.

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New York Stock Exchange

Required disclosure for listing of securities

Listing Statements published beginning in 1884



Listing Statements New York Stock Exchange

New York, Francis E. Fitch, 1906

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A-3211. CHICAGO & NORTHWESTERN RAILWAY COMPANY. COMMON STOCK. Application is now made for the listing of further additional Common Stock as stated below, and reference is had to the similar applications of this Company, presented on March 12, 1903, At a meeting of the Board of Directors of this Company, held on the 19th day of February, 1906, the following preamble and resolutions were adopted: "Whereas, The Stockholders of this Company, at a special meeting called for that purpose and held on the tenth day of February, 1903, adopted resolutions increasing the Capital Stock of this Company by an amount of Common Stock sufficient to make in such amounts, within the total authorized Capital Stock, as such Board of Directors to issue such Common Stock sufficient to make and the authorized Capital Stock as such Board of Directors issue such Common Stock from time to time and the authorized Capital Stock as such Board of Directors might determine and for any nurses allowed the aggregate Capital Stock \$100,000,000, and authorizing the Board of Directors to issue such Common Stock from time to time and in such amounts, within the total authorized Capital Stock, as such Board of D rectors might determine, and for any purpose allowed by law. "Resolved, That to obtain funds to improve and extend the Company's property and to provide additional equipment, as well as for other proper corporate purposes, there be issued an additional amount of Common Stock equal to Twenty per Cent. of the total preferred and common shares now outstanding. Resolved, That all Stockholders of the Company shall be entitled to subscribe to such additional stock at the rate of \$100 per ce to the extent of Twenty per Cent, of their respective holdings, as shown more the stock business of huminess on More Resolved, That all Stockholders of the Company shall be entitled to subscribe to such additional stock at the rate of \$100 per share to the extent of Twenty per Cent. of their respective holdings, as shown upon the stock books at the close of business on Mon-day, the 2nd of April, 1906, and that the right to such subscription shall terministe with Tuesday, the 1st day of May, 1906. "Payments for all amounts subscribed shall be made on on before Friday the 1st day of May, 1906. "Payments for all amounts subscribed shall be made on or before Friday, the 1st day of June, 1906, and certificates of stock for the amounts so paid shall then be issued for all full shares, which stock shall be entitled to all dividends thereafter paid, and that of shares. Such certificates shall be exchangeable for stock certificates in amounts appreating a full share or multiple thereof. scrip certificates which will pass by delivery, but which will not be entitled to participate in an arrange in the state of the state state of shares. Such certificates shall be exchangeable for stock certificates in amounts aggregating a full share or multiple thereof, providing such exchange be made on or before November 1, 1996. After that date no exchange shall be issued for fractions such stock as may not be subscribed for by Stockholders, or, if subscribed for by them, shall not be paid for, in such manner and at *Resolved*. That the proper officers of this Company by dimension to the advected to the advected to the store of the demed best. ster price, our not less than end per share, as may in their judgment be deemed best. "Resolved, That the proper officers of this Company be directed to immediately notify the New York Stock Exchange of the authorized issue of additional Common Stock and Scrip of this Company to the amount of \$16,207,409, and request that such additional issue be listed upon the New York Stock Exchange." Certified extracts from the minutes of the meeting of February 19, 1906, showing the passage of the before mentioned resolutions, are filed herewith. Persons so desiring may at any time anticipat 1906, above mentioned

Listing Statements New York Stock Exchange

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New York, Francis E. Fitch, 1906

