25 KING ST. E. TORORTO

Notice is hereby given that a quarterly dividend at the rate of eight per cent. (8 per cent.) per annum for the three months ending December 31st, 1909, has been declared upon the Capital Stock of this Company, together with a bonus of two per cent. (2 per cent.) for the year 1909, making a total dividend disbursement for the year of tem per cent. (10 per cent.). The said dividend and bonus will be payable at the office of the Company in this city on and after January 1st, 1910.

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1910.

The Transfer Books of the
Company will be closed from
the 20th to the 31st of December, both days inclusive.

E. R. WOOD,
Managing Director.
Toronto, December 15th, 1909.

We Advise the purchase of

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MORE TRADE WITH BELGIUM

New King Knows This Country and Will Likely Encourage Commerce.

OTTAWA, Dec. 20.— (Special.)—Henri Ketels, Belgium consul-general here, is of opinion that the new king will do considerable to encourage additional trade with Canada. His majesty made a tour of this country from sea to sea some years ago, traveling incognito. Canada exports and imports with Helgium now aggregate six million dollars. Belgium touys from Canada wheat, agricultural implements, pulp, furs, aspestos, copper and fish, and sells to Canada large quantities of glass, firearms and other special lines.

YOUNG TRAPPER MISSING John Main Probably Drowned-Brake

man Terribly Injured. NORTH BAY, Dec. 20 .- (Special.)-John Main, aged 20, who worked at Tomiko Mills, 27 miles north of North Bay all summer, left Tomiko ten days ago to set some traps, and has disap-leared. It is thought he was drown-

Geo. Witherup, aged 18, of Creemore, G.T.R. brakeman, while switching at Callendar this morning fell beneath the wheels. He was brought to North Pay Hospital, and one leg amputated while the other has a compound frac-

turc. He may live.

Fire in Lindsay and McCluskey's

Main street block did \$1000 damage.

MARK TWAIN'S HEALTH

Has an Allment of Left Breast That is Troubling Him.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—"That was a poker game in which Major Gomer got all I had; now he comes back at mo and wants all I have left," said Samuel Clemens (Mark Twain) to-day when told of the invitation of Major Conter of St. Louis to play off at his home on Christmas a cuchre game that began in 1865 and lasted four years. Mr. Clemens had just arrived from Ber-

muda to-day.

Matthias Dougherty, the third surviving member of the st. Louis Euchre Club, has been invited to join in the

Shealding in a serious vein, 'Mr. Clemens said: "I have been an advocate of the cause of woman's suffrage for fifty years. The aged humorist said he was suf-fering with an ailment in the left breast which had been troubling him

for some time. He is quoted as saying that his life's work was nearing the end.

More Private Bills. The Bruce Mines and Algoma Railway Co. are applying to the legislature for a five years' extension of the time within which they are required, under the conditions of their incorporation, to commence construction of their line. Their time is up on May 1, 1910. The Township of Tay seeks conformation of bylaw 582 and of an agree ment entered into in conformity there-to, to fix the assessment of the proper-

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MOVEMENTS ARE NARROW

Wall Street Has Busy Day and FeW Made Profits-Toronto Market Quiet, With Irregularities.

World Office, Monday Evening, Dec. 20. ments at the Toronto Stock Exchange to-day were very irregular. Prices of some of the speculative issues

Navigation was unexpected, altho investors figure that the shares are worth 125 in comparison with the rest of the

merger, outside holders are somewhat nomplused. The steel holders ngure that common stock is selling at an abnormal price and Montreal and local holders of the shares were willing to cash in at to-day's prices. The unfortunate part of to-day's proceedings was that the would-be steel sellers had a hard market to deal with and that sales of the stock were not courted. On the whole the market was steady to firm, the only exception being a weakness in Mexicans.

Wall Street Pointers. Dividend on Nickel Plate common is

Market fairly active and steady for finished steel, with raw material easy. Some revival in pig-fron expected at the New Year.

