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Prices Capitulate to Another Lawson Bulletin—Renewed Weakness Shown in Local Market.

World Office.
Thursday Evening, May 25.

The local market gained little buying impetus over the holiday, but the firmness of outside markets afforded an opportunity for marking up some issues and the opening this morning was firmer in spots. In the speculative shares Sao Paulo, Twin City and C. P. R. were thus favored, but in the latter the rise was only carried into the quotations. There was nothing to account for any change in the shape of improvement, and this was shown in other directions. The early buoyancy was short lived and quotations receded rather sharply during the late trading. The London market was appreciative of a good weekly statement of the Bank of England, and allowed some discounting of this at New York. After the close of the market the C. P. R. earnings for the third week of May were announced as $14,000 behind those of last year. The market closed weak. The prominent stocks which contributed to this position were General Electric, which suffered a further fall of 5 points; Coal and N. S. Steel, which sold a point lower, and Twin City and Sao Paulo, which lost most of the opening gain. There were no important changes in the banks, but Hamilton was fairly active at ¾ improvement from the opening transaction.

Reported steel rail pool will be officially dissolved to avoid federal investigation.

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Hill-Harriman interests adjust all differences in northwest and E. H. Harriman goes to Europe.

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Japanese bonds in London weak on rumor from Manila of defeat of Japanese fleet.

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Less demand for stocks in loan crowd.

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Thirty-nine roads for second week in May show average gross increase of 7.10 per cent.

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First National Bank of Oklahoma closed.

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American Car and Foundry preferred dividend declared at 7 per cent. rate, or 1 1-16 per cent. for two months, to make dividend and fiscal period coincident.

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Banks lost since Friday $969,000.

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An additional $1,000,000 preferred stock of Rubber Goods Mfg. Co. has been listed on the New York Stock Exchange to-day.

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Carnegie Steel Co. announces it has received large orders from the Pennsylvania Railroad and from Pittsburg Railways Co. for steel ties.

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Chinese melters continue to purchase copper in local market and made inquiries for considerable further amounts.

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Joseph says: We may not run into a bull market, but further moderate and consistent improvement will be seen under the lead of specialties. Take on some N. R. T., C. P. R. and hold it for 65. Hold some Steel preferred. Buy B. O. on moderate recessions. Bull D. X.

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Boston: Burnett, Cummings & Co., dealers in bonds, have filed a petition in bankruptcy. It is stated that the liabilities are $1,714,000. Assets are uncertain, but are placed at about $200,000. The firm dealt considerably in Wall-street railway securities.

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Kuhn-Loeb Co. announce closing of subscription to 5 per cent. guaranteed preferred stock, series B, of American Smelters Co. The subscription has been very successful, a very large part of the amount having been absorbed for legitimate investment, and bankers have now advanced the selling price for what is left to par.

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The London and Paris Exchange, Limited, London, England, cables its branch office, 34 Victoria-street, Toronto, as follows: Johnnies, 2 15-32; Kaffir Consols, 15-16; East Rand, 3 13-16; East Rand Extension, 2¼; Salisbury Buildings, 13-16; Camp Bird, 34s; Esperanza, 26s 6d.

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London, May 25.—The securities market is experiencing an all-round advance under the lead of Americans. In that department material gains have been scored over opening quotations, and a large volume of business is being done.

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The sentiment uptown is naturally cheerful, but it is also conservative. A runaway market is not expected, but it seems to be believed that prices will probably go a little higher before there is much profit-taking or any further active operations by the bear party. Men who watch the situation very closely point out that in reality matters which are most potent factors in the stock market are in better shape now than they have been for some time.—News.

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Boston, May 25.—At a conference it will be settled whether public announcement shall be suppressed or name or institution carrying 600,000 shares of stock and name of operator carrying 300,000 now temporarily adjusted. If announcement is made I will make it in full-page advertisement here and in Europe, giving names, particulars and efforts for adjustment, sparing no one. Public safety only thing that will prevent. Rumor that I have been referring to Merchants' Trust childish, as well be seen later.—Thomas W. Lawson.

