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APRIL 9th.

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## AT OSGOODE HALL.

**Important Suit Postponed — Validity of Description in a Chattel Mortgage Case—Business for To-Day.**

At the non-jury sittings Justice Ferguson reserved judgment in Ontario Bank v. Shields. He stated that he had a strong opinion in the matter, but would not give judgment without giving it further thought.

A DISAPPOINTMENT.

There was suppressed excitement in the crowded court room when the case of the Bank of Commerce v. Davidson was called. The military were fairly represented, commanding officers of regiments and subordinate officers turning out in force, as fitting to the occasion. The Kilties are popular and the public of course desired to see the parade and how the gallant colonel of the 48th would stand the raking fire of one of Cromwell's Ironsides. Great was the disappointment, however, when the learned judge, in a voice husky, not from emotion, but cold in the throat, declared that he would adjourn till to-day at 10 a.m.

CHATTEL MORTGAGE CASE.

In re Ryan v. Shields the question was as to the validity of the following description of goods in a chattel mortgage "All and singular the stock in trade and fixtures now contained in the store premises herein mentioned and known as No. 30 Queen-street west, Toronto, and all additions thereto or substitutions thereof hereafter at any time made by the said mortgagor or anyone in her behalf." The mortgagor, after the making of the mortgage, removed to 474 Queen-street west. Judge Morson held that the mortgage, as against Ryan & Co., execution creditors, did not cover goods added to or substituted for the stock, etc., after the removal. The mortgagee, A. G. Clements, appealed and the Divisional Court dismissed the appeal with costs.

TO-DAY'S LISTS.

Judge's chambers at 11 a.m.—Clagstone v. Hammond, Walters v. Duggan, Vandusen v. Littlejohn, Caughell v. Brown, Queen ex rel Ferris v. Speck, Fawkes v. Griffin, Leslie v. Select Knights.

Non-jury sittings at 10 a.m.—Bank of Commerce v. Davidson, Hopkins v. Hopkins, Tew v. Nell.

Divisional Court, 10 a.m.—Teetzel v. Dominion Construction Company, Talbot v. London Guarantee Company, Macdonald v. Davis, Hammond v. Keachie, Stinson v. Macintosh, McLeod v. Noble, Boulton v. Boulton, Turner v. Appelbe.

**Canadian, American and British Patents.**

Below will be found the only complete weekly up-to-date record of patents granted to Canadian inventors in the above countries which is furnished us by Messrs. Fetherstonhaugh & Co., patent barristers, experts, etc., Head office, Canadian Bank of Commerce Building, Toronto; branches, Montreal and Ottawa, from whom all information may be readily obtained.

Canadian Patents—W E Milligan, bicycle driving gear; C G Hamilton, pneumatic tire; W H Shapley, process for roughening the treads of tires; J Segoy, water boiler; G Limerise, crosscut saw jointed; H Paris, mouth organ; W H Morgan, plate holder for photographs; P T Savoine, pump; J Roy, device for turning pages; F L Springer, folding door partition; A H Durand, brake; J D McEachren, furnace; J B Gullbeault, nut lock; D Moore, weeding machine; E H Farley, tobacco pipe; J Ingalls, adjustable tag snap; A F Perks, gold separating machines; A Spoffard, tufting machine; F A Stewart, churn; P Covet, corset; O S Ferguson, damper; W P Jones, manufacture of boards for finishing purposes; H B Reaume, bicycle skirt adjusters; E M Casson, coffee pot; W Crichton, skate strap; J C Scott, planing machine; A Fairgrieve, broiler; O M Gould, brake; H W Dorken, skate; J E A Walker, car fender; F Green, electrical thermostat; J C Bull, infold safety; F Lavinie, cleaning and washing machine; B Brien and Albert Maymard, refrigerator; E B George, washing machine.

American Patents—Thomas Manley, adjustable hold-back socket; Joseph McCallum, inking mechanism for printing presses; Andrew Wilson, motor.

British Patents—W Yates, cask; W Delaney, velocipede; S Fuder, railway vehicles; S J Loughlin and J Hough, drawing tables.

