LATEST FINANCIAL AND SHIPPING NEWS AND NOTES

LAST WEEK'S MARKET REVIEWED; CURRENT NEWS SMALL FACTOR

The action of the market during the week has changed little from day to day. Prices at most times have moved uncertainly, strength appearing occasionally in certain classes of stocks, which, after holding for a few hours or a day, has quietly disappeared. The bond market has taken on something of the same character as the stock market in a smaller degree, the demand continuing seasonably, but with the notable activity which has prevailed for some time more or less absent. It has been a market little affected by current news. It is true the contemplation of an assembling Congress and of what President Wilson may say in his message, may have had some effect towards quietness of operations. But little use can be made of arguments from current events, when the public is not much in active evidence. The professional dealers are hardened to such things and their work takes the direction which their views of the technical situation seem to point out. This direction during the week has appeared to them in favor of lower prices, but their efforts to produce these have been rather unsuccessful. They have been unable to develop any activity in this direction, and, as a matter of fact, the only activity shown has been when prices were hardening. This indicates that the public is ready to again participate when the trend upward is once more established.

During the week some of the cables intimated that the Alies were now in position to furnish their own ammunition and might cut down their American purchases. This, however, had little effect on the war stocks, the view being taken that war orders would continue.

ONLY DIVERSION OF SESSION WAS FURNISHED BY SPECIAL STOCKS

Market inclined to await President's message to Congress—A few feeble attacks against Railways, United States Steel and some other leaders.

New York, Nov. 30—Resistance to selling pressure, which manifested itself at odd intervals, was the striking feature of today's stagnant market. Sales totalled only 432,000 shares, almost one-third occurring in the first hour. Desultory attacks were directed against such leaders as United States Steel and some of the representative railways, but those issues invariably rebounded. The extreme apathy was again attributed to a desire to await the assemblage of congress, and the publication of the President's message. Such recent developments as the Canadian government's grain seizure, and the weakness of exchange on the Teutonic countries evidently were ignored as market factors. Cables on Berlin fell to 79⅜, a decline of ¼ from the low record made yesterday. Austrian exchange was quotably lower, with no actual transactions. Sterling and francs moved to highest rates for the current movement, but lires were weak.

Special stocks furnished the only diversion of the session. Diamond Match in which no local trades had been recorded for many weeks, rose 2 to 122; Texas Company made an extreme gain of 6¾ at 215¾; Harvester preferred 10 at 106; Willys-Overland 5¼ to 245; National Biscuit preferred, 4% at 125⅝ and United States Industrial Alcohol 7½ at 125. Among the new records were Cuban American Sugar, which rose six to 174⅞; South Porto Rico Sugar 10⅞ to 156 and American Can preferred 3 to 113½.

American Can common was one of the activest stocks of the final hour advancing 3 to 64, but other prominent war shares were moderately lower. New Haven was relatively strong in that it made further recovery from its recent low price, but most issues of that division moved irregularly.

A deterrent influence in that quarter was the action of the Interstate Commerce Commission, which denied the application of the trunk lines and coal roads to continue ownership of vessels plying the Great Lakes. Canadian Pacific made virtually no response to its October statement, showing a net increase of $3,258,000.

London was a moderate seller of industrials and coppers, but offset this with purchases of transcontinentals.

Bonds were heavy with total sales, par value, $5,450,000.

United States registered 4's declined ¼ per cent. on call.

CLOSING LETTER OF N. Y. MARKET BY E.&C. RANDOLPH

(McDOUGALL & COWANS.)

New York, Nov. 30—While the market continued dull and professional to the end of the day, an increase of strength was shown in the late trading. The improvement in this respect was not very pronounced, but as it was observable in the railroad issues, even more than in the industrials, it probably reflected appreciation of the significance of the excellent statements of earnings which the roads are now presenting for October. Great activity continues in the steel trade, and the copper market shows well sustained strength, there being a good demand for the metal on the basis of twenty cents a pound. The directors of Utah, Chino and Nevada will act on the dividend question about the middle of next month and increases or extra dividends are expected. Exchange on London and Paris has been decidedly strong, while the price of marks has fallen to new low records. Sales 433,000. Bonds 4,063,000.

E. & C. RANDOLPH.

MONTREAL MARKET

(McDOUGALL & COWANS.)

