The Canada Permanent and Western Canada Mortgage Corporation.

HALF-YEARLY DIVIDEND.

Notice is hereby given that a dividend of three per cent. (3%) on the paid up capital stock of this Corporation has been declared for the half-year ending December 31st, 1901, and that the same will be payable on and after

Thursday, the 2nd Day of January Next.

The transfer books will be closed from the 16th to the 31st December, inclusive.

By order of the Board.

WALTER S. LEE,
General Manager.

Toronto, November 27th, 1901. 25

DECREASE IN THE VISIBLE

Weekly Report Showed Falling Off in Wheat, Corn and Oats.

American Grain Markets Strong—Cables Steady to Higher—Markets and Prices—Notes and Gossip.

World Office,
Monday Evening, Dec. 23.

A moderate amount of business was done on the local Stock Exchange to-day, and, with the exception of Commercial Cable, the listed issues were about steady. There is little bull enthusiasm in the local market, and values incline to easiness. Opening sales of Cable were made as low as 95, nearly a five-point drop from Saturday, but a smart recovery was made in the afternoon to nearly 1/2. The closing price of the stock in New York was 1/1. Conservative brokers are not advising sanguine the stock, but paid holders will let go taken interests, apparently, despite responsible advice. C.P.R. sold about unchanged at 113½, and Twin City sagged to 1[illegible] at the close. General Electric sold ex-dividend at 222½ at the opening, but lost nearly a point at the close. Dominion Coal was dealt in at 48½; Northwest Land pref. 66¾. Toronto Railway 115, and Steel bonds 83½. Dominion Steel common brought 20¾ for a 10-share lot. The bank shares were steady. Ontario sold at 126, Dominion 234½, Ottawa 207½, Hamilton 229 and Commerce 152. Western Assurance fully paid brought 102¾.

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There was a large volume of business on the Montreal Exchange to-day, with prices generally lower. Cable was weak at the opening, and sold down to 164, but closed with a sale as high as 175. Twin City was steady at about 108. Richelieu lost over a point, with a closing sale at 108½. Montreal and Halifax Railways both sold lower, the former touching 161¾, and the latter 102. Dominion Coal was the most active stock during the day, selling as high as 48¾, and closing at 48½. Toronto Railway sold at 114½; Steel bonds at 81¼, and C.P.R. at 112¾.

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A second edition of the Copper episode now faces the New York market. American Sugar Refinery stock dominated the market to-day, and closed with a drop of nearly six points. War among the sugar interests is given as the reason for depressing the stock, and the outcome might prove as disastrous to the general list as did the break in Amalgamated Copper a month ago. The market generally was quiet to-day, and after early strength had a sagging tendency. The total sales were only about half a million, and call money ran up as high as 8½ per cent. in the early trading.

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The November reports of Twin City, which controls the street railway systems of Minneapolis and St. Paul, nearly complete the company's fiscal year. Only one month remains. The November statement shows an increase in net earnings over the same month last year of 18.30 per cent., but the percentage of gain in the surplus, after charges, is 28.72 per cent. Included in the charges each month is the month's proportion of the dividend of 7 per cent. on the preferred stock. The total surplus for the first eleven months of the fiscal year amounts to $786,001, which more than covers the year's requirements for the common stock dividend, which this year was 3½, against 3 last year and 2½ in 1899. If the month of December gives the same surplus as in November, the total surplus for the year will be $844,224. Deducting 3½ per cent. on the $15,010,000 common stock will leave a surplus of $318,874, or over 2 per cent. on the common stock. This issue, however, is now on a 5 per cent. annual basis, the requirements for which would be $600,400. The year's surplus, therefore, based on the foregoing estimates, would be $343,824 in excess of full 4 per cent. payments. This steady progress in the Twin City Co.'s earnings, leaving out of consideration any gain from the future utilization of its new water power on the Mississippi, is convincing many investors in the stock that it will be placed on a higher dividend level in 1902. The earnings for November, with comparisons, are:

	1901.	1900.	Increase.
Gross earnings	$268,517	$230,712	$28,805
Operat'g expenses	114,444	100,477	4,967
Net earnings	154,072	130,235	23,837
Surplus after deducting fixed charges	78,222	60,770	17,452

Re Commercial Cable.

