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MAMMOTH GOLD PROSPECTS

New York Brokers Had a Good Thing in San Domingo.

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—Testimony given in a suit to-day against A. O. Brown & Co. in which Thomas G. Gaylord, asserts a claim of $125,000 damages, indicated that the speculation, which resulted in their failure last August, altho it involved record-breaking transactions on the stock exchange, was a puny affair compared with their San Domingo gold scheme.

Gaylord alleged that the firm represented to him that their San Domingo Gold Company had prospects of more than one hundred and fifty billion dollars of gold, owning and expecting to own 256,000 acres, of which 150,000 at least contained gold to the extent of $1,000,000 an acre.

The company was incorporated with a capital of $64,000,000. Gaylord alleged that the firm received $500,000 in cash for stock sold, and that he was promised $75,000 within six months for his investment of $5000 for 250 shares.

THREE DARING BURGLARS.

Cut Telephone Wires and Assault Women and Ransack Premises.

NEWARK, N.J., Oct. 23.—Three masked men cut the telephone wires outside of the fine Perkins home at Morristown early to-day, entered the house, knocked down one of the three maid servants, attacked and choked Mrs. P. W. Miller, a sister of the three Misses Perkins, who were in the house, and then ransacked the place.

The robbers, who are believed to be the ones who cut the wires and looted the home of Banker H. B. March in Orange a few nights ago, obtained at least $2000 worth of jewellery in the Perkins house and some money.

RULES ON DIVIDENDS.

York Loan Referee Orders That Small Sums Be Applied For.

By an order of George Kappele, official referee in the York Loan liquidation, all dividends payable to shareholders not exceeding $1 will have to be applied for. The referee further orders that the liquidator do advertise the names of the shareholders that are required to apply to the liquidator for payment of dividends.

HAD CIGAR IN HIS MOUTH AND IS FINED ONE DOLLAR

It being shown that John Milne had a cigar in his mouth in a prohibited part of a street car, altho he was not puffing the weed, he was fined $1 and costs by Magistrate Kingsford in afternoon court.

William Black explained that he had not paid a fare, tho he tendered a transfer 33 minutes late. He had been unable to get on any earlier car because of crowds. The case was adjourned.

For coasting down the Avenue-road hill William Woodhouse paid $1 and costs.

In the Police Court.

The following pains, penalties and reliefs were administered in police court yesterday morning:

Christian Morrison pleaded guilty to theft of money, remanded till to-day; Alice Davenport, theft, remanded; Lewis C. Vance, theft, remanded; Joseph Patrick and Arthur Willitt, theft of pigeons, $5 and costs or 20 days; John R. Yost, theft, committed for trial; Neil Cameron, overspeeding auto, adjourned. Mrs. Morrison's husband pleaded for leniency. "I don't know what will become of our baby if she goes to jail," he told the court.

Less Buoyancy Exhibited Profit Taking Attempted

New Yorkers Test Market, But Buying Power is Small----Traders Are Shy of Toronto Stocks.

World Office,
Friday Evening, Oct. 23.

Toronto listed securities were more active to-day and prices in certain securities were advanced moderately. The increase in the market activity was due entirely to interested parties and was not a fair representation of outside interest.

An increase in the capital obligation of Mexican Light and Power, announced from Montreal, is not liked here, but the banking syndicate at the eastern city has to take care of the stock and is playing to that end. The Sao Paulo crowd tried another up movement in this security to-day and are evidently trusting to Providence to help them out. The market shows a want of confidence and only issues of intrinsic merit are being absorbed by people who have any regard for their money.

Wall Street Pointers.

Analysis of Northern Pacific report indicates that it would be necessary to pay any extra dividend out of subscriptions to new stock.

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Estimated Amalgamated Copper is now earning $4.40 a share.

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St. Paul places contracts for fifty locomotives, 38 of them with American Locomotive Company.

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Distillers earned 1.11 per cent. on stock as against 8.32 per cent. in 1907.

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All grades of coppers advanced 1-8c.

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Joseph says: Those who will look ahead will surely buy and carry the low-priced railroad and industrial issues, especially such good things as American Car Foundry, A.L.O. and International Pump, since the possibilities that these and similarly good things offer are greater than can be found elsewhere. On any little setback buy U. S. Steels. There is a distinctly improving demand for copper metal. Buy Pacifics on dips. Hold some St. Paul and bull Penna.

