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THE EVENING TIMES AND STAR, ST. JOHN, N. B., FRIDAY, DECEMBER 26, 1919

### FINANCIAL

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.  
(J. M. Robinson & Sons, Members  
Montreal Stock Exchange.)

Stock	Close	Open	Noon
Am Sunbelt	96 1/2	97	97 1/2
Am Car and Fdry	188 1/2	188 1/2	188 1/2
Am Locomotive	98	98 1/2	98 1/2
Am Can	88 1/2	88 1/2	88 1/2
Am Int. Corp.	112	112	112
Am Smelters	67 1/2	67 1/2	67 1/2
Am Tel. & Tel.	97 1/2	97 1/2	97 1/2
Am Woolens	126 1/2	126 1/2	126 1/2
Anacosta Min.	88 1/2	88 1/2	88 1/2
At. T. & S. P.	88 1/2	88 1/2	88 1/2
Brooklyn R. T.	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2
Balt. & Ohio	32 1/2	32 1/2	32 1/2
Baldwin Loco.	109 1/2	109 1/2	109 1/2
Beth Steel "B"	83 1/2	83 1/2	83 1/2
Chino Copper	35 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2
Chester Oil	54 1/2	54 1/2	54 1/2
Col. Fuel	40	40	40
Can. Pac.	181	181	181 1/2
Cent. Leather	95 1/2	95 1/2	95 1/2
Comp. Steel	212 1/2	212 1/2	212 1/2
Gen. Motors	333 1/2	333 1/2	333 1/2
Ind. Alcoh.	108 1/2	108 1/2	108 1/2
Int. Mar. Corp.	48	48	48
Int. Mar. Pfd.	108 1/2	108 1/2	108 1/2
Kennecott Copper	28 1/2	28 1/2	28 1/2
Midvale Steel	46 1/2	46 1/2	46 1/2
Maxwell Motors	32	32	32
Nex. Petroleum	219 1/2	219 1/2	219 1/2
North Pacific	79 1/2	79 1/2	79 1/2
N. Y. Central	69 1/2	69 1/2	69 1/2
New Haven	28	28	28 1/2
Pennsylvania	40 1/2	40 1/2	40 1/2
Pierce Arrow	75 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Pun. Am. Petrol.	105 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2
Reading	76 1/2	76 1/2	76 1/2
Republic 1 & S.	114 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2
St. Paul	38 1/2	38 1/2	38 1/2
South Railway	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2
South Pacific	104 1/2	104 1/2	104 1/2
Studebaker	104 1/2	104 1/2	104 1/2
Union Pacific	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2
U. S. Steel	105 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2
U. S. Rubber	128 1/2	128 1/2	128 1/2
Utah Copper	74 1/2	74 1/2	74 1/2
Westing. Electric	85 1/2	85 1/2	85 1/2
Wills Overland	27 1/2	27 1/2	27 1/2

MONTREAL TRANSACTIONS  
(J. M. Robinson & Sons, Members  
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Stock	Close	Open	Noon
Merchants Bank	17	17	17
Royal Bank	44	44	44
Abithi-10	275	275	275
Convent-35	70	70	70
Bridge-15	106	106	106
Brompton-220	86	86	86
Canada Car-250	70	70	70
Asbestos-25	96 1/2	96 1/2	96 1/2
Cement-20	73 1/2	73 1/2	73 1/2
Dominion Steel-220	74 1/2	74 1/2	74 1/2
Laurentide-185	264	264	264
St. Lawrence-185	264	264	264
McDonald-85	44	44	44 1/2
Carriage-25	80 1/2	80 1/2	80 1/2
Rorden-185	160	160	161
Shawinigan-85	116 1/2	116 1/2	116 1/2
Textile-25	103	103	103
Iron Steel-25	55	55	55
Price-10	228	228	228
Ships-25	78	78	78
Spanish-100	86	86	87 1/2
45 at 87 1/2	86 1/2	86 1/2	86 1/2
Steel Co-225	87 1/2	87 1/2	87 1/2
87 1/2	88 1/2	88 1/2	88 1/2
Waggon-25	82	82	82
Sugar-10	70 1/2	70 1/2	71 1/2
200 at 72 1/2	72 1/2	72 1/2	72 1/2
Lyall-25	88	88	88
St. Law Flour-120	134	134	134
Spanish Pfd-40	129	129	129
Car Pfd-90	105 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2
Iron Pfd-10	92 1/2	92 1/2	92 1/2
Asbestos Pfd-1	96 1/2	96 1/2	96 1/2
Victory Loan, 1922-28	100	100	100
Victory Loan, 1927-1014	100	100	100
Victory Loan, 1937-1000	100	100	100