	Bid.	Ask.
Ames Holden Com.	..	20
Ames Holden Pfd.	71½	72
Brazilian L. H. and P.	..	54
Canada Car	94½	94¾
Canada Car Pfd.	110¾	111
Canada Cement	39¾	40
Canada Cement Pfd.	..	90½
Can. Cotton	35	38
Crown Reserve	66	67
Detroit United	68½	69
Dom. Bridge	230	231
Dom. Canners	..	31
Dom. Iron Com.	47¾	48
Dom. Iron Pfd.	93	100
Dom. Tex. Com.	75	76
Laurentide Paper Co.	194	195
Lake of Woods	132	..
MacDonald Com.	11	12
Minn. and St. Paul	123	126
Mt. L. H. and Power	237½	239
N. Scotia Steel and C.	97½	98½
Ottawa L. and P.	..	120
Ogilvies	133	135
Penman's Limited	60½	61
Quebec Railway	17½	17¾
Shaw W. and P. Co.	138	138¾
Sher. Williams Co.	..	55
Steel Co. Can. Com.	42	42¼
Toronto Rails	..	111
Tucketts Tobacco	..	29
Winnipeg Elect.	..	180

MONTREAL TRANSACTIONS

(McDOUGALL & COWANS.)

Morning

Montreal, Tuesday, Nov. 30th—
Can. Loco.—100 @ 63.
Steamships Pfd.—50 @ 74, 445 @ 74½, 75 @ 74¾.
Steamships Com.—10 @ 18, 25 @ 17¾.
Steel Co. of Canada—25 @ 42¼, 50 @ 42.
Brazilian—50 @ 54.
Textile—3 @ 74.
Cement Pfd.—5 @ 90½.
Cement Com.—20 @ 39¼, 25 @ 39½, 25 @ 39⅞, 25 @ 40.
Dom. Iron Com.—415 @ 74½, 45 @ 47¾, 25 @ 47⅝.
Shawinigan—100 @ 139.
Canada Car—55 @ 94½.
Toronto Ry.—2 @ 111.
Canada Car Pfd.—25 @ 110, 30 @ 109½, 25 @ 111½.
Ogilvies Com.—20 @ 133.
General Electric—15 @ 118¾.
N. S. Steel—10 @ 98, 10 @ 98½.
Canada Forging—10 @ 196.
Dom. Bridge—515 @ 233, 35 @ 233¼, 15 @ 233½, 25 @ 232½.
Ames Pfd.—65 @ 70½.
Ames Com.—120 @ 20, 110 @ 20¼.
C. Cottons Pfd.—3 @ 75, 20 @ 76.
Bank of Montreal—50 @ 234.

Afternoon

Cedars Com.—65 @ 78.
Can. Loco.—2 @ 64½.
Steel of Canada—55 @ 42.
Steamships Pfd.—175 @ 74½.
Dom. Iron Com.—25 @ 47½, 25 @ 47¾.
Ont. Steel—30 @ 23.
Canada Car Com.—100 @ 94½, 20 @ 94¼.
Canada Car Pfd.—60 @ 111½, 50 @ 111.
Detroit United—50 @ 67, 10 @ 68½, 30 @ 69.
General Electric—25 @ 119, 5 @ 119½, 25 @ 120.
N. S. Steel—50 @ 97½.
Canada Forging—50 @ 194.
Dom. Bridge—60 @ 232, 50 @ 231, 55 @ 230¾, 25 @ 230½, 200 @ 230.
Ames Pfd.—15 @ 71½, 5 @ 71¼.
Ames Com.—90 @ 20¼, 200 @ 20.
C. Cottons Com.—25 @ 37.
C. Cottons Pfd.—3 @ 75, 20 @ 76.

SHIPPING

MINIATURE ALMANAC.

December Phases of the Moon.

New Moon, 6th ..... 2h., 4m. a. m.
First Quarter, 13th ..... 7h., 38m. p. m.
Full Moon, 21st ..... 8h., 52m. p. m.
Last Quarter, 29th ..... 8h., 59m. p. m.

Date.	D. of W.	Sun R'ses.	Sun Sets.	H. Water a. m.	H. Water p. m.	L. Water a. m.	L. Water p. m.
1.	W	7.50	4.34	6.28	6.44	0.08	12.36
2.	Th	7.51	4.34	7.23	7.41	1.06	1.32
3.	F	7.52	4.34	8.14	8.38	2.02	2.27
4.	S	7.53	4.35	9.03	9.29	2.56	3.21
5.	Sn	7.54	4.35	9.51	10.21	3.49	4.14
6.	M	7.55	4.36	10.40	11.12	4.40	5.06
7.	T	7.56	4.36	11.30	....	5.30	5.57
8.	W	7.57	4.36	0.04	12.21	6.21	6.49

FOREIGN PORTS.

