SUGAR STOCKS LEADERS IN A FRESH DOWNTURN

Coppers, Steels, Oils, Shippin gs and Textiles Are Also Under Bearish Pressure in New York - British Sterling Has a Sharp Recovery.

MINES SOLD OUT

AND HOLD STEADY

PRICE OF BAR SILVER. London, Dec. 17.—Bar silver, 41d per

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New York, Dec. 17.—Speculative issues of the more vulnerable class were singly out for further price deflat on in the stock market today, their veakness being attended by developments which stressed with increased force, the prevailing reaction in trade and in ustry.

Foremos, among these glocks were those comprising the sugar group, in which grosses be es of 2 to 8 points were precipitated by the passing of the common and price fired dividends on Santa Cecilia and another decline in the quoted price of the refined product.

Heav ness accompanied the trading in coopers, independent steels, excepting Cru ib e, and several of the oils, shippings, utilities and textiles, as well as miscellaneous shares of the type represented by Sears-Roebuck, rumor associating these and affiliated in the group of the season of the statics of the collegion or suspension.

Rals Move Narrowly.

The better class of rails and industrials, including those in a strong financial position, moved within restricts.

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MONTREAL STOCKS DROP ON INCREASED SELLING

Montreal, Dec. 17.—Increased selling in today's listed securities on the local stock exchange met with poor support until near the close, when a few issues showed rallying power. The steamship stocks were again under selling pressure, and both dropped to new low levels, the common at 34 and the preferred at 60½. The common firmed at 36 at the close, unchanged from yesterday, but the preferred closed at the low, a net loss of 1½ points.

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Iron also was actively sold, and the ounce.

New York, Iron also was actively sold, and the price ranged between 42 and 42, with the close at 42½, a net loss of a small fraction. Steel of Canada met with more selling than for some time, and receded to 58, a new low level for the year, rallying a small fraction at the close.

The largest losers of the day were Riordon, down 8 points, at 132, a new low for the year; Asbestos, which lost 2, at 64.

Not a single stock in the list scored a het gain.

Bonds were more active than for some time; but the price trend was mainly downward.

Total sales: Listed, 15,211; bonds, \$551,200.

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Winnipes, Dec. 17.—(Can. Press).—Purchase of the Flin Flon mines in northern Manitoba now rests with the provinctal government's willingness to construct a rallway to the mining area. This statement was made today by Hon. Edward Brown, provincial freasurer, upon his return from Ottawa, where he has been in conference with officials of the Flin Flon syndicate.

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SUBSTANTIAL GAINS

December Closes Up Over Six Cents From Thursday-May Also Higher.

Winnipeg, Dec. 17.-Further substanhruout the session. The advance at the close showed December 64c up from yesterday, and May 4%c. Trade volume was very light.

Local cash brokers reported the demand somewhat better today, with very light offerings. Receipts keep up, and practically one million bushels of wheat passed inspection today for unloading at the head of the lakes. The premiums showed an improvement, being le to 30

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The coarse grain markets continue dull

and inactive. There appears to be a limited demand only for the coarse grains, while at the same time offerings are extremely light.

Oats closed %c higher, barley 2c to %c lower, flax 3%c to 2%c lower, and rye 2%c to &c lower, flax 3%c to 2%c lower, and rye 2%c to &c lower, flax 3%c to 2%c lower, and rye 2%c to &c lower, flax 3%c to 2%c lower, and rye 2%c to &c lower, flax 3%c to 2%c lower, flax 3%c to \$1.7%.

Oats—December, open \$1.81%, close \$1.74, close \$1.77%.

Oats—December, open \$1%c, close 51%c bid; May, open \$5%c, close 5%c.

Barley—December, open \$2, close \$1.78 bid: May, open \$2.08 to \$2.09, close \$2.07.

Rye—December, open \$1.60, close \$2.07.

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Cash Prices.

Wheat—No. il northern, \$1.94; No. 2 northern, \$1.90; No. 3 northern, \$1.83; No. 4 northern, \$1.69; No. 5 northern, \$1.52%; No. 6 northern, \$1.42%; track, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, and Alberta, \$1.52%; No. 2 close \$1.60.