**Voluntary Liquidation.**

The Bristol and West of England Land, Mortgage and Investment Company have decided to go into voluntary liquidation. At one time this company had out $1,200,000 in loans, but of late years they have been reducing, and the amount is now down to $800,000. The Canadian headquarters of the company are at 17 Jordan-street. Mr. W. H. Mulkins, the manager, stated that the meeting at which the liquidation was resolved on was one of stockholders, and that the plan outlined was one to pass through the necessary legal formalities for settling with the bondholders, after which the business will probably be carried on as usual here.

**Boys' Brigade Parade.**

The secretary of the Toronto Battalion of the Boys' Brigade wishes to state, in reference to the strength of companies on parade at the Pavilion on Thursday last: The 11th Co., Broadview-avenue Congregational, stood first, with 28 boys in uniform and four officers; the 16th Co., Woodgreen Methodist second, with 24 boys—70 in uniform—and two officers.

**Business Embarrassments.**

The Toronto Show Case Company, Adelaide-street west, have assigned to W. H. Ritches. The Members of the firm are Emil Weimart and Robert S. Dinsmore, who have been in business two days. Liabilities are about $16,000, and assets nominally the same. The creditors will meet on April 14.

Peter Bertram, hardware of Hamilton, has suspended payment. A few days ago the stock was damaged by fire. Mr. Bertram carried a stock of between $20,000 and $25,000.

W. A. Woolson of Woolson & Murdock, grocers, Ingersoll, has assigned to D. G. Cuthberton.

Gordon Baker, general storekeeper, Osnabruck Centre, has assigned to Henry Barber, Toronto. Liabilities about $3000.

W. Scripture, drugs, Ottawa, is offering 25 cents on the dollar.

A meeting of the creditors of James Body, grocer, Brockville, will be held on April 12.

A. P. Gillies, general store, Monkland Station, is trying to effect a compromise.


S. Ackerman, Commercial Traveler, Belleville, writes: "Some years ago I used Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil for inflammatory Rheumatism, and three bottles effected a complete cure. I was the whole of one summer unable to move without crutches, and every movement caused excruciating pains. I am now out on the road and exposed to all kinds of weather, but have never been troubled with rehuematism since. I, however, keep a bottle of Dr. Thomas' Oil on hand, and I always recommend it to others as it did so much for me." ed


## PUBLIC SCHOOL MATTERS.

**Deputation Will Wait on Ministers re the Proposed Amalgamation Schools for the Voting.**

A committee was appointed some time ago by the board to look after its interests in the matter of legislation.

The committee met yesterday afternoon and discussed the bill before the Legislative Assembly re amalgamation of High and Public School Boards.

It was moved by Mr. S. W. Burns, and seconded by Dr. Buck, "That the Legislation Committee of the Toronto Public School Board present the view to the Minister of Education that the six wards of Toronto elect four members each to the Toronto Board of Education for a term of two years each, with power to the Separate School Board to appoint one representative in relation to High School or Collegiate Institute matters.

"And this committee are strongly of opinion that no appointive member other than as above should compose the said Board of Education; and this committee is further strongly of opinion that no less than three members should in any event be elected from each of the six Toronto Wards.

"And this committee are also of the opinion that the proposal to elect two members from each ward, with six appointed by the City Council on the recommendation of the Mayor or otherwise, would not be to the advantage of the educational interests of the Public and High Schools of the city of Toronto."

CHANGES IN STAFF.

The Management Committee of the Public School Board met yesterday and passed the following report submitted by the sub-committee on teachers:

"That the resignation of Miss J. Saunders, kindergarten assistant in Morse-street school, be accepted.

That the following kindergartners be appointed temporarily and assigned to the schools named: Miss E. Jewett, to Dewson-street school; Miss R. M. Drayton, to Morse-street school.

That the following kindergartners be appointed to the occasional staff: Miss Minnie Hill, Miss J. M. Temple.

That Miss M. W. Dyke, teacher in Fern-avenue school, be granted leave of absence for 12 days to attend a university examination.

That Miss I. C. Hawley, assistant kindergartner in Brant-street school, be granted leave of absence from the Easter holidays to the midsummer vacation in order to prepare for examination at the Normal School as a kindergarten directress.

The chief clauses in the report of the sub-committee on inspection were referred to the inspectors to dispose of, but the following recommendation: "That the boy reported for bad behavior in Huron-street school be dealt with as recommended by the principal, i.e., transferred from Huron-street school," was carried.