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		E GENERAL	BALANCE SHEETS, JUNE 30, 1905.	
t of property:		E GENERAL	Capital Stock Common Stock and Scrip, C. & N. W. Ry. Co., outstanding., \$48,335,937.92 D. formed Stock & Scrip, C. & N.	
June 30,1904			Common Stock and Scrip, C. & N. W. By. Co., owned by Com-	\$70,731,057.92
ending June 30, 1905\$5,816,315.38 ess amount of same			pany	2,342,372.61
charged a g a i n s t income	1,216,315.38			\$73,073,430.53
ess credit account retirement of Sinking Fund Bonds of 1879	24,578,271.76 135,000.00	\$224,443,271.76	Funded debt: Bonds outstanding	
astees of sinking funds: (Instalments paid and accre-		denary a resident and	00	
armers' Loan & Trust Co.	\$7,958,783.04		\$152,915,500.00 Sundry bonds held by Trustee of sinking funds	
Trustee	210,600.00 362,160.00	8,530,942.04	Bonds on hand owned by com pany	163,214,000.00
neral assets: \$10,000 C. & N. W. Ry 25 Years Debentures of 1909 on	\$10,000.00		Sinking funds paid and accretions thereto: Sinking fund on Madison Exten- sion Gold Bonds Manonipace \$1,410,050.84	
40,000 M. L. S. & W. Ry. Ext. & Imp. Sinking Fund Mortgage Bonds on			Sinking Fund on Madushi Ander \$1,410,050.84 sinking Fund on Menomine Extension Gold Bonds 1,225,983 3 Sinking Fund on North Western Sinking Fund on North Western Sinking Fund Sinking Si	
431,000 Southern Lowa Ry, First	40,000.00 431,000.00		Union Ry. dont W. & St. P. R. Sinking Fund on W. & St. P. R. R. Extension Gold Bonds 1,473,306.60	
5,321,000 C. & N. W. Ry. 314 General Mortgage Gold Bonds of 1987 on hand.	5,321,000.00		Sinking Fund Bonds of 1879 2,859,038.70 Sinking Fund on C. & N. W. Ry. Sinking Fund Debentures of	
Balance cost of securities and advances account of sundry proprietary Companies	4,628,449.04		Sinking Fund on M. L. S. & W. Sinking Fund on M. L. S. & W. Ry, Ext. & Imp. Sinking Fund Mortgage Bonds	
The Chicago, St. Paul, Minne- polis & Omaha Ry, Co mmon Stock & Scrip, C. & N. W. Ry, Co in hands of Treas- merer.	10,000,000,00			- 8,530,942.0
W. Ry. Co in hands of Treas- arer.	2,338,538.05		bills rouge rolls, payable in	
efferred Stock & Scrip, C. & N. W. Ry. Co. in hands of Treas- urer	3,834.56	22,772,821.65	Due transportation and tele- graph Companies	4
erating assets: Material, steel rails, ties, fuel, etc., on hand	\$3,820,956.94		Bonded interest due July 1 and 216,110.0	
(including working funds) Due from United States Govern- ment	2,480,704.89 398,305.88		Accruing interest on bonds, date after July, 1905	
ment. Due from various persons Bills rec.vivable. Cash	$\begin{array}{r}141,134.59\\268,232.72\\6,602,023.17\end{array}$			- 9,784,266.7
		10,111,111	Income balances: Railroad income account\$11,640,181.0 Land income	1 - 14,855,758.7
		\$269,458,393.08	NORTHWESTERN RAILWAY COM By R. H. WILLIAMS, Treas	\$269,458,393.0

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Industrial Manuals

- Developed as a resource for investors
- Most popular manual published by Henry Poor
 - Emphasis is on railroads



Poor's manual of railroads of the United States

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New York, H.V. & H.W. Poor, 1880

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-making a total of \$33,193,000, on which the annual charge is \$2,323,370. The bonds listed before the consolidated sinking fund bonds of 1915 are convertible into those bonds.

Bonds of Proprietary Railroads.

Zd Mortgage Ex. g'd Skg.F'd Iowa Midland R'way 1st Mortgage	$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	 p. c. Jan, and July May and Nov. Jan, and Dec. April and Oct. Mar, and Sept. April and Oct. Mar, and Sept. Mar, and Sept. Mar, and Sept. 	Jan. 1, 1887 Nov. 1, 1907 Dec. 1, 1916 Oct. 1, 1916 Oct. 1, 1900 June 1, 1917 Oct. 1, 1908 Sept. 1, 1908 Sept. 1, 1908	\$2,750,000 1,650,000 4,313,000 3,500,000 3,500,000 150,000 200,000 100,000
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-total, \$14,013,000, on which the annual charge is \$994,410.

Total amount of bonds issued by or guaranteed by the C. & N. W. RR. Co., \$47,206,000, of which \$21,200,000 are currency and \$26,006,000 are gold. Annual charge, \$3,317,780.

