

Another Range of Low Records Made in New York Market

Fear of Further Trust Busting Keeps Sentiment Depressed

Increased Nervousness Shown in Market Over Anti-Trust Campaign—Investors Are Selling—Toronto Market Quietly Steady.

NEW YORK, Sept. 20.—Wall-street showed increasing nervousness to-day as to the intentions of the government in regard to the enforcement of the anti-trust law. Selling of stocks was conducted on a scale which seemed to indicate that some investors were in fear of further dissolution proceedings against large corporations. This was notably true of United States Steel, which once more was called upon to shoulder the heaviest burden. The preferred stock and bonds gave way, the former selling at 110-1/4, the latter at 100, the lowest since 1908. The common also reached a new low point on the year, 82-1/4, the lowest in each case exceeding three points.

Elsewhere in the market declines were general. The chief losses were among the industrials, running as high as five points. Railroad stocks in point cases declined little more than a point. On a late rally the railroad shares recovered their losses and a partial recovery was effected among the industrials.

Announcement to-day that the government would permit the International Harvester Co. without a dissolution suit, to adapt itself to the Sherman Law, while affecting that stock adversely at the time, did not serve to bring about a better feeling, but, on the contrary, was followed by the heaviest selling of the day.

The attack on United States Steel was assisted by the reports of impending reductions in wages at Steel mills. Steel men were said to have abandoned hope of a stiffening of prices this fall and to have decided that a substantial lowering in wages was inevitable. Steel prices now average about \$7 a ton below the rates prevailing in the year of 1907, and the reduction has been made with no corresponding decline in the scale of wages. The weekly trade reviews reported a further falling off in business, together with some new price concessions.

The copper shares showed marked weakness to-day on statements in regard to the abandonment of efforts to restrict production.

World Office, Wednesday Evening, Sept. 20. The Toronto stock market continued to move in the even tenor of its way throughout to-day's session, trading being of a restricted nature, and price changes in consequence showing no feature of any note.

Speculation was at a low ebb, due to the interest being shown in the elections, and brokers were too busy over the political contest to show any activity in the stock exchange.

There was no news of any account in brokerage offices and the trend of prices was taken as purely tentative. Wall-street continued in the throes of a bear movement, new low prices for the year being recorded in the New York Exchange. The European situation was clouded, but the decline in the London market and the fact that Canada got down to a new low record did not influence sentiment here to any appreciable extent, and no selling was engendered by such bearish factors as came in over the wire.

A point advance in Winnipeg Railway was the only price alteration of any consequence in the Toronto market. Rumor had it that some announcement regarding the deal between the city and the road would be forthcoming in the return of Sir William Mackenzie from the west, but this lack of confirmation was set down as being for market effect.

Rio did not hold its high price of yesterday, the shares decidedly quiet between 112 and a quarter of a point higher. Toward the close the price sagged a little, when the stock was offered at 112-1/2, with 112 bid.

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CLOSED FOR ELECTIONS.

The members of the Toronto and Montreal Stock Exchanges have voted to close their markets to-day over the elections. The mining exchanges will remain open as usual.

POSTPONED THE DIVIDEND.

NEW YORK, Sept. 20.—Directors of N. Y. Air Brake Co. took no action on dividend at meeting to-day, but President Harburt stated that action might be taken any time within next 30 days.

SITTING DOWN ON TRUST BUSTING.

CHICAGO, Sept. 20.—It is reported that permission has been granted the International Harvester Co. to voluntarily dissolve and reorganize in conformity with the law.

OCTOBER DIVIDENDS.

NEW YORK, Sept. 20.—Investors will receive next month the sum of \$30,000,000, representing dividends and interest disbursements. This compares with \$17,415,894 a year ago, or an increase of \$12,584,106.

BRITISH CONSOLS SET ANOTHER NEW RECORD.

LONDON, Sept. 20.—Consols fell to another unprecedented low record this morning, reaching 75-1/2. This was attributed to the forced selling of an important firm of bill brokers to meet losses incurred in the sharp rise in discount rates. After the shake-out, consols recovered to 76-1/2.

RISE IN ENGLISH BANK RATE GENERALLY PREDICTED.

LONDON, Sept. 20.—A rise in the bank rate to 10 per cent is generally expected, but the market is undecided whether an advance of one-half or one per cent will be imposed. The latter is advocated in some quarters as a measure to protect the reserve and obviate the necessity for a further advance in the autumn gold exports are in full swing.

Price Changes Irregular, With Some Advances and Declines Shown.

MONTREAL, Sept. 20.—Trading on the Montreal stock market to-day was on the quiet side, and the tone of the market was irregular. Montreal Street, after selling at 229, eased off to 229-1/4, with 229 bid and 229-1/4 asked at the close. Toronto Raily sold at 112-1/2, with 112-1/2 bid and 112-1/4 asked at the close. Ex-rights at 130. There was some speculation in Detroit United, under which the price declined to 64, recovering to 66-1/4. Steel Corporation eased off to 62-1/2, with that figure bid and 62-1/4 asked at the close. Cement common was strong, selling at 24-1/2, with the last sale at 24-1/2 and 24-1/4 bid at the close.

ON WALL STREET.

