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QUOTATIONS IN THE
ST. JOHN MARKETS

No important changes in the prices of commodities have occurred during the past few days. Flour remains at about the same prices as have been quoted during the past fortnight, except that Ontario is easier. Some changes have occurred in the quotations for oats and bran with prices tending slightly downward. Late quotations from jobbers and wholesalers are here given:

Groceries.	
Sugar, standard	\$8.35 @ \$8.30
Rice	5.75 " 5.85
Tapioea	0.11 " 0.12
Beans	
Yellow-eyed	4.90 " 5.00
White	4.00 " 4.60
Commel, gran.	0.00 " 0.35
Cream of Tartar	0.02 " 0.53
Currents, cleaned	0.00 " 0.14 1/2
Molasses	0.00 " 0.53
Peas, split, bags	5.25 " 5.50
Barley, pot, bags	3.25 " 3.30
Raisins	
Choice, seeded	0.10 1/2 " 0.10 1/2
Fancy, seeded	0.10 1/2 " 0.11
Half, Liverpool, per	
sack, ex store	1.05 " 1.15
Soda, bicarb.	3.10 " 3.20

Flours.	
Manitoba	0.00 " 7.55
Ontario, standard	0.00 " 6.85
Oatmeal, rolled	0.00 " 6.25
Commel, bags	0.00 " 1.85

Canned Goods.	
Beef—	
Corned 2s	5.40 " 6.10
Corned 1s	2.90 " 3.50
Beans—	
Baked	1.50 " 1.70
String	1.10 " 1.15
Clams	4.00 " 4.25
Corn	1.10 " 1.15
Herring, kippered	4.55 " 4.75
Oysters—	
1s	1.70 " 1.75
2s	2.50 " 2.55

Pineapples.	
Sliced	2.12 1/2 " 2.15
Grated	1.85 " 1.70
Singapore	1.70 " 1.75
Peas	1.07 1/2 " 1.10
Peaches, 2s.	1.80 " 1.85
Peaches, 3s.	2.40 " 2.45
Plums, Lombard	1.15 " 1.17
Pumpkin	1.10 " 1.15
Raspberries	2.17 1/2 " 2.20
Salmon—	
Pinks	5.00 " 5.25
Cohoos	5.00 " 5.25
Red spring	8.50 " 8.60
Tomatoes	1.32 1/2 " 1.35
Strawberries	2.42 1/2 " 2.45

Meats, Etc.	
Country	0.08 " 0.10
Butcher's	0.11 " 0.14
Western	0.12 " 0.15
Lamb	0.15 " 0.17
Veal, per lb.	0.08 " 0.10
Mutton, per lb.	0.08 " 0.12
Butter—	
Tub	0.24 " 0.26
Roll	0.26 " 0.32
Creamery	0.00 " 0.30
Eggs, case	0.21 " 0.23
Cheese, Can.	0.19 " 0.19 1/2
Fowl, per lb.	0.28 " 0.30
Turkey, per lb.	0.28 " 0.30
Chicken, per lb.	0.22 " 0.28
Potatoes, bbl.	2.50 " 3.00

Fish.	
Boaters, boxes	0.75 " 0.95
Cod	
Medium	6.50 " 6.60
Small	4.75 " 5.00
Finnan haddies	0.00 " 0.08
Herrings	
Gr. Manan, bbls.	5.00 " 6.05
Kipper, boxes	0.00 " 0.90
Haddock	0.00 " 0.06
Halibut	0.00 " 0.14

Fruits, Etc.	
Almonds	0.17 " 0.20
Bananas	2.00 " 3.00
Walnuts	0.13 " 0.14
Nuts, new	0.07 " 0.08 1/2
Pilberts	0.16 " 0.18
Peonies, per lb.	3.50 " 4.00
Chili, Orange	5.00 " 5.50
Onions, Bermuda	2.50 " 3.00
Peanuts, roasted	0.10 " 0.15