SCHOOLS AS POLLING BOOTHS.

The various committees of the Public School Board have shown themselves agreeable to the using of the schools as polling booths on May 15 for the Sunday car vote, providing that proper police protection be enforced.

Citizens may expect top-spinning and rope-skipping galore to-day throughout the city's side streets, for be it known all Public school scholars have been given a holiday because of the Teachers' Convention, which will hold session to-day in Wellesley school and to-morrow in the Y.W.C.G. Hall in McGill-street.

**New Books at the Public Library.**

Lorimer, Messages of To-day to the Men of To-morrow; Baldwin, School Management and School Methods; Wilson and Koren, The Liquor Problem in its Legislative Aspects; Sparkes and Gandy, Potters, Their Arts and Crafts; Cobbett, The Man on the March; Lang, Matte Smelting; Bailey, The Nursery Book; Barry, Barry's Fruit Garden; Wallis-Tayler, Modern Cycles, Their Construction and Repair; Gavard, A Diplomat in London, Letters and Notes, 1871-1877; Grant Duff, Notes from a Diary, 1851-1872, two vols.; Canning, History in Fact and Fiction; Smith, Uncle Tom's Cabin and the Sons of Nisnach; Robertson's Landmarks of Toronto, vol. II.; Edward Gibbon, Autobiography, Edited by John Murray; Dupt. Sir R. B. Burton, True Life, by Georgiana M. Stisted; Phillpotts, Lying Prophets; Graham, The Red Scaur; Fenn, Cursed by a Fortune; Schreiner, Trooper Peter Halket of Mashonaland; Hocking, For Such is Life.

**Wall-Street Review.**

New York, April 8.—The Evening Post says: Another general and rather decided net advance in prices to-day served as a further illustration of the extent to which the recent wholesale operators for the fall had misjudged the situation. The Granger stocks were not the slowest to respond to this movement of belated buying. All of them advanced to-day, notably Burlington and Quincy, which recovered more than one full point. That this should have occurred in the face of yesterday's sharp decline in wheat—to-day's reaction in that market was only partial—rendered the movement somewhat noteworthy. The market, as a whole, however, disclosed little except continued retreat by these bear operations.

**Bank Rate Reduced.**

New York, April 8.—The Evening Post's London despatch says: The reduction in the bank rate of discount stimulated all the stock markets to-day. Business was not actually active, but was better than for some time past, and the prices at the close were near the best. Consols were 112 9-16. Home rails were bought in view of Easter traffic. Argentines are still rising. Americans were irregular, but firm on the whole, in sympathy with other markets, and the close was strong at the best.

**Col. Wellesley Again Divorced.**

London, April 8.—The divorce division of the High Court of Justice to-day granted to Col. the Hon. Frederick Arthur Wellesley, third son of the first Earl Crowley, a divorce from his wife, Kate Vaughan, the actress, upon the ground of her misconduct with a member of her company of the name of Lorrimore. The action was not defended. This is the second time that Col. Wellesley has been divorced.


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**Canadian Institute.**

The Council of the Canadian Institute met last evening and discussed matters of importance relating to the business of the year. Mr. A. B. McCallum, M.B., was in the chair, and other members of the council present were: James Bain, jr., Dr. George Kennedy, W. A. Sherwood, A. P. Jeffries and William Pursey.


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## LOCAL MARKETS ARE DULL.

### Advance in Commercial Cable, Toronto Railway and C. P. R.

**Bank of England Discount Rate Reduced—An Improved Tone on Wall Street—Sugar Trust the Leading Feature—Consols are Firmer—Increase in Bank Clearings at Toronto—Trade in Canada Slightly Improved—Latest Commercial News.**

Thursday Evening, April 8.

Cheese is 6d lower in Liverpool and lard 3d lower.

Liverpool wheat closed ½d lower than yesterday.

Cash wheat in Chicago 1⅜c higher, at 66⅝c.

May wheat on curb 66⅝c.

Puts on May wheat 66c, calls 67⅝c.

Puts on May corn 23⅝c, calls 23⅝c.

At Toledo clover seed closed at $4.60 for cash.

Car receipts of grain at Chicago to-day: Wheat 10, corn 270, oats 287. Estimated for Friday: Wheat 8, corn 180, oats 185.