Messrs. Pellatt & Pellatt to-day received the following wire from the secretary of the Commercial Cable Co., in response to a letter they wrote on Saturday regarding wireless telegraphy: "Letter received; absolutely no cause for anxiety. Confirm your opinion and will go further, that, even if successful experimentally, can never commercially compete with cables."

Sugar Follows Copper.

New York, Dec. 23.—The American Sugar Refining Co. has lowered its prices on hard grades of refined sugar 25 points, and 15 points on soft grades.

B. H. Howell, Son & Co. are meeting the reduction.

Arbuckle Bros. have reduced the price of refined sugar 10 points.

The cut is said to be the result of overproduction, and this means is taken to dispose of the surplus stock.

Railway Earnings.

Jersey Central, gross increase for November, $132,780, net increase $168,201. Eleven months show gross increase of $1,646,193, net increase $1,388,412.

Forty-four roads' increase in earnings for second week of November, 5.70 per cent.

Toronto Railway earnings for the third week of December were $34,451.61, an increase of $3442.94 over the same period last year. The daily earnings, with increases, were:

	Amount.	Increase.
1901.		
Sunday, Dec. 15	$2,091.61	$355.56
Monday, Dec. 16	5,145.49	644.01
Tuesday, Dec. 17	5,044.33	440.92
Wednesday, Dec. 18	5,085.63	539.55
Thursday, Dec. 19	5,148.96	504.00
Friday, Dec. 20	5,490.38	554.11
Saturday, Dec. 21	6,445.21	404.79
Totals	$34,451.61	$3,442.94

Wall Street Pointers.

Insiders moderately bullish in Brooklyn. Talks of rights in February on St. Paul. Pig increase reported in gold from South Africa, and very large output expected in January.

Expected British government borrowing merely small Transvaal loan.

Southern Pacific report due early in January will show nearly 5 per cent. net surplus.

London bullish on Readings, supposed on Morgan's information.

Trade interests say no profit in refining Sugar at the present prices.

The Sub-Treasury has lost $203,000 to the banks since Friday.

On Wall Street.

Messrs. Ladenburg, Thalman & Co. wired J. J. Dixon at the close of the market to-day:

Sugar was the only prominent feature in to-day's stock market, and had a sharp decline on selling, based on the reduction in the price of the product, indicating reopening of the Sugar war. Taking profits on the short side caused a rally in the last half hour. Hocking Valley issues were somewhat more active than usual, at advancing prices. The market opened higher generally, but, as predicted would be the case, there was a good supply of stocks for sale at the advances, and general recessions occurred in the afternoon. Closing prices not differing widely from those of Saturday. There was no news, except the routine railway earnings, which were satisfactory, and the developments referred to above in the sugar trade. London did practically nothing, and trading was on a limited scale, the market at times being almost at a standstill. Money eased off somewhat in the afternoon.

Messrs. Morris & Wilmarth wired the Witzel-Groch Co. at the close of the market to-day:

The stock market to-day was comparatively neglected, speculative interest finding a new point of conveyance in Sugar. Until the stock named developed its afternoon weakness, there were several strong features in the railway list. Prominent among these were hard coalers, with large dealings in Readings. But the maximum advance was in Jersey Central. Among the issues which were inclined to sag after an early show of firmness were Missouri Pacific, Union Pacific, Atchison, Central, St. Paul, B. & O., and some of the specialties. Local tractions were strong at the start, and B.R.T. retained its strength thruout the day. Metropolitan, however, suffered a late reaction. Amalgamated was relegated to comparative obscurity, but after a fall of 1 per cent. the stock rallied, and closed substantially unchanged. Iron and steel stocks were comparatively firm. Sugar was active, and under pressure. The so-called trust is making a radical reduction in its price lists. The stock showed increasing weakness as the day wore on, and its last price was 5 below Saturday's final figures. The market closed feverish and somewhat unsettled by the late fresh break in Sugar.

Foreign Exchange.