Oats, Feed, etc.	
Oats, per bushel	0.59 " 0.63
Oats, car lots, bush.	0.56 " 0.60
Bran, car lots, bags	26.00 " 27.00

Provisions.	
Pork, Am. mess	30.00 " 31.00
Pork, Am. clear	31.00 " 32.50
Beef, Am. plate	25.00 " 25.50
Lard, pure	0.18 1/2 " 0.18 3/4
Lard, comp. tubs	0.14 1/2 " 0.14 3/4

Oils.	
Lard Oil	0.00 " 1.20
Royalite	0.00 " 0.16 1/2
Premier motor gaso-	
line	0.00 " 0.35 1/2
Palatine	0.00 " 1.20
Turpentine	0.00 " 0.65

Hides, Skins, Etc.	
Hides	0.15 " 0.15 1/2
Calfskins	0.25 " 0.28
Shearings	0.20 " 0.30
Spring Lambskins	0.20 " 0.30
Wool, washed	0.43 " 0.45
Wool, unwashed	0.30 " 0.32
Tallow	0.06 1/2 " 0.07

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET SALES	
Jan.	13.19
Mar.	13.22
May	13.28
July	13.28
Sept.	12.80

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WALL ST. MARKET
BROAD AND STRONG

But Under Spell of Political Situation to Great Extent.

RAILS AGAIN THE
MAIN FEATURE

Heavy Offerings of Anglo-French 5's at a Slight Concession.

New York, June 8.—Considerations arising from the political situation governed today's market to an unusual extent, even though trading was characterized by greater breadth and underlying strength. Rails were again the outstanding feature, infusing a degree of confidence which served to offset occasional uncertain tendencies elsewhere in the list. Shares of the coal roads featured the active opening, with a revival of last month's movement in Reading, which made an extreme advance of 1 1/2 to 10 1/2, all of which and more was lost before the close.

Greater stability was shown by other issues of that particular division, notably Chesapeake and Ohio, which rivaled Reading in point of prominence, and registered an advance of 3/4 to 6 3/4, all of which was retained.

New York Central, Illinois Central, St. Paul and some of the southern divisions held or added to recent gains, with moderate recessions in the final hour.

The statement of the Interstate Commerce Commission for April, disclosing net gains by 165 roads of almost \$35,000,000 over the corresponding month.

Shipping shares were only second to rails, United Fruit ascending 2 1/2 to the new record of 16 1/2, while Marine preferred shook off some of its recent heaviness on more reassuring reports respecting the terms of reorganization.

Automobile stocks and accessories were only moderately active and firm, with a belated demand for Studebaker at a substantial gain, and most war issues remained in the background, but United States Smelting rose to its new maximum on its advance of 1 1/2 to 5 1/2, as did also American Beet Sugar, which made a gain of 1 1/2 to 8 1/2.

Stronger tendencies were also manifested at times by some of the high priced tobacco specialties, American Coal Products, American and International Papers and local tractions.

Total sales of stocks amounted to \$85,000 shares, and after provision for depreciation, interest charges and the preferred dividends declared there was a balance of \$3,015,225 applicable to the common stock, compared with \$2,255,256 in the preceding year. The balance carried forward from the previous year of \$1,723,163 brought the company to the close of its year with a total balance of \$4,037,389, against \$1,023,163 in 1915.

Chicago, June 8.—Wheat, No. 2 red, nominal; No. 3 red, 1.02 1/2; No. 2 hard, 1.05 to 1.08 1/2; No. 3 hard, 1.02 to 1.04 1/2.

Corn—No. 2 yellow, 72 1/2 to 75 1/2; No. 4 yellow, 72 to 73 1/2; No. 4 white, 70 1/2 to 71.

Oats—No. 3 white, 39 1/2 to 40; standard, 40 1/2 to 41 1/2.

Barley—60 to 78.

Timothy—5.50 to 8.00.