Estimated receipts of hogs at Chicago to-day 18,000, or 4000 less than expected. Official Wednesday 23,418, left over 3000. Estimated for Friday 15,000. Market 5c lower at $3.65 to $4 for heavy shippers.

Cattle receipts at Chicago to-day 8500, market steady. Sheep 12,000, market steady to firm.

Dun & Co. report 36 business failures in Canada this week, as against 42 last week and 55 the corresponding week of last year.

Receipts of wheat at Minneapolis and Duluth to-day 264 cars, as against 229 cars the corresponding day of last year.

Exports at New York to-day: Flour 481 barrels and 9698 sacks; wheat 80,565 bushels.

A hundred thousand bushels of wheat was worked at New York to-day for shipment to Liverpool, May and June delivery.

Hog packing in the west this week 250,000, as against 260,000 the corresponding week of last year.


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LEADING WHEAT MARKETS.

Following are the closing prices to-day at important centres:

| | Cash. | May. |
|---|---|---|
| Chicago | 66⅝c | 66⅝c |
| New York | 77¾ | 77c |
| Milwaukee | 67½c | 67½c |
| St. Louis | 88c | 88c |
| Toledo | 86⅝c | 88c |
| Detroit | 84½c | 85¼c |
| Duluth, No. 1 hard | 69½c | .. |
| Duluth, No. 1 Northern | 67½c | 67⅝c |
| Toronto, No. 1 hard | 83c | .. |
| Toronto, white | 74c | .. |


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TRADE IN CANADA.

Dun & Co. Daily Bulletin says: There is still much complaint at Montreal regarding general collections, and there is evidently great scarcity of the circulating medium in the country parts, as numerous instances are cited of hitherto cash buyers now taking full credit terms, and of others who never renewed a note now asking indulgences in this respect. In the face of this, however, paper falling due on the 4th inst., in the clothing and drygoods trade, has been better provided for than was anticipated, and no noteworthy failures are reported as the result of default. Trade as a whole is still of a quiet waiting character, and does not show the activity that the advancing season would lead one to expect, the delay in the declaration of the Government fiscal policy being responsible for this to some extent, but in certain lines there is some improvement in demand. The fine weather of late prevailing has proved beneficial to the retail drygoods and clothing trade, and wholesalers report a noticeable increase in selling orders. Now that summer freight rates have come into effect there is rather more doing in heavy groceries, and there is activity in the shipment of orders for paints, oils, glass, etc., which were booked during the winter for spring delivery. Heavy metals and hardware continue dull, and comparatively few orders are being booked for importation in these lines, owing to the tariff uncertainties. Deliveries of spring boots and shoes are well advanced, but manufacturers are not hastening out their travelers with fall samples owing to the great strength of the leather market, which is causing a general revision of prices, and an advance of ten per cent. is pretty well decided on in all staple lines, though some claim this is hardly sufficient.

The business situation at Toronto is unchanged. There is a fair volume of trade in wholesale merchandise, but the great drawback is small profits, prices being cut terribly. Merchants are cautious and acting slowly. We notice, however, that the imports of free and dutiable goods at Toronto for March show an increase over the same month of the two previous years. There is no doubt but that general stocks in the country are smaller than usual at this season of the year, and the chances are that the tone and business sentiment will improve after the Budget has been brought down. The sorting up demand for dry-goods is fair, and some improvement is noted in groceries and hardware. Sugars are firmer, with granulated now jobbing at 4⅜c per pound. Garden implements and general hardware are in good demand, the movement being larger than usual, but the profits are small. The leather trade is fair and prices rule firm in sympathy with hides. Payments are rather slow. Wheat and flour are very dull and weaker, but the decline in prices is small when compared with leading markets. Ontario wheat is cheap when compared with that of Ohio and Michigan.


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LOCAL BREADSTUFFS MARKET.

Flour—The market continues quiet, with little or no demand. Straight rollers are quoted at $3.50.

Bran—Trade quiet, with bran quoted at $8.50 in car lots, and shorts $9 to $10.

Wheat—The local market is lower to-day. Sales of red and white were made outside, north and west, at 70c, and of white at 71c. Several cars were delivered on track here at 73c. No. 1 Manitoba hard is quoted at 77c to 80c Midland and No. 2 hard at 77c, Midland.