Abstract of general balance, 1873-79:

1873	1874	1875	1876	1877	1878	1879
. 1,459.52	1,498.70	1,499.60	1,500.90	1,502,10	1.574.80	1,616.2
$\begin{array}{c} 25,008,500\\ \hline 173,645\\ 3,476,234\\ 1,315,663\\ 1,629,968\\ \hline 68,181,093\\ 62,086,099\\ 1,531,742\\ 2,405,685\\ 1,327,906\\ 729,658\\ \hline 68,061,093\\ \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 21, 484, 114\\ 29, 528, 500\\ 828, 964\\ 3, 925, 741\\ 709, 717\\ 2, 119, 346\\ 73, 599, 442\\ 65, 956, 489\\ 2, 268, 244\\ 3, 304, 110\\ 1, 188, 961\\ 1, 188, 961\\ 73, 599, 442\\ \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 21.385,654\\ 30,210,060\\ 624,077\\ 2,888,607\\ 2,888,603\\ 2,637,613\\ 73,704,516\\ 1.861,776\\ 1.861,776\\ 1.861,776\\ 843,747\\ 73,704,516\\ 7\end{array}$	\$ 15,011,180 21,502,234 31,033,000 255,000 426,199 3,817,329 7,4,676,254 68,169,597 1,336,976 1,336,976 1,336,976 1,326 1,326 1,326 1,326 1,326 1,326 1,326 1,326 1,326 1,326 1,326 1,326 1,326 1,326 1,326 1,326 1,326 1,326 1,326 1,327 1,329 1,327 1,329 1,326 1,326 1,326 1,326 1,326 1,326 1,326 1,326 1,326 1,327 1,329 1,327 1,329 1,326 1,326 1,326 1,326 1,326 1,326 1,327 1,329 1,327 1,329 1,326 1,366	$\begin{array}{c} \$\\ 14,989,024\\ 21,475,803\\ 31,793,000\\ 236,250\\ 193,032\\ 1,218,999\\ 856,423\\ 4,358,746\\ 75,121,277\\ 68,713,559\\ 1,116,433\\ 3,126,271\\ 1,332,593\\ 832,411\\ \end{array}$	\$ 14.988,807 21,525,603 32,738,000 228,000 273,910 990,038 2,111,977 4,177,015 77,088,350 71,038,235 760,706 2,633,420 932,667 1,723,322	1,00.3 \$ 14,985,62 21,525,52 33,193,00 223,755 1,305,00 1,404,16 1,613,177 4,342,773 78,6586,080 72,373,029 778,213 3,199,779 9,17,545 1,417,514 78,686,080
Miles of Railroad.	Capital Stock.	Funded Debt.	by C. a	N All		Total bilities.
3.75 68 80 62.63 24.40 24.48 15.01 11.46	400,000 0 100,000 0 50,000 0 15,000 0 15,000 0 6,260 0 1,250 00	$\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 $	$\begin{array}{c} 000 \\ 1,416,81 \\ 72,51 \\ 000 \\ 90,63 \\ 000 \\ 000 \\ 25,26 \end{array}$	59 67 70, 59 48 25 04 8 73 5 61	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	\$ 08,248 86 12,483 28 72,559 48 00,625 04 16,000 00 05,000 00 10,268 73 6,260 00 4,985 64 2,772 17
	1,459.52 \$\$ 1,450.52 21,451.063 21,451.063 25,098,500 1,735.615 3,476,231 1,315.663 1,315.663 1,329,968 68,181,003 62,086,099 1,317,422 2,405,085 68,061,063 68,061,063 alance M1 Miles of Railroad. 1,616.27 327.60 37.50 327.60 37.60 1,616.27 327.60 37.50 327.60 37.50 37.60 37.60 37.50 37.50 327.60 37.50 324.48 24.48 24.48 324.40 24.48 11.46	1,459.52 1,498.70 1,459.52 1,498.70 21,481.002 14,983.000 21,481.002 21,484.11 25,008,500 29,582,500 173,615 583,964 3,476,234 3,925,741 1,315,663 70,9717 1,629,969 65,956,489 2,405,665 3,304,110 1,327,409 65,956,489 1,317,422 2,368,344 2,405,665 3,304,110 1,327,406 1,188,661 729,658 881,6638 68,061,093 73,599,442 alance May 31, 18' Stock, 1,616,97 36,514,220 2 327.00 400,000 0 3,75 100,000 0 3,75 100,000 0 3,75 100,000 0 3,75 50,000 0 3,75 100,000 0 3,75 100,000 0 3,75 100,000 0 3,75 100,000 0 3,75 100,000 0 3,4,40	$\begin{array}{ c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c$	$\begin{array}{ c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c$	$\begin{array}{ c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c$	$\begin{array}{ c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c$

