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CHURCHILL AND THE DUKES

Xmas Visit to Blenheim Palace Sar-castically Referred to.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—(Montreal Star Cable.)—The contest is once age in in full swing, the peers being in the very front of the fighting line. Last night brought an amusing sequel to the Duke of Mariborough's Christmas party at Blenheim Palace. F. E. Smith was there with his wife to meet Mr.Churchill and his wife. Last night in the course of Mr. Smith's speech as a Unionist candidate for Walton Division, Liverpool, incidental reference to Mr. Churchill brought cheers from the Radicals. "I make no complete the Radicals. "I make no complaint of those cheers," said Mr. Smith; "three

those cheers," said Mr. Smith; "three years ago we were cheering him; six years from now Socialists will be cheering him; after that I don't know that anybody will be cheering him."

The Blenheim Palace party also provoked an amusing interlude at the Unionist meeting at Hurnley, where Gerald Arbuthnot, the Unionist candidate, said: "We shortly expect to see the hoardings covered with the grotesque caricatures of deformed and distorted figures which are suposed to represent carreatures of deformed and distorted figures which are suposed to represent typical members of the house of lords. One of them to be used by the Radical party depicts a bloated evil-faced brute party depicts a bloated, evil-faced brute in a peer's robes and coronet. This poster was received by Mr. Churchill for his approval, and where do you think it came to him? He received it at Blenheim Palace, one of the great ducal homes of England. (Loud laughter.) Isn't it a prety picture? Cannot be a prety picture? ter.) Isn't it a prety picture? Cannot you see it? Mr. Churchi; sitting cosily in the midst of ducal luxury, waited upon by ducal footmen, in ducal red plush breeches (laughter), drinking ducal champagne, smoking ducal ci-gars, and concocting posters vilifying the dukes? (Loud laughter.) What a monstrous humbug it is!"

### FOUND DEAD IN STABLE.

BELLEVILLE, Dec. 30 .- John Nolan, a man 45 years of age, was found dead in the stable of the Stirling House at Stirling Village. An inquest will be opened to-morrow by Coroner Dr. Bissonette.

Privations of One Family. OTTAWA. Dec. 30.—A terrible story of distress from the silver country has been brought out by miners who came down Lake Timiskaming on the last boat. On board were three small child-ren named Lamarche, who were being taken to a Montreal orphanage by a Quebec gentleman surveyor, who found them in a shack near a settlement call-ed Fabre. The father had gone in sarch of work, the mother was insane. and the grandmother in a dying condi-tion. There was no food in the place, and the hut was also devoid of a floor or door. The family was in a half-frozen and starved condition when found.

Grain Shipments. OTTAWA. Dec. 30.—Figures receized at the department of trade and com-merce say total shipments of grain from Fort William and Port Arthur to eastern points for milling and export were 36,964,307 bushels. The total shipments to American points were 19,611,216 bushels, of which 17,377,24

bushels went via Buffalo. Negress Suicides by Fire. BOSTON. Dec. 30.-After attempting twice to burn herself to death to-day, Mrs. Nathaniel Price, a Newton ne-gress, finally succeeded. Following a quarrel with Albert Smith, a boarder, who had threatened to leave her, Mrs. Price applied a match to her clothing twice. Each time the flames were ex-tinguished by Smith, but when she set fire to herself the third time, she

Toronto Firm Assigns. James R. Young, drygoods and gents' furnishings, 1106 West Bloor-street, assigned to N. L. Martin & Co. A meeting of the creditors will be held on 5th

### HAS GOOD FOUNDATION FOR IMPROVEMENT.

Thursday Evening, Dec. 30.

Here and there a desire among big holders to hand out securities to-day showed itself plainly on prices. The re-action from this distribution was small, and did not allow of the inference that top prices have yet been reached. It is essential for a good future market that upward movements be made methodically, and this is the course now. being pursued. The Bank of England discount rate was maintained at 41-2 per cent. this week, and no material lowering is looked for until after the middle of January. The Toronto market has a good foundation for further improvement.