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There has been continued heavy buying of Erie, and this stock has been going into the hands of the Morgan interest, who have been accumulating it for the past four months. As we have previously stated, this accumulation his relation to the future control of the property. The common has ruled strong and the buying of the preferred stocks, while not active, has been of good character, and it is stated in well-informed quarters that all three issues will sell much higher in the near future.—Town Topics.

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Baillie Bros. & Co., 42 West King-street, furnish the following current prices for unlisted stocks to-day:

	Asked.	Bid.
Mexican bonds	84	83
Mexican stock	68¼	68
Electrical Devel. bonds	...	86½
Electrical stock	50	...
Rio Underwriting	*90	x90
do. bonds	69	68½
do. stock	42½	41
Havana preferred	...	...
do. common	16	...

*With 50 per cent. stock. xWith 51 per cent. stock.

Railroad Earnings.

Mo. Pacific, third week in May, increase $51,000; from January 1, decrease $509,022; central branch, increase $29,000.

St. L. S. W., third week in May, increase $37,720; from July, increase $1,000,861.

Texas, third week in May, increase $12,290.

Havana Electric, third week in May, increase $12,742.

Twin City, second week, increase $3084.

D. R. G., third week, increase $16,100.

C. P. R., third week, decrease $14,000.

Local Bank Clearings.

Clearings of local banks for the week ended to-day, with comparisons:

This week, five days	$16,154,139
Last week	20,358,013
Year ago, five days	13,386,415
Two years ago	15,059,058
Three years ago	14,729,393

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Bank of England Statement.

London, May 25.—The weekly statement of the Bank of England shows the following changes:

Total reserve, increase	£ 914,000
Circulation, increase	56,000
Bullion, increase	970,747
Other securities, decrease	1,546,000
Other deposits, decrease	1,370,000
Public deposits, increase	736,000
Notes reserve, increase	911,000

Government securities unchanged.

The proportion of the bank's reserve to liability this week is 62.15 per cent., as compared with 49.80 per cent. last week.

The rate of discount of the bank was unchanged to-day at 2½ per cent.

On Wall Street.

Marshall, Spader & Co. wired J. G. Beaty, King Edward Hotel, at the close of the market to-day:

Talk of a naval battle and a couple of failures were in some degree used as depressing influences on the market.

Much of the recent advance has been caused by covering of short lines, and this support of course becomes smaller with the progress of events.

The market may be best described to-day as having halted and reacted from a somewhat overbought condition and a disposition of operators to await developments on the crop situation and other pending items of interest.

Weather conditions to-day were reported unfavorable thru Kansas and Oklahoma, with very low temperatures in the northwest.

The result of the senate investigating committee on the rail rate question should be considered satisfactory from the point of view of the investor, and other than conservative action by congress is possibly averted.

The near future of the market will doubtless be influenced more by crop reports than any other cause, tho the settlement of the northwest railroad difficulty and a more satisfactory outcome of the equitable discussion will remove these questions from consideration.

Two failures reported to-day, one from Cincinnati and another in Boston, were disquieting, but not thought to be of serious consequences.

Ennis & Stoppani wired to J. L. Mitchell, McKinnon Building:

The market to-day has been reactionary after early strength, this being due to several factors, which at least temporarily obscured the important adjustment of the western railroad situation understood to have been accomplished. Long stocks were sold for profits to the extent of perhaps 150,000 shares, and small sales were made in the afternoon for account of customers of the stock exchange house in Cincinnati which was forced to suspend, late advices report failure of a Boston bond house chiefly interested in street railway securities, with large liabilities not covered by assets. The late trading was marked by continued purchases on the part of several influential houses, especially good buying appearing in Amalgamated Copper. London was a buyer on balance, and has taken probably 150,000 shares in our market during the past few days. The rumors of a Japanese defeat at sea were unsettling. There is a great deal of bullish comment on Erie, and it is evident that the common stock is a railroad equity which will be a centre of interest always and may become much more valuable. Southwestern railroads, such as Mo. Pacific and K. & T., report some excellent gross earnings for the third week of the month. Pittsburg bought Steels. The market is working into a position of equilibrium, and despite bear attacks shows indications of stability, due largely to buying by leading interests and investors.