### SAYS IRELAND PROSPEROUS AND LAW ABIDING

Samuel S. McClure, Publisher, Just Home, Says Country is a "Paradise."

New York, Dec. 26.—Samuel S. McClure, publisher, arrived yesterday on the steamer after a three months visit to Ireland where he said he found a "paradise."

"Ireland is the most prosperous, peaceful and law abiding country in the world," said Mr. McClure. "The people are well dressed and well housed. One can read outside papers, and hear of trouble and unsettled conditions. I found that Irish banks have deposits of more than \$100,000,000 and have been forced to form alliances with English banks in order to find an outlet for their money. There are 4,000,000 head of cattle in Ireland, or half as many as in Canada. Ireland has exported as much food to England since 1918 as either the United States or the Argentine."

Sir Ernest Harder Williams, English publisher, also arrived on the steamer.

### COSTLY BUTTERFLIES.

London, Eng., Dec. 24.—Beauty cannot compare with rarity in the view of the collector, but among a number of exotic butterflies sold at Stevens' sale rooms, Covent Garden, many specimens provided a combination of both, the result being that the highest recorded price for a butterfly was realized.

This was a male specimen of a Godard, from Brazil, which fell to a bidder for \$100. The insect is a rare species, never before, it is believed, offered for sale under the hammer.

Among British butterflies included in the sale a variety of male Purple Emperor, captured in 1894 in the New Forest, sold for \$80, the approximate value of a typical specimen being about 5 cents.

"Save time!" was the motto of the new division superintendent of a certain railway. One morning, after a heavy rain, during the night, he appeared at the office especially early and promptly sent out wires all along the line.

"Send particulars of flood."

Then he waited, with a sense of duty nobly done, for the replies.

Some distance down the line, where there had been no flood and hardly any rain, one station master read the telegram with a puzzled air. Then deciding it must be some sort of a joke, he replied by wire:

"Look in the book of Genesis."

### GOOD THINGS COMING TO THEATRES OF ST. JOHN

#### IMPERIAL'S SERIAL IS STARTING TODAY

"The Invisible Hand," a Novelty in Continued Picture Stores, with Antonio Moreno and Pauline Curley the Stars.

The serial story—so much berated at one time—has gotten to be a fixture in the movie theatres of the world, even out in far-off lands like India and China. They are of the same family as the continued stories in the monthly and weekly magazines which are read by millions.

The casual patron of a movie house helps his epithets upon the serial but the regular patron thinks they're fine.

The new serial at the Imperial starting today is another of Cyrus Townsend Brady's adventuresome fictions entitled "The Invisible Hand" being the high-power romance of a daring girl of the innermost secret service, masquerading as a member of a crime clique, who protects the renowned detective John Sharpe.

The serial is being shown in three introductory reels. There are new faces, new locations, new surprises and action in the superlative degree. In fact action that makes one's head whirl and revives the youthful love of adventure crackles out of every foot of film.

"I like these serials," said a leading business man one day, "because they take me back to my boyhood days and give me the oldtime adventure thrills."

### ANOTHER BIG HOLIDAY BILL AT OPERA HOUSE

New Programme Has Many Features Which Are Bound to Please.

Another feature vaudeville bill is being provided for patrons of the Opera House this evening, when five new acts direct from the big circuits in the States will be staged. Every one of the numbers is highly recommended and should prove popular. There will be an abundance of comedy, a new line of chatter, class singing, musical numbers of merit, juggling and contortion feats, in addition to another interesting episode of "The Midnight Man" featuring James J. Corbett, former heavyweight champion of the world.