General market quiet and inactive, but Copper stocks show firm tone.

Traffic officials of the western rail-

roads reported another good week as far as general tonnage is concerned.

Tates as follows:

-Between Banks.
Buyers. Sellers. Counter.

N. Y. funds.... 1-22 dis. 1-64 dis. ½ to ½

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Cable trans... 9% 9 22-32 10 3-16 10 5-16

-Rates in New York.
Actual. Posted. St. Paul, Atchison or B. R. T. may safely be made. There are others, for instance, the Hawley group will not hang back, while the Steels, Denvers and Coppers will again take the spotlight. Do not sell Reading except for turns, then let it be on firm spots. Consolidated Gas will not let the bears escape. Bull St. Paul.

United States Steel is to go much higher. Consolidated Gas should do better. Union Pacific is going to be pushed against the shorts. We think Southern Pacific may be bought on reactions.—Financial Bulletin.

The bank statement was favorable enough to justify buildsh operations in the campaign for higher prices, and even the moderate amount of outside buying expected is likely to cause a canadian Salt

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The company will soon move the manufacturing plants from high price city property to Long Island and the city property to Long Island and the Consolidated will form a company to take over the vacated property and distribute the stock as a 50 per cent, dividend to the Consolidated stockholders.

On Wall Street.

Erickeon Perkins & Co. had the following: Trading on stocks to-day partook largely of a holiday character with a disposition on the part of the pools to slow down. Their chief idea appeared to be to keep the market steady. This was facilitated by the bidding up of half a dozen specialties. For some days past we have advised confining one's operations largely to specialties and low-priced issues. Look for similar movements to-morrow. Wall street is always skeptical of such predictions. Indications point to a quiet, but on the whole, steady market between now and Christmas, with of course some set-backs. Buy only on drives.

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Molsons active, but were not in any sense weak.

We believe that the market will be quiet and strong for the immediate future.

Charles Head & Co. to R. R. Standard.

under the lead of London quotations.
The market is still a narrow, professional affair and is well in the hands of the leaders. We do not look for much activity or change, except possibly in specialties, before the holidays.
Closing was at a slight recession, but we still believe the market a purchase on all weak spots, for sale of rallies.

Railroad Eagure.

GALT, Dec. 20.—(Special.)—Mrs. Anhie Harvey, late of Galt, is dead at
Newwork, N.J., from lockjaw, caused by
an abrasica on the hand.
Miss Nahrgang of Galt died at London under treatment.

Dr. Robert May Illiams is 200.

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Money Markets.

The Toronto **General Trusts Corporation**

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

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. By order of the Board

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

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PRICES WILLADVANCE IF SPECULATORS KEEP OUT.

World Office

Monday Evening, Dec. 20.

The income in deposits with Canadian chartered banks during the month of November should be sufficient to inculcate a bullish disposition on Canadian securities of intrinsic worth. Intrinsic value is of such a wide conception under present conditions that features of actual merit are unrecognized, and to-day's Toronto market responded only in a slight measure to the almost remarkable increase in deposits shown in the November statement of the Canadian banks. The situation, if it can be judged by surface events, is this: that the present plenitude of money has been expected by the big financial interests, and that these are willing to cash in on speculative stocks, while there is a market at good prices. Between the investment buying and the speculative buying there is a chasm that can be only measured by the extreme market movements. While public sentiment and holidays are bullishly inclined, some intervention is taking place not entirely satisfactory to holders. The only way to advance prices in local stocks is for speculators to leave the market absolutely alone. HERBERT H. BALL.

months' bills, 3% to 3 15-16 per cent. New York call money, hig est 5 per cent., lowest, 4½ per cent., last loan 4% per cent. Call money at Toronto, 5 to 5½ per cent. Foreign Exchange,

Sterling, 60 days sight.... 484.55 Sterling, demand 488 British Consols.