We think that the general list will prove a purchase on recessions.

Yates & Ritchie to McMillan & Maguire: Under the influence of higher prices in the London market and the better feeling resulting from yesterday's sharp upward movement in prices, the stock market opened strong, but about midday Lawson came out with another disturbing statement, and as this was followed by the assignment of a stock exchange firm at Cincinnati and by some unfavorable crop reports, the market became heavy and prices declined in a gradual manner. There was no pressing liquidation in evidence, tho there was considerable selling in the northwestern stocks, U. P. and St. Paul. A reaction had been expected to-day, following yesterday's sharp upward movement, as the result of active short covering, and the news of the day was of a character to influence some setback. The importance of the agreement between the Hill and the Harriman interests is not yet fully appreciated, and ultimately this will prove to be the real basis for an upward movement in the whole market. It looks as if the reaction might go a little further, and in such an event we would buy the standard active stocks for a turn at least.

Money Market.

The Bank of England discount rate is 2½ per cent. Money, 1¼ to 1½ per cent. Short bills, 2¼ per cent. New York call money, 2¼ to 2½ per cent. Last loan, 2¼ per cent. Call money at Toronto, 4½ to 5 per cent.

Foreign Exchange.

A. J. Glazebrook, Traders' Bank building (Tel. 1901), to-day reports exchange rates, as follows:

Between Banks	Buyers	Sellers	Counter
N. Y. Funds	1-32 dis	par	1-8 to 1-4
Mont'l Funds	par	par	1-8 to 1-4
60 days sight	9 3-32	9 1-8	9 3-8 to 9 5-8
Demand stg	9 9-16	9 19-32	9 7-8 to 10
Cable Trans	9 5-8	9 21-32	10 to 10 1-8

—Rates in New York.—

	Actual.	Posted.
Sterling, 60 days	485.10	4.86
Sterling, demand	487.10	4.88

Price of Silver.

Bar silver in London, 26 15-16 per oz.

Bar silver in New York, 58½c per oz.

Mexican dollars, 45c.

Toronto Stocks.

	May 23. Ask.	Bid.	May 25. Ask.	Bid.
Ontario, xd	135	132	134	...
Imperial, xd	240	236	240	...
Dominion	251	...	251	...
Hamilton, xd	220	...	220	217
Ottawa, xd	...	...	...	217
Traders', xd	...	136¼	...	136
Molsons	250	...	230	...
Brit. America, xd	...	90	...	90
West. Assur.	...	90	...	90
Imperial Life	...	149	...	149
National Trust	...	...	140	138¼
Con. Gas	210	209	...	200
Ont. & Qu'Appelle	...	100	...	100
C. N. W. L. pref.	...	99	...	99
C. P. R. stock	141⅞	141¾	144⅝	143½
Tor. El. Light	148	145½	148	145
Montreal Power	92	...	92	...
Can. Gen. Elect.	152	...	148	...
Mackay com.	39	...	39½	38
do. pref	73	...	73	72
Dom. Telegraph	...	120	...	120
Bell Telephone	...	...	158	...
Richelieu & Ont.	75	...	75	...
Twin City, xd	110	108¾	111	110
Win. St. Ry.	...	103	106	105
Toronto Ry.	104	104½	106	105
Toledo Railway	35	32	35	32¼
Sao Paulo	127	125½	...	...
do. bonds	...	95½	...	...
Dom. Coal com.	77	75	75½	75
do. bonds	99½	98	...	...
Dom. Steel com.	20¼	19½	21	20
do. bonds	...	...	...	83½
N. S. Steel com.	...	60	61	60
do bonds	...	...	...	108
Crow's Nest Coal	350	...	350	...
British Can.	102	99	102	99
Canada Landed	120	117½	120	117½
Canada Per.	...	128½	...	128½
Canadian S. & L.	...	121½	...	121½
Cent. Can. Loan	...	170	...	170
Dom. S. & I.	...	70	...	70
Ham. Provident	...	122½	...	122½
Huron & Erie	...	188	...	188
Imperial L. & I.	...	70	...	70
Landed B. & L.	...	122	...	122
London & Can.	100	...	100	...
Manitoba Loan	...	95	...	95
Toronto Mort.	...	107	...	107
London Loan	116	...	116	...
Ont. L. & D.	...	122	...	122
Toronto S. & L.	...	130	...	130