Buckwheat—The demand is limited, with prices nominal at 28c to 27c west.

Barley—The market is steady, with but little enquiry. No. 1 quoted at 30c, No. 2 at 27c, No. 3 extra at 24c and No. 3 sold at 20c.

Oats—The market is dull and weaker. Sales of white west at 18½c and of mixed at 17½c.

Peas—The market is quiet with sales at 38c, north and west.

Corn—Trade quiet, with cars quoted at 25c west.

Oatmeal—The market is quiet and prices unchanged. Car lots $2.70 to $2.85.

Rye—The market is quiet, with sales outside at 31c.


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ST. LAWRENCE MARKET.

The receipts of grain on the street today were small. One load of white wheat sold at 74c. Barley dull, 2 loads selling at 29c. One load of oats sold at 23½c, and 3 load of peas at 41 to 41½c. Hay unchanged. 15 loads selling at $11 to $13 a ton. Straw sold at $6.50 to $7.50 for 9 loads. Dressed hogs $6.25 for light-weights.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Wheat, white, bushel | $0 73½ | $0 74 |
| " goose, bushel | 0 62 | 0 63 |
| " red, bushel | 0 72 | 0 73 |
| Barley, bushel | 0 27 | 0 30 |
| Oats, bushel | 0 22 | 0 23½ |
| Peas, bushel | 0 41 | 0 41½ |
| Potatoes, bag | 0 25 | 0 30 |
| " car lots | 0 18 | 0 20 |
| Apples, barrel | 1 00 | 2 00 |
| Turnips, bag | 0 15 | 0 25 |
| Beets, bag | 0 30 | 0 40 |
| Red carrots, per bag | 0 30 | 0 45 |
| Cabbage, per doz. | 0 20 | 0 30 |
| " red, per doz. | 0 40 | 0 60 |
| Hay, ton | 11 00 | 13 00 |
| " baled, ton | 8 00 | 10 00 |
| Straw, long rye, ton | 9 50 | 9 00 |
| " " sheaf, ton | 6 50 | 7 50 |
| Beef, hindquarters, cwt | 6 00 | 7 50 |
| Beef, forequarters | 4 00 | 4 50 |
| Veal, carcass, cwt | 5 50 | 7 00 |
| Mutton, carcass, cwt | 6 00 | 7 50 |
| Yearling lamb, carcass, lb | 0 08 | 0 10½ |
| Dressed hogs, light, cwt | 6 00 | 6 25 |
| " heavy, cwt | 5 00 | 5 50 |
| Spring lambs, each | 4 00 | 5 50 |
| Turkeys, lb. | 0 09 | 0 13 |
| Geese, lb | 0 06 | 0 07 |
| Ducks, pair | 0 50 | 0 75 |
| Chickens, pair | 0 50 | 0 70 |
| Butter, lb. rolls, per lb. | 0 18 | 0 20 |
| Eggs, new-laid, dozen | 0 08 | 0 10 |
| " " case lots, doz. | 0 09 | 0 10 |
| Onions, bag | 1 25 | 1 75 |
| Alsike clover seed, bu | 4 25 | 4 35 |
| Red clover, bush | 5 15 | 5 25 |
| Timothy seed, bu | 1 40 | 1 45 |


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The market is quiet. Apples, barrel, $1 to $1.75. Dried apples, 2c to 3c, and evaporated 3½c to 4c per lb.

Potatoes are dull at 18c to 20c per bag in car lots. Small lots, 28c to 30c. Onions are firm at $1.25 to $1.50 per bag. Sweet potatoes, $2.50 to $2.75 per bbl.

Cranberries, barrel, $4 to $5 for Canadian, and $2.50 per box for Cape Cod. Hops, 9c to 10c.

PROVISIONS.

Bacon, long clear, 6¾c to 7½c. Breakfast bacon, 10c to 11c. Backs, 9c to 9½c. Mess pork, $12.25 to $12.50; do., short cut, $13 to $13.25, do., shoulder mess, $10 to $10.50. Hams, smoked, 10c to 11c. Lard, 7c to 8c.


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BRITISH MARKETS.