Toronto Stocks.

buying expected is likely to cause a sharp advance. From a trading standpoint we would not buy on the buiges now, but on any soft spot we believe there will be fair profits during the next day or two on the long side of the leading standard Ralis, the Steel issues and Smelting and Coppers.—Town Topics.

Conscildated Gas Melon.

NEW YORK. Dec. 20.—A financial "melon" involving a \$50,000,000 stock distribution is said to-day to be planned by the Consolidated Gas Company, the local lighting company.

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do. preferred 100 \$9%

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Toronto Mortgage

-Bonds.-83 Rio, 1st mortgage Sao Paulo

5 @ 68 \$5000 @ 80½z

Tor. Rails. 50 @ 126% 25 @ 126%

Nor. Nav. 5 @ 121% 75 @ 122

La Rose. 100 @ 495 80 @ 490

Asbestos.

Sao Paulo.

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Rogers. 15 @ 1461/2 25 @ 111* 10 @ 110* Imperial. 15 @ 228 26 @ 230

Dul. Sup. 10 @ 671/2 150 @ 671/4 C.P.R. rts. 3 @ 10 Standard. Nipissing. 50 @ 10.80 N.S Steel. 2 @ 83 Dom Tel.

Laurentide Pulp-5, 50 at 125%.
Ogilyle-Milling pref.-15 at 126.
Dominion Textile-5 at 70.
Halifax St. Ry., xd.-25 at 125.
Dominion Coal pref.-5 at 117, 6 at 118, at 118%, 5 at 120.
Shawinigan-10 at 101.

-Afternoon Sales.

Lake of the Woods—50, 10 at 125.

Crown Reserve—100 at 450.

Twin City—25, 25, 1 at 1134, 15 at 113.

Mcntreal St. Ry.—2 at 214.

Laurentide Pulp, xd.—5 at 68.

C.P.R. rig. ts—68, 25, 18 at 9%, 1 at 10.

Toronto St. Ry.—5 at 1253.

Shawingah—25 at 100%.

Montreal H., L. & P.—28 at 120%, 100 a 31, 5 at 120%, 50, 70 at 131.

Merchants' Bank—7 at 170.

Soo, common—25 at 123%.

Illinois Trac., pref.—25 at 32.

Dom. Textile—100 at 71.

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Montreal Stocks. Buy. 179% 65 67 121 94½ 91% 91 67¼ 89% 146

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Illinois, pref., xd
Mackay, com., xd
Mexican L. & P.

Union Bank—40 at 138.

Can. Pac., rights—40 at 9%, 1 at 10%, 6 at 10.

Montreal Cotton—4 at 128.

Dominion Steel, pref.—25 at 136.

Dominion Coal—100, 30 at 92.

Ohio—10 at 35%.

Canadian Pacific—10 at 130.

Richelieu & Ontario—50 at 83%.

Amalgamated Asbestos—20 at 30.

Mexican P. & L. bonde—\$5000 at 30%, and interest.

Dominion Iron—10 at 70½, 10, 100 at 70, 5, 75 at 70%, 75 at 70%.

Dominion Textile—2000 at 95½, 2000 at 96. Canadian Pacific—25 at 180.

Dominion Coal—75 at 91½, 50, 5 at 92½, 18

NEW YORK STOCKS.

Erickson Perkins & Co. (Beaty & Glass-co), 14 West King-street, report the fol-towing fluctuations in the New York market: Open. High. Low. Cl. Sales.

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do. pref ... Sales to moon, 385,600.

like an ordinary timber sale. would mean the end of the park. LIVERYMAN SOLD A FLASK

BROCKVILLE, Dec. 20.-(Special.)-BRCCKVII LE, Dec. 20.—(Special.)—
Two provincial sleuths, accompanied Provincial Meens, a local option town. A big poultry fair was on in the town, and in the biting coid weather the detectives suggested to Pavid Chant, Meeryman, the desirability of getting something warm. He accommodated them with a flask of whiskey, for 75 cents. Chant to-day paid a fine of \$100 and costs. He is a livery keeper and his partner Leggett is to toe the mark on Wednesday and will fight.

