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DECEMBER 12th.

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NEWS OF THE STAGE.

Victorien Sardou's latest play is said to deal with spiritualism.

Richard Mansfield will soon produce a dramatization of Jessie Fothergill's novel, "The First Violin."

Genevieve Ward will be the Margaret of Anjou in the revival of "Richard III." at the London Lyceum.

Wilson Barrett is said to have received a thousand pounds cash for his novel based upon "The Sign of the Cross."

H. Beerbohm Tree and Gilbert Parker were entertained at the Lotos Club on the evening of their arrival in New York.

Joseph Murphy played to $7000 during his first week's engagement at H. R. Jacobs' Alhambra Theatre, Chicago.

Lewis Ryan Shipman and Glen MacDonough are under contract with Daniel Frohman to dramatize Thackeray's "Henry Esmond," for E. H. Sothern.

A new comic opera by Harry B. Smith and Victor Herbert, "The Queen of Buccaneers," is being rehearsed by the Bostonians.

Louis M. Granat, the finger whistler, who was with "The Merry World," for three seasons, has left that piece and joined the Baldwins (the "White Mahatmas").

Fanny Davenport wears some priceless Egyptian "scarabaei," or sacred beetles, as ornaments in "Cleopatra." These are probably the rarest trinkets known in the world.

A Paris paper announces that Madame Melba has signed a contract for a South American tour, for which she will receive 1,000,000 francs and expenses.

Subscriptions for the artistic fete to be given in honor of Sarah Bernhardt are being sold for forty francs each, which includes the banquet and the special performance at the Renaissance Theatre.

Jefferson de Angelis will replace Richard F. Carroll in "Brian Boru," Dec. 21, and announces another stellar appearance next March. Mr. Carroll will be a member of Camille D'Arville's Kismet company.

William H. Lytell has taken a company to Halifax for a tour of the provinces in "My Friend From India," "Men and Women," "The Plunger," "A Midnight Bell," and "A Dark Secret."

The stage carpenters of Olympia, New York, have been busy for several days preparing the "Santa Maria" scenery for the road. The aluminum iceberg scene requires one car for itself, and the rest of the scenery fills two cars more.

Maude Adams' starring tour will begin Sept. 15, 1897, and her stellar debut in New York city will occur a month later at the Empire or the Garrick Theatre. She will have a new play possibly written by J. M. Barrie.

Fanny Davenport will be seen next season in a play by an American author whose name is not yet to be revealed. This may be Miss Davenport's last year in the Sardou plays.

Charles Wyndham will play Rosemary in German at Berlin. He does not know the Teuton's tongue, but once acted David Garrick one hundred times in German under careful tuition.

In the Paris courts will be tried next month the cases of the prisoners accused of attempting to blackmail Yvette Guilbert, Micheline, Liane de Pougy and others. One of their efforts caused the attempt at suicide by Mlle. de Pougy.

R. A. Barnet was coming out of the New York Casino on the first night of "Jack and the Beanstalk," when he heard the following dialogue between two chappies: "I suppose you have seen Madge Lessing in almost everything?" "Yes, and in almost nothing. Why?" "I want to ask you which you consider her best play?" "Her leg, dear boy," was the quick retort.

Arthur Bourchier, now appearing at the Bijou Theatre, New York, at the head of his own company from the London Royalty Theatre, has risen in his art with remarkable rapidity. Mr. Bourchier's first professional appearance was made only seven years ago in Mrs. Langtry's company. His theatrical ambition was early developed in private performances at Eton, and later in the Oxford University Dramatic Club, founded by Canon Scott Holland, the Reverend the Hon. J. G. Adderley, and Mr. Bourchier among others.