Erickson Perkins & Co. had the following: The stock market was quiet, with United States Steel issues—bonds as usual, but freely pressed for sale. The bonds broke two points to par on sales of eleven bonds. The preferred stock also declined in a way that made it seem as if certain holders were being closed out. Other stocks showed similar sacrifice. This appeared to be over before the end of the last hour, and there was some inclination to rally, under the lead of the railroads. It was very apparent to-day that United States Steel makes the market, and that as it goes so go others. A fall from 67 to 62-1/2 in two days is sufficient to attract general attention. It is fairly good to see that the steel trade is shrinking. Now this is ominous to all. It is a question of further price cutting and perhaps reduction of wages, in order to make ends meet. However, we have not yet to pessimistic. The big company is handling a large business and consumption of steel by the general public is fairly good. Unfortunately the railroads are buying scarcely anything in this line. It would seem that the general railroad list is ready to cut loose from the steel share the moment fundamental conditions show any sign of improvement. But in this case steel stocks would also improve. Fundamental conditions are not good.

(Chas. Head & Co. to R. R. Donaghy.) Market opened unsettled for the industrial and steel steadily dropped one point to 64, while Harburt sold below 100, with new low records on this movement. The railroad issues held fairly steady. Union Pacific lost 1-1/2, but rallied a point. Atchafalaya net for the day and seemed to be in demand. Erie gained 5-8 and seems to be constantly absorbed. Canadian Pacific gained two points. One of the leading journals stated that prices for steel products were now lower than in any year since 1907. The Canadian Pacific lowered, with the railroads making relatively a better showing. We still bearish on the situation and Harburt's occasional rallies on the stock market. We should still prefer the short side.

THE DOMINION BANK

Notice is hereby given that a dividend of Three Per Cent. has been declared upon the Capital Stock of this institution for the quarter ending 30th September, 1911, being at the rate of Twelve Per Cent. Per Annum, and that the same will be payable at the Head Office of the Bank and its Branches on and after Monday, the 2nd day of October, 1911, to shareholders of record of 30th September, 1911.

By order of the Board,
C. A. BOGERT,
General Manager.

Toronto, 25th August, 1911.

THE STOCK MARKETS

TORONTO STOCK MARKET

Sept. 19.	Sept. 20.	Sept. 20.
Ask.	Bid.	Ask.
Air Brake com.	66 1/2	66 1/2
Black Lake com.	9 1/2	9 1/2
do. preferred	88	88
do. B.	90	90
do. C.	90	90
do. D.	90	90
do. E.	90	90
do. F.	90	90
do. G.	90	90
do. H.	90	90
do. I.	90	90
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do. V.	90	90
do. W.	90	90
do. X.	90	90
do. Y.	90	90
do. Z.	90	90

Open Steel Market

Now Recognized

Dramatic Price Cutting of Recent Weeks Acknowledged—Trade Drags Heavily.

The Iron Age, the official organ of the steel and iron industry in the United States, will say in its issue to-day: Taking the steel industry as a whole the past week has brought little change in volume of orders or in prices. Rumors of further cut on this or that product have been sifted down to what the trade has known well for weeks, that there is actually an open market in iron and steel. The reports that some large producers had given free hand to salesmen in their respective districts scarcely need denying yet in some lines their effect was evidently unsettling. The wire trade appears to stand alone in the effort to establish higher prices. The foundry pig iron market drifts on, without any promise of greater activity.

Paris Selling in London Market

Heavy Liquidation Depresses Old Country Exchange—Americans Easier.

LONDON, Sept. 20.—The supply of money was plentiful to-day, but discount rates hardened. The stock market opened weak on Paris selling. Consols declined five-sixths to 75-1/2, a new low record, under forced liquidation. The weakness was followed by a sharp recovery on rumors of a settlement of the Morocco question. Berlin bought freely and covering was general, but the market closed irregular owing to renewed offerings from Paris. Consols recovered and closed at 76-1/4.

American Securities Opened Weak and Market Improved on Berlin Buying.

but when the demand subsided, the demand eased off again, mainly on Wall-street offerings. On the late trading values hardened a fraction, but the closing was uncertain.

Cotton Markets

Erickson Perkins & Co. (J. G. Beatty), 14 West King street, report the following prices on the New York cotton market:

COTTON LOWER

Prices Break to New Low Records on General Liquidation.

Erickson Perkins & Co. had the following: Prices broke to new low levels for the day during to-day's session, accompanied by general selling for long and short account. Speculation was rampant, and predictions of extreme low prices were freely circulated. The weakest feature in the market is the enormous selling for the Southern account, which is breaking the markets. The demand continues small, leaving the future markets to be the brunt of the pressure arising from the rapid movement. Short crop reports are abundant, and general dissatisfaction is growing across. Bullish manipulators seem to have abandoned their position, and if now looks as the prices must recede well below where trade buying will be stimulated sufficiently to absorb receipts.

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Tractions in London.

The southern traction issues were quoted as follows in the London market (Toronto equivalent):

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N. Y. Stocks Still Above Low for 1910

Comparison of Present Prices With Those of July 28 Last and 1907 Panle.

There was a renewal of "slient liquidation" on the New York Stock Exchange yesterday, and under heavy selling prices broke thru to new low records for the present year in many of the active issues. Despite this fact, however, values are still higher than those reached in the decline of last year, which culminated on July 28, when the low records for 1910 were made. Compared with prices during the panic of 1907, present quotations are now no less than 65% higher. The following tabulation shows a comparison of prices for the three periods of depression:

Yest. July 28. Panic

Low, 1910, of 1907.

Am. Copper 24 3/4 29 3/4 41%

Am. Loco. 24 29 31%

Am. Steel 24 29 31%

Am. Sugar 24 29 31%

Am. Tobacco 24 29 31%

Am. Tea 24 29 31%

Am. Coffee 24 29 31%

Am. Rice 24 29 31%

Am. Wheat 24 29 31%

Am. Corn 24 29 31%