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GENERAL MOTORS AT A NEW HIGH REGORD

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Outstanding Notes Will be Paid off as a Preliminary to a Dividend

MARKET STRONG AND ACTIVE

In Wall Street it is Predicted That a Large Stock Dividend Will be Declared by Willys-Overland Next Month.

Leased Wire to The Journal of Commerce.)

mactive class.

New Haven was a strong feature opening 1-2 up at 60, and it was confidently asserted that not only spuld a good showing of nat be made for February, but that hereafter the monthly statements would contain the contained by the stock.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier stated there was no objection to the last two clauses of the resolution, but he thought there should be some explanation as to the first, which gave power to take over any branch line, even an N.

T. R. one.

Bethlehem Steel opened 1-2 up at 673-4 and was Sir Robert Borden, in reply, speed by the announcement that the state of the same of the sa

per cent. on the common stock after an allowance of 7 CREDITS MAY BE ESTABLISHED

M. K. & T. issues responded to reiterated reports

ters reported an increasing public participation on a basis better than 5 per cent.

and Studebaker making a new high record by selling place a loan here. at 49. General Motors sold up 81/2 points to 120.

There was a large volume of activity in Bethlehem steel and the stock sold at 72 compared with 671/4 at close on Friday. It was predicted that in the current year the company would earn 50 per cont. May 9.57 9.63 on its stock.

The world earn 50 per cent. or more July 9.83
October 10.16

CHICAGO WHEAT STILL HEAVY

UNDER FURTHER LIQUIDATION
Chicago, Ilis, March, 27. — Wheat heavy. There was further liquidation on general political situation.

MONTREAL MINING CLOSE Cables were weaker with Argentine offerings large.

Crop conditions were regarded as generally favorable Corn and oats barely steady.

Wheat:					erious
	Open.	High.	Low.	Last.	Close
May	1471/4	14834	14734	1481/2	149
July Corn;	1181/2	118%	1181/2	118%	119
May		71 %	711/8	711/8	7158
July Oats:	74%	74 1/8	74	743%	74%
May July		56% guoted.	561/2	56%	57 %

FISH FOR THE COWS. Fish are quite commonly used for stock food in Iceland and Shetland, cattle, sheep and even horses eating dry salt fish. Dried Newfoundland fish were fed to hogs in England as far back as 1853 in experiments at the Rothamstead experiment station under the di ction of Sir John Lawes. The fish-fed pigs were fat and well ripened, he found, and the gains for the amount of food fed were good. R. Cecil Woods, for the Agricultural College, Colmbatore, Spain, fed two ots of heifers, dried fish and a normal ration. The fish-fed heifers gained 54 pounds to the normal lot's 70 pounds in a given time.—Farming Business.

FULL

never throw away a copy of the Journal of Commerce --- its too full of meat" declared a subscriber the other day. That is the verdict of all who get a taste for the paper. It is read by men who think

GOVERNMENT PROVIDES FOR ACQUISITION OF I.P.A. BRANCHES

Also Wants State Operation of Transcontinental Autherized Minister of Finance Asks Ratification of Overissues of Notes.

Ottawa, March 27 .- Hon, Frank Cochrane yesterday troduced a resolution to authorize the Minister of Railways to construct, lease, or acquire any railway. or railway work in Quebec, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, and Prince Edward Island, not over 200 miles length, to form part of the Government Railway System. The resolution also ratifies an agreement for the purchase of the International Railway Company of New Brunswick, from Campbellton to St. Leonards, a distance of 112 miles, for \$2,700,000, and provides that pending the payment of the purchase New York, March, 27. — From a bullish standpoint the opening was satisfactory. There was a considerthe opening was satisfactory. A read was a consider. & Prince Edward Island Company, from Sackville, able volume of activity and senteral snow-degains on Friday's close, while the market was droad enough to include many issues usually in the inactive class.

N.B., to Cape Tormentine, 36 miles for \$270,000, in-terest to be paid on the purchase price until it is paid, at 4 per cent. per annum.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier stated there was no objection showing.

Bethlehem Steel opened 1-2 up at 673-4 and was helped by the announcement that the company has not been shipping submarines and can therefore stand a full investigation of the charges of violation of neutrality.

Sir Robert Borden stated that the Government contemplated the introduction of legislation authorizing state operation of the National Transcontinental Railway.

In explaining the reasons for this step, he said that neither the National Transcontinental Railway and possibly in case of dire emergency we might draw further upon our call loans in New York and London on completion by the Grand Trunk Pacific Company, to meet unfavorable balances, but it would be a matter.

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M. K. & T. issues responded to reiterated reports
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been made for the maturing of the \$19,000,000.