In the Eighth District Court, New York, last Thursday, a jury awarded $170 to Lawyer Francis C. Wellmann, who brought suit to recover from Henry C. Miner $206, the value of a carriage door smashed last week at the Fifth-avenue Theatre, through alleged interposition of an attache of the house. The plaintiff and wife, Emma Juch, testified that they had driven to the theatre, and, when about to alight from their brougham, one William Brown, a liveried negro at the door, had shouted to their driver to move further along, which, being done, resulted in the collision of the opening carriage door and a post with disastrous results for the door. The defence held that Brown was not employed by the theatre, but the jury decided in favor of the plaintiff. The defendant's counsel gave notice of an appeal.

At Oxford, the present manager of the Royalty Theatre played Shylock, Hotspur, Julius Caesar, Falstaff in the Merry Wives of Windsor, the Clown in the Twelfth Night, and Sir John Vesey in Money, and it is, therefore, not in the least surprising that he should be a firm believer in the value of the amateur performance as a training school for more serious work. Notable among his professional appearances have been the title part in Courtney's Kit Marlowe in 1890, tours with Charles Wyndham, Miss Fortescue and Augustin Daly, and the heroic lead in The Derby Winner, still enormously successful in England. An engagement with John Hare's company at the London Garrick Theatre preceded his tenancy of the Royalty, a house which had long rested under a spell of ill-fortune. Here was presented the Chili Widow, and its triumphant run of over 300 nights placed the young player in a secure position among England's leading actor-managers.

At this hour Paris is in holiday humor. The art-loving people of an artistic city are about to confer an extraordinary honor upon their greatest artist. Sarah Bernhardt is to be publicly crowned queen of the French drama. Except in the case of Henry Irving, no such compliment has ever been given to an actor. But Irving's knighthood was bestowed by his sovereign, while the dramatic sovereignty of Bernhardt is acclaimed by all her country folk except Yvette Guilbert. It is said that Mme. Sarah is to receive the badge of the Legion of Honor, a coveted distinction hitherto awarded only to two women. Whether she is to be so far honored is a question, but there is no doubt about the fact that among the famous women that the modern stage has brought forth Sarah Bernhardt is the most celebrated. It is not too much to say that during her long stage career Sarah Bernhardt has caused 10,000,000 men and women to weep or smile over her dramatic portrayals. Mostly tears, because Sarah loves death like an undertaker, and she is happiest in gloom. She has brought an uncommon amount of sorrow into the world and she counts that day lost whose low, descending sun views from her hand no tragic effort done. She has murdered more people than any malefactor executed for his crimes, and when she has nobody else to kill she kills herself. During the last 30 years she has slain on an average five men a week, every evening and at the regular matinees. Her footprints on the sands of time are marked by blood and the milestones of her life are chronicled by corpses. Anything is handy to her in committing murder or felo de se—swords, daggers, pistols, poison—and she has swept the world into woe by the splendor of her tragic genius. At different periods this extraordinary woman has been actuated by different ambitions. Her first literary effort was a comedy in four acts, named "L'Epingle d'Or," and since that production she has written several plays. She became a sculptor, and the Salon accepted her marble busts of Emile de Girardin, Busnach, Regina Bernhardt and a pretentious group in plaster, entitled "After the Tempest." She became a painter and formed a gallery of her own canvasses. She became an art critic and contributed on regular salary to a Paris journal. In 1878 she went up in a balloon, and afterwards published a clever and thoughtful pamphlet on her experiences. She collected a menagerie of wild animals. Another actress wrote a scurrilous satire on her. Sarah horsewhipped her traducer, carried her into court and imposed a heavy fine and a term of imprisonment on her. When the Comedie Francaise Company went to England Mme. Bernhardt became the fashionable lion, her salon was crowded by the best folk. Bond-street had an exhibition of her sculptors and paintings and Mr. Gladstone paid her many visits. She got married, had a son and is now a grandmother. She has earned several prodigious fortunes and lost them; but is now rich again, owns an island off the coast of Brittany and a theatre in Paris. She has the greatest genius, the shrewdest head, the kindliest heart, the most impetuous temper, the largest celebrity and the smallest hand of any woman of these times. —Hillary Bell in The N.Y. Press.

