

COMMERCIAL

BANK CLEARINGS.
Clearings for week ending Thursday, August 5th, 1904, \$1,820,138.
Corresponding week last year, \$1,721,230. Decrease \$98,908.

NEW YORK STOCK QUOTATIONS.
Chicago Market Report and New York Cotton Market.
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St. John, N. B., Aug. 6,
Thurs.,
City Op'g Noon.

Table with columns for stock names and prices. Includes items like Amalg. Copper, Anaconda, Am. Sugar Ref., etc.

CHICAGO MARKET REPORT.
Wed. Thurs.
Ct. Op'g Noon.
Sept. corn... 78 75 74 75
" wheat... 96 96 95 96
" oats... 47 47 46 47
" pork... 15.45 15.7 15.65
Dec. corn... 65 64 64 64
" wheat... 95 95 94 95
" oats... 47 47 46 47

MONTREAL QUOTATIONS.
Wed. Thurs.
Ct. Op'g Noon.
Dom. Coal... 58
Dom. Iron and Steel... 15 1/2
Dom. Lumber... 44 1/2
Nova Scotia Steel... 42
U. P. R... 172 1/2
Troy City... 81 1/2
Montreal Power... 95 95 94
Rich. and Ont. Navg... 74 1/2
Toronto St. Ry... 105 1/2

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET.
Wed. Thurs.
Ct. Op'g Noon.
August... 9.80 9.85 9.85
October... 9.68 9.68 9.78
December... 9.22 9.30 9.41
January... 8.28 8.28 8.38

J. M. ROBINSON & SONS,
Private Wire Telegram.
Morning Sales to I. P. M.
Shawmut—300070.
C. P. R—251074; 750174; 2000717;
300174.
Mexican—250934; 2250494.
Rio—20022; 500224; 1000224.
Mackay Pfd—25022.
Mont Power—100024; 450024;
200024.
Dom Tex Pfd—50024.
Lake of Woods—25024.
Toronto Elec—100024.

Morning Cotton Letter.—Notwithstanding all the talk of unsatisfactory trade conditions and slack demand, we notice that whenever goods are offered they are taken. An indication of this, we may cite the auction sale of wools for the account of the Arlington mills yesterday. This sale was unusually well attended. About 50,000 pieces were offered and fully 500 buyers were on hand. The prices brought were high, in fact, considering the old style of much of the stock, they were extraordinarily high, and a feature to which we call attention, was that buyers were retailers and cutting up-trade. Clinch was the only jobber who secured any important part of the goods. This emphasizes the tendency in the direction of cutting out the middle man in the textile trade. Most trade accounts come from the middlemen. The retailer is not in a position to give any general view of the situation, the manufacturer doing a business with the retailer does not care to give the middle-man any information. Consequently trade reports are more pessimistic than the situation may warrant. We must judge the trade by such forced sales as the results of are made public and the general course of events.

Detailed stock gossip—Our reports on Rock Island Pfd. point to further bullish operations in that stock. The trend of Amalgamated continues upward, but we find signs of profit-taking on strength now. Rumors are current of a big French demand for copper. Smelting may be bought on these recensions for turns. Some professional selling of M. O. P. and N. Y. Central is now reported. Reading is taking place for pool control in Lead around 83. On heaviness Reading may be bought for turns according to our information. The same thing may be said of Union Pacific and So. Pac. The press car order may cause some short covering. Additional offerings of stock are appearing in Atchison around 88, St. J. St. Paul 143, to 144 Erie 26, Gt. Northern Pfd, 118, I. and N. 110, Nor. Pacific 143, Penna. 128 and Steel 47. Some professionals are consequently selling these stocks on approaches to the offerings which they call distribu-

ONLY SIXTEEN ARE LEFT ALIVE

Victims of Blackbirding Captain to be Sent Home

Survivors of 400 Gilbert Islanders Who Were Carried Off to Guatemala Plantations.

VICTORIA, B. C., Aug. 5.—When the steamship Aorangi sails for the South Seas on August 14th she will bear to the homes they have not seen for 19 years a little company of 16 Gilbert Islanders that are left of upwards of 400 men, women and children who constituted the human load of two blackbirding voyages made by Capt. Blackburne to the South Seas in the old steamship Monserrat in 1883. They are now being returned, crippled and broken in health, to their islands at the expense of the British government.

They never saw steamer or captain after being landed a year after the year the band of unfortunate slaves and one by one died in the coffee plantations of Guatemala. Their names were all absorbed in charges for food, clothing, etc. Finally the British government's attention was directed to their condition. The British Vice-Consul at Mazatlan, Mr. Strait-Gardner, took up the matter of repatriation and the emigration of the survivors were finally brought to San Francisco and forwarded to this port, here to await an Australasian sailing, the "Ton Tikaner," "No. 1 man," as he is called for purposes of identification, is the only member of the party who speaks English, and his vocabulary is limited. He says that he and his companions have an American near Tahiti, a small port south of Champerco.

