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MONTREAL STOCKS

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Montreal, Wednesday, Oct. 9.—
Morning.
Brazilian—60 @ 50 1/2.
Can. Cen. Pld.—45 @ 94 1/2.
Steel Cen. Com.—115 @ 67 1/2.
Dom. Iron Com.—15 @ 59 1/2.
59, 20 @ 59 1/2, 15 @ 59 1/2, 5 @ 58 1/2.
Shawmut—100 @ 117 1/2.
Civic Power—5 @ 88.
1931 War Loan—100 @ 60.
1937 War Loan—240 @ 94 1/2.
McDonalds—15 @ 22 1/2.
Wab. Cot.—25 @ 51.
Scotiabank—25 @ 20 1/2.
Quebec Railway—20 @ 20 1/2, 20 @ 20 1/2, 20 @ 20 1/2.
Asbestos—10 @ 32 1/2.
Span. River Pld.—10 @ 17 1/2, 10 @ 16 1/2, 30 @ 16 1/2, 35 @ 17 1/2.
Spanish River Pld.—5 @ 57 1/2, 5 @ 57 1/2.
Brompion—20 @ 60 1/2.
North Amer. Pulp—100 @ 53 1/2.
Royal Bank—10 @ 20 1/2.
Bank Montreal—10 @ 20 1/2.
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Brazilian—125 @ 50.
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Brazilian L. H. and P.—50 @ 50 1/2.
Canada Car.—50 @ 50 1/2.
Canada Cement—50 @ 50 1/2.
Can. Cotton—50 @ 50 1/2.
Dom. Bridge—50 @ 50 1/2.
Dom. Iron Com.—15 @ 59 1/2.
Dom. Tex. Com.—50 @ 50 1/2.
Laurentide Paper Co.—181 @ 182.
Lake of Woods—154 @ 155.
McDonalds—15 @ 22 1/2, 100 @ 23.
Wab. Cot.—10 @ 51.
Quebec Railway—4 @ 19.
St. Laur. Flour—50 @ 95 1/2.
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GENERAL MOTORS STOCK SLUMPS ALMOST TEN POINTS

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RAILS AND UTILITIES ARE STRONG FEATURES

Pacifics, Coalers, Telephone, Gas and Telegraph Shares Up Two to Five.

New York, Oct. 9.—The Stock Market's extreme susceptibility to pending international developments was again strikingly illustrated today. Issues which were the most prominent and former strength chiefly to the war, experienced further sharp losses.

Wall Street appeared to be in a state of confusion regarding the President's note, but the speculative element extended its bear campaign very generally at mid-day, when rumors of the early detection of the Austro-Hungarian troops from the Central Allies gained wide currency.

Leading steels and equipments declined 2 to 7 points. Baldwin Locomotive, American Car, Steel Foundries, Bethlehem, Crucible and Lackawanna Steels displaying marked weakness. Lackawanna's break was accelerated by the companies adverse quarterly report.

General Motors Sold.

General Motors was freely sold in the last hour at an extreme loss of almost 10 points, other stocks of the same class yielding with leaders and coppers as well as numerous low priced specialties. Rails and utilities presented the market's constructive side. Pacific and Coalers and Telephone and Gas stocks, including People's Gas and Lackawanna, all advanced 2 to 5 points.

Breadth and activity marked their regular movement of bonds, domestic war, hardening with foreign war, but Liberty issues were conflicting, first 3 1/2 and 4 1/2, showing firmness, while the 3 1/2's reacted under par. Total sales, par value, aggregated \$9,150,000.

Old United States Bonds were unchanged on call.