Court Breck Elects Officers.

At the last meeting of Court Brock, No. 242, Independent Order of Foresters, the following officers were elected for the year 1897: Bro. W B Taylor, C.R.; Bro E J Hearn, P.C.R.; Bro P McTaggart, V.C.R.; Bro Fred Boardman, rec. sec.; Bro W Walters, fin. sec.; Bro Jackson L Little, treas.; Bro W F Campbell, chap.; Bro John Clarke, S.W.; Bro A W Johnston, J.W.; Bro A W Mellish, S.B.; Bro Alfred Evans, J.B.; Bro A E Scobie, C.D.H.C.R.; Bro T H Little, physician.

Man Saved—Horse Killed.

The name of the man whose horse was killed on the G.T.R., as stated in yesterday's World, is Dan Shea, and not George Stray. He resides at 2 College-street, off Roncesvalles-avenue, and had the misfortune to be burned out about four weeks ago.

Deficit at Knox College.

The deficit at the close of the financial year at Knox College was $6576. To meet this, together with the increased liability caused by the appointment of two new professors, $18,500 is asked for by the board.

Business Embarrassments.

Mills Bros., hats, etc., Peterboro', are asking for a compromise.

The stock of Jessop & Co., general merchants, Blyth, is to be sold. Liabilities, $3500, and assets $1200.

W. R. Wadsworth, Dawn Township, has assigned to F. H. Laird.

The creditors of J. T. Mainer, jeweler, Coldwater, will meet on Dec. 17.

The composition offer of W. B. Fullerton, druggist, of Gananoque, has been increased to 25c on the dollar.

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Provisions are Lower at Chicago—Local Stocks Dull and Heavy—Wall-Street Securities Quite and Irregular—Consols are Higher and Sterling Exchange Firmer—Latest Commercial Miscellany.

Friday Evening, Dec. 11.

Liverpool wheat cables closed at net advance of ½d.

Cash wheat in Chicago is 1⅛c higher, at 76c.

May wheat on curb 79⅞c bid.

Puts on May wheat 78⅞c, calls 81c.

Puts on May corn 25⅞c, calls 25⅝c to 26c

At Toledo clover seed closed at $5.32½ for Dec. and at $5.40 for March.

Car receipts of grain at Chicago to-day: Wheat 48, corn 195, oats 340. Estimated for Saturday: Wheat 31, corn 230, oats 410.

Estimated receipts of hogs at Chicago to-day 27,000, official Thursday 26,822, left over 4000. Estimated for Saturday 20,000.

Market active and prices steady to 5c lower. Heavy shippers $3.05 to $3.40.

Cattle receipts at Chicago to-day 5000. Choice steady and others dull and weak.

Receipts of wheat at Liverpool the past three days were 124,000 centals, including 62,000 centals of American. Corn, same time, 75,600 centals.

Exports at New York to-day: Flour 7500 barrels and 10,994 sacks. Wheat 16,002 bushels.

Receipts of wheat at Minneapolis and Duluth to-day 537 cars, as against 970 cars the corresponding day of last year.

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LEADING WHEAT MARKETS.

Following are the closing prices to-day at important centres:

	Cash.	May.
Chicago	76c	79⅞c
New York	80⅝c	83⅝c
Milwaukee	76⅝c	79⅝c
St. Louis	89c	88⅛c
Toledo	93c	94½c
Detroit	90⅝c	92⅝c
Duluth, No. 1 hard	79c	..
Duluth, No. 1 Northern	77½c	80½c
Toronto, white	89c	..
Toronto, No. 1 hard	93c	..

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LOCAL BREADSTUFFS MARKET.

Flour—The market is quiet, with no change in prices. Straight rollers are nominal at $3.00 to $4, Toronto freights.

Bran—Trade quiet and prices unchanged. Bran is quoted at $7.50 west, and shorts at $9 to $9.50.