PRESIDENT REYS TOO CRAFTY FOR CONSPIRATORS

PANAMA, Aug. 6.—Notwithstanding the strict censorship over the news, papers and telegraph lines, the news has leaked out concerning the recent unsuccessful conspiracy against President Reyes in Bogota, and as a result of which many Columbians are prisoners. The A. P. has received reports that the plot was hatched by a group of conservatives and Liberals resolved at all hazards to cease their connection with the regime, which according to them, is ruining Colombia.

When Dr. Angulo was asked who his accomplices were, it is reported he answered: "The entire republic of Colombia is tired of a government which brings us shame outside its confines and oppression in the interior." It is also reported that Mr. Diagonesi, the Apostolic Nuncio at Bogota, has convoked an assembly of all the Ordinaries, Archbishops and Bishops. It is believed he was requested to do this by President Reyes, who is thought to be endeavoring to use religious influence to prevent an insurrection. The conspiracy is said to have failed because Reyes anticipated the date hurriedly on learning that President Reyes was trying to float a big loan abroad. Though no details are obtainable, it is alleged that political and economic crisis in Colombia is serious and that a strong revolutionary outbreak would not cause great surprise.

TOO LATE FOR CLASSIFICATION

CHICAGO, Aug. 6.—The International Brotherhood of Teamsters yesterday rejected the overtures of the United Teamsters of America to amalgamate the two organizations. The Brotherhood held to the position taken by the Boston Convention of the Brotherhood last year that the United Teamsters could enter the Brotherhood as individuals or as a body if they submitted to the laws of the Brotherhood. The conditions demanded by the United Teamsters failed to meet approval. It was decided to have conventions identical instead of annual ones.

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DEATHS
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FORCED GROWTH BY ELECTRICITY

Remarkable Experiments by Sir Oliver Lodge.

LONDON, Aug. 6.—Many of the great discoveries in the world of science have been made by chance, and, judging from what Sir Oliver Lodge says, another application of nature's laws to man's use must, without disparaging the cleverness of the investigator, be placed next electricity. Sir Oliver has lately been engaged in making experiments in fostering the growth of plants by electricity. What led him to turn his attention in this direction may be briefly stated. Some thirty years ago, the late Professor Helmholtz sought to elucidate the aurore borealis by trying to imitate its appearance in the greenhouses. He produced high-tension discharges of various kinds, and sent them through long tubes of glass, and, incidentally, he noticed that the plants seemed to thrive under the treatment, and that the electricity in their neighborhood appeared to do them good.

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Numerous trials have taken place under these conditions, and the results have shown the increased development and productivity of the electrified plants. The result of the other two plots of land were sown with wheat—one with Canadian Red Fife, and the other with English White Queen. The following figures show the increased yield of the electrified plot over the un-electrified. Bushels of wheat per acre—
Electrified. Un-electrified. Increase
Canadian... 42 35 7
English... 40 30 10

DIED WHILE WAITING TO HEAR PARKER SPEAK

LOS ANGELES, Calif., Aug. 6.—O. T. Pratt, a physician of this city, expired last night in the Temple Auditorium, surrounded by nearly two thousand persons who had gathered to hear the address of the Rev. Dr. Parker, open the National Democratic campaign in California. Dr. Pratt was seated in the front row, but he was unable to get forward and in a few minutes he died.

NO AMALGAMATION

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CHICAGO CORN PIT IN AN UPROAR

Frenzy Caused by Report of Damage in Western States

CHICAGO, Aug. 6.—"Black rust" worse than 1904. Crops simply burning up from heat." The above, one of many telegrams received today from Minneapolis, helped to throw the Board of Trade into an uproar. The trading was sensational, and prices leaped upward as the alarm increased over the damage to crops from continued dry weather and excessive heat in the corn belt, and the spread of the black rust in the wheat fields of the North-West. It was what brokers call an "old-fashioned" bull market, and the activity in the pits at that time was hysterical, brokers leaping down with orders waving their hands, and commission houses were swamped with shouting frantically until forced to stop from sheer exhaustion.

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KENTUCKY DISTILLERY DESTROYED BY FIRE

MIDWAY, Ky., Aug. 6.—This town, half way between Lexington and Louisville, has been the scene of a fire that for a time threatened the town with destruction, last night. The fire, which is believed to have been of incendiary origin, destroyed five warehouses of the S. J. Greenbaum Distilling Co., and an installing a loss estimated at \$300,000.

