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MARITIME PROVINCES
Southeast Winds Increasing to Gale
With Rain.
Temperature at 3 A. M. 51 Degrees
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J. S. STEEL DIRECTORS UNDISMAINED

In Spite of U. S. Government's Threat to Smash Steel Trust Usual Quarterly Dividend Was Declared.

THE STOCK RISING.

New York, Oct. 31.—In spite of apparently unfounded reports circulated on the stock exchange today that steps were being taken to enjoin the common dividend of the United States Steel Corporation and gossip also, that it might be reduced, the usual distribution of 1.14 per cent. on that security was declared at the last quarterly meeting of the directors after the close of the market this afternoon. There was complete accord among the directors present, it was stated after the meeting as to the payment of the regular distribution which the quarterly dividend statement showed had been earned, although no extra appropriations were made for expenditures.

Unusual interest attached to the meeting by reason of the dissolution suit recently instituted by the government against the corporation, and the latter's announced determination to oppose the proceedings but nothing definite on this subject was made public nor would the directors consent to be interviewed. Their deliberations which were preceded by the meeting of the finance committee, in relation to the immediate future formed the basis, it was said of a part of the financial statement which was for the third quarter of the year, ending September, showed earnings of \$29,222,721 with net earnings of \$22,718,157. These compare with \$28,108,529 and \$21,839,840 respectively for the quarters immediately preceding. For the corresponding quarter of 1910 earnings and net earnings were \$37,265,187 and \$31,048,725 respectively.

Practically all particulars of the statement was decidedly better than had been expected judging by estimates put out by Wall Street and steel centers. The surplus net income for the third quarter is \$2,745,494 as against \$1,869,177 in the preceding quarter, but is much below that of the same quarter last year.

The sum of \$7,500,000 was set aside for expenditures for additional property, new plants and construction. It is possible that such appropriation may be made at the end of the fourth quarter as was done last year when \$6,000,000 additional was set aside for various payments including property, construction and mining royalties, making a total for that year of \$25,000,000. Thus far this year no appropriations of this character have been made.

The course of the steel shares on the stock exchange earlier in the day reflected a degree of uncertainty, but the common stock was well supported throughout, and in the final hour advanced to 55 1/4 and 57 1/4. The stock is now practically within five points of its price on Thursday last, when announcement of the government's suit became known, and is about as much above its low price of the exciting days which followed. In fine, the stock has made up half of its decline; today's trading in the common shares aggregated 140,000 shares, or more than one-third of the total operation.

Excluding chairman Gary and President Farrell, the directors in attendance at today's meeting were, ex-President George W. Perkins, Daniel G. Reid, Norman Ream, James H. Reed, Percival Roberts, Jr., Charles Steel, P. A. B. Wildener, Robert Winsor, George Baker and E. C. Converse.

RICHESON IS INDICTED FOR MURDER

Cambridge Clergyman Must Now Stand Trial for His Life. On Charge of Poisoning Avis Linnell.

THE INDICTMENT.

Boston, Mass., Oct. 31.—On a charge of murdering Miss Avis Linnell of Hyannis, Rev. Clarence V. T. Richeson, pastor of Immanuel Baptist church, Cambridge, was indicted by the Grand Jury of Suffolk county in special session today. The indictment is on five counts.

The indictment follows in part: "The jurors on their oath present that Clarence V. T. Richeson, on the fourteenth day of October in and upon one Avis W. Linnell, feloniously, wilfully and of his malice aforethought, did make an assault and give, in some way and manner to the jurors unknown, a large quantity of a certain deadly poison, called cyanide of potassium, well knowing the same to be a deadly poison, with the intent that the said Linnell should take and swallow down into her body the cyanide of potassium so given, the said Linnell not knowing the same to be a deadly poison; by means whereof the said Linnell became sick and distempored in her body; of which said poison, so given, said Richeson, the said Linnell died.