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Known movements of money during the week ending with close of business yesterday, indicate a moderate gain in cash. On the net interior account the banks gained $593,800, and they gained from the sub-treasury of $113,000, a total gain of $706,800. From this is to be deducted $300,000 for gold coin withdrawn for shipment to Canada. Last week the banks lost to the interior $894,500, but gained from the sub-treasury about $400,000 net.

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With a few exceptions the general stock list is approximating the upper trading area limits. Special operations should lead to further improvement. As a general rule we suggest purchases on moderate recessions in stocks that have not yet emerged from the trading area. Amalgamated should do better. Reading reports are still bullish. We continue bullish on Southern Pacific. Harriman reports are still favorable to Union Pacific. Northern Pacific should be bought on the recessions for turns. We would not care to follow up St. Paul too closely. There may be a drive at Baltimore and Ohio shorts soon. Wisconsin Central preferred should be bought now on reactions. Bull tips are noted on Sloss. Tennessee Copper is destined for higher prices.—Financial Bulletin.

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A strong pool is reported to have been formed in the St. Louis Southwestern preferred stock. Higher prices are being predicted for this stock, upon the physical conditions and increasing earnings. The great cotton crop should furnish large earnings. Commission house literature this morning in several quarters comments upon the point that a favorable election is under-estimated in the minds of a majority of the public. It will afford an impetus to business beyond present conception, according to those who have looked into the matter closely. They are bullish, believing Taft will be elected. Reports from up town circles this morning refer to bullish talk on the part of some of the professionals. Again it is noted that advances bring short selling far more quickly than do unsettling declines. Professionals sold in the early trading on a moderate scale. Reports coming to hand this morning refer to good buying of American Locomotive. It is reported that the company has been receiving some fair-sized orders of latter. Conditional orders, based upon the election, are also offered in considerable volume. Private wire advices this morning refer to Philadelphia buying of Pennsylvania. No dividend reduction is probable during the next twelve months. Rail orders may be placed next week to push along Taft's cause. Reports from the board this morning said scale buying orders apparently from Harriman sources were found under the market for Southern Pacific. Conservative sources are told "not to be without Southern Pacific." Bull talk is spreading in regard to the metal stocks, with statements that bullish activity will be found in that group. Amalgamated, Smelters, Lead, Tennessee Copper, etc., are mentioned favorably.—Town Topics.

MEXICAN POWER COMPANY.

Will Be Asked to Sanction Additional Issue of Preferred Stock.

MONTREAL, Oct. 23.—The shareholders of the Mexican Power Co. will be called to meet towards the end of November to sanction an additional issue of preferred stock amounting to $3,600,000. This will make the total preferred $6,000,000. The company owes the Bank of Montreal $2,500,000, which will be paid off and the balance will be used for additions and improvements to the works.

On Wall Street.

Marshall, Spader & Co. wired J. G. Beaty, 14 West King-street, the following:

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—Except for some rather decided support to the steel and metal shares, the market was forced to accept some rather free distribution of realizing sales to-day. This was particularly noticeable in the Harriman issues and while the tone of the market was not seriously invaded, there was a lack of buoyancy and some hesitation in buying power as compared with the recent past. London was a seller in our market, perhaps 20,000 shares, in anticipation of their fortnightly settlement.

Ennis & Stoppani wired to J. L. Mitchell:

The market was irregular, with strength in copper issues in connection with an advance in price of the metal by the principal selling agencies, and active buying of steel in anticipation of a favorable statement for the quarter expected on Tuesday. In some of the leading railroad issues there appeared to be considerable marketing of long holdings, and in the late trading it became known that foreign houses had cables of disquieting character. The general proposition is that this is a bull year. On fair setbacks we favor purchases of good stocks and bonds.

J. R. Heintz & Co. wired R. B. Holden:

The industrials showed some strength at opening to-day, but railroads were for the most part lower on account of a weaker market in London where considerable attention was paid to the rupture of negotiations that were being carried on between Bulgaria and Turkey. On the sharp breaks we would buy the leading stocks for quick turns.

Money Markets.

Bank of England discount rate, 2½ per cent. Short and three months' bills, 1⅝ to 2 1-16 per cent. New York call money, highest 1½ per cent., lowest 1 per cent., last loan 1½ per cent. Call money at Toronto, 5 to 6 per cent.

Foreign Exchange.