Boston, Nov. 28.—Arrd schr Ida M, River Hebert, N. S.

Sld Nov. 28, schrs Ralph M Hayward Bridgewater, N. S.; Reliance, Grand Manan, N. B.; Alice M. Colburn, Newport News and Porto Rico; J Howell Leeds, New York; L. A. Plummer, St. John, N. B.; Winnegance, eastern port

Portland, Nov. 28.—Arrd stmr Emily, Grand Manan, N. B., with 6,000 lbs. lobsters.

Sld Nov. 28, stmr Duart, London.

MARINE NOTES.

DIGBY SHIPPERS.

Digby, Nov. 29.—The schooner Onward sailed yesterday for Port Wade to lay up for the winter, and the Klondyke for St. John to load for up the Bay ports with general freight, is still detained here through adverse winds. Repairs will be made to the Onward before she goes into the Boston trade in the spring.

Mr. John F. Masters, the New England superintendent of the Eastern S.S. Corporation, Yarmouth-Boston line, was in Digby Saturday drumming up freight business for his route.

The steamship Diana, bound to Windsor from New York, in ballast, and the Norwegian steamship Vosbergen, deal laden from Parrsboro, bound across, were reported in the Bay Saturday; also the tern schooner St. Maurice. The latter cleared at Parrsboro for Havana with 3,500 barrels potatoes, shipped by R. E. Harris, Wolfville.

RECENT CHARTERS.

Schooner Wm B Herrick, Gulf to Porto Rico, San Domingo or Hayti, lumber, two trips, p t. Schr Daisy Farlin, Brunswick to Guantanamo, with ties, p t. Sch Margaret B Roper, Digby, N S., to Trinidad, with staves, p t. Ship Edward Sewall, Virginia to Rio Janeiro, coal, $8.50, Dec.-Jan. Bark Snowdon, Virginia to Buenos Ayres, coal, $9, prompt. Schr Waltham, Baltimore to Cay Francis, coal, p t.

PORTLAND LONGSHOREMEN

William F. Dempsey, secretary of the International Longshoremen's Association, will be in the city on Monday, and in company with a committee from the local association will probably have a conference with the trans-Atlantic steamer officials in reference to the new wage scale recently submitted to the steamship companies, a settlement of the disputed points being desired on all hands, as the first regular freight boat of the season is due here very shortly. The proposed scale for day work on the steamers, 35c. per hour, was agreed to by the managers at the conference held several weeks ago, they refusing at that time to pay the 50c. per hour for night work and 60c. per for Sundays and holidays as called for by the new scale.—Portland Argus.

LAKE STEAMER SOLD.

The Lake steamer Wallula, which has been lying at the wharf at Bath, since July, 1913, and for several months was under water, has just been sold to William G. Small, president of the Kennebec Towage Co., who after removing her boilers, engines and machinery will convert her into a barge.

BATTLE LINE.

S.S. Sellasia, Capt. Abbott, arrived at Civita Vecchia, Italy, from New York, Nov. 29th.

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PRODUCE

(McDOUGALL & COWANS)

Chicago, Nov. 30.—WHEAT—No. 2 red, 1.10 3-4; No. 3 red, 1.05 to 1.08; No. 2 hard, nominal; No. 3 hard, 1.00 3-4 to 1.07 7-8.

CORN—No. 2 yellow, old, 69; No. 4 yellow, new, 62 to 64; No. 4 white, new, 61 to 62 3-4.

OATS—No. 3 white, 38 1-2 to 41; standard, 42 to 44.

RYE—No. 2, 95.

BARLEY—58 to 70.

TIMOTHY—5.00 to 7.75.

CLOVER—10.00 to 19.00.

PORK—15.75; lard, 9.12; ribs, 10.50.