## Wall St. Has Early Advance

Steel and Coal shares were quiet, the rumor of a big amaigamation of many

Navigation shares were firm and altho only the regular dividend was declared on Northern Navigation there appeared to be no disappointed holders. Latin Americans were quiet and with less substance than most of the other No immediate fresh movements are anticipated and the year is expected to go out with a steady market.

> Wall Street Pointers. Bank of England rate unchanged at

Paris closing year with money in abundance. Bank of France been ship-ping gold to London, India and Egypt.

Michigan State Railway Commission rejects demurrage rules made by Interstate Commerce Commission Structural steel active, more rails Rate Advances to S

orders, heavy specifications on loco motive and car orders.

Railroad switchmen of northwest plan seeking federal intervention by laying grievances before President Taft.

The known movements of money for the five bank statement days ending with the close of business on Wednesday, show a gain in cash by the local banks of \$1,020,000.

Financial plan of the Chicago City and connecting railways announced, whole property to be taken over on 4 per cent. basis on \$62,000,000 capitaliza-

Joseph says: Bull Gas stocks. Hold Pacifics. Get long of St. Paul at the

Amalgamated continues to display an upward trend. Smelting should do better. The Equipment stocks, Car Foundry, Locomotive, Railway Springs and Pressed Car are in line to go higher.—Financial Bulletin.

The good support suggests that important interests are concerned in making a market that will attract outsiders. Conspicuously strong are the metal stocks, which, especially Amalgamated Copper, Anaconda and Smelting and Lead, should do much better in view of merger and increased divi-dend talk.—Town Topics.

Bank of England Statement. LONDON, Dec. 30.—The weekly statement of the Bank of England shows the following changes: Total reserve, decreased £579,000; circulation, decreased £25,000; bullion, decreased £803,946; other securities, increased £10,561,000; other deposits, increased £9,224,000; public deposits, increased £1,-014,000; notes reserve, decreased £357. was so seriously burned that death 000; government securities increased

#249,000.

The proportion of the bank's reserved to liability this week is 36.42 per cent., last week it was 44.89 per cent.

On' Wall Street.

Erickson Perkins & Co. had the fole.

Erickson Perkins & Co. had the following: Stocks were frregular and in-

### National Trust Company

DIVIDEND No. 40.

Notice is hereby given that a dividend of Two Per Cent. upon the paid-up Capital stock of this Company has been declared for the Three months ending 31st December, 1909, being at the rate of Eight per cent. per annum, and that the same will be payable on and after Monday, the Third day of January next.

The Transfer Books will be closed from the 21st to the 31st of December, 1909, both days inclusive By Order of the Board

W. T. WHITE, General Manager Toronto, December 1st, 1909

#### Imperial Bank OF CANADA

HEAD OFFICE-TORONTO

World Office

HERBERT H. BALL.

# But Prices Sag at the Close

Call Money Up to 7 Per Cent., a New Record for Present Year-

World Office,
Thursday Evening, Dec. 20,
Profit-taking was responsible for a recession in prices of some of the active local listed stocks to-day.
Twin City lost about a point and two reasons were assigned for the sell-ing—one owing to nervousness in regard to the active local listed on the active local listed stocks to-day.
The nearness of the hoadays and a desire to distribute stock on such a good market.

The nearness of the hoadays and a desire to be out of speculative stocks until next week was responsible for a moderate turns. Sell out on the figuration. This, however, did not run into much volume and offerning in almost every instance were well comed at fractional reductions.

A fair amount of small investment buying was represented in to-days it ransactions, and more of this is expected, after, the dividend disburses ments at the first of the year.

Steel and Coal shares.

ell: We believe that the new preferred stock of the Chicago, Great Western, Cherapeake and Ohio, Wabash common, Consolidated and Brooklyn Union Gas, Pennsylvania and Steel, Southern
Pa ific and the low priced copper stocks
are the ones that will feel the first in

Pa ific and the low priced copper stocks are the ones that will feel the first in fluence of the renewed speculation that is in sight for the first week of the new year.