Wheat—There is a quiet market, with rather better feeling at close of day. Red sold at 80c outside early and at 81c in the afternoon. White is quoted at 82c. No. 1 Manitoba hard is quoted at 93c, Toronto freight, and at 80c, afloat, Fort William.

Buckwheat—The market is dull and nominal at 28c to 29c.

Barley—Trade dull, there being little demand. No. 1 is quoted at 38c and No. 2 at 27c outside, and feed barley at 20c to 21c.

Oats—Market is quiet and prices weak. White sold outside at 18c, and mixed quoted at 17c west.

Peas—Trade quiet and prices unchanged at 40c, north and west.

Rye—The market is steady, with sales at 34c outside west.

Corn—The market is easy, with new yellow offering at 26c outside.

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TORONTO LIVE STOCK MARKET.

The offerings to-day were about 40 car loads, including what was left over from yesterday. The demand for cattle is only moderate. A few shippers sold at 3½c to 3¾c, while choice stock is nominal at 4c. The offerings of butchers' cattle were chiefly of inferior quality, with sales at 1¾c to 2¼c per lb. The best butchers sold at 3c to 3⅛c per lb. Milch cows sell at $25 to $40 each and calves at $4 to $9 each.

Sheep and lambs in fair supply and prices are unchanged. Export sheep sold at 3c per lb. and bucks at 2½c. Lambs are steady, there being sales at 3½c to 3⅝c per lb.

Hogs in liberal supply and prices unchanged. The best sold at 3¾c to 4c per lb., weighed off cars, thick fats at 3⅝c to 3½c, lightweights at 3⅝c, sows at 2¾c to 3c and stags at 2c per lb.

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THE FARMERS' MARKETS

Receipts of grain were fair to-day and prices generally unchanged. Wheat steady, with sales of 600 bushels at 87½c to 88c for white, 88c to 87c for red and 65c to 66c for goose. Barley steady. 1200 bushels selling at 28c to 32c. Oats steady, with sales of 800 bushels at 25c to 24c. Peas sold at 44½c for 100 bushels. Dressed hogs $4.25 to $5. Eggs 16c for cold-storage and 20c for newlaid. Hay steady at $13.50 to $14.50 and straw $10 to $11.

GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

Wheat, white, bushel	$0 87	to $0 88
" red winter, bushel	0 85	0 86
" goose, bushel	0 65	0 66
Barley, bushel	0 28	0 33
Peas, bushel	0 44	0 45
Oats, bushel	0 23	0 24
Rye, bushel	0 33	0 35

HAY AND STRAW.

Hay, per ton	$12 00	to $14 50
" baled, per ton	8 50	10 50
Straw, per ton	10 50	11 50
" baled, per ton	6 00	7 00

DAIRY PRODUCE.

Butter, choice, tub	$0 13	to $0 14
" bakers'	0 08	0 10
" pound rolls	0 15	0 17
" creamery tubs	0 17	0 19
" " rolls	0 19	0 20
Cheese	0 10	0 10½
Eggs, new-laid	0 19	0 20
" limed	0 14½	0 16

FRESH MEATS.

Beef, forequarters, per lb.	$0 02½	$0 04½
" hindquarters	0 05	0 06½
Mutton, per lb.	0 04	0 05
Lamb	0 06	0 06½
Veal, per lb.	0 04	0 06

PROVISIONS AND POULTRY.

Hogs, dressed, selected	$4 60	to $5.00
" heavy	4 25	4 40
Backs, per lb.	0 09	0 09½
Breakfast bacon	0 10	0 11
Mess pork	11 00	11 25
" short cut	11 25	11 50
" shoulder mess	9 00	9 50
Hams, smoked	0 10½	0 11
Lard, per lb.	0 07	0 07¾
Bacon, per lb.	0 05½	0 06
Chickens, per pair	0 20	0 40
Ducks, per pair	0 40	0 55
Turkeys, per lb.	0 05	0 07
Geese, per lb.	0 04½	0 05

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SEEDS.

