QUERIES' COLUMN

In order to furnish our readers with information we propose to devote this column to replies to correspondents. Letters should be addressed to "THE CHRONICLE, Enquiry Department, Montreal."

Answers will only be given to such communications as bear the writer's name, not for publication, but as evidence of good faith, and only to questions referring to matters of general interest in regard to which the Editor of Queries' Column will exercise his own discretion.

1606.—W. A. W., Ottawa.—(1) The highest price touched by Amalgamated Copper during 1906, was 118¼ on February 13, and the lowest was 92⅝ on July 13. Great Northern preferred highest was 348 on February 9, and lowest was 178 on December 26. (2) We do not know the company. If you will give particulars more fully we will endeavour to procure the information you require.

PERSONALS

MR. F. G. COX has been elected to the Presidency of the Provident Investment Company of Toronto, and in order to devote his time to the duties of this position, has resigned the Managing Directorship of the Imperial Life Assurance Company.

A visitor to Montreal, this week, has been Mr. W. H. Franckum, inspector for the Scottish Union and National Insurance Co.

MR. C. E. CORBOLD, manager of the Ottawa Fire Insurance Co., was in the City this week, and while here received a number of applications for the position of manager for Montreal.

MR. F. H. MATHEWSON, Montreal manager of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, attended the Bank's Annual Meeting at Toronto on Tuesday. He was later present at the christening of the magnificent new steamer that is being built for the R. & O. line, on which occasion, Mr. Frederick Nicholls gave a luncheon to many prominent Montreal and Toronto gentlemen. Mr. Mathewson is naturally proud of the great progress made during the past year by the bank which he ably represents in this city.

THE DELAWARE & HUDSON Railway has purchased land at St. Lambert for the purpose of erecting repair shops and stores buildings for the use of their branch now running out of that town —the old South Shore road. Work will be commenced at once.

HON. H. R. EMMERSON, characterizes as absurd the story that he will again become Premier of New Brunswick, and that Hon. A. G. Blair will go back to his old portfolio of Railways and Canals. When the matter was mentioned to him Mr. Emmerson intimated that he had no intention of resigning as Minister of Railways, and pointed out that at the St. John convention last week Mr. Blair had declared his willingness to follow his leadership.

STOCK EXCHANGE NOTES.

Wednesday, P. M., January 9, 1907.

The upward tendency of prices and the comparative buoyancy of this week's stock market, seem to foreshadow some relaxation in the money market. It is not to be expected, that the present stringency will be immediately relieved to any great extent, but a gradual inflow of money can be looked for. Numerous investment orders for small lots of the standard dividend paying stocks and the leading bond issues are being placed. C. P. R. fluctuated during the week and sold up to 195 1-8, reacting and closing unchanged from a week ago with 193 1-4 bid. The total transactions of the week were limited, involving only 238 shares in all. The earnings for the last ten days of December show an increase of $294,000.

Montreal Street has been one of the most active securities in this week's transactions, and from a trader's standpoint has given good play on its movement. The stock had a quick advance to 239, but reacted ten points sharply, touching 229 yesterday. A recovery has since taken place and the closing bid was 232, a net gain of 6 full points for the week, 1,358 shares figured in the week's trading. Toronto Railway also shows a good gain, closing with 114 1-2 bid, an advance of 1 5-8 points for the week on sales of 603 shares. Twin City after selling up to 108, closed with 107 1-2 bid, a gain over last week's closing quotation of 5 1-2 points on transactions involving 327 shares. Detroit Railway which was the most active stock in this week's market, has made a further recovery and sold up to 84 1-2. The closing bid was 81 X. D. equivalent to an advance of 2 full points for the week, and 2,022 shares changed hands. Halifax Tram closed with 101 bid, but only a broken lot of 7 shares was traded in during the week. Northern Ohio Traction, after a long period of inaction, appeared in this week's transactions to the extent of 373 shares and closed with 29 1-2 bid, a gain of 3 full points over last week's closing quotation. Toledo Railway was also stronger, and the last sales were made at 29. The closing bid was 28, a gain of 1-4 point on quotation for the week, and 375 shares figured in the trading. Illinois Traction Preferred in sympathy with the other traction stocks scored an advance, the closing quotation being 92 1-2 bid, a gain of 2 3-4 points for the week on sales of 347 shares. There were no transactions in Havana Common this week, but in the Preferred stock 300 shares changed hands, and the stock closed with 80 X. D. bid. R. & O. closed at an advance of 1-4 point for the week with 82 1-4 bid, the only transaction this week being a broken lot of 5 shares.

Mackay Common was buoyant and was bid up over 74 on total transactions for the week of 535 shares. The closing bid was 73 3-4, a net gain of 4 3-4 points on quotation for the week. The sales in the Preferred stock brought out 528 shares, and the closing bid was 69, an advance of 1 1-2 points over last week's quotation. Montreal Power shared in the general advance, selling up to 93, and closing with 92 3-4 bid, a gain of 1 1-4 points for the week, and 1,098 shares changed hands.

The announcement that the Dominion Iron and Steel Company were negotiating for coal areas to supply their own demands, helped to focus attention on the securities of this Company, and the Common stock was third in volume of business in the transactions of the week. The closing bid was 21 1-4, a fractional decline of 1-8 point from last week's quotation, and 1,299 shares were dealt in. The Preferred stock was dealt in to the extent of 215 shares, the last sales being made at 65. The stock closed offered at 65 with a nominal bid of 63 as compared with 64 bid last week.

Dominion Iron Bonds were traded in to the extent of $13,000, and closed with 79 bid, a gain of 1-4 point on quotation for the week. Dominion Coal Common is again weaker and closed with 62 bid, a decline of 2 1-2 points for the week on sales of 110 shares. There were no transac-