—Morning Sales.—

Hamilton.	Gen. Electric.	Sao Paulo.
20 @ 217	80 @ 150	130 @ 128
	10 @ 149¾	25 @ 127½
Ontario.	25 @ 149½	
10 @ 132	25 @ 149	Dom. Steel.
	5 @ 100x	100 @ 20½
Tor. Elec.		15 @ 20¼
50 @ 146	Tor. Ry.	
	25 @ 105	Can. Per.
Dom. Tel.	10 @ 105¼	320 @ 129
20 @ 120¼		
50 @ 120	Twin City.	Coal.
	25 @ 111¾	100 @ 75
N. S. Steel.	25 @ 111	
50 @ 61		

—Afternoon Sales.—

Hamilton.	Gen. Elec.	Bell Tel.
15 @ 127½	11 @ 148	1 @ 155
20 @ 217¾	8 @ 147	
	25 @ 145	Twin City.
Imperial		100 & 110¼
3 @ 239	Mackay	
	25 @ 72½	Sao Paulo.
Nat Trust.		25 @ 128¾
25 @ 140	N. S. Steel.	25 @ 126½
	100 @ 60	

Montreal Stocks.

Montreal, May 25.—Closing quotations to-day:

	Asked.	Bid.
C. P. R.	144¼	144
Toledo Railway	34¼	32¾
Montreal Railway	216	214
Toronto Railway	105½	105⅜
Detroit Railway	88⅜	84½
Dominion Steel	20½	20¼
Twin City	112	109¾
Richelieu L. & N.	75	72
Montreal L., H. & P.	89½	89⅛
Nova Scotia	60⅛	60
Dominion Coal	76	74
Mackay preferred	...	72¼
do. common	39¼	39

—Morning Sales.—

Power—25 at 89¾, 25 at 89¾, 50 at 89, 125 at 89¼, 25 at 89⅜; Steel bonds, $1000 at 84; Detroit Railway, 40 at 88¼, 175 at 89, 25 at 88⅝, 25 at 89; Canadian Pacific, 22 at 145⅝, 36 at 145¾, 75 at 145¾, 100 at 145¼; Steel, 25 at 20¼, 100 at 20¾, 75 at 20½; Textile pref., 5 at 87, 1000 at 85; Toledo, 25 at 33¾, 25 at 34; Montreal Cotton, 25 at 115, 25 at 114; Toronto Railway, 25 at 105¼; Coal pref., 25 at 75; Textile bonds, B, 83, 34 at 87; Mackay, 50 at 39½.

—Afternoon Sales.—

Detroit Railway, 50 at 88½, 10 at 88¾; Textile bonds, 150 at 89; Coal bonds, $4000 at 99¼, $1000 at 99; Lake of the Woods pref., 3 at 115, 25 at 112; Coal pref., 256 at Steel bonds, $2000 at 83¾; Coal, 50 at 75; 60¾, 25 at 60¾; Steel pref., 25 at 94½; Steel bonds, $2000 at 93¾; Coal, 50 at 75; Power, 50 at 89¾; Mackay, 6 at 39⅞, 50 at 39.

New York Stocks.