MONTREAL CATTLE

Montreal, Oct. 9.—The run of live stock at the Canadian Pacific Stock Yards today has been very heavy in the sheep and lamb and hog sections, but cattle have not been above the average. For today there were offered 400 cattle, 200 sheep and lambs, 300 hogs and 200 calves. The market was slow and drab, although most lines were cleaned up at fair prices, cattle keeping steady at last week's quotations while there have been declines at this market in sheep and lambs. Choice steers were in demand at from \$10 to \$12.50 per 100 pounds, while good butcher steers sold freely at from \$8.50 to \$10 per 100 pounds. There was only a fair demand for heavier bulls, which sold from \$6 to \$7.50 per 100 pounds, according to quality. Choice butcher cows were in demand at \$9 to \$10 per 100 pounds, while good cows were disposed of at from \$7.50 to \$8.50 per 100 pounds and poorer quality at from \$6 to \$7. Canner cows were plentiful at from \$5 to \$5.50. Sheep sold at from \$12 per 100 pounds, while choice lambs were as high as \$15.50 per 100 pounds, and others sold as low as \$13 per 100 pounds. Choice select hogs of all cars were in demand at from \$19 to \$20.50 per 100 pounds, and heavier were quoted down to as low as \$16 per 100 pounds, according to quality.

QUEBEC MILK UP.

Quebec, Oct. 9.—At a meeting of the local milk men last night it was decided that beginning on October 15, they will increase the price of milk from 12 to 14 cents a quart.

QUOTATIONS

(McDougall & Cowans.)
Am Car Fy—83 1/2 @ 84 1/2, 81 1/2 @ 82 1/2.
Am Loco—62 1/2 @ 63 1/2, 62 1/2 @ 63 1/2.
Am Sug—109 @ 109 1/2, 108 1/2 @ 109 1/2.
Am Steel—77 1/2 @ 78 1/2, 76 1/2 @ 77 1/2.
Am Steel Fy—83 1/2 @ 84 1/2, 81 1/2 @ 82 1/2.
Am Tele—107 1/2 @ 108 1/2, 107 1/2 @ 108 1/2.
Anaconda—68 1/2 @ 69 1/2, 67 1/2 @ 68 1/2.
Am Can—43 1/2 @ 44 1/2, 41 1/2 @ 42 1/2.
Alachua—86 1/2 @ 87 1/2, 85 1/2 @ 86 1/2.
Balt and Ohio—53 1/2 @ 54 1/2, 51 1/2 @ 52 1/2.
Bald Loco—84 1/2 @ 85 1/2, 82 1/2 @ 83 1/2.
Beth Steel—78 1/2 @ 79 1/2, 76 1/2 @ 77 1/2.
Brook Rap Tr—42 1/2 @ 43 1/2, 41 1/2 @ 42 1/2.
C F I—42 1/2 @ 43 1/2, 41 1/2 @ 42 1/2.
Ches and Ohio—57 1/2 @ 58 1/2, 55 1/2 @ 56 1/2.
Chino—39 1/2 @ 40 1/2, 37 1/2 @ 38 1/2.
Cent Leath—89 1/2 @ 90 1/2, 87 1/2 @ 88 1/2.
Can Pac—168 1/2 @ 169 1/2, 166 1/2 @ 167 1/2.
Distillers—48 1/2 @ 49 1/2, 46 1/2 @ 47 1/2.
Cruc Steel—55 1/2 @ 56 1/2, 53 1/2 @ 54 1/2.
Gr Nor Pld—30 1/2 @ 31 1/2, 29 1/2 @ 30 1/2.
Gr Nor Ore—29 1/2 @ 30 1/2, 27 1/2 @ 28 1/2.
Indus Alcohol—102 1/2 @ 103 1/2, 100 1/2 @ 101 1/2.
Gen Motors—118 1/2 @ 119 1/2, 116 1/2 @ 117 1/2.
Inspira Cop—55 1/2 @ 56 1/2, 53 1/2 @ 54 1/2.
Kenne Cop—33 1/2 @ 34 1/2, 31 1/2 @ 32 1/2.
Lehigh Val—59 1/2 @ 60 1/2, 57 1/2 @ 58 1/2.
Mex Mar Pld—111 1/2 @ 112 1/2, 109 1/2 @ 110 1/2.
Mex Petrol—118 1/2 @ 119 1/2, 116 1/2 @ 117 1/2.
Midvale Steel—48 1/2 @ 49 1/2, 46 1/2 @ 47 1/2.
NY NH and H—40 1/2 @ 41 1/2, 38 1/2 @ 39 1/2.
N Y Cent—78 1/2 @ 79 1/2, 76 1/2 @ 77 1/2.
Nor and West—105 1/2 @ 106 1/2, 103 1/2 @ 104 1/2.
Nor Pac—85 1/2 @ 86 1/2, 83 1/2 @ 84 1/2.
Pan Pac—43 1/2 @ 44 1/2, 41 1/2 @ 42 1/2.
Pres Stl Car—67 1/2 @ 68 1/2, 65 1/2 @ 66 1/2.
Reading Com—88 1/2 @ 89 1/2, 86 1/2 @ 87 1/2.
Repub Steel—86 1/2 @ 87 1/2, 84 1/2 @ 85 1/2.
St Paul—47 1/2 @ 48 1/2, 45 1/2 @ 46 1/2.
Sou Pac—88 1/2 @ 89 1/2, 86 1/2 @ 87 1/2.
Son Rail—28 1/2 @ 29 1/2, 26 1/2 @ 27 1/2.
Studebaker—56 1/2 @ 57 1/2, 54 1/2 @ 55 1/2.
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U S Stl Com—106 1/2 @ 107 1/2, 104 1/2 @ 105 1/2.
U S Rub—62 1/2 @ 63 1/2, 60 1/2 @ 61 1/2.
Utah Cop—88 1/2 @ 89 1/2, 86 1/2 @ 87 1/2.
West Union—91 1/2 @ 92 1/2, 89 1/2 @ 90 1/2.