Messrs. Glazebrook & Becher, exchange brokers, Traders' Bank Building (Tel. 1691), to-day report closing exchange rates as follows:

	Between Banks. Buyers.	Sellers.	Counter.
N.Y. Funds	par	par	1-8 to 1-4
Mont'l Funds	par	par	1-8 to 1-4
60 days sight	8 3-4	8 15-16	9 to 9 1-8
Demand St'g	9 7-16	9 1-2	9 3-4 to 9 7-8
Cable Trans.	9 9-16	9 5-8	9 7-8 to 10

—Rates in New York.—

	Posted.	Actual.
Sterling, demand	4.87½@4.86⅞	to ....
Sixty days' sight	4.84	4.83½ to 4.83⅝

Money Market.

The Bank of England discount rate is 4 per cent. Money on call, 3½ to 4 per cent. Rate of discount in the open market for three months' bills is 3½ per cent. Local money market is steady. Money on call, 5 to 5½ per cent.

Money on call in New York, ranging from 4 to 8½ per cent.; last loan 4 per cent.

Price of Silver.

Bar silver in London quiet at 25½d per ounce.

Bar silver in New York, 55⅛c. Mexican dollars, 43½c.

Toronto Stock Market.

	Dec. 21. Last Quo. Ask.	Bid.	Dec. 23. Last Quo. Ask.	Bid.
Montreal	...	256	...	258
Ontario	127	126	127	125½
Toronto	...	230	231	230
Merchants'	...	148	152	149½
Commerce	153	152	152⅞	151½
Imperial	253	252½	254	252½
Dominion	234½	234	235	234½
Standard	...	231½	...	231½
Hamilton	224	223	223⅞	222½
Nova Scotia	242½	236¾	242½	235½
Ottawa	210	207½	210	207½
Traders'	...	109½	110	109½
British America	107½	103½	...	103½
West. Assurance	...	101	...	101
do. fully paid	106	102	103	102¾
Imperial Life	...	144	...	144
Ont. & Qu'Appelle	71	...	71	...
Consumers' Gas	...	216	...	216
Tor. Gen. Trusts	165	160	165	160
National Trust, xd	128	124	138	134
C.N.W.L. Co., pref.	70	60	70	60
do. common	...	...	30	25
C.P.R. stock	113¾	113⅝	113¼	113⅛
Toronto Elec., xd	143	140½	143	140½
Can. Gen. Elec., xd	223⅞	222	222	220½
do. pref., xd	...	107	...	107
London Electric	107	105	106	103
Can. Cable Co.	170	169⅝	172½	171½
do. reg. bds, ex-int.	...	99¼	100	99¾
do. coupon bonds	...	100	...	99
Dom. Telegraph	...	124½	...	125
Bell Telephone	...	...	...	157
Rich. & Ontario	110¼	109	*110	108½
Northern Nav., xd	106½	105	106½	106
Ham. Steamboat	...	110	...	...
Toronto Ry.	115⅞	115⅛	115½	114¾
London Ry.	...	155	...	155
Twin City Ry.	108⅛	108	108½	107¾
Winnipeg R.	...	120	116	120
Cycle & Motor, pf.	...	15	...	15
Carter-Crume, pf., xd.	105	104	105	104
Dunlop Tire, pf., xd.	103	101½	103	101½
Dom. Steel com.	25½	24½	26	25
do. pref.	80	79	...	78½
do. bonds	...	...	83½	83¼
Dom. Coal com.	48¾	48¼	48¾	48½
W. A. Rogers, pf., xd	104	103½	104	103½
War Eagle	11½	10	10½	5
Republic	4½	3½	4½	3½
Payne Mining	20	17	20	15
Cariboo (McK.)	16	13½	14¾	13½
Golden Star	...	1½	...	...
Virtue	...	22	...	22
Crow's Nest Coal	320	305	...	300
North Star	27	25	27	23
Brit. Can., xd.	...	59	72	61
Can. Landed, xd	101	97	101	97
Can. Perm., xd.	...	121	124	121
Can. S. & L., xd.	...	116	...	116
Dom. S. & L., xd.	...	70½	...	70⅛
Central Canada, xd.	...	133	...	133
Ham. Prov., xd	...	113½	...	113½
Imperial L. & I., xd.	...	70	...	70
Landed B. & L., xd.	...	113½	...	113½
London & Can., xd.	...	86½	...	...
London Loan	...	112½	...	113½
Manitoba Loan	...	55	...	56
Ont. L. & D., xd	...	120	...	120
People's Loan	36	31	36	31
Toronto S. & L.	...	125	...	125
Real Estate, xd.	...	70½	...	...
Toronto Mort., xd.	...	90½	...	90½

*Ex-dividend.