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NEW YORK COTTON RANGE. 10.24 10.14

10.42 10.31

December 10.33 10.42 January 10.43 10.49

(Reported by Edward L. Doucette.)	
Cobalt Stocks:	
Bid.	eA.
Bailey	
Beaver	
Buffalo 65	
Chambers 16	
Coniagas 4.70	5.
Crown Reserve	1
Føster	
Gifford	
Gould 14	
Great Northerm 3	
Hargraves 84	
Hudson Bay	24.0
Kerr Lake 4.75	4.5
Larose	
McKinley Darragh 41	
Nipissing 6.25	6.3
Peterson Lake	-
Right of Way	
Rochester	
Seneca Superior 1.25	1.5
Silver Leaf 2	
Silver Queen	
Temiskaming 28 1/2	4
Tretheway 171/2	1
Wettlaufer	
York, Ont	
Percupine Stocks:-	
Apex 2	
Cons. Goldfields 6	

Tretheway	1.8
Wettlaufer	5.1
York, Ont 4	6
Percupine Stocks:-	
Apex 2	2.1
Cons. Goldfields 6	7
Con. Smelters	95.00
Dobie 10	12
Dome Extension 111/2	112
Dome Lake 24½	26
Dome Mines	13.95
Foley O'Brien	20
Gold Reef	4
Homestake 17	20
Hollinger	24.40
Jupiter 1134	12
Motherlode 10	15
McIntyre 37	371
Pearl Lake 134	2
Porc. Crown 80	83
Pore. Imperial 234	3
Porc. Pet	17
Porc. Tisdale 1/2	11
Perc. Vipond 421/2	43
Preston E. Dome	21
Rea Mines 12	16
Vest Dome 10½	11
Ceck Hughes	6 1
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SUGAR MARKET WEAK.

New York, March, 27 .- Sugar futures market weak. May 3.95 to 3.99. June 4.00 to 4.01. July 4.06 t o4.08. August 4.12 bid. September 4.17 to 420 Decembed 390 to 3.95.

PHILADELPHIA MARKET STEADY Phila. Pa. March. 27. — Market opened steady. Lehigh Navigation 74; Phila. Électric 23 7-8.



SIR HENRY M. PELLATT One of the directors of the Twin City Rapid Transit

rey encouragement to the holders of the stock. Reading advanced to 1481-4, a new high for the resent movement. Steel lost 1-4 on first sale which was at 481-4, but long recovered its loss. Sir Robert R. T. R. one. It was not intended by this resolution to authorize the acquirement of branch lines other than for the lintercolonial, or Prince Edward Island Railway. Sir Robert R.

Ket, nor the agreement for the renting of the first hour despite the fact that a gress amber of traders still talked of a reaction and sid dey would not buy until one occurred. Accumplation by page interests seemed to be in promision for determining when the line was to be considered completed.

The Minister of Pinance moved a series of resolutions to ratify over-issues of Dominion notes, to make advances to the Grand Trunk Pacific and the Cana, paints to 115, and Willys-Overland advanced 1% to 136. Predictions were reterrated of a dividend on General Motors after the close of the present fiscal year on July 31st, the outstanding notes being paid off as a preliminary, and it was said that a large stock dividend would be declared by Willys-Overland act month.

Bethichem Steel advanced 1% to 69, in response to the annual report which showed earnings of 35.59 not be necessary for the Government to consider the wines solved against savings deposits). On the proposed new basis of the annual report which showed earnings of 30.59 and the annual report which showed earnings of 30.59 the reserve requirements would be \$98,000,000. course it is possible that reduction of the amount of

one-year o p.c. treasury notes, and Great Britain \$100,- en at \$00,000,000, there existed the advanced prices as at any earlier stage of the movement. Broker reported an increasing public participation of United States, to bring the issues back to legal limitations. In other words, the degradation of the nations. In other words, the degradation of the nations of being merely Russia is supposed to be negotiating for an additions. In other words, the degradation of the na-Russia is supposed to be negotiating for an additional circular beyond the \$25,000,000 acceptances artional currency had the appearance of being merely and dvancing to 76 compared with 754 at Friday's close. advancing to 76 compared with 75 % at Friday's close, ropean countries were mentioned as being anxious to ered through raising the limits again it makes it appear improbable that the Dominion notes will be brought back to a sound basis in the immediate fu-Everybody who understands how these proceedings usually terminate will expect to see the weekly statement of gross passenger earnings for the Dominion note circulation remain indefinitely at or around the \$150,000,000 level, which is from \$30,000,000 to \$40,000,000 above the normal, or a further rise in the total issue to be subsequently legalized by Par