PRICE PRAISES WILSON'S NOTE

Cotton Authority Regards It as a Master Stroke in Statesmanship.

(McDougall & Cowans.)
New York, Oct. 9.—The President's message will find many critics. It must be remembered, however, that in all previous crises of the war, the President has been almost unerring in his accuracy in his estimate of the things requisite. To my mind his reply to the German appeal for peace is the most masterly thing he has yet done in the line of statesmanship.

As Germany has already stated that she accepted Mr. Wilson's peace terms, one of which is virtually that negotiations be with the German people and not the existing government, he forces upon them either admission of their hypocrisy or else hastens the inevitable by an overturn of the present government. On the other hand the entire position of the Allies is revealed by Mr. Wilson's brief but masterly reply to Germany's request for an armistice, i.e., before he presumes to invite the Allies to consider this point of the question, the good faith of such a proposal must be demonstrated by the evacuation of all territory invaded.

I speak of the message because there is on the other real influence that is affecting this market at the present time. In my judgment the nearer we come to peace, the better will be the future of our stocks, but the situation as it has developed up to the present time does not offer any marked influence upon which to predicate operations for the immediate future.

W. W. PRICE.

SOME FIND FAULT WITH PRESIDENT

War Dogs Being Gradually Separated From the Peace Sheep.

(McDougall & Cowans.)
New York, Oct. 9.—Canadian Pacific advanced 2 1/2 to 17 1/2 today. Considerable disappointment over the Wilson reply to Germany, and the possible effect on the fourth Liberty Loan campaign may operate for further uncertainty and unsettlement in securities. It is held in financial circles that this is no time for vacillation, and there is a good deal of fear of the influence of the "hand of the war dogs" upon the peace sheep. Separation of the war dogs from the peace sheep is expected to continue in the stock market, with the natural effect of cross-currents until uncertainties clarify the outlook.

While the overlying of peace issues is not suggested by investigations into the character of the transaction, the technical condition of the general list as a whole, therefore, ought to be exceptionally good, and responsive to constructive influences more than to bearish activities. A safe course would be to wait for a more definite indication of the peace sheep's interests in the buying of large margin selected sound issues apparently in line for peace appreciation with the intention of averaging in case unexpected developments should occur. Instances substantial profits sooner or later is certain as anything can be in the speculative arena.

"We look for a highly irregular and selective stock market, a short time," says a leading stock exchange institution. "We would exercise great care in buying securities, and would employ large margins, giving preference to the railroad issues, of utilities and harvesters stocks." It is remarked that the buying of the coal stocks is good, and in some quarters they are placed in the peace development.

Anaconda, American Beet Sugar, Marine Preferred, Union Pacific, Reading, Southern Pacific, U. S. Steel, and the Harvester securities are being recommended in conservative quarters.