Liverpool, April 8.—Spring wheat, 6s 1½d to 6s 2½d; red, no stock; No. 1 Cal., 5s 11d to 6s 0d; corn, 2s 6d; peas, 4s 2d; pork, 50s 0d; lard, 21s 3d; bacon, l.c., heavy, 26s 0d; do., light, 25s 0d; do., short cut, 24s 6d; tallow, 18s 6d; cheese, white and colored, 57s 0d.

London—Wheat on passage weak and 3d to 6d lower. English country markets 6d cheaper. Maize on passage quiet and steady.

Liverpool—Spot wheat quiet; futures dull at 5s 6½d for May, 5s 6¾d for July and 5s 6d for Sept. Maize dull at 2s 6¼d for May, and 2s 9d for July. Flour 21s 3d.

Paris—Flour 44f 40c for May.

London—Close—Wheat on passage weak. Maize on passage quiet and steady.

Paris—Wheat weak at 21f 80c for May; flour 44f for May.

Liverpool—Close—Wheat dull at 5s 7½d for May and July and 5s 6¾d for Sept. Maize quiet at 2s 7d for May, 2s 9½d for July and 2s 11¼d for Sept. Flour 21s 3d.


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CHICAGO MARKETS.

Henry A. King & Co. report the following fluctuations on the Chicago Board of Trade to-day:

| | Open. | High. | Low. | Close |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Wheat—May | 66¼ | 67⅛ | 65⅝ | 66⅝ |
| " —July | 66¼ | 66⅞ | 66 | 66⅝ |
| " —Sept. | 65¼ | 66 | 65 | 65⅝ |
| Corn—May | 23⅝ | 23⅝ | 23⅝ | 23⅝ |
| " —July | 24⅝ | 25 | 24⅝ | 25 |
| " —Sept. | 26¼ | 26⅝ | 26⅛ | 26⅝ |
| Oats—May | 16½ | 16⅝ | 16⅜ | 16⅝ |
| " —July | 17⅝ | 17⅞ | 17⅝ | 17⅞ |
| " —Sept. | 18⅜ | 18⅝ | 18⅛ | 18⅝ |
| Pork—May | 8 05 | 8 15 | 8 00 | 8 12 |
| " —July | 8 15 | 8 25 | 8 10 | 8 22 |
| Lard—May | 4 07 | 4 10 | 4 05 | 4 10 |
| " —July | 4 15 | 4 20 | 4 15 | 4 20 |
| Ribs—May | 4 37 | 4 47 | 4 37 | 4 47 |
| " —July | 4 45 | 4 50 | 4 40 | 4 50 |


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## FINANCIAL.

Canadian stocks were strong to-day. There were advances in Toronto Railway, Cable and C.P.R.

The net gold balance of the United States treasury is $152,484,000.

The Bank of England discount rate was reduced ½ per cent. to-day, and the rate is now 2½ per cent. Bullion in the bank decreased £945,923 during the week, and the proportion of cash reserve to liability is now 52.31 per cent., as against 52.65 per cent last week.

Consols are ⅛ firmer, closing to-day at 112 5-16 for money and at 112 7-16 for account.

Canadian Pacific is higher in London, closing at 51½. Americans irregular, with St. Paul closing at 74⅞, Erie at 19¼, Reading at 10½, N.Y.C. at 102⅝, and Ill. Central at 94.

In spite of the dulness of British securities values have appreciated, a representative list including 325 securities, showing, according to the British Bankers' Magazine, an increase of £2,357,000 for the month of March.

The total fire loss in the United States and Canada for March, was $10,502,950, against $14,839,000 for March last year, and $8,676,750 last month. The total fire loss in the two countries for the first quarter of this year is $31,229,400, against $35,609,700 for the same time last year, and $38,485,100 in 1895.

The bank clearings at Winnipeg for the week are $990,246.


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BANK CLEARINGS AT TORONTO.

The clearings this week are larger than usual. Following are the figures with comparisons:

| | Clearings. | Balances. |
|---|---|---|
| April 2 | $1,352,154 | $169,345 |
| April 3 | 1,102,755 | 116,683 |
| April 5 | 991,558 | 173,181 |
| April 6 | 1,507,891 | 210,157 |
| April 7 | 1,351,451 | 195,433 |
| April 8 | 1,004,265 | 140,486 |
| Totals | $7,310,074 | $1,005,305 |
| Last week | 5,817,194 | 937,194 |
| Cor. week 1896 | 5,339,181 | 687,286 |
| Cor. week 1895 | 5,429,529 | 597,995 |


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MONEY MARKETS.