The market is dull. Alsike is quoted at 6c to 9c per lb., according to quality. Red clover 6½c to 8½c, and timothy 2½c to 3c per lb.

HIDES, SKINS AND WOOL.

Hides are weak, with cured quoted at 7½c. Dealers pay 6½c for No. 1, 5½c for No. 2 and 4½c for No. 3.

Calfskins—Market is dull at 6c to 7c for No. 1 and 5c for No. 2. Sheep and lambskins 70c to 80c.

Wool—The market is steady. Dealers are paying 20½c to 22c for combing fleece, but offerings are limited; rejections 17c. Pulled supers are 20c to 21c and extras at 22c to 23c.

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The market is quiet and prices are unchanged. Apples, barrel, 75c to $1. Dried apples, 2c to 3c, and evaporated 4c to 5½c per lb.

Potatoes steady at 30c per bag in car lots; small lots, 37c to 40c. Onions, 60c to 65c per bag. Sweet potatoes, $2.50 to $2.75 per barrel.

Cranberries, barrel, $6 to $6.25 for Canadian and $2.50 to $2.75 per box for Cape Cod. Hops, 9c to 10c.

Turnips, bag, 20c to 25c; carrots, bag, 30c to 35c; parsnips, bag, 40c; celery, doz., 30c to 40c.

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CHICAGO MARKETS.

Henry A. King & Co. report the following fluctuations on the Chicago Board of Trade to-day:

	Open	High	Low	Close
Wheat—Dec.	74⅞	76⅝	74⅞	76
" —May	78⅞	80½	78⅞	79⅞
" —July	73	73⅞	73	73¼
Corn—Jan.	23	23⅛	23	23⅛
" —May	25¾	26	25¾	26
Oats—Jan.	18	....	....	18
" —May	20⅝	20⅝	20½	20⅝
Pork—Jan.	7 67	7 70	7 57	7 57
" —May	7 95	7 97	7 85	7 85
Lard—Jan.	3 90	3 92	3 82	3 85
" —May	4 10	4 12	4 02	4 05
Ribs—Jan.	3 87	3 90	3 85	3 85
" —May	4 05	4 05	3 97	3 97

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BRITISH MARKETS.

Liverpool, Dec. 11.—Spring wheat, 6s 9d to 6s 10d; red, no stock; No. 1 Cal., 7s 3d to 7s 4d; corn, 2s 10½d; peas, 4s 5½d; pork, 48s 9d; lard, 21s 0d; bacon, l.c., heavy, 29s 0d; do., light, 28s 0d; do., s.c., heavy, 26s 0d; tallow, 18s 6d; cheese, white and colored, 51s.

London — Opening — Wheat on passage weak and partly 3d lower. English country markets weak. Maize on passage rather easier.

Liverpool—Spot wheat dull; futures steady at 6s 5¾d for Dec., 6s 6½d for Jan., 6s 7d for Feb. and 6s 7¼d for March. Maize steady at 2s 9½d for Jan., Feb. and March and 2s 10¼d for May. Flour 25s 3d.

Paris—Wheat 21f 40c for Jan. Flour 45f 70c for Jan.

Liverpool—Close—Wheat nervous at 6s 7d for Dec., 6s 8d for Jan., 6s 8¼d for Feb., and 6s 8¾d for March. Maize quiet at 2s 9¾d for Dec., 2s 9½d for Jan. and Feb. and 2s 9¾d for March, April and May. Flour 25s.

London—Close—Wheat on passage dull. English country markets 6d lower. Maize on passage quiet.

Paris—Close—Wheat 21f 50c for Jan. Flour 46f for Jan.

FINANCIAL.

The books of the Cable and Postal Telegraph Companies closed to-day for the voting of shareholders at the meeting, to be held on the 22nd inst., for the ratification of the plan of amalgamation of the two companies.

Stocks were very dull to-day, with the leading speculatives somewhat weaker.