Marshall, Spader & Co. (J. G. Beaty), King Edward Hotel, report the following fluctuations on the New York Stock Exchange:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Chesapeake	48½	48⅝	47	47¼
Norfolk	78½	78¾	78	78¾
Reading	90¾	91¼	88⅞	89
do. 1st pref	90½	90½	90	90
O. & W.	48½	50⅝	48½	48⅝
Erie	41	41	39½	39⅞
do. 1st pref	78	78	77	77¼
do. 2nd pref	66⅝	66⅝	65¼	65¼
N. Y. Central	140¼	140½	138½	138½
Penn. Central	134¼	134⅝	133¼	133⅝
B. & O.	109	109	107½	107½
I. C.	182	182	180½	181
Atchison	80¼	80¼	78⅞	78⅞
C. G. W.	19¼	19¼	18⅝	18⅝
C. P. R.	145¾	145⅞	143⅝	144¼
S. S. Marie	114½	115	114½	114½
Union Pacific	121	121¼	118½	118⅝
do. convert	121¼	121¼	118¾	118¾
Denver pref	85½	85½	85½	85½
Mo. Pacific	97½	97½	96	96½
Rock Island	27¼	27½	26⅛	26⅛
do. pref	72	72	72	72
St. Paul	173⅝	174¼	171½	172
South. Pacific	61⅝	61⅝	60½	60½
South. Railway	29¼	29¼	28½	28½
do. pref	95¼	95¼	95½	95½
L. & N.	143¾	144½	142¼	142¼
Ill. Central	159¾	160	158¾	159
Alton	32⅝	32⅝	32½	32½
S. L. S. W.	22½	22½	22	22
do. pref	59¾	59⅝	59¾	59¾
Texas Pacific	31⅞	31½	31½	32
Wabash	18½	18⅝	18⅜	18⅝
do. pref	39	39	38½	38¼
M. K. & T.	25⅝	25⅝	25	25
do. pref	38½	38½	38½	38½
S. F. S. 2nds	61	61	62¼	62¼
Mex. Central	20	20½	19½	19½
Am. Smelters	111⅞	112⅝	100½	100¾
Amal. Copper	80⅝	80½	78½	78¾
Car Foundry	34½	34½	32½	32⅝
Pressed Car	37	37	36	36
Locomotive	48¼	48¾	46½	46⅝
Sugar	133	133¼	132¼	132¼
Nor. American	99½	99⅝	98½	98½
U. F. & I.	41⅞	42	40	40¼
T. C. & I.	77	77	74¼	74½
Sloss	71	72	70⅝	71
Republic Steel	17¼	17¼	17	17
do. pref	71½	71½	71	71
U. S. Steel	27¼	27⅝	26½	26¾
do. pref	94¾	95⅝	93	93¼
do. bonds	93⅝	93¾	93¼	93¼
B. R. T.	59¾	59¾	58¼	58½
Metropolitan	116	116½	115¼	115⅝
N. S. Y.	76¼	75⅝	76	76
Twin City	112	112¼	110½	110¼
People's Gas	101	101½	100	100¼
N. Y. Gas	188½	188½	187½	187½
W. Union	93	93	93	93
Rubber	39¼	39½	38½	38¾
Pacific Mail	35⅝	36	35⅝	35⅝
Gen. Electric	173	173	173	173
Col. Southern	26⅝	26⅞	26¼	26¼
Atlantic Coast	149	149½	147	147
Nor. Securities	165	167½	162	162
Nor. Pacific	184	185⅝	182	182
National Lead	46	46¼	44⅝	44⅝

Sales to noon, 505,400 shares; total sales, 847,700.

London Stocks.

