To the Trade

December 26th

WE WISH YOU

A MERRY CHRISTMAS

John Macdonald & Co.

Wellington and Front Sts. East, TORONTO.

STOCK MARKETS OF A WEEK

Absence of the Usual Ante-Christmas Recessions.

Features of the Somewhat Buoyant Situation on Wall-street—Effect of Amalgamations on Railway Earnings—Prospective Identification of Other Lines—War Eagle, Cariboo and Toronto Railway Strong—St. Lawrence Market.

Saturday Evening, Dec. 24.

The feature of the past week on Wall-street has been the absence of the usual anti-holiday reaction of the market. The usual extensive liquidation of holdings by many traders for the purpose of straightening up accounts for the old year has been more or less evident, but the offerings have mostly found takers, and as a consequence the list on the eve of Christmas is higher and perhaps more buoyant than a week ago. The support has been on both foreign and domestic account. The attempts of promoters to advance their specialties, such as Federal Steel, Baltimore and Ohio, Union Pacific and some of the Grangers, have been attended with success, and the recently timid public has again been attracted into the general market with the result that prices have in most issues appreciated since last Saturday.

In view of such a strong closing of the pre-holiday season and of the generally hopeful industrial conditions many are buls on the situation and predict advancing quotations for the balance of 1898 and the early part of 1899. On the other hand prices have made big advances already and the big fellows are going to unload on the public some time.

Commenting on one phase of the United States railway situation, The New York Commercial Advertiser remarks: The particularly striking feature of the New York Central report is the much more favorable character of its comparative showing than that in the earlier quarters of the year. On June 30, for instance, the company reported a gross increase of $170,000 over 1897, but a net decrease of $380,000. But in the December quarter both gross and net earnings have gained materially, the first $415,000, the second $257,000. The exceptionally heavy grain traffic to the seaboard is undoubtedly accountable in part for the excellent gross exhibit of the last three months, but some more specific explanation must be sought for the remarkably favorable comparison in the net returns. The presumption is very strong, in the absence of contrary evidence, that the Central is beginning to reap some of the fruits of economy anticipated from its union with Lake Shore and Michigan Central. This probability lends additional interest to the other consolidation schemes which, with more or less foundation, are now receiving such wide attention in current Wall-street discussion. It is pertinent to remark that the two main advantages of a railroad consolidation at the present time are the greater economy in actual operation and the tendency of the unification of traffic interests to counteract the evils of rate cutting on the roads concerned. A third advantage—the reformation of the capital account and reduction of fixed charges—has in many of the proposed merger cases been forestalled by separate refunding operations. The three parties to the Vanderbilt enterprise, for instance, each underwent rehabilitation of their mortgage debt previous to amalgamation, and so also have Rock Island and Atchison, which may be noted among the present instances where the imagination of consolidation-rumor mongers is fired by the apparently close identification of their leading financial interests. On the other hand the reincorporation of the Baltimore and Ohio Southwestern into the parent system involves a great saving of annual interests, and in a few other cases, such as Lake Erie and Western and Minneapolis and St. Louis, absorption into larger combinations such as is now foreshadowed, would mean similar reduction of fixed charges. However, as already suggested, the principal opportunity for economy through railroad consolidation lies in the reduction of routine operating expenses and in the favorable conditions afforded for a more profitable standard of rates. The more important combinations now existing are still too young to reflect these benefits except in a very tentative fashion; but that these benefits will develop more clearly in the natural course of events cannot be doubted.

Following is a statement showing the closing prices (bid) for the following stocks yesterday and a week ago:

	Dec. 17.	Dec. 23
American Sugar	124	126⅛
American Tobacco	141½	142¼
Brooklyn R T.	72¾	74¼
Chesapeake and Ohio	25	25
Louisville and Nashville	64	64
Manhattan	96⅝	97¾
Northern Pacific, pref	76¼	76½
Rock Island	109¾	111½
People's Gas	108⅞	109⅜
C. B. Q.	121⅞	122⅝
Northern Pacific, com	41	42½
Union Pacific	39	43⅜
Union Pacific, pref	71⅝	73¼
New York Central	123½	123
Omaha	91½	91

Canadian Securities.