Morning sales: Ontario Bank, 10 at 126; Dominion Bank, 20 at 234½; Bank of Ottawa, 35 at 207½; C.P.R., 25, 10 at 113⅝, 25, 25 at 113¾; Can. Gen. Electric, 10, 15 at 222½, 10 at 222¼; London Electric, 5 at 106; Com. Cable, 25 at 165½, 25, 25, 25 at 165, 25 at 165½; Twin City, 25 at 108¼, 25, 50 at 108; Dom. Coal com., 25 at 48½, 25 at 48¾.

Afternoon sales: Bank of Commerce, 10, 8 at 152; Dominion, 20 at 234½; Hamilton, 10, 10 at 223; Western Assurance, fully paid, 12 at 102¾; Northwest Land, pref., 10 at 66½; C.P.R., 25, 25, 25 at 113¾; Gen. Electric, 10, 20 at 222, 10 at 221¼; Cable, 25 at 171½, 50 at 171⅞, 25, 10 at 172, 25 at 171¾, 25 at 171⅝; Toronto Ry, 25 at 115; Twin City, 25, 25 at 108⅞; Dom. Steel, com., 10 at 25¾; Dom. Coal, 15 at 48¼, 25 at 48¾; Virtue, 200 at 22; Steel bonds, $1000 at 83¾, $1000 at 83½.

Montreal Stock Exchange.

Montreal, Dec. 23.—Closing quotations today: C.P.R., 113 and 112¾; Duluth, 11 and 10; do. pref., 20 and 18; Winnipeg Ry, 120 and 105; Montreal Ry, 263 and 262; Toronto Ry, 115 and 114¼; Halifax Ry, 102 and 101½; St. John Ry, 114 and 107½; Twin City, 108¼ and 108; Dom. Steel, 26 and 25; do. pref., 80 and 79; Richelieu, 109 and 108; Cable, 174¼ and 170½; Montreal Tel., 175 and 173; Bell Tel., 163 and 163; Montreal L., H. & P., 95½ and 94½; Laurentide Pulp, 97¼ and 96; Montreal Cotton, 120 and 111½; Dom. Cotton, 47 and 45; Col. Cotton, 60 and 55; Merchants' Cotton, 95 and 89; Payne, 20 and 18½; Virtue, 25 and 23; North Star, 28 asked; Dom. Coal, 48¾ and 48⅝; do. pref., 116 and 113½; Bank of Montreal, 260 and 258; Ontario, 124 bid; B.N.A., 129 bid; Molsons, 210 and 209; Toronto, 241 and 229; Merchants', 152 and 151; Royal, 180 asked; Quebec, 115 asked; Union, 117 asked; Commerce, 151 bid. Hochelaga, 140 asked; Windsor Hotel, 100 and 81½; Cable coupon bonds, 97 bid; do. reg. bonds, 98 bid; Dom. Steel bonds, 82 and 81¼; H. L. bonds, 40 and 20; Halifax Ry. bonds, 105 and 103; Col. Cotton bonds, 100 and 98; N.R. bonds, 112 and 109½; Dom. Coal bonds, 110 bid; Laurentide Pulp bonds, 105 and 103.

Morning sales: C.P.R., 100 at 112¾; Montreal Ry, 25 at 263½, 20 at 263, 200 at 262, 175 at 261¾; Toronto Ry, 25 at 114½; Halifax Ry, 25 at 102; Twin City, 7 at 108½, 50 at 108⅛, 175 at 108; Richelieu, 45 at 109, 50 at 108½; Com. Cable, 50 at 168, 50 at 167, 25 at 164, 13 at 163½, 45 at 164; Payne, 1000 at 19, 3500 at 19; Virtue, 2000 at 24, 25,000 at 24; Dom. Coal, 100 at 48¼, 100 at 48⅝, 225 at 48½, 100 at 48¾, 15 at 48½, 75 at 48⅝, 10 at 48¾, 100 at 48⅞; Dom. Coal, pref., 75 at 115¼; Merchants' Bank, 1 0at 151½; Bank of Montreal, 5 at 250; Steel bonds, $1000 at 81½, $10,000 at 81¼; Montreal H. & L., 25 at 95½, 270 at 95; Montreal Cotton, 120 at 115.