Clover—7.50 to 14.00.

DOMINION STEEL
COMMON STOCK

EARNED 9.39 P. C.

As Against Nothing for Preceding Year—Annual Report in Every Respect up to Expectations.

Special to The Standard.

Montreal, June 8.—The annual report of the Dominion Steel Corporation to be presented to the shareholders at the annual meeting on Tuesday, June 20, was reviewed by the Board of Directors at their meeting yesterday and later made public. It in every way comes up to the expectations that the company would make a record-breaking showing and exposes a greatly improved financial position. The report shows that 9.39 per cent was earned on the common stock against nothing in the preceding year, while all the interest charges were earned more than three times over. The strong position of the corporation's preference stock is shown when it is stated that on that issue there was earned fifty-seven per cent, while on the constituent company preferred there was earned forty-four per cent.

As a result of the successful year the board declares a full year's dividend on the Iron and Steel, accumulated dividend amounting to seven per cent, leaving only a half year's accumulation now to be paid, and there is strong expectation that this will be cleared up later on in the year. Earlier in the year a dividend of 3 1/2 per cent had been paid on this account, making 10 1/2 per cent in all.

The net profits for the year amounted to \$7,004,316, compared with \$3,571,058, and after provision for depreciation, interest charges and the preferred dividends declared there was a balance of \$3,015,225 applicable to the common stock, compared with \$2,255,256 in the preceding year. The balance carried forward from the previous year of \$1,723,163 brought the company to the close of its year with a total balance of \$4,037,389, against \$1,023,163 in 1915.

Montreal, June 8.—The Montreal market was again dull today, with little interest taken. Prices, however, were firm and offerings of securities were not of a striking character, there being a few strong and a few soft spots, but for the most part the changes were unimportant.

After yesterday's readjustment in Power from 244 1/2 to 240 3/4, the market settled down to a 240 basis, which would represent 80 for the new stock, but Cedars sold one lower to 79.

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MARKET SLUGGISH
IN THE AFTERNOON

Only Minor Changes Marked Trading of Yesterday's Session.

IRON AND STEEL OF
CANADA FEATURES

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THE COMPARATIVE
DULLNESS OF THE
MONTREAL MARKET

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Montreal, June 8.—It has been an axiom of the market that the publication of good news is not the best time to sell stocks. The clever idea is supposed to be to anticipate events by selling shortly before the news breaks.

One theory is that the company is likely to be a little less crowded, and then again the public has been keyed up to the buying point by the bullish gossip preceding important developments, thus creating a better market for selling purposes.

When good news is out the buying in that particular quarter usually lets up, or at least the selling usually supercedes in volume the buying. This is why speculators are loath to wait for the actual announcement of developments to take profits from the market.

As the market has enjoyed a broad general rise for some time back, and several interesting incidents such as the announcement of the Power merger and the publication of the Dominion Steel figures for the past fiscal year have developed this week, the above explanation may help to explain the present comparative dullness in the market and the tendency in some quarters for prices to ease off somewhat. Coupled with this is the realization that developments in the war zone are pretty certain to be more stirring than at any time since the war began, which leads to a disposition on the part of many to reduce their holdings, while fresh buying is likely to be stayed until the news develops a more cheering character.

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

(McDOUGALL & COWANS.)

New York, June 8.—The market continued largely professional through the day with certain specialties being moved up and down, as they have been for some time past. C. and O. Light, Dominion Loan was in good demand, American Beet Sugar and Railway Steel Springs were strong, but profit-taking was in evidence in some of the other stocks that have advanced recently and the market altogether gave no indication of a change in its fundamental position, which needs strengthening before there can be any general advance. Money rates continued firm, and in the trading, American Beet Sugar and Railway Steel Springs were strong, but profit-taking was in evidence in some of the other stocks that have advanced recently and the market altogether gave no indication of a change in its fundamental position, which needs strengthening before there can be any general advance. 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