The new programme will include Larimer and Carbery, in a novel singing and class dancing number; Oley Lewis, in song and unique bits of contortion; Marko and Montgomery, in a comedy singing and musical skit entitled "At the Sea Shore"; Keefe and Alberts, and Will Hale and Brothers in chatter, and Will Hale and Brothers in a novelty juggling and musical offering.

### MEN, WOMEN AND MONEY.

In "Men, Women and Money," a late Paramount picture starring Ethel Barrymore, a masculine bill is staged that is said to be one of the most colorful ever screened. Many beautiful and varied costumes were worn by the players and the general effect is said to be dazzling. This picture will be shown at the Unique Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

### WHEN THE MOON WAS BLUE

(From Tit-Bits.)

The expression "once in a blue moon," meaning that occurrences are so widely separated by time as to almost never recur, is not a figure of speech. The phenomenon has been twice observed in both Italy and Austria, and once in England. There is no available record of its having been noticed in America.

A blue sun has been recorded only once. That was in August, 1883, in Java. A day or two before there was a very violent eruption of a large volcano about 100 miles from Batavia.

Billions of tons of rock, mud, and dust were thrown high into the air, and the sun was obscured over a large area. At Batavia the darkness became so deep that street lamps had to be lighted in the middle of the forenoon. That condition prevailed until toward sunset. Then the volcanic cloud began to clear away, leaving the sun visible. Instead, however, of it being red, as is usually the case when the sun is partially obscured, it appeared as a magnificent deep blue disk, remaining that color until it sank below the horizon. The phenomenon was seen by every one within thirty or forty degrees of the equator.

### BRITISH-GERMAN TRADE

The figures of trade between Germany and England thus far this year serve as an eloquent commentary on the statement made by those English authorities soon after the armistice that a great inundation of all sorts of goods from Germany would have to be guarded against. Recent published statistics show that imports from Germany into England for the first ten months of this year totaled only about £217,000, while exports from England to Germany during the same period reached the sum of £10,800,000.

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### LOCAL NEWS

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TO BE A SISTER. Miss Martha Mary O'Hara, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel O'Hara of Moss Glen, Kings county, was among those who entered St. Vincent's Convent on December 8th.

Band on Carleton rink tonight.

Free copies of latest Boston Sunday Post and December 14th containing experiences of William J. McNulty.

NOTICE. Regular meeting Marine Freight Handlers' Union No. 588 will be held in their hall, Market place, West St. John tonight, Friday, December 26. All members requested to attend, as business of great importance will be taken up. By order of the president.

Commercial travellers' luncheon, Tuesday, December 30th, at 1:15 p.m. at Bonds. All commercial travellers are invited to attend. Matters of interest to all commercial men will be submitted. Tickets \$1.50—can be procured from W. Y. McKenney and at Bonds. Tickets must be obtained by the 27th inst.

### THE CANADIAN SPINNER IS IN VERY BAD FIX

Still Wedged in Ice Mass—Coal Running Short and Attempts to Reach Her Fail.

Quebec, Dec. 26.—With her supply of coal quickly dwindling with a broken rudder and a crew of about thirty men made more than uneasy after her prolonged drifting and helplessness in the ice floes of the lower St. Lawrence river, the Canadian merchant marine steamer Canadian Spinner today faces a real crisis and renewed efforts are being made to get her to the head quickly.

She has been battling against the elements since Tuesday last week, and yesterday the Canadian government vessel in the lower river and also on the coal supply of the ship were gloomy. Seeing that the ice pack was so thick blocks the river at the lower traverse is an impassable barrier that prevents help reaching the ship from Quebec. Efforts are now being made to have a ship from either Newfoundland or Sydney attempt to reach the Spinner.

By wireless last evening, the Spinner was reported off Matane, about eight miles off shore, still ice-bound and unable to extricate herself from the immense field that covers the river almost from shore to shore. Both Wednesday and Thursday the Canadian government ice-breaker Lady Grey put out of Quebec harbor early in the morning in an attempt to reach the Spinner and break a way for her to pull out of the ice floes, but had to put back to Quebec. She was again in port last night and will make no further attempt to reach the drifting ship.

### PAY \$20,000 OR NO BALL FOR HIM

"Babe" Ruth Returns Boston Contract Unsigned—May Go Into the Movies.