TRUSTEES, RECEIVERS AND LIQUIDATORS

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SCOTT STREET

—TORONTO—

Interrupted the Preacher.

OTTAWA, Dec. 20.—During a sermon on socialism by Rev. Dr. Henderson in Deminion Methodist Church last

U. S. Ambassadors and Ministers WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—President Tast to-day sent to the senate the fol-lowing nominations of ambassadors.

ister and consul general to the Doican Republic.

Cupid and Santa Claus Together, MONTREAL, Dec. 20.—Along with two hundred tons of Christmas boxes

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DIVIDEND NOTICES.

The Imperial Loan & Invest-ment Company of Canada DIVIDEND 80.

NOTICE is hereby given that a dividend at the rate of five per cent. per snrum on the paid-up Capital Stock of this Company has been this day declared for the half-year ending 31st December, and the same will be payable on and after the 3rd day of January, 1910.

The Transfer Books will be closed from the 2nd to the 31st December, both days inclusive.

By order.

THOS. T. ROLPH, Secretary.

New York Cotton.

Cotton Reports.

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WILL HOLD CONFERENCE

41,200 3,007 3,100 Dissatisfaction With Rondeau Park Peforestation to be Straightened Out. Neil Watson of Mull, Kent County, one of the chief opponents of the On- 8 and 20 Kin 8 13t, Toronto tario Government's reforestration

scheme for Rondeau Park, which is being carried on under the supervision 800 of Prof. Zavitz of Guelph, has been re-quested by the minister of lands, for-600 ests and mines to come to Toronto and state his case. Prof. Zavitz has also been asked to be present. It is understood that the interview will take place within the next two or three days.

Prof. Fernow of the University of Toronto forestry faculty stated yesttrday that the whole question was one of point of view. A lumberman would of course take all the good timber in the party. A exception forestry ber in the park. A scientific forester would work with a view to a constant supply. From the viewpoint of a park manager, little would be cut. He thought it a pity to handle the matter

IS FINED \$100 AND COSTS.

lowing nominations of ambassadors and ministers:

Ambassadors—Robert Bacon of New York, to France; Richard C. Kerens of Missouri, to Austria-Hungary; Henry Lane Wilson of Washington, to Mexico.

Ministers—Charles Page Bryan of Illinois, to Belgium; Wm. James Calhoun of Illinois, to China; Henry P. Metcher of Pennsylvania, to Chili; Henry T. Gage of California, to Portuugal; R. S. Reynolds Hitt of Illinois, to Panama; John B. Jackson of New Jersey, to Cuba; Fenton R. McCreery of Michigan, to Honduras; Edwin V. Morgan of New York, to Paraguay; Charles W. Russell of the District of Columbia, to Persia; Laurite s. invensor of Minmesota, to Switzerland; Horace G. Knowles of Delaware, minister and consul general to the Domin-

Negro Outlaw's Finish.

ABBEVILLE, La., Dec. 20.—Roy Chare, 2 negro desperado, ki led himself after a chase losting since Tuesday last when the negro that Officers Holley and Thomas. At the entrance to the Chectawhatchie Swamp a hundred men surrounded the negro. Wounded, barefooted and tired he placed the barrel of his shotgun to his breast and pushed the trigger with his toes. His body was then tied to a buggy and dragged to Abbeville and placed in the court house, where it lay for several hours. for several hours.

which came out on the Tunisian for Canada are fourteen blushing trides. They are all from England and are on their way to all parts of Canada. In most cases their bushands have been here one year and have made good in that time.

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LONDON, Dec. 29.—Telegraphic money orders up to £40 may be sent thru the postoffice to Canada and the United States for 1s. 1d.

Cantata for the Poor. Westmoreland Junior League will hold their annual capatata on Tuesday next, Dec. 21. All the proceeds are going to the poor of Dovercourt as Christmas cheer.

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