## FINANCIAL REVIEW.

The feature of the local stock market during the week was weakness in Spanish River and Macdonald. Apparently these stocks have been singled out for attack by a bear faction. Spanish River preferred sold down as low as 50, but rallied during the week to 68. The Common has been weak around 17 to 19. Macdonald, a few days ago, sold as low as 20, but towards the end of the week, rallied to  $27\frac{1}{2}$ . The drop in these two stocks was so pronounced and so many rumours in circulation in regard to their finances and management, that Mr. Garnet P. Grant was asked to meet and confer with the Chairman and Directors of the Stock Exchange. It is understood that assurances were given in regard to the satisfactory nature of the two companies in question and their weakness was attributed to a raid by bear operators. Apart from these two stocks, the market was devoid of outstanding features. Crown Reserve is holding steady around 1.65, C. P. R. around 219 and 220, R. & O. 106, and Montreal Power around 210. The general situation shows some improvement, although the market shows its nervousness by responding to every bear rumour and it will probably be some time before the recent slump, the tight money and other adverse factors have been overcome.

The following is the comparative table of Stock Prices for the week ending August 28, 1913, as compiled from sheets furnished by Messrs. C. Meredith & Co., Stockbrokers Montreal:—

BANKS:	Sales.		Low-	Last	Year
		est.	est.	Sale.	ago.
Commerce		$202\frac{1}{2}$	202	202	222
Dominion		2211	220	221 4	1877 1
Hochelaga		152	151	152	177 1
Merchants		182	182	182	$190\frac{1}{2}$
Molsons	25	192	19O 23O	191 231	210 249
Montreal		231		255	
Nova Scotia		255	253	122	259
Quebec.		122	122 215		227
Royal		2151		$215\frac{1}{4}$ $138$	
Union	29	138	$137\frac{5}{8}$	100	152
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Ames Holden		15	14 1/2	15	* * * * *
Do. pfd		73	72	73	110
Bell Telep. Co		155	153	155	150
Do. new stock		$150\frac{1}{2}$	150	150	7.0
B.C. Packers, com		134	134	134	110
Brazilian		94	91 3	93 3	0.05
Can. Car	25	70 ½	70	70	86 5
Can. Cottons		37 3/4	36 ½	37 3	
Can. Cottons, pfd		77	77	77	75
Can. Convert		41	40	41	44 ½
Can. Gen. Electric		112	111 3	112	0.70
Can. Pacific		220 3	218	2191	278
Cement, com		32 ½	31 ½	31 3	29 3
Do. pfd	. 636	92 ½	914	91 7 8	93 1
Crown Reserve	3730	1.65	1.50		3.30
Detroit		71	69 1/2	701	72 ½
Dom. Canners		66	64	66	67
Do. pfd		100	100	100	1.00%
Dom. Coal, pfd		103 1	1 03	1 03	1082
Dom. Iron, pfd		98 ½	98	98	1 06
Dom. Textile		85	801	85	$70\frac{1}{4}$
Dom. Bridge		1 20	1 18 89	1 20	
Illinois, pfd		90	130	90 130	94
Lake of Woods		130			1 22
Do. pfd		120	120	1 20	9.00
Laurentide Paper		1 58	$1.55\frac{3}{4}$	1571	200
Laurentide Rights		17½	163	17	
Mackay		831/2	82 <sup>5</sup> / <sub>8</sub> 67 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	825	
Do. pfd		68 30	201	68	
Macdonald		58	204 58	$26\frac{1}{2}$ 58	= 0
		1 03	103	103	59
Do. pfd	61	1 (19	100	103	$105\frac{1}{2}$

Mont. Light, H. & Power 1279	$210\frac{3}{4}$	209	209	233
Do. Rights 1740	93	91	$9\frac{1}{2}$	
Mont. Teleg. Co 20	136	136	136	
N.S. Steel & Coal 265	781	78	78	91
Do. pfd 40	123	123	123	120
Ogilvie 5	117	117	117	$127\frac{1}{2}$
Ottawa L. & P 256	164	162	163	162
Do. new stock, 10	160	160	160	
Penman's Ltd 61	53	51	52	58
Quebec Ry 407	11 ½	$10^{\frac{1}{2}}$	11	24
Rich. & Ont Nav. Co 1085	108	$105\frac{5}{8}$	107	$113\frac{3}{4}$
Shawinigan	134	132	132	$149\frac{3}{4}$
Sherwin Williams, pfd 10	98 1	97 =	97 1	
Spanish River 3347	20 ½	14 3	19 1	60
Do. píd	70	50	65	92
Steel Corpn 2366	50	48	48 3	65 5
Steel C. of C 110	22	22	22	28
Do. prd 35	85 1	85	85 1	88
Tooke, pfd 60	85	85	85	87 1
Toronto St 104	140	1383	139	142
Twin City	106	106	106	1071
Tucketts	401	38	393	
Do. pfd 16	951	95	95	
Winnipeg Ry 108	$205\frac{3}{4}$	205	205	226
BONDS:				
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Bell Telep. Co 11000	98	98	98	$101\frac{3}{4}$
Cement 7000	98	$97\frac{3}{4}$	98	1 00
Can. Cottons 2000 -	80	80	80	843
Can. Felt 1000	98	98	98	
Can. Rubber 1000	90	90	90	963
Dom. Coal 2000	$98\frac{1}{4}$	$98\frac{1}{4}$	$98\frac{1}{4}$	$99\frac{1}{2}$
Dom. Canners 1000	98	98	98	$102\frac{1}{2}$
Dom. Iron 2000	$90\frac{1}{4}$	$90\frac{1}{4}$	$90\frac{1}{4}$	$94\frac{1}{2}$
Dom. Cotton 2500	1 01	1 01	101	1.04
Dominion Textile B 6000	100	100	100	
Dominion Textile C 500	100	100	100	98
Mont. Tramways Deb 6900	$77\frac{1}{2}$	77	77	86
Ogilvie B 2000	106	106	106	109
Quebec Ry 11000	45	$44\frac{1}{2}$	$44\frac{1}{2}$	64
Sherwin Williams 2000	97	97	97	
Winnipeg Elec25000	98	98	98	105
W. Can. Power 1500	83	83	83	

## BANK OF ENGLAND STATEMENT.

The weekly statement of the Bank of England shows the following changes:

Total reserve, increased. £958,000
Circulation, decreased. 95,000
Bullion, increased. 862,769
Other securities, decreased. 141,000
Other deposits, increased. 1,202,000
Public deposits, decreased. 356,000
Notes reserve, increased. 910,000

Government securities, unchanged.

The proportion of the Bank's reserve to liability this week is 59.46 per cent.; last week it was 58.62 per cent. The rate of discount,  $4\frac{1}{2}$ , per cent.

## SASKATOON RAISES RATES.

To satisfy the Canadian Agencies, Ltd., at the coming session, legislation will be introduced declaring valid bonds recently sold by the city, in which rate of interest was raised by the council to five per cent., after by-laws had been voted upon at four and a half per cent. A test case was decided by the Supreme Court of Saskatchewan, in which the validity of the issue was upheld but the city's financial agents wish to make assurance doubly sure