Moody and his Manuals

- First manual published in 1900
- Bankruptcy following the Panic on 1907
- Relaunched in 1909
- 1909 1924, there are two different Moody's Manuals

The Two Moodys

Moody's Manual of Railroads and Corporation Securities (1900-1924)

Becomes Poor's in 1925

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- Moody's Analyses of Railroad Investments (1909-1912)
 - Moody's Analyses of Investments (1913-1924)
 - Moody's Manual of Investments (1925
 - And all the variants that came after...



Figure 9-1 The Interrelationship of Moody's and Standard & Poor's

Wilson, Richard S. Corporate Senior Securities: Analysis and Evaluation of Bonds, Convertibles, and Preferreds. Chicago, Ill.: Probus Pub. Co., 1987.

Secondary Sources – more than just the WSJ

- Merchants' Magazine and Commercial Review (Hunt's) 1839-1870
 - Absorbed by Commercial and Financial Chronicle
- Commercial and Financial Chronicle 1865-1987
 - Financial Review, annual summary
 - Various compendia

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The Economist (Chicago)

1888-2007 (title changed to Realty and Building in 1946)

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THE CHRONICLE.

for four years:	1		. 1 to Aug. 14	
	, 1880.	1879.	1878.	1877.
Flourbhls.	3,687,087	3,983,339	3,448,220	2,504,828
Wheat bush.	40,803,939	45,250,614	41,167,288 61,238,131 17,876,061 3,087,242	13,396,86
Corn	100,307,045 19,733,180	61.030.293	61,238,131	51,497,42 12,188,27
Oats	19,733,180	18,672,029 2,482,802	17,870,061	12,188,278
Barley	2,656,884 1,627,730	2,482,802	3,087,242	2:801,32
Вуе	1,627,730	2,260,832	2,546,455	1,397,96
Total grain	165,128,778	129,696,570	125,913,177	81,281,86
Total receipts	(crop mover	nent) at the	same ports fi	om Aug. 1
to Aug. 14, incl				
	1680.	1879.	1878.	1877.
Flourbbls.	295,756	- 238,400	1 271,559	270,98
Wheatbush.	5,642,699	5,252,739	7,160,301 8,733,978 3,315,020 156,301 487,146	3,105,34
Corn.	7,270.816	1 5.191,077	8,733,978	\$8.799.83
Oats	7,270,816 1,705.768	1,596,962	3,315,020	1 549 41
Barleyi	51,148 235,376	42,065 349,292	156,301	82,14 458,03
Rye	235,376	349,292	487,146	458,03
Total grain	14,905,807	12,432,135	19,852,806	13,987,76
Comparative				the same
ports from Jan.				
	1880.	1879.	1878.	1877.
Flour bbls.	2,542,902	4,285,853	3,602,625	2,443,76
Wheat busb.	40,203,142	41,699,569	34,820,223 52,662,145 11,412,014	27,562,557 45,461,774 13,440,121 1,250,577 1,050,78
Corn	82.626.258	53,927,585	52,662,145	45,461,774
Oats	15,714,249	13,988,033	11,412,014	13,440,12:
Barley	15,714,249 1,680,171 1,000,100	53,927,585 13,988,033 2,079,915 2,027,953	1,628,884 2,010,956	1,250,573
Rye	1,387,196	2,027,953	2,010,956	1,050,78
Total grain	141,611,016	113,723,058	97,534,222	88,765,81
Rail shipment	s from We	stern lake	and river po	rts for the
weeks ended :	1			1 10
	T	eek W	79. 1878. week Week	WCCK
Flour	. Aug	2,692 96	16. Aug. 17 591 83,61	Aug. 18 3 91,42
Flour	bbls. 132		and the second s	3 91,42
Wheat	bush. 797	,517 562 ,103 460	620 505,37	9 134,74
Corn	40/	701 400	161 302,97 699 663,29	8 451,50 6 390,24
Barley		791 623	263 11,61	3 7,80
Ryc		,103 1 460 ,791 623 2,578 8 1,067 50	263 11,61 ,494 13,73	4 19,40
Total	2,105	,119 1,705,	237 1.497,00	0 .933,69
Rail and lake	shipments f	rom same po	rts for last for	arweeks :
Week Flour	Wheat,	Corn,	Oats, Bai	ley, Rye,
ending- bbls	huch	buch	huch, bu	ch huch
Ang. 14173.83	7 2,599,338	3,101,638	826,078 12	,578 96,29
Aug. 7100,30	9 3,302,254	2.380,748	694,363 9	404 141,78
July 31141,10 July 24125,40	$\begin{array}{c} 57 & 2.599,338\\ 09 & 3.302,254\\ 06 & 2.419,279\\ 02 & 2,251,941 \end{array}$	· 3,101,638 2,380,748 3,107,937 3,752,652	493,418 11 499,827 16	,578 96,29 ,404 141,78 ,518 42,62 ,370 38,26
July 24125,40		0,102,002	100,000 10	,010 00,20
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Tot., 4 wks.600,67 4 w'ks'79606,18	2 11,048,336	8,142,771 2	253,255 47	,330 392,05