Chas. Head & Co. had the following:
There was a further advance in the influence of London. opened strong and higher. The coppers showed more animation and activity and the Boston Exchange was quite busy. Money loaned at seven per cent., with predictions, which may be realized, that to-morrow it will loan at 15 per cent. This is a temporary matter, however, and should have no effect on prices. Closing was strong, with outlook good for a fine wind-up for the year satis-Closing was strong, with outlook good for a fine wind-up for the year satisfactory to the owners of stocks.

FLURRY IN MONEY

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—The usual 160 @ 911/2 NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—The usual year-end flurry in call money took place to-day, loans going to 7 per cent. on the stock exchange during the noon hour, after opening at 5% per cent. The rise was attributed in part to belated borrowing and to the belief that early in the coming month much new financing will be engaged in.

Stocks were but slightly affected by to-day's advance in money.

WILL RESUME DIVIDEND Crow's Nest Coal Shareholders Will Rio. 25 @ 901/2

The Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company 50 @ 196 is to resume its dividend of six per

The dividend, which will be resumed subject to the directors approving the policy early next year, was discontinued a year ago last July owing to losses by fire, and because it became necessary for the mines to open up new territory. new territory.

Railroad Earnings. Increase. \$780,000 Sao Paulo. 50 @ 147½ Reading, November ..... Detroit United, 3rd week Dec..... Local Bank Clearings.

Ches. & Ohio, November The Royal Bank is this week bringing \$750,000 gold to Canada from New British Consols.

Bank of England discount rate, 4½ per cent. London call rate, 4 to 4½ per cent. Short bills, 3½ per cent. Three months' bills, 3½ to 3% per cent. New York call money, highest 7 per cent., lowest 4½ per cent., ruling rate 6 per cent., last loan 4½ per cent. Call money at Toronto, 5 to 5½ per cent.

Foreign Exchange. Glazebrook & Cronyn, Janes Building (Tel. Main 7517), to-day report exchange rates as follows: -Between Banks-

Sterling, 60 days sight.... 484.10 Sterling, demand ...... 487.80

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do. preferred	1172	17	71%	711/4	5
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Oapital Authorised \$10,000,000.00
Oapital Paid-up - 5,000,000.00
Reserve Fund - 5,000,000.00

Money Orders and Letters of SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN Shawimgan—S0, 100, 100, 75 at 103, 25 at 1034.

Dominion Coaf—100, 50 at 91.

Dominion Textile—100, 50 100 at 70.

Black Lake common—5 at 21, 25 at 21%.

Asbestes preferred—20 at 90.

Laurentide Pulp rights—37 at 9%, 60 at 9%, 5 at 9%.

Nova Scotla Steel—100, 25 at 70%, 25 at 70%, 25 at 70%, 25 at 70%, 25 at 70%.

Richelieu & Ontario Navigation—50, 50 at 94%, 75 at 94%, 25 at 94.

Rubber—60 at \$53.

Bank of Hochelaga—4 at 143.

—Afternoon Salas.—

Montreal Power—75, 90 at 125%, 5 at 136.

10 at 125%, 16 at 125%, 100 at 135%, 100 at 155%, 35 at 155%, 10 at 136.

Laurentide Pulp rights—2 at 9%.

Twin City—25 at 115%, 10 at 136.

Detroit United—100, 75 at 63%.

Shawimgan—10 at 1034, 20 at 1034.

Rubber bonds—\$2000 at 97, \$3000 at 97%.

\$500, \$500 at 98.

Black Lake Asbestos preferred—25 at 63%. TO COLLECTIONS.

SAVINGS DEPARTMENT

63%.

C.P.R. rights—24 at 10.

Dominion Steel bonds—\$5000 at 96.

Soo—50 at 141½, 50 at 142, 25 at 142½, 100 at 142½, 100 at 142, 50 at 142½, 25, 25 at 142½, 10, 10), 100 at 142.

Olio Traction—20 at 108½.

Merchants Bank—25 at 170.