Afternoon sales: C.P.R., 150 at 112¾; Montreal Ry, 150 at 261¾, 25 at 262¼, 25 at 262, 25 at 262½, 25 at 262¼; Cable, 15 at 165, 50 at 166, 50 at 167, 50 at 168, 8 at 167, 50 at 169, 50 at 173; Twin City, 75 at 108, 100 at 107¾, 200 at 108; Dom. Coal, 125 at 48½, 25 at 48⅝, 25 at 48½; Heat & Power, 75 at 95; Halifax Ry, 25 at 102; Richelieu, 75 at 108½; Dom. Steel, 350 at 25¼; do. pref., 25 at 79½; Merchants' Cotton, 25 at 189; Bank of Quebec, 5 at 110; Colored Cotton bonds, $1000 at 100; Heat & Light bonds, $4000 at 20.

New York Stocks.

Thompson & Heron report the following fluctuations on the New York Stock Exchange to-day:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Am. Cot. Oil com.	32⅞	33	32½	32½
Am. Sugar com.	115½	115⅝	100¼	100¼
Amal. Copper	66¼	66⅝	65	66½
Atchison com.	78½	78¾	77⅞	78
do. pref.	100⅝	101	100½	100⅞
Am. Car & Foundry	30⅛	30⅝	29¾	30
Am. Locomotive	31¾	31¾	31⅛	31½
Anaconda Copper	28¾	29	28¼	28¾
B. R. T.	65	65⅝	64¼	64⅝
B. & O. com.	102	102	100⅝	100⅝
do. pref.	94⅝	94⅝	94⅝	94⅝
Ches. & Ohio	46½	46⅝	46½	46⅝
Chicago & Alton	35⅞	35⅞	35	35
C. P. R.	113⅝	113⅝	113	113¼
C., M. & St. Paul	164½	164½	163½	162½
Chi. Gt. Western	24¼	24¼	23⅞	24
Can. Southern	86⅝	86⅝	86⅝	86⅝
Col. Fuel & I.	90¼	90¼	89½	89⅝
Del. & Hudson	175	175½	174¾	175
Erie com.	40⅝	41⅛	40⅝	40½
do. 1st pref.	72⅝	72⅞	72⅝	72½
do. 2nd pref.	58½	58¾	58	58
U. S. Steel com.	43	43	42⅝	42½
do. pref.	92⅞	93	92⅝	92⅝
Gen. Electric	281	283	281	281
Illinois Central	138⅝	138¾	138⅝	138⅝
Int. Paper com.	20⅞	20⅞	20	20
Jersey Central	184	186	184	184
Louis. & Nashville	106¼	106½	106	106
Mexican Central	25	25⅛	24⅝	24⅝
Mo. Pacific	104¼	104⅝	102⅞	103
M., K. & T. pref.	52½	52½	52½	52½
Manhattan	134½	134½	133½	133¾
Met. St. Railway	163½	163¾	161½	162¾
N. Y. Central	167	167¼	166	166
Nor. & West com.	56½	56½	56	56½
National Lead	16½	16½	15½	15½
Ont. & Western	34⅛	35⅛	34	34¼
Penn. Railway	147⅞	148⅛	147⅞	147⅞
People's Gas	102	102	100⅝	100⅞
Pacific Mail	45½	45½	45	45
Rock Island	152	152	150¼	150¾
Reading com.	50⅝	51⅛	50⅝	50½
do. 1st pref.	80	80½	80	80⅛
do. 2nd pref.	59⅞	60⅞	59¾	60
Republic Steel	15¼	15¼	15¼	15¼
Southern Ry. com.	33⅛	33⅝	32⅞	32⅞
do. pref.	93⅛	93½	93	93
Sou. Pacific	60½	60⅝	60¼	60¾
Texas Pacific	38¾	38¾	38¾	38¾
Tenn. C. & I.	63⅞	63⅞	62½	62½
Twin City	108¼	108¼	108¼	108¼
U. S. Leather com.	11⅝	11¾	11½	11⅝
do. pref.	80½	80½	80½	80½
Un. Pacific com.	102⅝	102⅞	101¾	101¾
do. pref.	89	89¼	88¾	88¾
Wabash pref.	42¼	42½	42	42
Western Union	91½	91½	91	91
Wabash com.	22⅝	22¾	22	22⅛
Money	8	8	4	4

Total sales, 508,400.

