Canadian Pacific. Although this stock has great possibilities, it may be questioned whether investment holders are benefitted by a too rapid advance. When they see a jump of 5 points followed immediately by another of the same extent, they become unsettled and think of selling. Whereas if the market for the stock kept steady there would not be the same temptation to sell. It seems altogether likely that a further issue of common stock will be necessary for advisable in a comparatively short time. Although the earnings are increasing very rapidly it is open to question whether the management will increase the dividend at present, in view of the large amount of new securities that the company will have to put out. It would seem to be the wisest policy to leave the 10 per cent. dividend unchanged, and, when Parliamentary authority is secured, to issue new stock at 150 or 175. The increasing earnings would apparently easily take care of the new stock. If such an issue were decided upon, say in the course of five or six months,

it might possibly be for \$40,000,000, or one new share in five. The rights pertaining to such an issue would be valuable. And while the Street thinks the issue is likely to be made it is not to be expected that the stock will show protracted weakness.

## THE CIRCULATING MEDIUM AS A BAROMETER.

On July 14, 1911, THE CHRONICLE published a table showing the fluctuations of the Dominion's circulating medium from the end of 1908 to May 31, 1911. The table gave the amount of bank and government notes in the hand of the general public for each month-end during that period. To arrive at these figures it has been necessary to deduct from the bank notes appearing as outstanding in the Government statements the amounts of "other banks' notes" held by the banks; and also the Dominion notes held by the banks have been deducted

## CANADIAN NOTE FLUCTUATIONS, 1909-12.

(Exclusive to The Chronicle).

	BANK NOTES.			GOVERNMENT NOTES.			Total Bank and Government	ntage e cve pond nth
	Outstanding	Held by Banks	Held by Public	Outstanding	Held by Banks	Held by Public	Notes held by Public	Percentage increase over correspond- ing month of
			8	8	8	\$	\$	
1912.	\$	\$	87.918.404	113,443,633	96,735,322	16,708,311	104,626,715	18.0
arch	95,918,404	*8,000,000		114,063,407	98,074,887	15,988,520	96,999,692	12.3
bruary	88,920,598	7,909,426			96,968,469	16,220,410	96,172,293	15.0
nuary	88,065,521	8,113,638	79,951.883	113,188,879	30,300,400	10,000		
1911.					97.657.488	17,492,261	108,040,373	15.8
cember	102,037,305	11,489,193		115,149,749	99,300,852	16.485,433	108,435,818	11.6
vember	101.943,056	9,992,671		115,786,285	86.015.960	18,714,646	111,768,852	8.3
tober	105,855,021	12,800,815		104,730,606		20,288,075	106,887,561	12.
ptember	97.197.176	10.597,690		103,409,329	83,121,254	17.674.512	99,370,435	12.
ptember	90.630.530	8.934,607	81.695,923	102,559,994	84,885,482		95.707.521	8.
igust	89.018.079	9,341,633	79,676,446	100,431,110	84,400,035	16,031,075	96,192,433	9.
ly	88,618,699	8.136,744	80,481,955	99,308,945	83,598,467	15,710,478	89.427.171	6.
ne	81.862,218	8.082,999	73,779,219	98,314,348	82,666,396	15,647,952	90.027.405	4.
ay	81,862,218	7.828.159	75,818,929	90,632,421	76,423,945	14,208,476	88.644.579	5.
oril		7,411,316	74.527,137	89,994 270	75,877,128	14,117,142		
arch	81,938,753	7.518.338	72,409,417	89,283,079	75.297.677	13,985,402	86,394,849	
bruary	79,927,785		70.056 324	89,456,107	75,886,564	13,569,543	83,625,870	4.
nuary	77,110,971	7,054,644	10,000,021	33,430,101	10,000,0			6.
1910.			E0 004 419	90.722.905	76,007,087	14,715,818	93,320,230	1
cember	87,694,840	9,090,428	78,604,412	91,796,727	76,970,214	14.826,513	97,168,727	
vember	90,165,730	7,823,516	82,342,214	92,145,478	76.646.364	15,499,114	103,332,974	
tober	95,992,866	8,159,006	87,833,860	92,119,996	76,695,936	15,424,060	94,949,882	
ptember	87,256,332	7,730,510	79,525,822		77.215.840	14,113,712	88,669,580	
igust	81,321,439	6,765,571	74,555,868	91,329,552	75,216,315	14.891.047	88,500,098	13.
ly	80.929.290	7.320,239	73,609,051	90,107,362	74.349,645	14,936,083	87,695,665	13.
ine		7.022,049	72,759,582	89,285,728		13,336,131	83,682,895	12
ay		6.847,610	70.346,734	89,347,796	76,011,635	14.709.857	85,841,994	
ay		7,644,091	71,132,137	87,063,361	72,353,504	12,764,328		
oril			71.133,975	87,134,068	74,369,740			
arch		6,427,646	68,258,797		74,076,167	13 155,850	80,222,332	
bruary			66.938,794		73,974,295	13,283,538	80,222,002	10
nuary	10,010,010	0,100,000	0.0,000				87,902,147	
1909.	81.325.732	7.182.639	74,143,093	86.984.843	73 225,789	13,759,054		
ecember			78,632,131		71,510,601	14,272,563		
ovember			81,427,335		68.311,633	14,740,189		
tober	89,633,549		72,620,718		66,924,455	13,531,936		
ptember	79,207,441		65,521,886		65,313,074	13,875,288		
ugust	71,847,532				65,616,602	13,407,363	78,292,94	
ily	71,006,005		64,885,581		66.169 620	12.835,680	77,166,538	
une	. 70,171,491		64,330,858		66.547.255	12,495,883	74,601.029	
ay	68,593,229		62,105,146	79,043,138		12,316,132		7
pril		4,957,009	62,309,655	79,017,936		12,285,364		
larch	68,708,458	5,228,807	63,479,651			12,049,828		
ebruary		5,276,028	62,072,331					
anuary			60,639,750	79,283,476	67,115,600	12,101,010	, , , , , , , , ,	