

HIGH-CLASS INDUSTRIAL BONDS.

That there is a widespread and steady demand for the obligations of high-class Canadian industrial undertakings among Canadian investors has been amply demonstrated by the facility with which the First and Refunding Mortgage Bonds of P. Burns & Company, Limited, of Calgary, have been distributed. Only a small part of the issue of one million dollars remains unsold.

Undoubtedly the popularity of these bonds is largely due to the exceedingly liquid character of the assets of the company. The real estate, with improvements, owned by the company, other than the plants at Calgary, Vancouver, Strathcona and Wetaskiwin, which is readily convertible into cash, is conservatively valued by experts at around two million dollars, or sufficient to pay off all the outstanding bonds. The company's real estate comprises large holdings in the growing cities of Calgary and Vancouver, choice corner lots in all the important cities and towns of Alberta and British Columbia and over 19,000 acres of valuable farm lands in Alberta. Retail stores and equipment constitute an asset of over \$400,000. As they are up-to-date stores well located throughout Alberta and British Columbia their convertibility into cash is beyond question.

The plants, including buildings at Calgary, Vancouver, Strathcona and Wetaskiwin, have, in the opinion of the American Appraisal Company, a reproductive value in excess of \$600,000. These plants are modern in design and equipment and will always have an independent value from the packer's standpoint.

Lastly, current assets, consisting of cattle, packing-house products, stores and supplies, accounts and bills receivable, and cash, exceed current liabilities by over \$1,500,000. These assets, aggregating over \$4,500,000, are hard to equal from the standpoint of strength and convertibility into cash and are a very ample security for the outstanding bond issues of two million dollars.

DIVIDENDS PAYABLE.

The following is a list of companies paying dividends on April 1st:—

Company.	Rate	%.	Term.	Payable.
Canadian Pacific, com.	1 3/4	+	3/4 quarter	April 1
" " pref.	2		" "	" 1
Duluth Superior, com.	1 3/4		" "	" 1
Toronto Railway	1 3/4		" "	" 1
Twin City, com.	1 1/2		" "	" 1
Twin City, pref.	1 3/4		" "	" 1
West India Electric	1 1/4		" "	" 1
F. N. Burt, com.	1 1/2		" "	" 1
F. N. Burt, pref.	1 3/4		" "	" 1
Can. Permanent Mortgage....	2		" "	" 1
Can. Gen. Electric, com.....	1 3/4		" "	" 1
" " " pref.....	3 1/2		half-year	" 1
Huron & Erie Loan	2 1/2		quarter	" 1
McKinley-Darragh-Savage	3		" "	" 1
" " "	12		bonus	" 1
Mackay Companies, com.	1 3/4		quarter	" 1
" " pref.	1		" "	" 1
National Trust	2		" "	" 1
N. S. Steel & Coal, com.	1 1/2		" "	" 1
Ont. Loan & Debenture	2		" "	" 1
Pacific Burt, pref.	1 3/4		" "	" 1
Sao Paulo	2 1/2		" "	" 1
Toronto Mortgage	1 3/4		" "	" 1
Union Trust	2 1/2		" "	" 1
Wm. A. Rogers, com.	2 1/2		" "	" 1
" " " pref.	1 3/4		" "	" 1

Banks.			
Dominion	3	“	“
Eastern Townships	2¼	“	“
Metropolitan	2½	“	“
Molsons	2¾	“	“
New Brunswick	3¼	“	“
Nova Scotia	3¼	“	“
Provinciale	1¼	“	“
Royal	3	“	“
Traders	2	“	“
United Empire	1½	“	“

The offering of \$1,250,000 of bonds of the Bell Telephone Company of Canada by the Royal Securities Company was subscribed twice over in London, and the books were closed on Thursday, one day in advance of the advertised time. The Royal Securities Company was advised by cable of the large over-subscription of the issue, a considerable amount of which was taken in Canada. This is the first Canadian Bell issue made in London.

In conjunction with Messrs. Brown, Shipley & Company, of London, England, Messrs. Aemilius Jarvis & Company, Toronto, have purchased from the city of Vancouver, B.C., \$2,800,000 4 per cent. sinking fund debentures at par. In due course a public issue of the securities will be made in London, England. The proceeds of the loan will be applied to street improvements, school buildings, waterworks extensions, addition to the Civic Hospital, and other public works necessitated by the rapid development and increased population of the city.