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re	In Store at-	Wheat,	Corn,	Oats,	Barley,	Rye,
			bush.	bush.	bush.	bush.
	Chicazo	1,657,438	3,431,865	116.223	57,032	109,886
	Muwaukee	121,781	. 33,911	2,425	55,494	8,653
23	Duluth	6,917	15,684			
-	Toledo	1,061,027	330,050	32.891	8,500	3,918
	Detroit	108,392	2,815	5.138	3,667	
37	Oswogo	40,000	115,000	and the second second	and the second second	
26	St Louis			CC 110	1 050	11 000
78	St. Louis	604,556	965,738	76,459	1,350	11,690
27	Boston	83,813	294,558	15,008	144	864
62	Toronto (7th)			8,000	1,511	50
	Montreal	110,530	16,600	72,142	4.134	1,511
-	Philadelphia	707,649	418,507			
39	Peoria	9,023	71.205	86,612	• 64	13,315
	Indianapolis	159,000	60,300	4,300		600
14	Kausas Clty	165.834	94,995	259		521
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	Baltimore		498,272	001 001	10.000	00.000
1	On rail	797,517	457,163	801,794	12,578	33,067
	On lake (est.)	2,635,000	3,407,000	21,000		63,000
	On canal (est.)	1,450,000	2,845,000	26,000		89.000
33						
	Total Ang. 14,'80.	14 179 091	17.363.832	1 360.783	169,757	432,718
	Aug. 7, 80				169,717	397.682
12	July 31, '80				176.204	271,912
31						
íī -	July 24. '80				183,936	168,862
15	July 17, '80				180,656	133,674
	Ang. 16, '79	16,026,837	12,140,032	1,605,031	306,311	493,906
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THE DRY GOODS TRADE.

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FRIDAY. P. M., Aug. 20, 1880.

There has been no material change in the condition of the dry goods trade the past week. Business has been fair with the cotton goods commission honses, and there was a steady movement in ginghams, prints, dress goods, &c.; but most descriptions of woolen fabrics ruled quiet, and the demand for imported goods was less active than expected. The jobbing trade has opened auspiciously, and while a satisfactory business was accomplished by some of the leading firms in this city, reports from many of the principal distributing points in the interior (in regard to the progress of the fall trade) are highly encouraging. Values of nearly all textile fabrics are steadily maintained on the present low basis, but some irregularities have been developed in cotton goods and calicoes, as will be seen by the following remarks.

DOMESTIC COTTON GOODS.—The exports of domestics from this port, during the week ending Angust 17, were 3,494 packages, shipped as follows: Great Britain, 1,509; China, 825; U. S. of Colombia, 507; Hayti, 144; Mexico, 104; Cuba, 103; Dutch West Indies, 67; Venezuela, 54, &c. Brown cottons were in fair demand, but an unexpected decline in Atlantic sheetings caused a temporary check to business. Bleached goods were

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