	May 24. Last Quo.	May 25. Last Quo.
Consols, money, ex-int.	90 3-16	90 3-16
Consols, account, ex-int.	90¼	90¼
Atchison	81	82
do. preferred	104	104
Chesapeake & Ohio	47⅝	50
Anaconda	5¼	5¼
Baltimore & Ohio	110	111
Denver & Rio Grande	28¼	28¾
C. P. R.	147½	149½
Chicago Gt. Western	18⅝	19¾
St. Paul	175½	178¼
Erie	39½	41⅞
do. 1st pref	78¼	79½
do. 2nd pref	63½	66
Louisville & Nashville	145½	148
Illinois Central	161¼	164
Kansas & Texas	23½	28¼
Norfolk & Western	78⅞	81
do. preferred	94½	95
New York Central	141½	144½
Pennsylvania	68	68¾
Ontario & Western	47⅝	51⅝
Reading	45¼	46¾
do. 1st pref	46	46
do. 2nd pref	43½	44
Southern Pacific	62¼	63¼
Southern Railway	29⅛	30¼
do. preferred	98	98
Wabash common	19	19½
do. preferred	39	39½
Union Pacific	120½	124¼
do. preferred	90	90
United States Steel	27¼	28½
do. preferred	95¼	97⅝

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The Transfer Books will be closed from the 17th to the 31st of May, both days inclusive.

The Annual General Meeting of the shareholders will be held at the Head Office of the Bank on Wednesday, the 21st of June, 1905. The chair to be taken at noon.

By order of the Board.

D. R. WILKIE, General Manager.

Toronto, 25th of April, 1905.

(investigation regarding acreage and conditions seems to have had only moderate effect on the market this evening, the wide difference being the result of a newspaper investigation and the one referred to was the cause of much comment, as about the same methods of collecting information were used.

The estimates vary from 13.21 per cent. to 17.3 per cent. in acreage reduction, in regard to conditions, the consensus of opinion seems to be from about 70 to 75 per cent. for the present condition of the crop as compared with 83 last year.

The market reacted from yesterday's high level on the failure of Liverpool to follow our advance, and the prevalence of better weather conditions in many localities of the cotton belt, tho to much rain is still falling and the forecast for the eastern belt is for showers.

A heavy storm is reported to-day around Waco and Fort Worth and Dallas.

A reduction in the acreage in accordance with the figures published this morning by The New York Commercial would mean land preparations on a scale about equal to the crop of 1902, when approximately 10,750,000 bales were marketed.

This crop was among the most remarkable failures in cotton's history, as May conditions were reported at 95.1 and the loss was so precipitate that September conditions were reported at 78.3, nearly the greatest ration of decline ever reached.

The initial conditions this year promise to be about 20 points less for May than in 1902, but this need not mean disaster, tho it would certainly point to a reduced yield per acre as compared with more normal seasons.

The feature of this year's growth for the present outlook will doubtless prove to be rank early growth and a condition vulnerable to damage from high temperatures and insect damages.

Standard Stock and Mining Exchange.

	Asked.	Bid.
Metropolitan Bank	195	...
Traders' Bank	135	129
Home Life	18	...
Colonial Loan & Inv. Co.	80⅞	77⅞
Canadian Birkbeck	95	...
Sun & Hastings Loan	95	...
Dominion Permanent	85	...
W. A. Rogers pref.	95	...
City Dairy pref.	80	...
International Coal & Coke	25	21
United Typewriter Co.	51	...
Newcombe Piano Co.	95	...
Carter Crume pref.	94	...
National Portland Cement	22	...
Rambler Cariboo	...	16
War Eagle	15½	13
C. G. F. S.	5	4
Centre Star	30	27
St. Eugene	47	45
White Bear	4	2½
North Star	5	3
Aurora Consolidated	17¼	14
Vizaga	12½	9

STOCKS NOT LISTED ON TORONTO STOCK EXCHANGE.

United Securities, Limited, Confederation Life Building, furnish the following quotations for stocks not listed on Toronto Stock Exchange:

	Asked.	Bid.
W. A. Rogers	94.00	91.00
Carter Crume	93.00	...
Home Life	17.50	16.00
Metropolitan Bank	194.50	192.00
Sovereign Bank	132.50	129.50
Colonial Inv. & Loan	8.00	7.75
Dominion Permanent	84.00	82.00
Vizaga	12¼	10
War Eagle	15½	13
Rambler Cariboo	16¼	15½
Aurora Extension	.09	.05⅞
San David	.08¼	.06
White Bear	.03¾	.02¾
Lexington Oil	.17	.12
S. African War Scrip, B.C.	...	208.00
Nat. Portland Cement	21.00	18.50
Mine La Motte	4.00	3.20
Elkton	33¼	32
Isabella	.31½	.27½
Yukon Anchor	.06	.07½
Stratton's Independence	2.50	...
Canadian Osage	.25	...
Sterling Aurora	.07¾	.04½
Mexican Development	.10	...