Los Angeles, Calif., Dec. 26.—"Babe" Ruth, home run hitter, is "through with major league baseball" unless the management of the Boston American League club is prepared to meet his demand for \$20,000 a year, he said today in discussing an announcement from Boston that he had returned unsigned a contract calling for \$10,000 a year.

"I have several propositions on hand, and one of which would pay me more than \$10,000 a year," he said. Ruth disclaimed any intention of entering the ring as recently reported, but admitted he might go in for motion pictures.

### POET BUYS MCCLURE'S

New York, Dec. 26.—That McClure's Magazine has been bought by Horatio Kaufman, poet, author and editorial writer, was announced last night by E. L. Collins, president of the company. He said that all the stock of McClure's publications, incorporated went to Mr.

### BRYAN OUT TO REPLACE WILSON?

Due in Washington Next Week and May Seek to Be Democratic Leader.

Montreal, Dec. 26.—A despatch to the Gazette from Washington says:—William Jennings Bryan is coming here next week to confer with democratic senators on the peace treaty, and to participate in the meeting of the Democratic National Committee on January 8. Friends of President Wilson, who have heard of these prospective activities, suggest that Mr. Bryan may be preparing to attempt to take the lead in democratic politics, and that the real purpose of the conference is to put him in a place of prominence in that party.

Some critics of Mr. Bryan go as far as to say that the commoner, who resigned as secretary of state after a difference of opinion with the president over the German submarine notes, is attempting to gain leadership of the party from President Wilson.

Whether there is any truth in these reports it is impossible to say because Mr. Bryan in his preliminary conferences here last week did not fully show his hand.

Mr. Bryan is doing his utmost to influence speedy action on the treaty. His presence here after the holiday recess is expected to have some effect on the treaty situation.

### GENERAL ELECTRIC HAS LABOR TROUBLE

Schenectady, N. Y., Dec. 26.—The entire force of plumbers and steam fitters of the General Electric Company here went on strike late on Wednesday afternoon over the rate of pay for work done outside the plant. A worker employed at the shop scale of 70 cents an hour refused to do a job in the residence of one of the executives of the works for

### USE The Want Ad Way

THE CANADIAN BANK OF COMMERCE

Statement of the result of the business of the Bank for the year ending 29th November, 1919

Balance at credit of Profit and Loss Account brought forward from last year... \$ 1,444,846 68  
Net Profit for the year ending 29th November, after providing for all bad and doubtful debts... 3,074,892 72  
\$ 4,519,739 40

This has been appropriated as follows:

Dividends Nos. 128, 129, 130 and 131, at twelve per cent. per annum... \$ 1,400,000 00  
War tax on bank-note circulation to 29th November... 150,000 00  
War tax on bank-note circulation to 29th November... 250,000 00  
Transferred to Pension Fund... 120,000 00  
To adjust the balance sheet on existing exchange rates, 29th Nov. 1919... 750,000 00  
Reserves... 476 59  
Balance carried forward... 1,427,735 40  
\$ 4,519,739 40

### GENERAL STATEMENT 29th NOVEMBER, 1919

TO THE PUBLIC—Notes of the Bank in circulation... \$ 30,047,659 68  
Deposits not bearing interest... \$151,688,481 72  
Deposits bearing interest, including interest accrued to date... 241,916,674 29  
\$304,605,156 01

Liabilities due to other Banks in Canada... 74,816 06  
Balances due to Banks and Banking Correspondents elsewhere... \$ 6,272,208 45  
Bills Payable... 441,189 99  
Acceptances under Letters of Credit... 14,866,146 19  
\$47,762,467 38

TO THE SHAREHOLDERS—Dividends Unpaid... 4,002 85  
Dividend No. 131, payable 1st December... 450,000 00  
Capital Paid up... 15,000,000 00  
Less Account of... 1,427,735 40  
Balance of Profit as per Profit and Loss Account... 31,427,735 40  
\$ 479,644,205 64