The local money market is unchanged at 4½ per cent. for call loans. At New York the rates on call are 1½ to 2 and at London ¾ to 1 per cent. The Bank of England discount rate is ½ lower, at 2½ per cent. Open market discount rate in London 1 1-16 per cent.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE.


Aemilius Jarvis & Co., 23 King-street west, stocks and exchange brokers, Toronto, report local rates to-day as follows:

| | —Counter— Buy. | Sell. | —Bet. Banks— Buy | Sell. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| N.Y. Funds | ¼ to ... | ...5-64 to 1-10 pr. | | |
| Stg. 60 days | 9⅝ to ... | ...9 5-16 to 9⅜ | | |
| do. demand | 10⅛ to ... | ...9⅝ to 9 11-16 | | |

RATES IN NEW YORK.

| | Posted. | Actual. |
|---|---|---|
| Sterling, 60 days | 4.86½ | 4.85⅝ to 4.86 |
| " demand | 4.88 | 4.87½ to .... |

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TORONTO STOCK MARKET.

| | 1 p.m. Ask. | Bid. | 3.30 p.m. Ask. | Bid. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Montreal | 232 | 228 | 231 | 229½ |
| Ontario | 86 | 82½ | 85 | 82 |
| Toronto | 231 | 229 | 231 | 229 |
| Merchants' | 173 | 170 | 173 | 170 |
| Commerce | 127 | 126 | 127 | 126 |
| Imperial | 182 | 181 | 182 | 181 |
| Dominion | 232 | 229 | 232 | 229 |
| Standard | 168 | 166½ | 168 | 166½ |
| Hamilton | 159 | 157½ | 159 | 157½ |
| British America | 118 | 117⅝ | 118 | 117⅝ |
| Western Assurance | 159 | 158⅝ | 158½ | 158 |
| Consumers' Gas | 202 | 201⅝ | 203 | 201⅝ |
| Dom. Telegraph | 126 | 124 | 126 | 122 |
| Montreal Gas | 189½ | 184½ | 186 | 185 |
| Can. N.W.L. Co. pf. | 50 | .. | .. | 40½ |
| C.P.R Stock | 51½ | 50½ | 51½ | 51¼ |
| Toronto Electric | 133 | 131¼ | 132 | 131 |
| General Electric | 80 | .. | 80 | .. |
| Com. Cable Co. | 166 | 165⅞ | 166⅝ | 166⅝ |
| do. Coup. Bonds. | 97¼ | 96½ | 97½ | 96½ |
| do. Reg. Bonds. | 96½ | 96¼ | 96½ | 96½ |
| Bell Telephone | 160½ | 159⅝ | 161 | 159⅝ |
| Montreal St. Ry. | 234 | 233 | 234½ | 233½ |
| Toronto Ry. Co. | 74⅝ | 74¼ | 74⅝ | 74½ |
| Fraser River | 183 | 180 | 183 | 180 |
| Empress | 21 | 19½ | 22 | 20 |
| British Canadian | 99 | .. | .. | .. |
| B & L Assn | 75 | .. | .. | .. |
| Can L & N I Co. | 106 | 104⅝ | .. | .. |
| Canada Permanent | 120 | 118 | .. | .. |
| do. do. 20 p.c. | 110 | .. | .. | .. |
| Can. Canada Loan | 125 | 122½ | .. | .. |
| Dom. S. & I. Soc. | 78 | 75 | .. | .. |
| Farmers' L & S. | 90 | .. | .. | .. |
| do. do. 20 p.c. | 70 | .. | .. | .. |
| Freehold L & S. | 100 | 91 | .. | .. |
| Hamilton Provident | 110 | 100 | .. | .. |
| Huron & Erie L&S. | .. | 159 | .. | .. |
| do. do. 20 p.c. | 150 | 148 | .. | .. |
| Imperial L & I. | 100 | .. | .. | .. |
| Landed B. & L. | .. | 102 | .. | .. |
| Lon. & Can. L & A | 80 | .. | .. | .. |
| London Loan | .. | 100 | .. | .. |
| London & Ontario. | 95 | .. | .. | .. |
| Manitoba Loan | 90 | .. | .. | .. |
| Ontario Loan & D. | .. | 119 | .. | .. |
| People's Loan | 40 | 28 | .. | .. |
| Real Est L & D. | 65 | .. | .. | .. |
| Tor S & Loan | 115¾ | 114 | .. | .. |
| Union L & S | 90 | .. | .. | .. |
| West. Can. L. & S. | .. | 110 | .. | .. |
| do. do. 25 p.c. | 100 | 91 | .. | .. |