"And so the jurors aforesaid on their oaths do say that the said Richeson, in manner and form aforesaid, and of his malice aforethought, did poison, in and upon the said Linnell, a certain deadly poison, called cyanide of potassium, well knowing it to be a deadly poison, with the intent that the said Linnell should take and swallow down into her body the cyanide of potassium so given, the said Linnell not knowing the same to be a deadly poison; by means whereof the said Linnell became sick and distempored in her body; of which said poison, so given, said Richeson, the said Linnell died.

"The second and third counts follow the same form, except that the second count alleges that Richeson caused the poison to be taken in some manner and way unknown, and the third count alleges that Richeson caused the poison to be taken involuntarily by said Linnell in some way and manner unknown."

The fourth count takes up another phase of the case, and alleges that Richeson gave Miss Linnell the poison pretending to her that it was a medicinal preparation which was necessary to her condition, and that Richeson well knowing the same not to be such a medicinal preparation, and well knowing it to be a deadly poison.

The fifth count is practically like the others, but closes thus: "The jurors further say that all the counts in this indictment are different descriptions of the same act."

What New Brunswick Can Do In the Line of Apple Culture



One of the finest and most distinctive displays at the New Brunswick Apple Show now being held in St. Andrew's Rink.

NOTE OF OPTIMISM THE FEATURE OF THE ANNUAL BANQUET OF FRUIT-MEN

Possibilities of This Province as Centre of Apple Culture Theme of Enthusiastic Addresses. Visiting Fruit Experts from Other Provinces Eulogize Government of New Brunswick's Policy of Development of Agricultural Resources.

The spirit of optimism which has seized upon the people of the Province of New Brunswick was abundantly manifest at the annual banquet of the New Brunswick Fruit Growers' Association, held in the Victoria Hotel last evening. All the speakers expressed their confidence in the future of fruit raising and agriculture in general, and many referred appreciatively to the part played by the provincial department of agriculture in developing that faith and pride in our resources which is causing such interest in matters agricultural in New Brunswick.

After everybody had enjoyed the feast, the chairman rose and called upon the members composing it at present, but it would take too long to repeat in full the names of those who were present. Then the chairman proposed to the local legislature, and with the names of W. Frank Hatheway, M. P., and A. R. Slipp, M. P., in doing so, he spoke appreciatively of the local government and encouragement given to the fruit growers by the local government and members of the legislature.

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At four o'clock T. Carleton Allen announced that no protests had been entered. Premier Fleming and G. Earle Logan left for St. John this afternoon at five o'clock in an automobile, but were forced to return on account of a breakdown. The Premier was scheduled to speak at the Apple Banquet in St. John.

Mr. Lemieux Blames It on Father Vaughan. Montreal, Oct. 31.—Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux, Sir Wilfrid's right hand man in the Province of Quebec, made his first speech since September 21 to-night at a meeting of the St. Louis Liberal Club. After declaring that the Liberals had at least carried six provinces out of nine the speaker said that it is prejudice not reason that had won the day for the Conservatives and given them their overwhelming majority in Ontario.

Col. McLean and His Agents Threatened to File Petitions Against Conservative Members but Feared Reprisals. SAW OFF ARRANGED. Special to The Standard. Fredericton, Oct. 31.—There will be no protests in New Brunswick. A saw off was arranged and no election petitions were filed. Col. H. H. McLean, M. P., Oscar Ring, his official agent, C. Herbert McLean, his brother, and campaign organizer, and Dr. L. A. Curry, K. C., his attorney, were here all day yesterday armed with petitions to file against O. S. Crockett, M. P., Geo. W. Fowler, M. P., and Thomas H. Hartt, M. P. G. Earle Logan, of St. John, and R. B. Hanson had petitions to file against Col. McLean, Hon. Wm. Pugsley, M. P., and Frank B. Carvell, M. P. Shortly before four o'clock, the hour on which the Registrar, T. C. Allen, closes his office, an agreement was reached whereby petitions were not filed.

WILL PROBE THE TICKET SCANDAL. Chicago, Ill., Oct. 31.—The national baseball commission will meet in Cincinnati November 14 to begin an investigation into alleged ticket scalping in connection with the recent world's series. This was announced to-night by E. E. Johnson, president of the American league and member of the national commission.