### ASSETS

Gold and Silver Coin Current on hand... \$ 15,425,252 93  
Gold deposited in Central Gold Reserves... 6,500,000 00  
Dominion Notes on hand... \$ 31,436,349 25  
Dominion Notes deposited in Central Gold Reserves... 10,000,000 00  
Notes of other Banks... 41,436,349 25  
Cheques on other Banks... 2,433,211 00  
Balances due by Banks and Banking Correspondents elsewhere... 14,372,830 21  
where in Canada... 476 59  
10,589,300 05  
27,395,908 75  
46,865,379 16  
29,847,537 20  
5,955,791 41  
20,750,828 04  
24,864,885 75  
881,791 81  
\$ 219,911,724 30  
215,189,170 54  
24,938,269 89  
14,866,446 19  
137,120 45  
467,650 60  
203,381 18  
5,839,008 22  
71,434 27  
\$ 479,644,205 64

### LIABILITIES

Other Current Loans and Discounts in Canada (less rebate of interest)... 24,938,269 89  
Other Current Loans and Discounts elsewhere than in Canada (less rebate of interest)... 14,866,446 19  
Liabilities of Customers under Letters of Credit, as per contract... 137,120 45  
Overdue Debts (estimated loss provided for)... 467,650 60  
Mortgages on Real Estate sold by the Bank... 203,381 18  
Bank Premises at cost, less amounts written off... 5,839,008 22  
Other Assets not included in the foregoing... 71,434 27  
\$ 479,644,205 64

### B. E. WALKER PRESIDENT

Report of the Auditors to the Shareholders of The Canadian Bank of Commerce

In accordance with the provisions of subsections 19 and 20 of section 56 of the Bank Act, 1913, we report as follows:—We have audited the above Balance Sheet and compared it with the books and vouchers at Head Office and with the certified returns from the branches. We have obtained all the information and explanations that we have required, and are of the opinion that the transaction of the Bank which have come under our notice have been within the powers of the Bank.

We have checked the assets and verified the securities representing the investments of the Bank, at its chief office and principal branches at a date other than, and in addition to, the verification on 29th November, 1919, and that they were in agreement with the entries in the books of the Bank, relating thereto.

In our opinion the Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the affairs of the Bank according to the best of our information and the explanations given to us, and as shown by the books of the Bank.

T. HARRY WEBB, C.A.  
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of Marwick, Mitchell, Peat & Co.

### JOHN AIRD GENERAL MANAGER

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### SHIPPING

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### PORT OF ST. JOHN.

Arrived December 26. S.S. Canadian Signaller from Demerara. Coastwise—St. John's from Alma N. B., Captain Charles Pike. Cleared December 26. Coastwise—St. John's to Alma N. B. S.S. Manchester Hero 8672 for Manchester via Halifax.

### CANADIAN PORTS.

Halifax, Dec. 26.—Arr. str. Lake Elm-dale, Quebec; Lingon, Louisbourg; Potosi, Liverpool. Arr. Dec. 25, str. Turret Court, sea; Baron Tairdie, do; Sable I, North Sydney. Sid. str. Mary H. Santiago, Cuba; str. Horatia, London; Angelo Tosa, New York; Eastern Chief, Carleton Place, both to sea.

### BRITISH PORTS.

Dublin, Dec. 25.—Arr. str. Rio Negro, Sydney (NS).

### FOREIGN PORTS.

Philadelphia, Dec. 25.—Arr. str. Haverford, Liverpool. New York, Dec. 25.—Arr. str. Mauretanian, Southampton; 1 sident Grant, Brest; Teaming, Naples; Imperator, Halifax.

### MARINE NOTES.

The Canadian Signaller arrived off the Island this morning from Demerara with a cargo of sugar, which is to be forwarded to Western Canada. The Canadian Signaller is due here tomorrow to load for Liverpool. The S.S. Othon Stathatos expects to get away today for Greece with a full cargo of grain. The Furness Withy liner Castellano is expected to arrive here tomorrow from London.

The S.S. Millport is expected to reach port this afternoon from Sydney. Hon. J. A. MacDonald and members of the crew of the schooner "Barbara MacDonald" arrived at Charlottetown, P. E. I. Christmas Eve, after a miraculous escape from drowning. The schooner left Carleton on December 4 for St. John's Nfld. On December 10 they encountered heavy weather and Captain Thomas Whittle was swept overboard. Last Sunday the vessel struck near Cape Pine of the Newfoundland and was dashed to pieces. They reached shore after five hours and then had to climb a cliff 800 feet in height.