Dominion Steel—25, 100, 75 at 71½, 25 at 71½, 45 at 71½.

Toronto Raliway—30 at 130, Montreal Street Railway—100, 50 at 222, 100 at 221½, 10 at 221½.

Canadidn Pacific—50 at 181½, 50 at 181½, 41 100 at 181½.

Sales to noon, 404,000: total, 699,400.

New York Cotton.

Price of Oil.

Montreal Stocks. Detroit United 1813 D. S. S. and A. 6432 Havana 

-Morning Sales.
Montreal Street Railway-55 at 223, 25, 100, 50 at 223\(\)4, 5 at 223, 50 at 223\(\)4, 5 at 223, 50 at 223\(\)4, 50 at 223\(\)4, 5 at 223, 25 at 223\(\)4, 300 at 223\(\)4, 50 at 222\(\)4, 25, 40 at 232\(\)4, 50 at 222\(\)4, 50 at 222\(\)4, 50 at 322\(\)4, 50 at 322\(\)4, 50 at 322\(\)4, 50 at 322\(\)4, 50 at 135\(\)4, 25 at 115\(\)4, 25 at 140\(\)4, 25 at 1400\(\)4, 25 at 14000\(\)4, 25 a

Soo common—15, 25, 50 at 180%, 25 at 180%.

Mexican—40 at 67½.

Dominion Steel—100 at 71½, 100, 75, 50 at 71%, 5 at 71½, 5, 50 at 71½, 50 at 71½, 5, 50 at 71½, 50 at 71½.

Toronto Raliway—75 at 125%.

Ohio Traction—25 at 36.

Dominion Steel preferred—100, 15 at 137.

Rio—100 at 90½.

Dominion Steel bonds—\$1000 at 95%, \$3000 at 95%.

Soo. 100 @ 140%

Rio. 15 @ 941/4.

Black Lake, 25 @ 21% 77 @ 21% 21000 @ 79½ 21000 @ 79½

Ashestos.

\*Preferred. zBonds.

Havana
Illinois preferred, xd.
R. & O. Nav.

Toledo
Toronto Rahway, xd..
Twin City
Ohiq Traction, xd...
B. Iz Asbestos

at 95%.
Union Bank—5 at 123½.
Montreal Power = 25 at 124¾, 300, 35, 40
at 125, 100 at 135¼, 5 at 125, 25 at 135¾,
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Motorman and Conductor Roughly Ejected a Passenger.

Thomas Gallagher conductor, and Joseph Butler, motorman, were remanded till Jan. 7, in police court yesterday

a window.

Then the motorman came to Gallagher's aid, and as McCarron was being put off the rear steps made a kick at his head, grazing his cheek. Next upon the scene was a roadmaster who suggested that McCarron pay for the window.

reason for McCarron's ejectment was that he had used foul language. The vitnesses for the prosecution were re-called and denied this. The case was then remanded to allow Gallagher and Butler to seek an additional witness. In answer to a question from Crown Attorney Corley, Superintendent Nix swore that there was no rule of the company either allowing or compelling a conductor to take up large bills, put them in the box and give a charge y be redeemed at the company's office.

100 2,700

Manufacturing and Rural Sections
Alike in Bad Way.

TOKIO, Dec. 30.—The economic situation in Japan at present is not encouraging, and its looked for revival has not arrived. As a result depression in manufacturing is great and in many agricultural sections thruout the island the outlook is gloomy. This is primarily mue to the low price of rice. is primarily rue to the low price of rice following a bounteous harvest.

The weaving industry is particularly hard hit by this depression, and a limit is being put upon production by agreement among the weavers.

storage plant next spring. Nurse Killed at Grade Crossing. BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 30.—Hurrying to the bedside of a patient, Miss Emma Teldstrum, 22, a nurse, and a companion were instantly killed at a grade crossing near Depew. Walter Lindholm was driving. The two were

Doubt Mars Canals.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—London cable despatches received here say that skepticism as to the existence of canals on Mars was shown by several well-known astronomers at a meeting. known astronomers at a meeting of the British Astronomical Association there.