Glazebrook & Cronyn, Janes Building (Tel. Main 7517), to-day report exchange rates as follows:

—Between Banks.—	Buyers.	Sellers.	Counter.
N. Y. funds	5-64 dis.	3-64 dis.	⅛ to ¼
Montreal f'ds	15c dis.	5c dis.	⅜ to ½
60 days sight	8 31-32	9	9⅛
Demand, stg	9⅝	9 13-16	9¾
Cable trans	9 7-16	9 15-16	9⅞

—Rates in New York.—	Posted.	Actual.
Sterling, demand	486	484⅝
Sterling, 60 days sight	487½	486.55

Price of Silver.

Bar silver in London, 23 11-16d per oz.
Bar silver in New York, 51⅝c per oz.
Mexican dollars, 45c.

Railroad Earnings.

	Increase.
C. N. R., 3rd week October	$15,100
Porto Rico, Sept., net	1,414

Toronto Stocks.

	Oct. 22. Ask.	Oct. 22. Bid.	Oct. 23. Ask.	Oct. 23. Bid.
Bell Telephone		154	...	154¼
do. rights	...	...	...	...
Can. Gen. Elec.	102	...	102	...
do. preferred	...	...	...	...
City Dairy com.	25	...	25	...
do. preferred	...	...	...	...
C. P. R.	...	...	...	...
Canada Life	...	...	...	...
Canadian Salt	...	...	...	...
C. N. W. Land	105	...	105	...
Consumers' Gas	196	195	...	195
do. new	...	...	...	...
Crow's Nest	...	...	...	...
Detroit United	...	...	...	...
Dom. Coal com.	...	48	50	47
Dom. Steel com.	...	...	...	...
do. preferred	...	...	...	...
Duluth common	...	...	...	...
Dominion Tel.	...	100	...	101
Electric Develop.	...	...	...	...
Halifax Tram	...	...	...	...
International Coal	...	...	...	...
Imperial Life	...	...	...	...
Illinois preferred	...	83	...	89
Lake of the Woods	...	91	93½	91
Laurentide com.	...	98	...	99
do. preferred	...	108	...	110
Mackay common	73	72¾	73¾	73
do. preferred	...	69⅞	...	...
Mexican L. & P.	70¼	70	69	...
do. preferred	...	...	...	...
Mexican Tramway	...	...	136	133
M.S.P. & S.S.M.	126	122½	...	122½
Montreal Power	...	...	...	...
do. preferred	...	...	...	...
—Navigation.—				
Niagara Nav.	...	120	122	120
Niag., St. C. & T.	...	...	...	...
Nipissing Mines	...	9½	10⅞	9¾
North Star	...	...	...	...
N. S. Steel common	...	...	...	...
do. preferred	...	69⅞	70	69
Northern Nav.	95	93	95	...
Rio Janeiro	...	63	65	62½
Sao Paulo	150½	...	153⅛	153
St. L. & C. Nav.	126	...	...	...
Prairie Lands	...	200	...	200
R. & O. Nav.	...	...	...	...
Tor. Elec. Light	125	...	...	...
Twin City	91	90	92	90
Tri-City pref.	...	...	...	...
Toronto Railway	101½	...	101½	...
Winnipeg Railway	166	...	...	164
—Banks.—				
Commerce	...	...	161	160½
Dominion	...	...	...	...
Hamilton	193	190	193	190
Imperial	...	219½	223	220
Merchants'	...	...	...	...
Metropolitan	...	...	...	...
Molsons	...	...	...	...
Montreal	...	...	...	...
Nova Scotia	...	...	...	...
Ottawa	...	...	...	...
Royal	...	...	...	...
Standard	...	215	...	210
Toronto	...	...	...	209½
Traders'	130	...	130	129¾
Union	...	...	...	...
—Loan, Trust, Etc.—				
Agricultural Loan	...	121	...	121
British Am. Assur.	...	...	...	...
Canada Landed	...	126½	...	126½
Canada Perm.	141	140	141	140
Central Canada	160	...	160	...
Colonial Invest.	63	62	63	62
Dominion Savings	...	70	...	70
Hamilton Prov.	...	...	...	...
Huron & Erie	...	180	...	180
do. 20 p.c. paid	...	166½	...	166½
Imperial Loan	...	...	...	...
London & Can.	...	105	...	106
Landed Banking	...	...	...	...
London Loan	...	...	...	...
National Trust	...	150	...	150
Ontario Loan	...	131½	...	131½
do. 20 p.c. paid	...	120	...	120
Real Estate	...	85	...	85
Tor. Gen. Trusts	...	...	...	...
Toronto Mortgage	...	109	...	109