N. Y. P. B.

COTTON MARKET IS WEAK AGAIN

Rallies Twenty-Five To Thirty Points, But Big Slump Occurs Later.

(McDougall & Cowans.)
New York, Oct. 9.—A slight opening advance was followed by renewed weakness in the cotton market today. The President's reply to the German peace overtures was generally applauded. Rallies of 25 to 30 points occurred during the middle of the day, but the market then weakened again, reaching lowest levels in later trading. Notwithstanding the decline, which brought the market to the level of 10 cents below 30 per cent, the cotton market has been somewhat more in evidence, owing to doubt as to whether Southern holders are as ready to sell for below the 30 cent level in the South.

E. & C. RANDOLPH

DROP IN IRON CROSS STOCK

German Prisoners Traded Kaiser's Trinkets For Cigarettes.

A British Port, Sept. 25.—(Correspondence of The Associated Press.)—German prisoners captured in the recent fighting, who have arrived here, show a surprising depreciation of the once coveted Iron Cross. One of them traded his decoration for a cigarette and an American officer who accompanied the captives from France said several of them spoke slightly of the Iron Cross, which they had been told was a valuable thing.

A token change in the demeanor of the new prisoners was also noticeable. Instead of the arrogant and almost insolent manner which characterized their predecessors, when the Germans were sweeping everything before them, the latest contingent seems humble and grateful. One of the men every one and one of the men were the ribbon of the Iron Cross.

The tobacco famine which exists among the prisoners makes it easy for the American soldiers to collect contraband. The Germans will part with almost any of their belongings for a package of cigarettes.

And German troops are leaving here for France daily with bands playing and flags flying.

\$257,369 SAVED TO CANADIAN PEOPLE

Salvage Department of Canadian Army Overseas Does Excellent Work.

Ottawa, Oct. 9.—The administration in England of the salvage department of the Canadian army overseas has effected a saving of \$257,369 to the Canadian people during the last year. The objects of this department are the collection and conservation of all waste material, the keeping of a close check on careless waste throughout all branches of the service, the disposal of by-products by sale, and the education of all military units to appreciate the value of stores. The Canadian salvage corps has led the way in this work, and its methods have been adopted by the imperial army.

FUR AUCTIONS.

St. Louis, Mo., Oct. 9.—All records were broken at the fur auction of the fall auction of furs at the International Fur Exchange when 1,250,000 pounds brought \$1,181,500. Furs from Siberia, China, Japan and Russia were among those sold.

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GERMANS LOST MUCH WHEAT

Had Intended To Take 2,000,000 Bushels Across the Rhine, But They Didn't.

With the French Army in France, the Associated Press correspondent writes, wheat, which the German army intended to send across the Rhine, are now being gathered along the battle front by the harvesting battalions of the French army. From the land wrested from the Germans since the middle of July 1,500,000 bushels of wheat have been gathered, and half a million more remain to be cut. Furthermore each backward step by the invaders adds to the wheat acreage which will feed the fighters of France this winter.

As the tanks and infantry better their way onward the artillery comes up behind them, and with the guns come the roopers. Alongside positions where the French cannon were hurling death into the enemy's ranks in the battles of the Aisne, Aisne, and Oise, American harvesters were hard at work.

Around Montdidier where grain fields were part of the battleground, self-binders were gathering a rich harvest. Where the French cannon could not reach the grain because of wire entanglements, shellholes, and trenches, soldiers armed with scythes and sickles cut the wheat and recovered every kernel that could be saved.

North of the Aisne the advancing French found across where the Germans had worked hard to reap the wheat they had sown, but had found that time too short. East of the Aisne, near Moreuil, the police found a threshing machine intact—evidence that the harvesting had been carried on almost up to the last minute. All the other farm implements had been taken away or destroyed.

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COMRADES MEET AFTER 54 YEARS

Old Soldiers Have Remarkable Reunion at Calais—Fought Together in Civil War.

Calais, Me., Oct. 8.—Comrades Pearl B. Day and John Loudon by a singular coincidence met in Calais after a period of 54 years, turning back the pages of history to a memorable event on a battlefield of the Civil War.