London Stock Market.

	Dec. 21. Last Quo.	Dec. 23. Last Quo.
Consols, money	94¼	94 3-16
Consols, account	94⅛	94 1-16
Atchison	80¾	80¾
do. pref.	103½	103¾
Anaconda	5⅝	5⅝
Baltimore & Ohio	105¼	105
Chesapeake & Ohio	47⅝	47¾
St. Paul	168	168¼
D. R. G.	44½	45¼
do. pref.	96½	96½
Chicago Great Western	25	24½
Canadian Pacific	116½	116¾
Erie	41⅝	42
do. 1st pref.	74½	74½
do. 2nd pref.	59	59½
Illinois Central	142⅛	142¾
Louisville & Nashville	105	105¾
Kansas & Texas	26	26
do. pref.	51½	51½
New York Central	170½	171
Norfolk & Western	57⅞	57⅞
do. pref.	93½	93½
Northern Pacific pref.	102	102
Ontario & Western	35¼	35
Pennsylvania	75¾	75⅞
Southern Pacific	62¼	62
Southern Railway	34⅝	34
do. pref.	95	95½
Union Pacific	105½	105
do. pref.	91½	91¼
United States Steel	43⅝	42¾
do. pref.	94¾	95½
Wabash	23	23
do. pref.	43¼	43
Reading	25½	25¾
do. 1st pref.	41	41
do. 2nd pref.	30½	30½
Silver	25 9-16d	25 1-2d
Money	3 per cent.	3 per cent.
Consols, for account	94 9-16	94 9-16
French rentes	99 f. 20 c.	99 f. 20 c.
French rentes, exchange	3 f. 43 c.	3 f. 43 c.
Wheat, on passage	30s 3d	30s 3d
Wheat, cleared	6s 3d	6s 3d
Corn, on passage	4s 9d	4s 9d
Corn, cleared	4s 9d	4s 9d

Foreign Money Markets.

Paris, Dec. 23.—(4 p.m.)—Three per cent. rentes, 100 francs 20 centimes for the account. Exchange on London, 25 francs 17½ centimes for the account. Spanish fours, 75.54.

Berlin, Dec. 23.—Exchange on London, 20 marks 38½ pfennigs for cheques. Discount rates: Short bills, 3 per cent.; three months' bills, 3¼ per cent.

Liverpool Cotton Market.

Liverpool, Dec. 23.—(4 p.m.)—Cotton—Spot moderate demand; prices steady; American middling, 4 21-32d. The sales of the day were 8000 bales, of which 500 were for speculation and export, and included 6700 American. Receipts, 25,000 bales, including 10,200 American. Futures opened quiet and closed steady. American middling, G.O.C., Dec., 4 37-64d to 4 38-64d, sellers; Dec. and Jan. 4 36-64d to 4 37-64d, sellers; Jan. and Feb. 4 36-64d, value; Feb. and March 4 36-64d, sellers; March and April 4 36-64d, sellers; April and May 4 35-64d to 4 36-64d, buyers; May and June 4 35-64d to 4 36-64d, buyers; June and July 4 35-64d to 4 36-64d, sellers; July and Aug., 4 35-64d to 4 36-64d, sellers; Aug. and Sept. 4 36-64d to 4 37-64d, buyers.

New York Cotton.

New York, Dec. 23.—Cotton—Futures opened steady. Dec., 8.12; Jan., 8.15; Feb., 8.17; March, 8.22; April, 8.27; May, 8.30; June, 8.31; July, 8.32; Aug., 8.19; Sept., 7.80.

Cotton—Futures closed very steady. Dec., 8.19; Jan., 8.20 bid; Feb., 8.23; March, 8.29; April, 8.33; May, 8.35; June, 8.36; July, 8.37 bid; Aug., 8.27 bid.

Cotton—Spot closed quiet. Middling uplands, 8 9-16c; middling Gulf, 8 13-16c. Sales, 5100 bales.

Price of Oil.