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Toronto Savings	...	...	...	...
Western Assur.	...	...	...	...
—Bonds.—				
C. N. Railway	...	...	...	...
Commercial Cable	...	...	...	...
International Coal	...	...	...	...
Keewatin	...	...	...	...
Dominion Steel	...	...	...	...
Electric Develop.	...	...	...	...
Mexican Electric	...	87	...	86
Mexican L. & P.	...	...	...	83
Laurentide	...	...	...	...
Great Nor., 4 p.c.	...	...	...	...
Nova Scotia Steel	...	...	...	...
Rio Janeiro	...	...	...	...
do. 1st mortgage	...	...	...	...
do. 2nd mortgage	...	...	...	...
Sao Paulo	...	...	...	98½
St. John City	...	...	...	...

—Morning Sales—

Mackay.	Nipissing.	Sao Paulo.
143 @ 73	x200 @ 10¼	45 @ 151
18 @ 72¾	595 @ 9¾	104 @ 152½
50 @ 73¼	25 @ 9⅞	80 @ 152
*20 @ 69½	600 @ 9⅞	25 @ 152¾
		25 @ 152¼
Twin City.	**Laurentide.**	60 @ 153⅛
z100 @ 91	*25 @ 111¾	*125 @ 153¼
z100 @ 91¼	*26 @ 112	135 @ 153
Dominion.	**Traders'.**	**Niagara.**
2 @ 230	8 @ 129¼	2 @ 120
Elec. Dev.	**Bell Tel.**	**Col. Loan.**
½ @ 16	5 @ 134¼	117 @ 62
Lake Woods.	**Rio.**	**Nor. Nav.**
*5 @ 115	10 @ 64½	4 @ 94
	25 @ 64⅝	

—Afternoon Sales.—

Twin City.	Mackay.	Sao Paulo.
200 @ 91	27 @ 73⅛	100 @ 153¼
z25 @ 92	25 @ 73¼	10 @ 153
10 @ 91¼	10 @ 73	25 @ 153⅛
Mex. L.P.	**Commerce.**	**Imperial.**
50 @ 69	50 @ 161	5 @ 221
Lake Woods.	**Nipissing.**	**Winn.**
*30 @ 115	x100 @ 10½	5 @ 165½
	20 @ 10	
Laurentide.	25 @ 9⅞	
*54 @ 112		

*Preferred. x60 days. zCash.

Montreal Stocks.

	Asked.	Bid.
Canadian Pacific Railway	174¾	174¼
Dominion Iron & Steel	16¼	16
do. preferred	85½	84⅞
Illinois Traction preferred	89¾	86¾
Mackay preferred	...	...
Mackay common	73	...
Mexican L. & P.	...	69
N. S. Steel & Coal	49¼	50½
R. & O. Navigation	75½	73
Toronto Street Railway	...	10½
Rio	65	64½
Dominion Coal common	48	47

—Morning Sales—

Detroit United—25 at 40½, 25, 5, 10, 10, 10, 25, 50, 25 at 41, 25 at 41¼, 10 at 41, 25, 50, 25 at 41½, 10 at 41¾, 60, 10 at 42, 25 at 42¼, 50 at 43, 25 at 42¾, 25, 25, 10 at 43, 10 at 42½, 75 100 at 43¼, 25, 75, 25 at 43½.

Commerce—104 at 160.

Crown Reserve—500, 500 at 193½, 200, 150, 100, 50 at 199.

Dominion Coal pref.—15 at 100.

Ogilvie Milling—50, 25 at 107, 25 at 107¼, 50, 50 at 107½, 5 at 107¼, 25 at 107⅝, 25 at 107¾, 50, 50 at 107⅞.

Montreal St. Ry.—1 at 188.

Lake of the Woods—25 at 93, 10 at 93½, 25, 25, 5, 6 at 93.

Mexican L. & P.—25 at 69¾.

Toronto Railway—5, 10, 25, 5, 10 at 104½, 3, 7 at 104¼.

Dominion Textile—25 at 40½.

Illinois preferred—25 at 88½, 25, 25 at 88¾, 25 at 88½, 50, 75 at 89¾, 6 at 89.