Pearl B. Day, who is a veteran in his 71st year, was then a private in the 14th Maine regiment and was at the battle of Cedar Creek, Nov. 23rd, 1862. On that date, the 12th Maine was also there and during the battle a comrade of Co. K, 12th Maine, Charles Choate, was severely wounded and when he was found by Private Day and other comrades suffering with a mortal wound, Day, who was also wounded, tore up his shirt and wound it around Choate's head to stop the flow of blood. Choate was afterwards sent to the Baltimore hospital, where he died ten days later. The body was forwarded to his mother at Milltown, Maine, and the remains buried in the Calais cemetery. A military salute was fired over his grave by Corporal John Loudon, Co. K, 12th Maine regiment, who is now a veteran of 79 years, a resident of Amityville, L. I., New York.

After these many years these two old "vets" met at the Acadia Hotel, this city. Both seated at the same table, the bronze button was recognized, the insignia of the Grand Army of the Republic which binds them together. The hand of friendship was extended and the warm clasp of comradeship opened the salute given and returned which brought back the memories of the past.

LANDS AND MINES.

Special to The Standard.
Fredericton, Oct. 9.—The advisory board of the Department of Lands and Mines was in session this afternoon, those present being Hon. E. A. Smith, W. E. McMillin, G. H. Prince and D. J. Buckley of Newcastle. About twenty candidates for the provincial service will take examinations here on Saturday next.

NEWS SUMMARY

New York, Oct. 9.—Total subscriptions for the Liberty Loan, \$1,500,000. General Motors Corporation proposed merger with United Motors Corporation provides for exchange of shares on basis of 3 GMO Preferred and 1 of Common for each 10 United Motors. Special meeting Oct. 30th. D. J. & CO.

TRAVELLING?

Passage Tickets By All Ocean Steamship Lines.

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POTATOES \$2.25 A BAG IN MONTREAL

Weather Not Favorable Last Week For Gathering Apple Crop.

(All prices are wholesale unless otherwise quoted.)
Ottawa, Oct. 9.—Nova Scotia: Weather bad for gathering fruit. Prices: Gravenstein, No. 1, \$2.50, No. 2, \$2.75; Domestic \$2.25, No. 3 \$1.75 in car lots; other fall varieties considerably less. No price on winter fruit yet. Potatoes \$1.75 per bag.

St. John, N.B.—No change in prices since last report. Arrivals: Three card Nova Scotia apples, two New Brunswick, and one car American mixed fruit.

Montreal—No. 1 apples, St. Lawrence, \$6.50 to \$7 per barrel, Fameuse and McIntosh \$7 to \$7.50, Gravenstein and Alexander \$5 to \$5.25, green cooking varieties \$4 to \$4.50, crab cooking \$4.50 to \$5. Desert apples in 11-quart baskets 50c. to 65c., cooking apples 55c. to 60c., Plums, blue, \$1 to \$1.50, Redme Claude 30c. to \$1; pears, Bartlett \$1.25 to \$1.50, other varieties 75c. to \$1; tomatoes 45c. to 60c., all in 11-quart baskets. Cape Cod cranberries \$1.33 per barrel. Potatoes, New Brunswick—250 miller bags, Quebec stock \$1.10 per bag. Western yellow onions \$1.25 to \$1.50 per bag, Quebec reds \$1.75 to \$2.

Jerusalem, Sept. 30.—Allied soldiers in the valley of the Jordan know now how really unkind were persons who, in pre-war days, "wished them in Jericho." These fighting men, Jericho and its dust-covered environs means, mildly advertised by the Turks in this message set up opposite the British lines: "Don't fear an offensive from us; we will come over later when you are all dead."

This summer, day after day, army thermometers along the Jordan registered from 105 to 125. Yet with scarcely a breeze and these dust-laden, horsemen holding these lines, bringing from its temperate climate a reserve of health and vigor lacking in the natives, without the ordeal. It is the second or third summer that tells.

The flies and mosquitoes of the valley know no pity. In the early days of the fighting, when it was impossible to take the necessary sanitary precautions, they bred in myriads, but now pools of stagnant water have been eliminated and large tracts of scrub burned. As a result, the number of malaria cases has been surprisingly low.

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