$75,000 FIRE AT LONDON CAUSED BY A ROCKET

London, May 25.—At 2 o'clock this morning fire in the Dyment, Baker Co.'s planing mill and box factory in less than two hours consumed the factory, together with a part of the London Machine Tool Co.'s plant to the east, over a million feet of lumber belonging to the Dyment, Baker Co., across the street, three M.C.R. cars, containing $3000 worth of machinery, which were on the street between the mill and the lumber, and $3000 worth of hardwood lumber stored in the yard of Tambling & Jones, builders, in rear of the tool company's works. The loss will be fully $75,000, with about $50,000 insurance. Of the loss $12,000 is sustained by the Machine Tool Company, and from $30,000 to $35,000 by the Dyment, Baker Co. The Michigan Central will be responsible to the Deering Harvester Co. for their loss on machinery. The fire is supposed to have been caused by a rocket.

OBITUARY.

Rev. I. J. Christie.

Ottawa, May 25.—Rev. I. J. Christie, a well-known Anglican clergyman, is dead here, aged 75 years. He will be buried at Kingston.

Appreciate the Firemen.

The chief of the fire department has received a letter from East & Co., Yonge-street, enclosing a cheque for $25 for the benefit fund, as "an acknowledgement of our appreciation of the services rendered to us at the fire in our factory in February last. By their prompt action and good judgment they no doubt saved the building from entire destruction. This was also done under trying circumstances on account of the very severe cold weather at that time. Kindly convey to them under your charge our best thanks."

Toronto to New York.

The last train for New York, 7.45 p.m. daily via Grand Trunk and Lehigh Valley New fast train, Pullman sleeper. Evening Express train leaves at 4.10 p.m. daily. Black Diamond Express, connection 7.35 a.m. daily except Sunday. For tickets and Pullman call at G.T.R. city or station ticket offices, L.V.R. passenger office, 10 King-street east.

Body Will Be Cremated.

Melrose, Mass., May 25.—Business houses were closed for a time this afternoon and the schools were dismissed so that the whole city could honor the memory of Mrs. Mary A. Livermore, writer, reformer and temperance advocate. The body will be cremated.

Money in the Bank.

Kingston, May 25.—Mills & Cunningham have won their suit against the W. F. Burns Company of Chicago. The latter firm infringed the patent held by Mills & Cunningham for home savings banks. One firm alone in Chicago turned out 60,000 savings banks that are an infringement of the patent owned by Mills & Cunningham.

Kingston Rifles Go to Utica.

Kingston, May 25.—The 14th Regiment have decided to accept the invitation of the 28th and 44th separate companies of Utica, N. Y., for July 4. The regiment will leave here on Sunday, July 2, and spend all Monday and Tuesday there.

New Train to New York.

Leaves Toronto at 7.45 p.m. daily via Grand Trunk and Lehigh Valley. Call at G.T.R. city or station ticket office for tickets and Pullman. L.V.R. city passenger office, 10 King-street east.

BREAK IN CORN OPTIONS THE FEATURE AT CHICAGO

Wheat Futures Advanced Further With a Steady Close—Liverpool Corn and Wheat Higher.

World Office.
Thursday Evening, May 25.

Liverpool wheat futures closed to-day ⅝d to ¾d higher than yesterday, and corn futures ⅜d to ⅝d higher.

At Chicago July wheat closed ¼c higher than yesterday; July corn ⅛c higher and July oats ¼c higher.

Chicago cars: Wheat 5, contract none; corn 270, contract 107; oats 78, contract 25.