	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat.			
May	108⅞	107⅜	107¾
Dec.	106½	104⅝	105
Corn.			
May	69	68⅛	68⅛
Dec.	64⅝	64	64
Oats.			
May	44¼	43½	43⅝
Dec.	41⅝	41	41¼

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET SALES

(McDOUGALL & COWANS)

	High.	Low.	Close.
Jan.	12.34	12.17	12.30
Mar.	12.63	12.49	12.60
May	.85	.72	.82
July	.93	.85	.89
Oct.	.66	.58	.60

MONTREAL CLEARINGS.

Montreal, Nov. 30.—Local bank clearings for the month ended today totalled $282,437,024, compared with $201,353,029 for the corresponding month a year ago, an increase of $81,083,995. Compared with 1913 the clearings showed an increase of $42,991,745.

Clearings of Ottawa Banks.

Ottawa, Nov. 30.—Bank clearings for the month of November 1915 totalled $19,885,360 as compared with $18,119,824 in November, 1914.

Winnipeg Clearings

Winnipeg, Nov. 30—Winnipeg bank clearings for the month of November, 1915, were $242,030,654; November 1914, $148,927,216; Nov. 1913, $209,574,750.

SUICIDES AFTER KILLING HIS WIFE

Chatham, Ont., Nov. 30—A double tragedy was enacted in Harwich township this morning, when Gilbert St. Denis, charged with a revolting crime by his thirteen year old daughter, first beat his wife into unconsciousness on the road in front of his home, and then went to the barn and committed suicide by hanging.

Mrs. St. Denis died half an hour after being carried into the house.

STOCK QUOTATIONS ON N.Y. EXCHANGE

(McDOUGALL & COWANS.)

	Open	High	Low	Close
Am Beet Sug	69⅜	71⅜	69¾	70½
Am Car Fy	81	82	81	82
Am Wool	50¾	..	..	..
Am Loco	72⅝	73⅛	71⅝	71⅝
Am Smelt	98½	99½	98¼	99
Anaconda	88½	88½	88⅛	88⅛
Am Tele	128½	128⅞	128½	128⅞
Atchison	106¾	106¾	106½	106⅝
Am Can	61⅝	64	61⅝	63
Bald Loco	114¼	114¼	113	114
Balt and O Co	94	94¼	94	94¼
C F I	51½	51½	51¼	51¼
Chino	54¾	54¾	54½	54½
Cent Leath	59⅞	59⅞	59½	59½
Can Pac xd	183½	183½	182½	183¼
Cruc Steel	73½	74½	73¼	74½
Erie Com	44⅛	44⅛	43¾	43⅞
Gr Nor Pfd	125⅞	126	125¾	126
Lehigh Val	81½	82	81½	82
Miss Pac	6½	6⅝	6⅛	6½
NY NH and H	73¾	76¼	73¾	76¼
N Y Cent	102⅜	102⅞	102⅛	102¾
Nor Pac	116⅜	117	116⅜	116⅝
Penn	59⅛	60	59⅛	60
Press Stl Car	65½	..	..	..
Reading Com	81¾	82⅛	81¾	82
Rep Steel	51¼	51⅜	51¼	51⅛
St Paul	94	94½	94	94¼
Sou Pac xd	101⅝	101¾	100¾	101¾
Sloss	59⅜	60	59⅜	60
Studebaker	151½	153¼	151½	153¼
Un Pac Com	140⅝	140¾	139¾	140⅜
U S Steel Com	86⅞	87	86½	86¾
U S Steel Pfd	115⅞	114⅞	115½	115½
U S Rub Com	54	..	..	..
Westing Elec	69⅛	69⅛	69	69½

PRODUCE PRICES ON MONTREAL MARKET

(McDOUGALL & COWANS)

Montreal, Nov. 30—CORN—American No 2, yellow, 76 to 77.

FLOUR—Man spring wheat patents, firsts, 6.10; seconds, 5.60; strong bakers, 5.40; winter patents, choice, 6.00; straight rollers, 5.30 to 5.40; in bags, 2.50 to 2.60.

MILLFEED—Bran, 22; shorts, 23; middlings, 29 to 30; moullie, 30 to 32.

HAY—No 2, per ton, car lots, 19 to 19½.

POTATOES—Per bag, car lots, 1.30 to 1.40.

Winnipeg Wheat Close

Dec.—100.
May—102⅞.

