

Columbus Central Ry.—Length of line, 35 m.; trackage rights, about 7,500 feet. Gauge, 5 ft. 2 in. Rail (T), 56 to 70 lbs. Cars (motor, 60; trail, 10), 60. Chartered in June, 1893, and purchased the franchise of the Columbus and Westville RR. Co.; franchise runs for 27 years from 1893. Road completed as above in May, 1896. Operated by the Westinghouse electric system. Receiver appointed Sept. 4, 1896. A committee for the bondholders has called for deposit of securities with the Guardian Trust Co., Cleveland, O., and it is unofficially reported that about \$1,300,000 of the bonds have been deposited. Decree of foreclosure entered on July 31, 1899; sale set for Sept. 13, 1899.

Financial Statement.—Capital stock (\$100 shares), \$1,500,000; funded debt (1st mtge. 5 p. c. 20-yr. gold coupon, with privilege of registration, bonds, due May 1, 1913, interest payable May and Nov., at office of the trustee, the Savings and Trust Co., Cleveland, O.), \$1,500,000. Default was made on interest due Nov., 1896. Receiver's certificates for \$20,000 have been authorized, of which \$12,000 had been issued up to July 1, 1899.

Directors.—George H. Worthington, F. W. Merrick, W. E. Hutton, James M. Hutton, N. H. Solloway, E. W. Radder, Cleveland, O. **Officers:** Geo. H. Worthington, Rec.; F. W. Merrick, Att'y for Rec.; M. W. Crabtree, Supt.; F. N. Bendelari, Agt. for Rec., Columbus, O. **General Office,** Columbus, O.

Columbus Street Ry.—Length of track (single track), 64.17 miles. Gauge, 5 ft. 2 in. Rail—Johnson girder, 45, 52, 70, 86 and 93 lbs.; T (6 in. and 8 in.), 60, 72, and 80 lbs. Cars (open motor, 57; closed motor, 87; open trail, 20; closed trail, 14), 178; electric sweepers, 4; 119 motor trucks equipped with General Electric Co. S. R. G. and G. E. 800 motors; sand cars, etc.; power station, 1; engines to generate power, 5. Incorporated April 25, 1892, and purchased the property of the Columbus Consolidated Street RR. Co. Operated by the General Electric single trolley system.

Operations, year ending Dec. 31, 1898.—Car mileage, 3,726,062. Passengers carried (paying), 14,905,955. Earnings (passenger, \$680,172; other, \$8,860), \$689,032. Operating expenses, \$327,692. Net earnings, \$361,340. Payments: Interest on bonds, \$186,114; taxes, \$19,850; dividends (1 p. c. each paid Feb., May, Aug. and Nov., 1898), \$120,000—total, \$325,964. Surplus, \$35,376; surplus forward (\$196,639, less charges to profit and loss during 1898, \$990), \$195,649—total, \$231,025.

Financial Statement, Jan. 1, 1899.—Capital stock (\$100 shares), \$3,000,000; funded debt (see below), \$3,572,000; reconstruction reserve, \$38,531; bills payable, \$145,000; accounts, \$34,074; accrued interest, taxes, and miscellaneous accounts, \$13,227; profit and loss, \$231,025—total, \$7,033,857. Contra: Cost of plant, property, franchise, construction and equipment, \$6,346,755; Crosstown St. Ry. Co. lease and ownership, \$572,000; park construction and equipment, \$33,115; supplies, \$636; cash and current assets, \$37,757; prepaid accounts, \$19,980; sinking fund, \$23,614—total, \$7,033,857. Funded debt outstanding consists of \$3,000,000 1st consol. mtge. Columbus St. Ry. 5 p. c. 40-yr. \$1,000 gold coupon bonds, with privilege of registration, due July 1, 1932, interest Jan. and July, and \$572,000 (auth., \$2,000,000), Crosstown St. Ry. 1st mtge. 5 p. c. 40-yr. \$1,000 gold coupon bonds, with privilege of registration, due June 1, 1933, interest June and Dec., guaranteed, principal and interest, by endorsement by the Columbus St. Ry. Co. Of the 3,000 bonds of the Columbus St. Ry. Co., 719 are held by the trustees to retire \$719,000 underlying bonds of the Columbus Consolidated St. Ry. Co. These latter are 1st mtge. 5 p. c. gold coupon bonds, due July 1, 1909, interest Jan. and July. A sinking fund clause requires \$22,500 to be set aside each year for the redemption of bonds outstanding, bonds to be drawn at 110, if they cannot be purchased. Interest on Columbus Street Railway bonds payable at the office of the company, Columbus, O., or by E. W. Clark & Co., fiscal agents, Philadelphia, Pa.; on Columbus consol. 1sts at office of Central Trust Co., New York, N. Y.; on Crosstown St. RR. bonds at the Knickerbocker Trust Co., New York, N. Y. Trustees of bonds: Columbus St. Ry. and Crosstown St. Ry., Knickerbocker Trust Co., New York, N. Y.; Col. Consol. St. RR., Central Trust Co., New York, N. Y.

CROSSTOWN STREET RY.—Length of line, 10.9 m.—total track, 13 miles. Gauge, 5 ft. 2 in. Leased Aug. 24, 1893, in perpetuity, to the Columbus St. Ry. Co., which owns all the capital stock. Capital stock (auth. and issued), \$2,000,000; funded debt (1st mtge. 5 p. c. 40-yr. \$1,000 bonds, due 1933, interest June and Dec., at office of trustee, Knickerbocker Trust Co., New York, N. Y.; auth., \$2,000,000) issued, \$572,000—total stock and bonds, \$2,572,000. Additional bonds may be issued at the rate of \$30,000 per mile of new railroad. Bonds are guaranteed, by endorsement, principal and interest by the lessee company, statement for which see. General Office, Columbus, O.

Directors (Columbus St. Ry.).—Robert E. Sheldon, C. D. Firestone, G. W. Sinks, Theo. Rhoads, E. L. Hinman, E. K. Stewart, P. H. Bruck, John Joyce, Columbus, O.; Clarence M. Clark, Philadelphia, Pa. Officers: Robert E. Sheldon, Pres.; E. K. Stewart, 1st Vice-Pres. & Treas., Columbus, O.; Clarence M. Clark, 2d Vice-Pres., Philadelphia, Pa.; P. V. Burington, Sec. & Aud.; M. S. Hopkins, Gen. Supt., Columbus, O. General Office, 12½ North High St., Columbus, O.