Pittsburg, Dec. 23.—Oil opened and closed at $1.15.

Metal Markets.

New York, Dec. 23.—Pig iron, quiet; Northern, $14.50 to $16; Southern, $14 to $16. Copper—Dull; lake, $13; exchange, $13. Lead—Dull; broker, $3.50; exchange, $4. Tin—Dull; Straits, $23.35; plates, dull. Spelter—Dull; domestic, $4.45, nominal.

Toronto Mining Exchange.

	Dec. 21. Last Quo. Ask.	Bid.	Dec. 23. Last Quo. Ask.	Bid.
Alice A.	5½	...	6½	2½
Black Tail	12	9	11	9½
aCnadian G. F. S.	4½	3¾	4¼	3¾
Cariboo-Hydraulic	115	85	110	95
Cariboo (McK.)	15	13	15	13½
Centre Star	31	29	31	29½
Crow's Nest	$80	$75	$80	$76
California	5	3	4¼	3½
Deer Trail Con.	3	2¾	2¾	2½
Fairview Corp.	4½	3½	4½	3
Golden Star	3	...	3	...
Giant	5	3	5	3
Iron Mask	19	14	17	14½
Morrison (as.)	5	3	4	2½
Mountain Lion	28	20	28	23
North Star	27	25	27	25
Olive	5½	4	6	4
Payne	20	17	20	18
Rambler-Cariboo	70	60	69	62
Republic	4¼	3½	4	3½
Sullivan	11	8	...	...
Virtue	25	20	24	22
War Eagle	11	9	11	9
White Bear	3	...	2½	...
Winnipeg (as.)	5	3	5	3¼
Wonderful	3	...	3	...

Sales: War Eagle, 200 at 9½; California, 4350 at 4; Centre Star, 1000, 1000 at 30½; Republic, 1000 at 3¾. Total, 7550.

HINSEY WINS ONCE.

Chicago, Dec. 23.—Judge Dunne to-day quashed the two indictments found several months ago against John A. Hinsey, former secretary of the Endowment Rank Supreme Lodge, Knights of Pythias, charging him with perjury. The charge was that of making false affidavits and resulted from the investigation of the management of the funds of the order. Judge Dunne held that the affidavits could not constitute perjury.

FROZEN TO DEATH.

Watertown, N.Y., Dec. 23.—The frozen body of George Leach, an employe of the Newton Falls Paper Company, was found in the woods near Oswegoatchie this morning. Leach became lost in the woods last night while on his way home and fell from exhaustion where he was found.

CABINET CHRISTMAS.

Ottawa, Dec. 23.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier will spend Christmas at Arthabaskaville and Hon. William Paterson at Brantford. Hon. James Sutherland left to-day for Woodstock. Hon. David Mills is now in London. Hon. William Mulock will spend Christmas in Toronto and Sir Richard Cartwright in Ottawa.

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Fluctuations in Commercial Cable Yesterday—Twin City Earnings—Market Quotations — Notes and Comment.

World Office,
Monday Evening, Dec. 23.

Grain cables were a small fraction higher again to-day. Cash wheat in Liverpool was ½d higher, and futures ¼d to ⅜d higher. Corn futures closed at unchanged prices.

A decrease in visible supply helped the American markets to-day. May wheat in Chicago closed 1⅛c higher than Saturday; May corn ⅛c higher, and May oats ¼c higher.

The imports of wheat into Liverpool were 75,000 quarters from Atlantic ports, none from Pacific ports and 3000 quarters from other ports. The imports of corn from Atlantic ports last week were 1700 quarters.

The Cincinnati Price Current says: There is a large marketing of hogs, but with some indications of increasing tendency. Total western packing 725,000, compared with 785,000 the preceding week, and 710,000 two weeks ago. For corresponding time last year the number was 675,000, and two years ago 575,000. From Nov. 1 the total is 4,805,000, against 3,765,000 a year ago, an increase of 840,000. The quality of current offerings is mostly good, but weights are irregular, and to a large extent are light. Prices have strengthened, prominent places at the close averaging $6.15 per cwt., compared with $6.05 a week ago $5.75 two weeks ago, $4.75 a year ago, and $3.30 two years ago.

Visible and Afloat.