Lake of Woods pref.—50 at 115.

Montreal H. L. P. bonds—$25,000 at 96¼ and interest, $10,000, $5000 at 96 and interest.

Mackay preferred—1, 10 at 70.

Montreal H., L. & P.—25 at 107⅞, 50 at 108, 11, 10 at 108¼, 25, 20, 25 at 108⅛, 20 at 108, 2 at 107½, 25 at 108, 50 at 107¾.

Tri-City pref.—10 at 75, 10 at 74.

Twin City—25, 25 at 91¼, cum. div.; 25 at 90¼ xd., 1 at 90 xd., 1 at 91 xd., 5 at 90¾ xd., 75 at 90½ xd., 25, 25 at 90¾ xd.

C. P. R.—11 at 175.

Rio—200 at 64¼, 12 at 64, 25 at 65½.

Molsons Bank—5, 5, 6 at 233.

Laurentide Pulp pref.—5, 24 at 111¾, 25 at 112.

Laurentide Pulp—25 at 35, 10 at 35¼, 100, 25 at 35.

Dominion Steel preferred—50 at 61, 50 at 60¾, 17 at 60, 5 at 61.

Montreal St. Ry., new—25, 25 at 106.

Mackay—5 at 73, 10, 45 at 73½.

Union Bank—35, 5 at 129.

Toledo Ry. & Light—50 at 7¾, 10 at 7.

—Afternoon Sales.—

Detroit United—25, 10 at 44, 100, 50 at 44½, 50, 100 at 44, 25, 50 at 43½, 25 at 43¾, 25 at 44, 25 at 43¾, 50 at 43⅞, 25 at 44.

Toronto Bank—2 at 210.

Textile, xd.—50 at 91½, 25, 50, 25, 25 at 91¼.

Mackay—14 at 73⅝, 25 at 73½.

Montreal Power—50 at 107¾, 5 at 108, 10, 25 at 107¾, 25 at 108.

Penman—25 at 75.

Dom. Iron bonds—$2000, $1000 at 76.

Ogilvie Milling—25, 25, 50, 50 at 103, 10 at 103¼, 25, 25 at 109, 25, 10, 25 at 109½, 50 at 108¾, 25, 25 at 109, 25, 10, 25 at 109½, 50 at 109¼, 25 at 109, 25 at 109½, 100, 100 at 109, 25, 25 at 108½.

Sao Paulo—50 at 153.

Dominion Coal—25 at 58.

Laurentide Pulp pref.—2, 10 at 112.

Lake of the Woods pref.—50 at 115.

Textile bonds, Series B—$200 at 87.

Mexican L. & P.—20 at 68, 50 at 68¼, 25 at 68½.

Lake of the Woods—20 at 92⅞, 5 at 92.

New Montreal St. Ry.—25 at 186.

Bank of Montreal—23 at 233.

Illinois Traction pref.—10 at 89¼.

New York Stocks.