its vault nearly \$31,000,000 of Dominion notes, or not far from 1-5 of the whole issue. Three other banks held between them another \$39,000,000, or over 1/4 of held between them another socious and \$138,000,900, or New York, March 27.— Bethlehem Steel Corpora-the issue. Altogether the banks had \$138,000,900, or New York, March 27.— Bethlehem Steel Corpora-% of the entire issue—the public having \$20,000,000 tion's year ended December 31st, 1914. The surplus, \$90,000,000 to \$100,000,000. What they carried in 1913 against 27.44 per cent, the previous year. represented the amount considered necessary when their liabilities were very large and expanding. So the natural presumption is that the present holdings
are about \$40,000,000 larger than required. Of course during troubled times such as the present banks would erly dividend of 1 per cent. payable April 15th. to A. T. & S. F. naturally wish to carry reserves somewhat larger than stock of record April 1st. when conditions are normal, but they would be far stronger if they carried such increased reserves in

gold instead of Dominion notes. banks would simply have to take the notes and hold American mixed, 7s 61/2d. them willy nilly. So long as the bank notes continue futures, off 1/4. March 7s 4d. to be the principal currency of the country the amount of Dominion notes in the hands of the public is not likely to rise much above the present level amount of Dominion notes in the name of the public german Properties and likely to rise much above the present level—

New York, March 27.—The German Imperial 5 per ehigh Valley ... 137½

\$20,000,000. It is one of the greatest objections to the cent. nine months treasury notes, are being offered at 99% at a 5½ per cent. basis, by a syndicate headed Mo. Pacific 12% New Cons. ... 12% for the displacement of the bank note currency by the It will without doubt prove to be a haps irresistible inclination to again take the "easy he had said that cotton acreage would not re reduced. Ray Cons. . . road" through_legislating the bank notes out of existence, in order to make room for the Government issues in general circulation. All who borrow from Boston, Mass, March, 27. — Market opened firm, Southern Pacific banks and the inhabitants of the many small villages American Tel. 1221-4. American Zinc 29. Copper who now enter the benefits of having branches of Range 45 up 1-2. Shoe 603-4. strong banks right at their doors-these branches being established as a result of the note issue privileges of the banks—have reason to object strongly against any further increases in the volume of irredeemable May 605 to 610. July 727 bid Sept. 741 to 748 Oct. 759 paper money put into circulation.

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STOCK MARKET IS ENGAGED IN

Evidence is Not Lacking Acress Line That Volume of Business is Growing and Profits Are on Increase.

Boston, Mass., March 27 .- The financial community believes that the stock market is engaged in disounting the return of peace. In all probability it is reflecting quite as much improvement in business, which has actually occurred, for evidence is not lacking that the volume of business is growing, and that profits are on the increase.

The copper mines of the country are to-day probably producing at three-quarters' capacity, the lake producers 100 per cent. This compares with operations restricted to 50 or 60 per cent, of capacity for some time following the war. Sales have been made

One of the directors of the Twin City Rapid Transit
Company, whose February earnings made a favorable

conjunction with advances income steel products been earned with a small surplus to the good. It

done much to pull the southland out of the slough a very satisfactory testimonial to the natural

NEW YORK CURB FIRM

New York, March, 27. - Curb market opened firm. WITH NEW YORK BANKERS, notes outstanding might be effected through the pay- Dome Mines 137-8 to 14. Standard Oil N. J. 396 to

New York, March 27.—Activity continued on a large scale to the end of the first hour and the market showed strength in as large a degree at the advanced showed strength in as large a degree at the advanced showed strength in as large and strength high record, Stewart Mining up 2 points. Western Pacific 5s 34.

ker Hegeman 71-4 to 3-8. Sterling Gum 3 to 3 1-16. United Profit Sharing 3 18-16 to 7-8

DULUTH-SUPERIOR IN MARCH.

The Duluth-Superior Traction Co.'s comparative month of March, 1915, are as follows:

				P.C. of
	1915.	1914.	Dec. Inc	or Dec.
Ist week	22,156.42	23,506,91	1,350.49	5.7
2nd week	22,097.20	23.884.42	1,787.22	7.5
3rd week	22,718.06	24.893.30	2,175.24	8.8
Month to dat	e 66,971.68	72,284.63	5,812.95	7.4
Year to date	255,442.50	265.419.82	9,977.32	3.8

BETHLEHEM STEEL CORP. EARNINGS.

is of the entire issue—the public having seasons tions year ended December 1815, 1916, 1917, and increase of Amal. Copper holdings of Dominion notes by the banks never ex- \$467,317. Deducting 7 per cent. on preferred stock, ceeded \$105,000,000, and usually the banks carried from the balance is equal to 30.59 per cent. on common, Am. Can.

