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ANOTHER DROP

IN HILLCREST

Common Declined Five More

Points and Preferred

Over Seven

TEXTILE RECOVERS

Nova Scotia Steel Ignored Dictates of

Bear—Balance of Steel Group was

Firm and Unchanged.

There was a let-up to-day in the

bear pressure which again developed

in the later trading yesterday, and

the securities on the Montreal

Stock Exchange, where they did not

maintain their former levels, experi-

enced gains—in some instances gains of

considerable proportions.

An exception was found in the case

of the issues of the Hillcrest Collieries,

both of which slumped decidedly. The

common dropped another five points,

to 25, which is ten points lower than

the level at which the stock was sell-

ing prior to the disastrous explosion in

the mine, while the preferred came out

for the first time since that event at

75, a decline of 7 1/2 points from the

same net preceding.

Prospects are uncertain.

There was no definite news from

the west to induce liquidation, but in

view of the uncertainty which must

necessarily surround the immediate fu-

ture of the company, it is perhaps not

unusual that some of the more timor-

ous of the outside holders should be

constrained to part with their stock.

Dominion Textile was the subject of

a sharp recovery to 67 1/2, following the

bear activity of yesterday, to which

was ascribed the recession to 64 1/2 in

the late trading, thus establishing a

new low point for the year.

Cotton Trade Dull.

The leaves were accorded a little im-

munition by the financial statement of

the Dominion Textile Co., issued re-

cently, which indicated that only one

per cent had been earned in excess of

the 4 per cent dividend on the com-

mon.

The fact that the cotton business is

quite slow at the present time is also

emphasized by those who argue that

lower prices are advisable. That be-

lieved the case, it is cause for con-

gratulation that the textile group has not

weakened to a greater extent. While

converters was unchanged at 35, while

Montreal Cottons preferred was im-

proved at 95 1/2.

Criticizing the Bears.

Nova Scotia Steel, which yesterday

receded 1/2 point to 49 1/2, opened at 51

but soon recovered further to 53. Not

a little of the recent selling has been

for short account. Toronto has been

particularly active on the bear side re-

cently and some of the local brokers

are inclined to criticize the action of

their confreres in that city. Brokers

here claim that their fellows in Toron-

to have not been conserving the in-

terests of clients as much as the oc-

casional demand.

Unlisted Stocks.

In the unlisted department activity

was still shown by Cedar Rapids com-

mon, which was up a point at 67 1/2

and Trams Power, which advanced

1 1/2 to 44.

In both instances the closing price

was fractionally below the levels.

Cedar Rapids bonds were firmer at

100.

DIVIDENDS DECLARED

Standard Bank—3 1/2 per cent, pay-

able Aug. 1st, record July 24th.

The Low's Theatre Company divi-

dend of 1 1/2 per cent, upon the pre-

CANADIAN GENERAL ELECTRIC

When Drive Occurred In This Issue on the Toronto Stock Exchange Traders

Did Not Ask For a Reason Having Come to Feel That The In-

centive For These Sudden Fluctuations Take Place on Exchange It-

self.

Toronto, June 24.—The market for

firm. Hollinger crossed \$19.00. The

general mining list has been most en-

couraging. A further advance in York-

Ontario to 14 was one of the indica-

tions of renewed attention to the chep-

per priced mining stocks.

A drive at Canadian General Elec-

tric formed the chief feature of the

industrial list. The price was broken

to 98 1/2 and stock was offering ex-

dividend at 98 1/2. Traders have ceased

to inquire for reasons for these sudden

fluctuations as for the most part it

is recognized that the incentive oc-

curs on the exchange itself.

Brazilian did not show much strength

in selling around 77 1/2. Some drib-

bling liquidation for local account oc-

curred, and there were no buying or-

ders from abroad. Barcelona was ac-

tive and unchanged at 25 1/2.

In response to firmness in your mar-

ket the Steel and Iron stocks were

quite steady. Supporting bids were in

for Scotia Steel at 52. Iron common

sold 2 1/2 and Steel of Canada preferred

at 72 with the common stock at 13

bid.

Canada Bread held at 80 1/2 with the

preferred at 82.

The inclination of traders was to

watch the fortnightly settlement in

London very closely and if this set-

tlement discloses no aftermath of the

our clients, and reach a block

Prenfell failure sentiment here will be

likely improved at the close of this

week.

MONTREAL BROKERAGE FIRM AFFECTED

BY NEW FRENCH GOVERNMENT REGULATION

The decision of the French Govern-

ment to exact a tax of 5 per cent. on

commissions received in France from for-

eign stocks, bonds and securities of

whatever form, did not find Messrs.

L. G. Beaulieu & Co., of this city, un-

pleasant.

Up to a couple of weeks ago this

firm had maintained a branch office

in Paris, where they transacted a very

large business in behalf of French in-

vestors, particularly in issues originat-

ing in this country.

When it became evident that the new

regulations would go into effect short-

ly last is the date now set for the

imposition, Messrs. Beaulieu & Com-

pany arranged to transfer their Euro-

pean office to Geneva, Switzerland,

where it has been located for the past

fortnight and where they will continue

to transact all business for continental

clients.

"There is no doubt," remarked Mr. L.

G. Beaulieu, in discussing the matter

with a representative of The Journal of

Commerce to-day, "that the new regu-

lation will have the effect of driving

much business out of France. Any of

Paris at night and reach their business

next morning, transact their business

and be back in Paris with the loss of

only a single day.

"The trouble is that the Socialistic

element is gaining too strong a foot-

hold in the ranks of European govern-

ments and unless something is done to

place a curb upon the movement the

larger interests are bound to suffer

seriously.

"The advantage gained in this in-

stance—securing additional facili-

ties for the flotation of the new French

Government loan—will scarcely com-

ST. LAWRENCE SUGAR REFINERIES

Mr. A. Baumgarten, for many years the President, retires from the Active

Management, and his place was filled by the selection of Mr. J. W. Mc-

Connell, a former Vice-President.

At the annual meeting of the St.

Lawrence Sugar Refineries, Limited,

held to-day, Mr. A. Baumgarten, who

has been president of the company for

many years, and under whose admin-

istration the concern has made such

satisfactory progress, expressed his de-

sire to withdraw from the active man-

agement.

He will, however, still be identified

with the company as honorary presi-

dent.

Mr. J. W. McConnell, formerly vice-

president, succeeds Mr. Baumgarten as

president, and Mr. J. W. McConnell

also elected vice-president and man-

aging director.

The Board of Directors was increas-

ed from five to six, the new member

being Mr. Lorne C. Webster, of Mont-

real.

The Board of Directors as at present

constituted is as follows: A. Baum-

garten, Hon. Pres. J. W. McConnell, Pres.

O. W. Donner, Vice-Pres. and Mgr.

Director.

E. A. Reinecke, New York.

Lorne C. Webster, Montreal.

B. McNally, Secy.-Treas.

The company's financial statement

for the last year was considered sat-

isfactory.

AMERICAN FREIGHT RATE DECISION

MAY BE DIVIDED INTO TWO PARTS

Washington, June 24.—It is rumo-

red here, on what purports to be good

authority, that the Interstate Com-

merce Commission will hand down on

Friday only one of two parts into

which the decision in Eastern rate case

has been divided. This first part, so

the carriers need additional revenue,

and if so, what extent.

This same rumor has it that the sec-

ond part of the decision will be hand-

ed down a month or two later, after

the psychological depression has pass-

ed, and will describe ways and means

by which railroads may derive the ad-

ditional revenue they are said by their

managers to need.

As in the case with other attempt-