Stock Exchange Notes.

Thursday, March 21st, 1912.

The improving tendency apparent at the close of last week has continued and prices generally have strengthened. C. P.R. continued its advance and closed strong, at about the highest of the week. The trading in Dominion Steel Common was a feature, but the price movement was of small dimension. Apparently the snap in the trading in this stock is over for the time being. Montreal Power and Shawinigan were both notably strong spots and the former sold up to about the highest of the year on sales of some 4,800 shares. "Soo" Common was another strong factor in the trading, although less than 1,000 shares were turned over. Dominion Iron Bonds were more active than for some time past, transactions involving over \$14,000. The outlook for an early settlement of the English Coal Strike cannot help but influence market conditions for the better. It is now thought likely that the threatened disruption of the coal industry in the States will not come to a focus, it being understood that the demands of the miners will be amicably arranged. While an optimistic feeling prevails in the market at present, there is a growing opinion that some setback may be expected in the near future, but this is likely to be a temporary condition and the outlook for the long run is for higher prices. The Bank of England rate continues at 3 1-2 per cent.

MONEY AND EXCHANGE RATES.

	To-day	Last week.	A Year Ago
Call money in Montreal	5-51%	5-51%	5-51%
" " in Toronto	5-51%	5-51%	5-51%
" " in New York.	21%	24%	21%
· " in London	3-31%	3-31%	27-3%
Bank of England rate	31%	31%	3%
Consols	77%	781	82
Demand Sterling	9	94	9 }
Sixty days' sight Sterling	811	87	813

SUMMARY OF WEEK'S SALES AND QUOTATIONS.

Security.		Closing bid. Mar. 14, 1912.	Closing bid. to day.	ehan;	
Canadian Pacific	2397	232 1 x . D	2344	X.D. +	1 %
"Soo" Common	960	138	1368	X. D. +	2 1 1
Detroit United	847	591	60	+	Į.
Halifax Tram	100	150	1534	X . D. +	54
Illinois Preferred	70	91	894	-	11
Montreal Street				-	•
Quebec Ry	85	49	46		3
Toronto Railway	608	135	1324	X. D	i
Twin City	10		103	x. p	.:
Richelieu & Ontario	1970	1191	1201		I
Can. Cement Com	895	28			
Can. Cement Pfd	410	833	83		3
Dom. Iron Preferred	290	1044	1004	x. D	į
Dom. Iton Bonds		941	941		
Dom. Steel Corpn	2728	564	561	x. D. +	
Lake of the Woods Com	28	134	133		1
Mackay Common	5	X. D.		x. D	
Mackay : referred		70x. D.		X. D	
Mexican Power	100	82	81		
Montreal Power	4883	1924	1951	-+-	27
Nova Scotia Steel Com	374		95		
Ogilvie Com		128	1294	X. D. +	31
Ottawa Power	230		147 4		
Rio Light and Power		1164	1154		ê
Shawinigan			131	+	4
Steel Co. of Can. Com	215	324	314		1
Can Convert ra		39	39	_	٠.
Dom Textile Com			674	x. D. +	3
Dom. Textile Preferred	7		101	-	.:
Penmans Common			564	-	•••
Penmans Preferred	30			-	
Crown Reserve		3.091	3.15	X. D. +	51
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Bank Statements. BANK OF ENGLAND.

	Yesterday	V arch 14, 1912	March 23, 1911
Coin & Bultion Reserve	£38,337,559 28,736,600 43,13 p. c. 27,956,600 22,515,000 47,607, 00 14,23,000 41,893,000	A:37,98+,339 28,209,000 44,02 p.e 28,118,000 26,770,000 48,338,000 43,055,000	£4°,123,240 31,403,000 46,69 p.c. 27,367,400 25,7+1,000 42,475,000 15,137,000 39,045,000

NEW YORK ASSOCIATED BANKS.

	March 16, 1912	Mar. 9, 1912	Mar. 18, 1911
Loans. Deposits Circulation Specie Legal Tenders	\$1,429,592,000	\$1,428,258,000	\$1,345,877,600
	1,464,936,000	1,472,425,000	1,384,376,100
	51,064,000	51,468,0 0	46,540,600
	301,765,000	310,004,000	304,450,700
	78,221,000	77,308,000	72,818,600
Total Reserves	\$379,986,000	\$387,4-2,000	\$377,469,300
Reserves Req'd	366,224,000	36*,106,250	346,094,025
Surplus	\$13,752,000	\$19,295,7°0	\$31,375,275
Ratio of R'serv's	:6.0	25.9	27.3

Note.—These are the average figures and to facilitate comparison they do not include those of the trust companies recently admitted to the clearing House.

CANADIAN BANK CLEARINGS.

	Week suding	Week ending	Week ending	Week ending
	March 21, 1912	Mar. 14, 1912	March 23, 1911	March 24, 1910
Mostreal Toronto	\$15,991,408 37,318,791	\$45,120,706 3A,244,359 4,627,204	\$12,945,491 32,964,697 4,031,222	\$43,697,745 29,697,806 4,107,202

Traffic Returns.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY.

Year to date. Feb 29 \$	1910. 9.530,000 #1	1911. 1,830,000	1912. 115,944,000	Increase \$4,114,000
Week ending	1910.	1911.	1912. 2 144,000	418,000
Mar. 7	1,597,000 1,615,600	1,726,000 1,899,000		
	GRAND TO	RUNK RAILW	TAY	
Year to date. Feb. 29 Week ending	1910. 6,118,726 1910.	1911. 6,484,405 1911. 806,805	1912 6,682,2 9 1912. 838,996	Increase 197,824 Increase 32,191
M -r. 7	769,177 832,620	865.280	0.56,230	02,101

CANADIAN NORTHERN RAILWAY.

Year to date. Feb. 29	1910. 1,491,000	1911. 1,625,70)	2,4 31,500	805,80e
Week ending M r. 7	1910. 195,000	1911. 233,400 253,900	1912. 312,800 336,500	Increas0 79,400 82,600
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TWIN CITY RAPID TRANSIT COMPANY.

Year to date.	1910.	1911.	1912.	Increase
Jan. 31	\$577,647	\$609,212	\$629,204	\$19,992
Week ending.	1910	1911	1912	Increase
Mar. 7	133,959	140,878	146,459	5,581

HALIFAX ELECTRIC TRAMWAY COMPANY.

	Ranway	neceipts.		
Week ending.	1910.	1911.	1912.	Increase
Mar. 7	3.610	3,533	3,988	455
14	3,435	3,383	3,860	477

HAVANA ELECTRIC RAILWAY Co.

Week ending	1911.	1912.	Increase
Mar. 3	\$48,976	4 48,3⊦4	Dec. \$592
10	-8,631	51,297	2 666
17	46,785	49,102	2,317

DULUTH SUPERIOR TRACTION CO.

	1910.	1911.	1912.	Increase
Mar. 7	18,361	19,517	19,618	101 211
14	••••	19,699	19,910	211

DETROIT UNITED RAILWAY

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	Week ending Feb. 7	1910. \$142,8>8 141,615	1911. \$154,802 158,094	1912. \$173,964 174,443	\$19.162 16.349