RAILWAY CO. DECLARES DIVIDEND.

LIVERPOOL WHEAT EASY.

Can. Pacific
It is easy to see where a further increase of the ½ to 1½ from Friday. No. 2 hard winter, 138 ½d, Cen. Leather Dominion note issues would go if one were made. The No. 2 soft winter, 13s. Cash corn closed easy off 1/2. C. M. S. P. La Plata, 7s 4d. Corn

GERMANY'S NOTE ISSUE.

COTTON PRICES UP.

troublesome and difficult matter to provide after the war for the Government's redundant issues of inconvertible paper money, and there will be a strong, per- and due to the denial by Secretary of Agriculture that

Nov. & W. 102½

Nov. & W. 106%

BOSTON MARKET FIRM

COFFEE MARKET STEADY bid. December 761 to 763 Jan. 765 bid.

LINEN CLOSED QUIET. - Market closed quiet but firm. London, March, 27. onsols 66 5-8. War loan 947-16. Rio Tinto 59 1-2.

BOARD OF TRADE SEAT SOLD.

Chicago, Ill., March 27 .- The Walter Fitch Estate has sold its Board of Trade membership for \$2,800.

ROCK ISLAND TO ISSUE BONDS.

Chicago, Ill., March 27 .- Illinois Public Utilities

Commission, has authorized Rock Island to issue \$1,-194,000 refunding bonds.

1.57 up 11; July 9.83 up 10; October 10.16 up 11.

COTTON OPENED STEADY New York, March, 27 .- Cotton opened steady, May

PARIS WHEAT UNCHANGED.

Paris. March 27 .- Spot wheat opened unchanged cooccessorococci from Friday at 162%c.

MARKET IS ENGAGED IN DISCOUNTING RETURN OF PEAGE IN ENGLISH TRADE

British Subsidiary of Westinghouse Secures Orders Formerly Placed in Germany

DIRECTORS ARE CONFIDENT

Common Dividend Earned Testimonial to Natural Strength of its Position.

Boston, Mass., March 27,-Although Westinghouse state three tones and the heavy exports at a shade under 17 cents, and the heavy exports promise to hold or advance both prices and output. Electric has had a rather close shave to show the 4 per cent. dividend on its \$36,700,000 common earned The Steel Corporation is running its big Gary for the fiscal year which ends the last of this month. plant at 80 to 85 per cent. of capacity and taken in there is very little doubt that the full amount has and the blowing in of additional furnaces, it begins is very important in considering the Westinghouse to look like real betterment in this industry. to look like real betterment in this industry.

Railroad earning sare making better reading for the security holders, and if this trend continues, these biggest of all spenders must soon loosen their with its employes. For six weeks the great plants purse strings. The action of a leading locomotive at East Pittsburg were hors de combat. And it is a company in ordering paid an unearned preferred dividend suggests the expectation of better condia sum equal to 3 per cent. on the common stock.

It is hardly possible to exaggerate the importance of the south of the rebound in the price of cetter. to the south of the rebound in the price of cotton.

The three cent advance in the staple has already

strength of the company's earning position.

915 may be accepted as a reasonable probability.

MONEY AND EXCHANGE

SILVER OFF 3-8 London, March 27. - Bar silver 283-8 off 3-8d

GOLD SET ASIDE. London, March, 27. — There has been set aside \pounds 80,000 in sovereigns for Argentine account.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE STEADY. New York, March, 27. - Foreign exchange market pened steady with demand sterling up 1-8.
Sterling—Cables 4.80 3-8 to 1-2, demand 4.80 to 1-8. Francs-Cables 5.291-2, demand 5.301-4. Marks-Cables 83 9-16, demand 83 7-1

Guilders-Cables 393-4, demand 39518.

NEW YORK COFFEE MARKET New York, March 27.—Rio market up 75 reis, stock 553,000 bags against 328,000 last year, Santos up 100 reis stock 1.162,000 bags against 1,409,000 last year. Port receipts 40,000 bags, against 15,000 year ago. erior receipts 35,000 bags against 17,000 last year.

Rio Exchange on London 13 7-32 off 3-32d. **NEW YORK STOCKS**

(Furnished by Jenks, Gwynne & Co.) Open. High. 2 p.m. 61 34 Am. Loco. Beth. Steel . 1633g Chino Copper 381/2 391/4 1185% 1181/4 inter-Met. Pfd. 137% New York Cen. 85% 59 % 1061/8 106% 19% Rep. Steel Reading .. . 881/8 87% 88 Union Pacific 125% 125 1/2 U. S. Rubber 63%

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