Primary receipts wheat, 291,000 bushels, against 217,000 bushels; shipments, 205,000 bushels, against 291,000. Receipts corn, 319,000 bushels, against 435,000 bushels; shipments, 262,000 bushels, against 261,000.

Puts and calls, as reported by Ennis & Stoppani, 24 Melinda-street: Milwaukee July wheat, puts 89⅝c, calls 92⅛c; Milwaukee Sept. wheat, puts 82⅝c, calls 83⅞c to 84c.

The Winnipeg Commercial of May 20 says: Since a week ago the weather has been everything that could be wished for with respect to influences upon the crops. From all parts of the wheat country there are favorable reports. Both the railway companies have published crop bulletins, which are unvaryingly favorable. The only suggestion made is that the weather might be a little warmer, and even this objection has been met during the past two days. The area under wheat in all the west has been given by one good authority at 4,250,000 acres, and by another at 4,500,000. We believe that the lower estimate is nearest the mark. That area, with an average yield, will give 80,000,000 bushels of spring wheat. Last year we had 55,000,000 bushels.

Leading Wheat Markets.

	May.	July.	Sept.
New York	$1.10	$0.86½	$0.87½
Detroit	1.08	0.92	0.86½
Toledo	1.10½	0 00¾	0.85¼
Duluth	1.11½	1.12½	0.85¾
Minneapolis	1.23	1.10⅝	0.85⅞
St. Louis	1.01	0.84¼	0.82⅞

ST. LAWRENCE MARKET.

Receipts of farm produce were 3 loads of grain, 23 loads of hay, 1 load of straw, with a few dressed hogs.

Barley—One load sold at 46c and 47c per bushel.

Oats—Two loads sold at 46c and 47c per bushel.

Hay—Twenty-five loads sold at $9.50 to $10.50 per ton for timothy, and $7 to $8 for mixed.

Straw—One load sold at $10 per ton.

Hogs—A few lots sold at $9 to $9.25 per cwt.

There was little change in prices for butter, eggs and poultry.

Grain—	
Wheat, white, bush	$0 98 to $1 02
Wheat, red, bush	0 98 1 02
Wheat, spring, bush	0 97 ....
Wheat, goose, bush	0 77 ....
Barley, bush	0 49 ....
Oats, bush	0 46 ....
Beans, bush	0 90 1 00
Rye, bush	0 75 ....
Peas, bush	0 72 ....
Buckwheat, bush	0 50 ....
Hay and Straw—	
Hay, per ton	$7 00 to $10 50
Straw, per ton	10 00 ....
Straw, loose, per ton	6 00 ....
Fruits and Vegetables—	
Apples, per bbl	$1 50 to $3 00
Potatoes, per bag	0 60 0 75
Cabbage, per doz	0 40 0 75
Beets, per bag	0 60 ....
Cauliflower, per doz	1 50 2 30
Red carrots, per bag	0 60 0 70
Celery, per doz	0 50 1 00
Turnips, per bag	0 75 ....
Onions, per bag	2 00 ....
Poultry—	
Spring chickens, per lb	$0 40 to $0 50
Chickens, last year's, lb	0 14 0 16
Old fowl, lb	0 10 0 12
Turkeys, per lb	0 12 0 16
Dairy Produce—	
Butter, lb. rolls	$0 18 to $0 25
Eggs, new-laid, doz	0 16 0 17
Fresh Meats—	
Beef, forequarters, cwt	$5 50 to $6 50
Beef, hindquarters, cwt	8 50 10 50
Yearling lambs, d's'd	14 00 15 00
Spring lambs, each	4 00 6 50
Mutton, light, cwt	8 50 10 00
Veals, prime, cwt	6 50 8 00
Veals, common, cwt	6 00 7 00
Dressed hogs, cwt	9 00 9 25

FARM PRODUCE WHOLESALE.

Potatoes, car lots, bag	$0 50 to $0 70
Hay, baled, car lots, ton	7 75 8 00
Straw, baled, car lots, ton	6 25 6 50
Butter, dairy, l