CONCERT LAST EVENING

The concert given at the Opera House last evening by the Boston Trio, under the auspices of the King's Daughters, proved a delightful treat. All three performers were excellent, especially, it is really hard to say which was the star performer but possibly the violin selections by Mr. Ashton Lewis. The programme was as follows: 1.—Violin Solo. The Awakening of the Kukui. Ashton Lewis. 2.—Reading. The Call. Miss Carpenter. 3.—Violin Solo (a) Romance in G. Beethoven. (b) Aria (for G string). Ashton Lewis. 4.—Piano Solo. Ashton Lewis. (a) Leo Selyans Chaminade. (b) To a Water Lily. Mae Gowan. 5.—Pavilion. Glig. Miss Ethel H. Hurd. 6.—Reading. Two Pairs of Shoes. Lincoln. Miss Carpenter. 7.—Violin Solo. E. F. Dances. Ashton Lewis. 8.—Violin Solo. E. F. Dances. Ashton Lewis. 9.—Reading. My Rival. Miss Carpenter. 10.—Reading. Mother of Mine. Kipling. Miss Carpenter. The performers also responded to several encores.

ARE NOT SUSPENDED

The president of the Every Day Club has been officially advised that as baseball teams were not under suspension when F. L. Greason helped one of them out evening, and he was not himself under suspension, therefore the standing of competitors in the Every Day Club sports in which Mr. Greason participated is in no way affected. They are not and will not be suspended. The club always applies for sanction for its sports and tries to avoid all friction.

RICH YOUNG WOMAN LIVES LIKE HERMIT

Spends Time To Queer Little Dwelling on Corner of "Lucky" Baldwin's California Ranch.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Aug. 6.—Santa Anita, Cal., has a genuine woman hermit, whose recent mode of life and her quaint home have attracted great attention near Los Angeles and other prominent points in Southern California. She is a vivacious little French woman, and her name is Marie Redestalle. When the famous "Lucky" Baldwin set that noted shipload of actresses, singers and women minstrels some years ago into the Klondike Marie Redestalle, it appears, was one of them. Thus she became one of the pioneer women who rushed into the Klondike region in the very early days of the great mining excitement and spent several years there. She says she led the life of a pioneer there, enduring fearful hardships. She pushed out into the wilderness like the hermitage in the Santa Anita. She has at last won her suits, and is now a very rich woman, all in her own name. She is going soon to Alaska to take possession of her property, but will return later to Santa Anita. When she returns this eccentric woman will have a new house built, but she will remain a hermit as heretofore. Nothing, she declares, can induce her to live in the city, or among close neighbors.

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CONGRESS OF HISTORIC RESEARCH IN BERLIN

BERLIN, Aug. 6.—The international congress of historical researches whose annual sessions has attracted scholars from all parts of the world, is being held this year from August 6 to August 12 in the great philharmonic hall. The governing body selected Dr. David Jayne Hill, Ambassador of the United States to Germany, to deliver the opening address. Dr. Hill dealt in his lecture with the interesting question of the ethical function of the historian. The subjects discussed by the congress comprise all periods and departments of history. The papers, lectures and researches, and the lectures include a large number of prominent historians and writers.

THE OLYMPIC AGONY

Former Headmaster of Eton Denounces Competitive Spirit.
LONDON, Aug. 6.—Dr. Warre, formerly headmaster of Eton, made a noteworthy contribution this week to the discussion of the vexed question of the value of athletics in educational training. The doctor's remarks in some respects amounted to a vehement denunciation of modern athletics. The spirit of the age which fostered the Olympic agony, said Dr. Warre, swept into its net all sorts of amusement, every branch of business and every branch of education. It hounded after display, love of advertisement, the appearance of some of her visitors she suddenly vanished. She has great contempt for modern civilization, especially its conventionalities, its sham, its solitude and isolation, her hermit home, to city life. Altogether, she is a very eccentric, peculiar, quaint young woman, but highly respected by all.

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The sports and pastimes of Merrie England were for the most part longer joyous recreations. They were mostly for those who took part in them a serious business. The professional element were largely permeating their grates to their disadvantage. In Dr. Warre's opinion only the influence of the public schools and universities remained to militate against the spirit of professionalism and commercialism in athletics. It was indubitable upon these institutions, therefore, to keep up the best traditions, which, instead of being the highest code of honor in their games. Educational methods were not, he said, immune from the spirit of the age, and perhaps the gravest aspect of this influence was the extent to which it had handed over education to examination. Competitive examinations had expanded into a giant system, which, instead of being the servant of the student, had become the master and tyrant of education. Dr. Warre's conclusion was as follows: "Though we cannot eliminate the personal element from education, yet the soul that, to use the Horatian phrase, keeps itself tempered from insensate exaltation can in the moment of success put away all vainglorious thoughts and is also the most able to preserve its equanimity when things are adverse to it, is the soul of the most useful citizen."

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