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Nov. 29 S. S. "Ormidale" Dec. 20
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St. John to Belfast
SS. Inishowen Head ..... Dec. 7
St. John to Avonmouth
SS. Ramore Head ..... Dec. 15
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From London. From St. John.
Nov. 12 Shenandoah Nov. 27
Nov. 26 Kanawha Dec. 11
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CHANGE OF TIME.
Fall and Winter Time Table of the GRAND MANAN S.S. CO.
Grand Manan Route—Season 1915-16
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Leave Grand Manan Mondays at 7.30 a. m. for St. John, via Eastport, Campobello and Wilson's Beach.
Returning leave Turnbull's Wharf St. John, Wednesdays at 7.30 a. m., for Grand Manan, via Wilson's Beach, Campobello and Eastport.
Leave Grand Manan Thursdays at 8 a. m. for St. Stephen, via Campobello, Eastport and St. Andrews.
Returning, leave St. Stephen Fridays at 7.30 a. m. for Grand Manan, via St. Andrews, Eastport and Campobello.
Leave Grand Manan Saturdays at 7.30 a. m. for St. Andrews.
Returning same day, leaving St. Andrews at 1 p. m., calling at Campobello and Eastport both ways.
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From Manchester. From St. John.
Nov. 13 Manchester Inventor Dec. 4
Nov. 20 Manchester Engineer* Dec. 6
Nov. 27 Manchester Merchant Dec. 18
Dec. 4 Manchester Miller ——
Dec. 11 Manchester Citizen Jan. 1
Dec. 18 Manchester Shipper* Jan. 3
Dec. 25 Manchester Corporation Jan. 15
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This company will not be responsible for any debts contracted after this date without a written order from the company or captain of the steamer.

REGISTRAR WILL HEAR THE APPEAL

The case of E. S. Carter versus Standard, Ltd., in court yesterday.

The case of E. S. Carter vs. The Standard, Ltd., occupied considerable time in the Circuit Court yesterday before Mr. Justice McKeown.

Notice had been given by the plaintiff of an appeal to the Registrar on Saturday last to strike out part of the pleadings of the defendant and part of the particulars given by the defendant. On application of the defendants Mr. Justice McKeown granted a summons calling upon the plaintiffs to show cause why this application should not be dealt with by him instead of by the registrar, as the case had been entered for trial in the Circuit Court before him. By agreement argument on the point took place before Mr. Justice McKeown yesterday afternoon.

Messrs. Carvell and Hughes for the plaintiff contended that the jurisdiction of the registrar was absolute and that he could hear such applications at any time.

Attorney-General Baxter for the defendant argued that the power of the registrar must be deemed to cease when the record for trial was made up as otherwise pleadings might be altered while the case was actually being tried.

His Honor decided that he had no power to interfere with the jurisdiction of the registrar and dismissed the appeal. The matter will accordingly be heard before the registrar on a date to be agreed upon.

In the morning argument of counsel was heard on return of a summons to show cause why the action should not be dismissed, on the ground that no sufficient notice was given to the defendant as required by the Libel Act.

The act says that notice should be given to the defendant setting out the particular language complained of at least five days before the commencement of suit. It is admitted that a notice in proper form was served on Alexander W. Thorne, a reporter, while the editor and business manager were absent from the city. Attorney General Baxter, for the defendant, argued that according to the act, service should be made in the same manner as a writ of summons, while the Judicature Act requires to be served on an officer or director of the company or a clerk, and he cited a case which judically defined the word clerk as meaning a principal clerk, not a subordinate. Dr. Baxter contended that Mr. Thorne had no connection with the business office or management, and at the time of the service that he was not in the head office of the company, where the act requires service to be made, but on the top floor of the building, which is used by the editorial department. Mr. Peter J. Hughes, for the plaintiff argued that under the Joint Stock Companies' Act, notices were required to be served on any grown-up employe at the head office of the company. Under this act, he contended that service in this case was good and effective. Judgment in this motion will be given later.

The special jury was dismissed until given further notice to attend.

PERSONAL.

Capt. (Rev.) F. M. Lockary, 104th Regiment, is a visitor at the Episcopal residence, Waterloo street.

High Sheriff O'Brien of Northumberland, Mrs. O'Brien and Leonard O'Brien are at the Royal.

Rev. C. P. Carleton arrived in the city yesterday morning from Petersville.

James S. Neill, of Fredericton, came in on the Montreal train yesterday.

G. S. Mayes returned to the city at noon yesterday on the Montreal express.

Mrs. G. Whitzel Moore of Bedford, N. S., is in the city at the Park Hotel.

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