Marshall, Spader & Co., 14 West King-street, reported the following fluctuations on the New York market to-day:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Cl.
Amal. Copper	79⅞	80½	78¼	79
Amer. Locomotive	50	50⅛	49½	49½
Amer. C. & F.	40¾	41⅜	40¾	44
Amer. Smelters	90⅞	92	90⅝	90⅝
American Sugar	133⅞	133⅞	132⅞	132⅞
Anaconda	46	46¼	45¼	45¾
A. C. O.	35¼	35¼	34¼	34½
American Ice	23⅛	23⅛	23⅛	23⅛
Atchison	90⅞	91¾	90⅝	91
Air Brake	...	...	...	...
Atlantic Coast	93	93	92½	92½
American Biscuit	...	...	...	...
Baltimore & Ohio	98	98⅜	97⅝	97⅝
Brooklyn	49½	50⅜	49⅝	49½
Canadian Pacific	174¾	174¾	174⅛	174⅛
Chesapeake & Ohio	43¼	43½	42½	42½
Central Leather	25	25	24¾	24¾
Cast Iron Pipe	23¾	23¾	23¾	23¾
Chic., M. & St. P.	143	143⅞	142⅜	142¾
C. F. I.	36⅜	37¾	36⅛	36½
Colorado Southern	42½	42⅞	42¼	42⅜
Corn Products	...	...	...	...
Detroit United	40½	43½	40½	43½
Del. & Hudson	167¾	167¾	167¾	...
Erie	32	32	30⅞	30⅞
do. 1st preferred	44¼	44½	44	44½
do. 2nd preferred	36½	36½	36½	36½
Great Northern	133⅜	133⅞	132¼	132⅝
General Electric	143½	143½	142	143¼
Great Western	7	7¼	7	7¼
Great North., Ore	60½	60½	60½	60½
Illinois Central	140	140	139⅛	139⅛
Lead	83⅝	84	81¼	83¼
Louisville & Nash.	108	109¼	108	108⅞
Metropolitan	...	...	...	...
New York Gas	145	145	144	144
Missouri Pacific	56½	56¾	55¼	55¼
M. K. T.	30⅞	30⅞	30½	30½
Norfolk	74⅝	74⅝	74⅝	74⅝
North American	65½	65½	64¾	64¾
Northern Pacific	144	144	142⅞	142⅞
N. Y. Central	106	106½	105½	105½
Ontario & West	41	41	41	41
People's Gas	96⅜	96⅜	95⅝	96⅜
Pressed Steel Car	33¼	34	32¼	33½
Pennsylvania	126⅝	126⅞	125⅝	125⅝
Reading	133	133⅞	132¼	132¼
Rock Island	19⅝	19¾	19½	19½
do. preferred	47¼	47¼	46⅛	46¼
Republic	23	23⅛	22¾	22¾
Railway Springs	38	38	37⅞	37⅞
Southern Railway	21½	22	21½	21⅞
Southern Pacific	107½	108¼	106⅝	108¾
do. preferred	118⅛	118½	118⅛	118¼
Twin City	90	91½	90	91
Texas	26½	26½	26¾	26⅝
U. S. Steel	47⅝	48⅛	47⅝	47⅝
do. preferred	110¼	110⅝	110⅛	110¼
Union Pacific	169⅝	170¼	168⅝	168⅝
Western Union	59⅞	60⅞	59⅞	60¼
Westinghouse	81¾	81¾	80	80

Sales to noon, 307,200; total, 625,200.

London Stock Market.

	Oct. 22. Last Quo.	Oct. 23. Last Quo.
Consols, money	84 13-16	84 11-16
Consols, account	84 13-16	84¾
Anaconda	9⅜	9½
Atchison	94	93⅝
do. preferred	98	98
Baltimore & Ohio	101⅛	100½
Canadian Pacific	180⅝	179¾
Chesapeake & Ohio	44¾	44½
Great Western	7¼	7¼
St. Paul	147	147
do. preferred	70½	...
Erie	32½	32⅝
do. 1st preferred	46½	45½
do. 2nd preferred	37½	37½
Grand Trunk	20⅝	23⅝
Illinois Central	144½	144
Kansas & Texas	33	31½
Louisville & Nashville	112½	111
N. & W. preferred	83	83
do. common	76¼	76
Ontario & Western	42½	42⅝
New York Central	109	108
Reading	69	68¼
Pennsylvania	65	65
Southern Railway	23	22¾
do. preferred	56	56
Southern Pacific	111½	110¾
Union Pacific	174¾	174⅛
do. preferred	90	90
U. S. Steel common	49¼	48¾
do. preferred	113½	113
Wabash	13½	13½
do. preferred	28½	28½

Price of Oil.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Oct. 23.—Oil closed at $1.78.

New York Cotton.

Marshall, Spader & Co., 14 West King-street, reported following closing prices:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
October	9.20	9.20	9.15	9.15
December	8.90	8.91	8.90	8.91
March	8.74	8.78	8.71	8.72
May	8.68	8.71	8.68	8.70
January	8.85	8.87	8.80	8.81

Spot cotton closed quiet. Middling uplands, 9.40; do., gulf, 9.65. Sales, 850 bales.

New York Metal Market.

Pig-iron—Steady; northern, $15.50. Copper—Firm; lake, $13.62½ to $13.75. Lead—Firmer, $4.25 to $4.20. Tin—Easy; Straits, $29.37½; plates easy; spelter firm.

Bank Clearings.

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—Bradstreet's weekly bank clearings:

New York, $1,615,727,000, decrease 17.9; Chicago, $252,937,000, decrease 4.5; Boston, $149,919,000, decrease 12.0; Philadelphia, $118,502,000, decrease 21.6; St. Louis, $66,096,000, decrease 9.6; Pittsburg, $42,028,000, decrease 24.0; San Francisco, $38,494,000, decrease 11.8.