As compared with a week ago, the visible supply of wheat in Canada and the United States has decreased 551,000 bushels. Corn has decreased 56,000 bushels, and oats have decreased 143,000 bushels. Following is a comparative statement for the week ending to-day, the preceding week and the corresponding week of last year:

	Dec.23,'01.	Dec.16,'01.	Dec.22,'00.
Wheat, bu.	58,905,000	59,356,000	61,473,000
Corn, bu.	11,131,000	11,187,000	7,564,000
Oats, bu.	5,509,000	5,742,000	9,357,000

Wheat and Flour Afloat.

Total quantities of cereals afloat to-day, with comparative figures for a week ago, are:

	Dec. 16, '01.	Dec. 23,'00.
Wheat, bu.	31,760,000	29,920,000
Corn, bu.	10,480,000	10,240,000

Thus the wheat and flour on passage decreased 1,840,000 bushels during the past week, and corn on passage decreased 240,000 bushels. The wheat and flour on passage a year ago was 28,784,000 bushels.

To recapitulate, the visible supply of wheat in Canada and the United States, together with that afloat to Europe, is 88,725,000 bushels, against 91,116,000 bushels a week ago, and 90,257,000 bushels a year ago.

World's Wheat Shipments.

The world's wheat shipments the past week totalled 6,320,832 bushels, against 6,695,809 bushels the previous week, and 6,671,000 bushels the corresponding week of 1900.

By countries the shipments were:

	Week End. Dec. 23, '01. Bush.	Week End. Dec. 22, '00. Bush.
Canada and U. S.	4,632,832	4,123,000
Argentina	168,000	536,000
Danubian	384,000	1,624,000
Russian	1,072,000	806,000
Australian	16,000	80,000
Indian	48,000	.....
Totals	6,320,832	6,971,000

Toronto Grain Stocks.

	Dec. 16.	Dec. 23.
Wheat, hard, bu.	6,556	3,577
Wheat, fall, bu.	4,510	7,898
Wheat, spring, bu.	1,420	1,429
Wheat, goose, bu.	34,741	25,945
Barley, bu.	69,755	59,878
Oats, bu.	1,700	1,800
Rye, bu.	13,510	10,617
Totals	132,192	111,135

Montreal Stocks in Store.

Montreal, Dec. 23.—Stocks of grain in store here this morning: Wheat, 54,971 bu.; corn, 10,908; peas, 15,089; oats, 19,456; barley, 32,797; rye, 25,953; flour, 18,523; buckwheat, 2082; oatmeal, 835.

Leading Wheat Markets.

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

	Cash.	Dec.	May.
New York	..	85½	87⅛
Chicago	...	82	82
Toledo	88¼	88¼	88¼
Duluth, No. 1 Northern	76⅝	76⅝	79½
Duluth, No. 1 hard	79⅝	..	..

GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

Flour—Ontario patents, in bags, $3.60 to $3.70; Hungarian patents, $4; Manitoba bakers', $3.75. These prices include bags on track in Toronto. Ninety per cent. patents, car lots, in bags, middle freights, are quoted at $2.60 to $2.90.

Wheat—Millers are paying 75c for red and white; goose, 66c, north and west; middle, 67c; Manitoba, No. 1 hard, 88c, grinding in transit.

Oats—Quoted at 44c, north and west, 44½c middle, and 45c east.

Barley—Quoted at 57c for No. 1, 54c for No. 2, middle, and No. 3 51c.

Peas—Sold for export at 83c north and west, 84c middle, and 84c east.

Rye—Quoted at 55c, middle.

Corn—Canadian sold at 68c for new at Toronto.

Bran—City mills sell bran at $18, and shorts at $20, car lots, f.o.b., Toronto.

Oatmeal—At $5.25 in bags, and $5.40 in barrels, car lots, on track, Toronto; local lots, 25c more.

Toronto Sugar Market.

St. Lawrence sugars are quoted as follows: Granulated, $4.18, and No. 1 yellow, $3.43. These prices are for delivery here; carload lots, 5c less.

ST. LAWRENCE MARKET.

Receipts of farm produce were 1200 bushels of grain, 20 loads of hay, 3 loads of straw and a few lots of potatoes and dressed poultry.

Wheat—300 bushels of goose sold at 67c.

Barley—900 bushels sold at 54c to 61½c