Consols ⅛ to 3-16 higher, closing to-day at 111½ for money and at 111¾ for account.

Canadian Pacific is ⅜ lower, closing in London to-day at 57½. St. Paul closed at 76⅞. Erie at 15¾, Reading at 14¼, N.Y.C. at 98, and Ill. Central at 96.

The bank clearings at Montreal for the week are $12,328,650, as compared with $13,231,920 the corresponding week of last year.

The earnings of the Grand Trunk Railway for the week ended Dec. 7 were $350,084, an increase of $19,976.

The net gold balance of United States Treasury is $133,000,000.

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MONEY MARKETS.

The local money market is unchanged at 5 per cent. for call loans. At Montreal the rate is 4½, at New York 1½ to 2, and at London 2½ per cent. The Bank of England discount rate is unchanged at 4 and the open market rate 3⅛ per cent.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE.

Aemilius Jarvis & Co., 23 King-street east, stocks and exchange brokers, Toronto, report local rates to-day as follows:

	—Counter— Buy.	Sell.	—Bet. Banks— Buy.	Sell.
N. Y. Funds	⅛	¼	1-32 dis.	to par
Sig. 60 days	9⅛	9⅜	9 11-16	9 13-16
do. demand	9⅝	9⅞	9 5-16	9 7-16

RATES IN NEW YORK.

	Posted.	Actual.
Sterling, 60 days	4.84½@4.83½	to 4.83⅝
" demand	4.87½@4.86½	to 4.86⅝

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TORONTO STOCK MARKET.

	Noon.		3.30 p.m.	
Montreal	229	227	229	227
Ontario	90	80	90	80
Toronto	229	227¼	230	227
Merchants'	171	168	171	168
Commerce	129	127¾	129	127¾
Imperial	181	178	180	178
Dominion	230	....	230	220½
Standard	165	161	165	161
Hamilton	153	151	155	151
British America	121	119	121	119¼
West. Assurance	163	161⅞	163½	161¾
Confed. Life	....	....	....	278
Consumers' Gas	202½	201	202½	200
Dom. Telegraph	123	123	125	123
C N W L Co, pref.	50	...	50	...
C P R Stock	56½	55½	56½	55½
Toronto Electric	132	129	132	129
General Electric	..	80	86	80
Com. Cable Co, b.c.	166	165½	166	165¾
Postal Tel., b.c.	93½	93¼	93⅝	93¼
Bell Telephone	159	157¼	158⅝	157¼
Montreal St Ry	219½	218¾	219½	218½
Toronto Railway	69⅝	69⅜	69⅞	69⅝
Fraser River	159½	158½	160	158
Crown Point	40	39	40	38
Empress	24	19	21⅞	19
Brit Can L & I	102	...	...	...
B & L As	75	...	...	...
Can. L & N	109	106	108½	107
Canada Perm.	..	127	...	...
do. do. 20 p.c.	120	...	...	...
Canadian S & L	..	107½	...	...
Cent. Can. Loan	120¾	119½	...	...
Dom. S & I Sc	81	77	...	...
Farmers' L. & S.	95	...	...	...
Freehold L & S	100	...	...	...
do. do. 20 p.c.	130	...	...	...
Hamilton Prov.	110	...	...	...
Hur & Erie L & S.	....	160	...	...
do. do. 20 p.c.	....	150	...	...
Imperial L & I	102	...	...	...
London S & L	115	110	...	...
Lon. & Can. L.&A.	92	...	...	...
London Loan	....	103	...	...
London & Ont.	101½	...	...	...
Manitoba Loan	100	...	...	...
Ontario L & D	....	121	...	...
People's Loan	30	20	...	...
Real Est. L & D.	65	...	...	...
Toronto S & Loan.	115	114	...	...
Union L & S	100	...	...	...
West. Can. L & S.	100	...	...	...
do. do. 25 p.c.	110	92	...	...