Dominion of Canada—Montreal, $32,673,000, decrease 9.0; Toronto, $25,502,000, decrease .2; Winnipeg, $16,315,000, increase 7.8; Vancouver, B.C., $4,152,000, decrease 7.3; Ottawa, $3,689,000, increase 13.8; Quebec, $2,224,000, decrease 7.1; Halifax, $2,055,000, increase 6.8; Hamilton, $1,588,000, decrease 14.6; Calgary, $1,643,000, increase 13.9; St. John, N.B., $1,479,000, increase 15.5; London, Ont., $1,100,000, decrease 16.2; Victoria, B.C., $1,225,000, decrease 9.6; Edmonton, $890,000, increase .9.

"Thousand Men" Banquet.

Preparations for the banquet for Nov. 3 to be attended by 10000 men under the auspices of Adult Bible Classes are progressing. Nearly 800 tickets have already been spoken for. Among the churches actively engaged in the project are St. James' Cathedral, Metropolitan, St. Stephen's, College-street Presbyterian, Dovercourt Baptist, Broadway Tabernacle, Chester Baptist, Parkdale Methodist, Church of Messiah, All Saints, Central Methodist and Carlton Methodist.

Score's Make Talk.

It's been common talk for many a moon that the handsomest dressed windows in town are Score's, 77 West King-street. Of course it takes good goods to make rich window displays, and there Score's secret is out. To-day's windows index many very exclusive lines in new fall and winter effects in neckwear, gloves and the like.

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CAR THRU BRICK WALL.

Shunted Too Hard and Queer Accident Results.

Just a few minutes before a dozen men were to go to work at the spot, a G.T.R. freight crashed into the side wall of the Phillips Manufacturing Co. building on Carlaw-avenue at 6.45 yesterday morning.

Two cars and an engine were being shunted into a siding and were struck too hard. Before they could be stopped the rear car struck the 12 inch brick wall and went thru half its length in the hole made by the impact.

The damage is estimated at $1000 to the building, which it is said the railway company has assumed.

The impact shattered a heavy bumping post as if it were a match. Just how the engine became unmanageable is not explained.

CAN IT BE HELPED?

In a communication appearing in The World "A Railroad Man" attempts to rise valiantly to the defence of the railroads of Canada against the well-founded criticisms appearing in these columns.

With all due respect to this correspondent, it must be admitted that a weaker defence could hardly be imagined.

So far as a careful analysis of the arguments shows, here as the sole reasons why the railroads should not be held responsible for the present horrible havoc of collisions: First, that railroads must employ many men, that men are human and therefore err, and that because of the magnitude of the task these men cannot be under constant supervision; second, that the directors of our railroads are constantly demanding bigger dividends, the implication being that the tendency among the boards of directors is to prevent any considerable expenditure for safety devices. "Why blame the railroads?" is the concluding plea "for what can't be helped!"

"Can't be helped!"

With what characteristic, supreme ease "A Railroad Man" overlooks the means suggested repeatedly in these columns!

The problem of inefficient, inattentive employes is no new one. It is as clear as daylight that when men are employed men will err. The World does not dispute the fact—it affirms it.

What The World does dispute, with all its power, is that it "can't be helped."

It can be helped.

It will be helped when we, as citizens, rise and demand legislation which will force the adoption by every railroad of mechanical means—wholly independent of men—which will make railway collisions mechanically impossible.

Let the genius of our brilliant young Canadian inventors bend to this task. Let all railroads stimulate by substantial assistance this movement so keenly needed.

Necessity is indeed the mother of invention—and necessity stares us in the face. "Where there is a will there's a way."

"Railroad Man's" reference to the attitude of railroad directors is too illuminating to need much comment.

Is this, then, the reason why only a meagre 5 per cent. of the railway mileage of Canada is equipped with a block system of signals?

Who then is responsible for the growing harvest of death and suffering?

Even on the ground of expense the installation of an efficient system would in itself earn increased dividends for shareholders.

And SHALL IT GO ON?

Magistrate Scented Perjury.

"If you haven't any better witnesses than that, Ward, you had better not call them, or I shall have to send them down for perjury, and to send you down too, for the same thing."

With this remark Magistrate Kingsford fined Edward Ward $1 and costs for shooting a duck. The reproved witness was J. Fisher, who failed to agree with Ward as to the time of his goings and comings.

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