Clothlers Assigned.
The Canadian Furnishing Co., tailors and clothlers, Hamilton, have assigned PITTSBURG, Fa., Dec. 30.—Oil closed to Richard Tew. A meeting of creditors is called for the 6th January.

### The Toronto **General Trusts Corporation**

MONDAY, THE THIRD DAY OF JANUARY NEXT The transfer books will be closed from Wednesday, the 15th, to Friday, the 31st of December, both days inclusive.

J. W. LANGMUIR, Managing Director. Toronto, December 14, 1909.

Chicago Subway Mailed on Application.

morning up on a charge of assaulting Frank McCarron. a passenger on their car. The evidence showed that McCarron had tendered a \$5 for his fare, it was profanely refused, McCarron says, and Gallagher declared he would put him off the car, which he (Gallagher) proceeded to do in such a way as to force the young man's head thru a window.

W. A. Wakefield, a passenger who had seen the trouble and paid McCarron's fare that he might ride in peace, confirmed the young man's story as did a little boy who had seen what happened outside the car. Another passenger told the same story thru-

DEPRESSION IN JAPAN

so heavily covered with wraps that they did not hear the train.

DIVIDEND NO. 56.

Notice is Hereby Given that a Dividend of Four Per Cent. upon the paid-up capital stock of this Corporation has been declared for the current half-year (being at the rate of cight per cent. per annum), and that the same will be payable on and after

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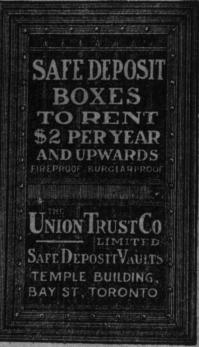
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THE STERLING BANK OF CANADA is primarily rue to the low price of rice following a bounteous harvest.

The weaving industry is particularly hard hit by this depression, and a limit is being put upon production by agreement among the weavers.

Passengers Were Joited.

A Grand Trunk shunting engine ran into the middle of the Canadian Pady morning. The express was pulling into the station and the shunter ran into the express was travelling. About track which crossed the track on which the express was travelling. About \$400 damage was done, mostly to the baggage car of the express. The passengers were badly jolted, but none were hurt.

Seals Are Numerous.

ST. JOHN'S, Nfid., Dec. 20.—Seals are numerous in the Straits of Belle Harbor this week. This is said to indicate a good spring fishing.

The board of trade, at a meeting lest night, decided to establish a big cold storage plant next spring.

THE STERLING BANK OF Canada intend to apply to the Treasury Board for a certificate lapproving of a bylaw passed by the shareholders of the said bank on the Treasury Board for a certificate lapproving of a bylaw passed by the shareholders of the said bank on the Treasury Board for a certificate lapproving of a bylaw passed by the shareholders of the said bank on the Treasury Board for a certificate lapproving of a bylaw passed by the shareholders of the said bank on the Treasury Board for a certificate lapproving of a bylaw passed by the shareholders of the said bank on the Treasury Board for a certificate lapproving of a bylaw passed by the shareholders of the said bank on the Treasury Board for a certificate lapproving of a bylaw passed by the shareholders of the said bank on the Treasury Board for a certificate lapproving of a bylaw passed by the shareholders of the said bank on the Treasury Board for a certificate lapproving of a bylaw passed by the shareholders of the treasury Board for a certificate lapproving of the said bank on the Trea

FIRE RECORD. Fifty thousand dollars' damage was done to the business centre of Cherry

Creek, N. Y. At Galveston, Texas, 2300 bales of cotton were burned; loss \$100,000.

The business section of Edinboro, Pa., was destroyed yesterday; loss An explosion in a 30,000 barrel off storage tank at Williamsburg, N. Y. endangered the \$20,000,000 plant of the

Fire did \$75,000 damage at the Dan-ally Packing Plant, Buffalo. THE

Standard Oil Co.

**Sterling Bank** 

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West Toronto—Cor. Dundas and Kee

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