Sales at 11.15 a.m.: Ontario Bank, 1 at 80; Toronto, 25 at 227½; Commerce, 7, 3 at 128; Western Assurance, 100 at 162; Postal, 25 at 93½.

Sales at 1.15 p.m.: Ontario Bank, 1-3, 2-3 at 80; Gas, 8 at 202; Toronto Electric, 20 at 126; Cable, 25, 25 at 166; Postal, 25, 25 at 93⅛; Empress Mining, 500 at 19.

Sales at 3.30 p.m.: Postal, 25, 25 at 93¼, 50, 25 at 93⅜; Toronto Railway, 25, 25 at 69⅝; Canada Landed Loan, 15 at 107¾; Western Canada, 1 at 105; do., 25 p.c., 1 at 100.

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Montreal, Dec. 11.—C.P.R., 56½ and 55½; Duluth, 5 and 4½; do., pref., 12 and 9; Cable, 166 and 165½; Postal Telegraph, 93⅝ and 92¾; Telegraph, 170 and 168; Richelieu, 88 and 85; Street Railway, 219½ and 218⅞; Gas, 183¾ and 183¼; Telephone, 160 and 157½; Toronto Street Railway, 70 and 69⅞; Montreal, 230 and 227½; Molsons, 182 bid; Merchants', 170 and 168½; Commerce, 130 and 127; Toronto, 227 bid; Ontario, 80 bid.

Morning sales: Postal, 50 at 93¼, 50 at 93½; Halifax Railway, 15 at 75; Street Railway, 125 at 219; Gas, 25 at 183¾; Toronto Railway, 25 at 69½, 1 at 71, 2 at 70; Toronto Bank, 5, 10, 5, 15 at 228; Merchants', 2 at 168½, 10 at 168¾, 1 at 168½, 17 at 168¾.

Afternoon sales: Cable, 25 at 165¾; Street Railway, 500 at 219; Gas, 50 at 183½, 10 at 183½; Toronto Railway, 10 at 70.

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NEW YORK STOCKS.

The range in prices to-day is as follows:

	Open	High	Low	Close
Am. Sugar	116¼	116⅞	116¼	116½
Am. Tobacco	75	75⅞	75	75⅛
Am. Spirits	13⅜	13⅜	12⅞	13
Cotton Oil	..	..	..	12b
Canadian Pacific	56	56	56	56
Atchison 3 as's pd.	14¼	14¼	14⅛	14⅛
Chi. Burl & Q	77¾	77⅞	77⅛	77½
Chicago Gas	74	74¼	73¾	74
Canada Southern	..	..	..	48¾b
C C C & I	27	28	27	28
Del & Hudson	125¼	125¼	125¼	125¼
D L & W	158	158	158	158
Erie	..	..	..	15b
Lake Shore	....	....	..	154¼b
Louis & Nashville	50	50¼	49⅝	49⅝
Kansas Texas, pref	29	29	28½	28½
Manhattan	96	96¼	95⅝	96¼
Missouri Pacific	20⅝	21¼	20⅝	21⅜
Leather, pref.	61¾	61¾	61¾	61¾
N Y C	....	....	....	95½b
North. Pacific, pref.	23⅜	23½	23⅜	23½
Northwestern	103	103	103	103
General Electric	32⅜	33	31½	32
Rock Island	68⅝	68⅝	68⅛	68⅝
Rubber	....	....	....	25¼b
Omaha	....	....	....	48¾b
N Y Gas	154¼	154¼	153⅝	154¼
Pacific Mail	25⅜	25⅜	25⅜	25⅜
Phil & Reading	27⅛	28	27	27¼
St. Paul	74½	74⅝	74¼	74½
Union Pacific	10¼	10¼	10	10
Western Union	86	86⅞	86	86⅝
Jersey Central	102	102	102	102
National Lead	25	25¼	25	25¼
Wabash, pref	16¼	16¼	16¼	16¼
T C & I	28	28¼	27¾	28