

Stock Exchange Notes.

Thursday, 29th August, 1912.

Canadian Pacific, which will sell XD of 2½ per cent. to-morrow, had a further sharp break this week but made a good recovery and closed strong. It sold down to 270¼ here and touched 269¾ in New York, advancing again to 278¾, and closed with 277¾ bid. The development in Quebec Railway affairs this week was the announcement of the resignation of the four Paris directors who represented the French interests, which were rather large. While no reason has officially been given for their retirement, it is generally ascribed to dissatisfaction at the recent passing of the 4 per cent. dividend on the Common stock. The present outlook does not seem to promise an early restoration of dividend payments, and the holdings of the French interests are drifting back to Canada. This liquidation has been reflected in the weakness of the stock and also in the low price level of the bonds. The high price for the bonds was around 86 and the Common stock sold as high as 66. At the present quotation of around 66 for the bonds and 24 for the stock, there is a decline, therefore, of 20 points in the former and some 42 points in the latter. The low level for the Common stock seems to have been reached, but in view of the above it is not thought that any upward move will be seen for some time.

Western Canada Power in the Unlisted Department continues prominent. The Company has contracts to date for power and lighting approximating 21,000 h. p., and two other contracts are now being negotiated, one of which is for 40,000 h. p. to be taken, it is said, by interests close to British Columbia Electric. Montreal Tramways & Power, which was down to 50, sold up a couple of points but closed at a reaction with 50½ bid and 51 asked.

The market as a whole was dull with a small turnover. The approaching Labor Day holidays will include Saturday and Monday, so that there will be no market here from Friday night till Tuesday morning, and the New York market will also be closed during the same period.

Montreal Power, on a turnover of 4,000 shares, sold down over three points. Richelieu & Ontario continues in the background of the trading and is still on the heavy side, but has a considerable following who still look for the long-expected advance. Considered from the standpoint of an 8 per cent. stock, it is certainly selling at a very low price.

Money is tightening here and bank rates are inclined to harden but there is no undue stringency as yet. The Bank of England rate advanced to-day to 4 per cent.

SUMMARY OF WEEK'S SALES AND QUOTATIONS.

Security.	Sales.	Aug. 22, 1912	Closing Bid	Today.	Net change
Canadian Pacific.....	5,905	274½	277½	+	2½
"Soo" Common.....	275	152	152½	+	½
Detroit United.....	483	72½ X.D	71½ X.D	-	½
Illinois Preferred.....	52	..	..	..	..
Quebec Ry.....	950	26	24	-	2
Toronto Railway.....	536	142	141½	-	½
Twin City.....	200	107½	107	-	½
Winnipeg Ry.....	55	..	226	..	..
Richelieu & Ontario.....	1,197	115 X.D	113½ X.D	-	1½
Can. Car. Com.....	225	88	86½	-	1½
Can. Cement Com.....	272	294	294	..	..
Can. Cement Pfd.....	284	93	93	..	..
Dom. Can. Com.....	252	67½	68	+	½
Dom. Iron Preferred.....	169	104	105	+	1
Dom. Steel Corp.....	2,672	66½	65½	-	1
Lake of the Woods Com.....	..	.. X.D	136 X.D	-	1
Mexican Power.....	..	96	95	-	1
Montreal Power.....	4,036	236½	233½	-	3
Nova Scotia Steel Com.....	635	90½	90½	..	..
Ogilvie Com.....	40	127½	127	-	½
Ottawa Power.....	85	165	162½	-	2½
Rio Light and Power.....	600	146½	147½	+	1
Shawinigan.....	564	151	149½	-	1½
Spanish River Com.....	434	61	61	..	..
Steel Co. of Can. Com.....	239	284	27½	-	1½
Can. Converters.....	75	44	43½	-	½
Dom. Textile Com.....	90	70½	69½	-	1
Dom. Textile Preferred.....	79	103	102½	-	½
Crown Reserve.....	7,878	3.24	3.28	+	4

Traffic Returns.

Year to date.	1910.	1911.	1912.	Increase
July 31.....	\$52,596,000	\$56,378,000	\$70,983,000	\$14,605,000
Week ending	1910.	1911.	1912.	Increase
Aug. 7.....	2,065,000	2,272,000	2,726,000	434,000
" 14.....	1,999,000	2,265,000	2,677,000	472,000
" 21.....	1,897,000	2,267,000	2,694,000	427,000

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July 31.....	\$24,356,123	26,758,405	28,497,378	1,738,973
Week ending	1910.	1911.	1912.	Increase
July 7.....	879,367	943,095	1,012,051	68,956
" 14.....	921,045	994,800	1,037,863	43,063
" 21.....	660,452	960,016	1,047,951	87,935
" 28.....	709,037	1,339,472	1,544,003	204,531
Aug. 7.....	726,509	1,017,982	1,109,682	91,700
" 14.....	877,152	1,048,062	1,098,423	50,761
" 21.....	872,795	993,677	1,097,394	103,727

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July 31.....	\$7,256,900	8,628,500	11,033,600	2,405,100
Week ending	1910.	1911.	1912.	Increase
Aug. 7.....	248,200	332,500	407,300	74,800
" 14.....	233,600	319,700	401,800	82,100
" 21.....	256,500	307,500	372,900	65,400

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MONEY AND EXCHANGE RATES.

	To-day	Last week.	A Year Ago
Call money in Montreal...	5 %	5 %	54-6 %
" " in Toronto.....	5½ %	5½ %	54-6 %
" " in New York.....	3 %	2½ %	2½ %
" " in London.....	2½ %	1½ %	14-13 %
Bank of England rate.....	4 %	3 %	3 %
Consols.....	75½	75½	78½
Demand Sterling.....	9½	9½	9½
Sixty days' sight Sterling..	9½	9½	8½

CANADIAN BANK CLEARINGS.

	Week ending Aug. 29, 1912	Week ending Aug. 22, 1912	Week ending Aug. 31, 1911	Week ending Sep. 1, 1910
Montreal.....	\$82,732,193	\$52,795,277	\$37,296,939	\$36,855,782
Toronto.....	35,427,619	36,674,219	30,639,789	24,932,787
Ottawa.....	5,615,515	4,087,598	3,569,950	3,164,004

BANK OF ENGLAND'S STATEMENT

Yesterday's weekly Bank of England Statement showed a proportion of reserve to liability of 49.46 p.c. This compares with 49.80 p.c. last week.

DOMINION CIRCULATION AND SPECIE.

June 30, 1912.....	\$111,932,239	December 31, 1911.....	\$115,149,749
May 31,	113,114,914	November 30.....	115,786,286
April 30.....	113,169,722	October 31.....	104,730,606
March 31.....	113,443,633	September 30.....	102,169,329
February 29.....	114,063,108	August 31.....	102,559,999
January 31.....	113,188,880	July 31.....	100,431,114
Specie held by Receiver-General and his assistants:-			
June 30, 1912.....	\$94,141,536	March 31, 1912.....	\$98,892,395
May 31.....	95,831,169	February 29.....	99,587,787
April 30.....	98,570,930	January 31.....	98,693,907