STILL WORKING ON THE M'NAMARA JURY. It will be Weeks Before Men Can be Secured to Try Men Accused in Los Angeles Bomb Case. Los Angeles, Oct. 31.—Three more (talents) were needed tonight to fill the jury box in the James B. McNamee murder case, which is being tried in the Los Angeles Superior court. It is understood the railway authorities will hold an investigation in Montreal tomorrow, at which the responsibility of employees in the matter will be considered.

MR. PUGSLEY TO REST IN ATLANTIC CITY. New York, N.Y., Oct. 31.—Hon. Wm. Pugsley, the former minister of public works, accompanied by Mrs. Pugsley, reached the city today on the way to Atlantic City for a brief rest. The ex-minister said his visit was merely for a brief rest. He added that he would be at his seat in parliament on November 14th.

SHAVED OFF THEIR QUEUE. San Francisco, Cal., Oct. 31.—Two hundred and forty Chinese members of a crew of a passenger ship plying between this city and Oriental ports, voluntarily had their queues shaved off here today as an expression of their opposition to the Manchurian regime.

YUAN SHI KAI HAS FEARS FOR HIS OWN LIFE

Will Take No Chances in Peking While There is Possibility of Decapitation at Regent's Pleasure.

MORE CONCESSIONS.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 31.—Yuan Shi Kai, the dominating force in China, will return to Peking in answer to the imperial summons only when the prince regent voluntarily relinquishes the power to now enjoy of condemning any Chinese subject to instant execution without trial. That is the prevalent belief among Washington officials, some of whom express confidence that the troops will yield to the demands of the national assembly and relinquish this power. Otherwise it might be very unsafe for Yuan Shi Kai or any other Chinese noble to place themselves within the power of the throne. The Chinese army is far from satisfied with the extent of the concessions made by the throne yesterday. The dissatisfaction has spread among the troops so that in addition to those in the immediate neighborhood of Peking who forced the regent by backing up the demands of the national assembly, large bodies of soldiers in other provinces have given their adherence to the demands of the troops at Tuan Chow. Yuan Shi Kai has less than 15,000 men in Cheng Tung province and 4,000 in Pooting.

BERDICT IN SACKVILLE ACCIDENT

C. R. Management Scored for Authorizing Signal System-Resulting in Accident Which Killed Melanson.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

Special to The Standard. Moncton, Oct. 31.—At the request held before Coroner Dr. Callin, at Sackville today, on the body of Fireman Frank C. Melanson, who was killed and cremated in the rear end collision on Monday morning, considerable conflicting testimony was given. That is the prevalent belief among Washington officials, some of whom express confidence that the troops will yield to the demands of the national assembly and relinquish this power. Otherwise it might be very unsafe for Yuan Shi Kai or any other Chinese noble to place themselves within the power of the throne. The Chinese army is far from satisfied with the extent of the concessions made by the throne yesterday. The dissatisfaction has spread among the troops so that in addition to those in the immediate neighborhood of Peking who forced the regent by backing up the demands of the national assembly, large bodies of soldiers in other provinces have given their adherence to the demands of the troops at Tuan Chow. Yuan Shi Kai has less than 15,000 men in Cheng Tung province and 4,000 in Pooting.

WICKERSHAM FAVORS PLAN. U. S. Attorney General Not Averse to Proposal of Dissolution Made by the American Tobacco Company. New York, Oct. 31.—The end was reached late today in the arguments which have been made for the past two days before the United States Circuit Court for and against the plan of dissolution filed by the American Tobacco Company. Judges Lacombe, Noyes, Cox and Ward took the case under advisement. A decree is expected within a few days, determining whether the much discussed plan is in accordance with the mandate of the Supreme Court of the United States, which held the American Tobacco Company to be an illegal combination in restraint of trade, and ordered that the trust be disintegrated so as to restore competition in the tobacco industry.

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