Barley—No. 3 C.W., 52%c; No. 3 C.W., 49%c; extra No. 1 feed, 49%c; No. 1 feed, 46%c; No. 2 feed, 43%c; track, \$1.5%c.

Barley—No. 3 C.W., \$2.63; condemned, \$1.58; track, \$1.98.

Rye—No. 2 C.W., \$1.60%.

MINNEAPOLIS FLOUR AND GRAIN.

BOARD OF TRADE.

Manitoba Wheat (in Store Fort William).

No. 1 northern, \$1.94.

No. 2 northern, \$1.96.

No. 3 northern, \$1.83.

No. 4 wheat, \$1.69.

Manitoba Oats (in Store Fort William).

No. 2 C.W., 544c.

No. 3 C.W., 494c.

Extra No. 1 feed, 494c.

No. 1 feed, 464c.

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No. 2 feed, 434c.

Manitoba Darley (in Store Fort William).

No. 3 C.W., 98c.

No. 4 C.W., 81c.

Rejected, 66%c.

Feed, 66%c.

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Shipment).

American Corn (Track Toronto, Prompt Shipment).

No. 2 yellow, \$1.15. nominal.
Ontario Oats (According to Freights Outside).

No. 2 white, 50c to 53c.
Ontario Wheat (F.o.b. Shipping Points, According to Freights).

No. 2 winter, per car lot, \$1.85 to \$1.90.

No. 2 spring, per car lot, \$1.86 to \$1.85.

Peas (According to Freights Outside).

No. 2, \$1.75 to \$1.80.

Barley (According to Freights Outside).

Malting, 33c to 90c.

Buckwheat (According to Freights Outside).

No. 2, \$1 to \$1.05.

Rye (According to Freights Outside).

No. 3, \$1.50 to \$1.55.

Manitoba Flour.

First patent, \$11.10.
Ontarlo Flour (Prompt Shipment).

Nominal, in jute bags, Montreal; nominal, in jute bags, Toronto; \$7.75, bulk seaboard.

Millfeed (Delivered Montreal Freights)

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Bags included).
Bran, \$38 to \$40.
Shorts, \$42.
Good feed flour, \$2.75 to \$3.

REPORT INCREASE IN RETAIL TRADE

Activity Especially Noted in Larger Centres-No Reason for Pessimism in Canada.

Winnipeg, Dec. 17. - (By Canadian Winnipeg, Dec. 17. — (By Canadian Press.)—General trade conditions thru out Canada continue dull and little change is reported from the past few weeks, states the weekly report of the Canadian Credit Men's Trust Association, Retail trade, especially in the larger centres, is showing improvement, due to holiday buying, but general commodities remain featureless and religious that of other years with

INNING FOR BULLS IN GRAIN MARKET

Heavy Export Demand and Rise in Pound Sterling Are Stimulating Influences.

Chicago, Dec. 17.—Big export buying of both wheat and corn did a good deal today to lift the value of all grain and of provisions as well. Wheat closed atrong, 5½c to 6½c net higher, with March \$1.64 to \$1.64½, and May \$1.55 to \$1.58½, Corn gained 1½c to 3½c; oats, 1½c, and provisions 12c to 40c.

The wheat market was on the upgrade thruout practically the entire session. Foreign purchasing was said to total 2,000,000 bushels of wheat, in addition to 3,000,000 bushels of wheat, in addition to 3,000,000 bushels of corn, with liberal sales of corn to Holland also. The fact that sterling exchange had moved up rapidly of late was likewise a bullish factor, and so, too, was knowledge of steps being taken in Washington looking toward an emergency tariff on wheat and other agricultural products. Besides, attention was given to despatches saying the governor of North Dakota had denied reports that he would request farmers to sell 25 per cent, of their wheat, Government figures on the acreage and condition of winter wheat and rye proved to be about as expected, and so made little impression.

Signs that a big elevator interest had switched to the bull side helped to strengthen the corn market. Oats foilowed corn.

Provisions rose with grain and hags.

CHICAGO CASH PRICES

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