Sales at 11.30 a.m.: Cable, 25, 5 at 165⅞; Cable, reg. bonds, $10,500 at 96; Telephone, 25 at 100.

Sales at 1 p.m.: Gas, 1 at 201½; Toronto Electric, 1 at 131½; Cable, 25 at 166; Cable, reg. bonds, $5000 at 96¼.

Sales at 3.30 p.m.: Toronto Electric, 12 at 131½; Cable, 25 at 166½, 25, 25, 25 at 166⅝, 25, 25 at 166⅝, 25 at 166¾.


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NEW YORK STOCKS.

The range in prices is as follows:

| | Open. | High. | Low. | Close. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Am. Sugar Trust | 111⅞ | 114⅝ | 111⅞ | 114⅝ |
| Am. Tobacco | 73½ | 74 | 72⅝ | 74 |
| Am. Spirits | 12⅝ | 13 | 12⅝ | 13 |
| Cotton Oil | 10½ | 11 | 10½ | 11 |
| C. & O. | 16⅞ | 17¼ | 16⅞ | 17¼ |
| Atchison | 10½ | 10⅝ | 10½ | 10⅝ |
| Chi., Burl. and Q. | 71⅛ | 72⅝ | 71 | 72⅛ |
| Chicago Gas | 79 | 80⅝ | 79 | 80⅝ |
| Canada Southern | 48 | 48 | 48 | 48 |
| C.C.C. and I. | 30 | 30⅝ | 30 | 30⅝ |
| Dela. and Hud. | 104 | 104⅝ | 104 | 104⅝ |
| Dela. L. and W. | 152 | 152½ | 152 | 152½ |
| Erie | 13 | 13 | 13 | 13 |
| H. V. | 3⅝ | 3⅝ | 3⅝ | 3⅝ |
| Lake Shore | 165½ | 165½ | 165½ | 165½ |
| Louis. and Nash. | 46¼ | 46½ | 46¼ | 46½ |
| Kansas Texas, pf. | 27½ | 27½ | 27½ | 27½ |
| Manhattan | 84¼ | 85⅝ | 84¼ | 85¼ |
| Missouri Pacific | 15⅝ | 16⅛ | 15⅝ | 16 |
| Leather | 6⅝ | 6⅝ | 6⅝ | 6⅝ |
| Leather, pref. | 54⅝ | 55⅝ | 54⅝ | 55¼ |
| Balt. and Ohio | 13½ | 13½ | 13½ | 13½ |
| N.Y. Central | 100 | 100¼ | 100 | 100¼ |
| Northern Pacific, pf. | 36½ | 36⅞ | 36½ | 36⅞ |
| Northwestern | 104½ | 105⅛ | 104½ | 105⅛ |
| Gen. Electric Co. | 32 | 32 | 31⅝ | 31⅝ |
| Rock Island | 62½ | 63⅝ | 62½ | 63⅝ |
| Rubber | ... | ... | ... | 14⅝b |
| Omaha | 59 | 59¼ | 58⅞ | 59¼ |
| Union Pacific | 5⅝ | 5⅝ | 5⅝ | 5⅝ |
| N. Y. Gas | 159½ | 161⅝ | 159½ | 161⅝ |
| Pacific Mail | 27⅛ | 27⅛ | 26⅞ | 27⅛ |
| Phila. and Read. | 20⅝ | 21¼ | 20⅝ | 20⅝ |
| St. Paul | 73 | 73⅝ | 73 | 73½ |
| Western Union | 80⅝ | 82¼ | 80⅝ | 82¼ |
| Jersey Central | 77⅝ | 79 | 77⅝ | 78