Canadian securities during the past week have, as a rule, reflected the usual anti-holiday dulness, but the list closed yesterday with a steady to strong tone, and despite recent marked appreciation in values the view generally taken of the situation is a hopeful one. Among the issues notably strong are War Eagle, Cariboo and Toronto Railway. As regards the last named stock there is a tip that it is to be put up to 115. A declaration of the Cariboo Company's policy ought to come about Jan. 15, and it may be taken for granted that the monthly dividend rate will not be more than a cent a share. The War Eagle people will not likely even discuss the question of increasing the dividend till the February meeting of the directors.

Following is a comparative statement of the closing quotations (bid) for leading securities in the local market yesterday and a week ago:

	Dec 17	Dec. 23
British America	135½	134¾
Western Assurance	174⅞	174
Montreal Gas	208	208
C. P. R.	85½	84½
Cable	185¼	183¾
Toronto Electric	139¾	137¾
Richelieu and Ontario	99¾	99½
Toronto Railway, xd	105⅝	108¼
War Eagle	297	290½
Northwest Land, pref	55½	55½
General Electric	145¾	143
Bell Telephone	170	172
London Electric Light	123	123¾
Cariboo	123⅝	120½

Bradstreet's Weekly Review.

Bradstreet's Weekly Review of Canadian Trade says: There has been a very active trade done in holiday lines at Montreal this week. Trade in specialities has never been more active, and merchants are greatly pleased with the handsome returns on the extensive preparations they made for the Christmas trade. The wholesale trade has been quiet, especially towards the close of the week. A great many spring orders have been booked and the trade has begun to make shipments of Canadian lines. It is expected that when the travelers get to work again on their routes at the beginning of the New Year, business will show increased activity. The reports received here of the prospects for the spring business are most encouraging. The wholesale trade of Montreal look for a very large expansion in their business with the more important centres in British Columbia, Manitoba and the Northwest during the coming year. The local money market is steady.

Wholesale business at Winnipeg this week has been quite active, but it is now about over for this year. Orders for spring goods have been very fair, in clothing, hats, caps, boots and shoes, the travelers having met with success on their recent trips. The prospects through the province for business generally are very promising, with the likelihood of a large increase over this year. The wheat movement to the close of navigation shows a reduction of more than one-third as compared with last year, though the quantity of grain to be moved is much greater than last year. This indicates that there will be a heavy traffic in moving grain when navigation opens next spring, as no doubt the bulk of the crop will be held until then, though a considerable all rail movement is expected to set in after the holiday season is over.

The mild weather has retarded business at Toronto the past week and prevented such an expansion as might have been looked for with a continuance of the more seasonable weather of a week ago. Still the holiday trade here has been larger than for many years. Not only has more money been spent, but a considerable higher class of goods has been in demand. The jewelry trade, fancy drygoods and expensive toys have had large sale. Much money has been circulated and the effect in improving the general condition of business will be very marked. The wholesale trade at Toronto has been less active this week. Country merchants have been busy with one of the best holiday seasons they ever had, and there has been less attention paid to spring goods. Travelers returned to the city this week and will not go on their routes again till after Jan. 1. There has been more activity in the grain markets, a better demand having advanced prices of peas, oats and wheat, but owing to the bad state of the country roads the farmers' deliveries are smaller. Country remittances have been only fair, but are expected to show a marked improvement after the holidays as a result of the large retail business that has been done.

The retail trade at the coast has been very active this week and merchants report a very large increase in business over previous seasons. There is a good demand for camp supplies, and large shipments to various points in the province have lately been made from Vancouver. The prospects for the spring trade in British Columbia were never brighter. Many emigrants and much capital is expected to cause further activity in the next few months and a very cheerful feeling prevails in business circles. The opening of the East Kootenay by the Crow's Nest Pass line is being quickly followed by a rush of capital to the towns that are springing up along the road. At every siding building operations are being rushed through, a whole army of builders being busy erecting business blocks and residences. Merchants and hotel men are taking advantage of the opportunities the new country affords, and all branches of the mercantile trade will shortly be represented in the towns.

ST. LAWRENCE MARKET.

The receipts of farm produce were principally hay, poultry, potatoes and apples, scarcely any grain being offered.

Poultry, especially turkeys, was very plentiful, and prices were easy at quotations given below.

The butchers' display in the St. Lawrence Arcade was viewed by an admiring crowd of visitors all day and evening, principally farmers in the daytime, and citizens in the evening.

The farmers, their wives and daughters, came in crowds to view the preparations made for the annual visit of St. Nicholas.

In our notice of G. H. Waller's Xmas show of meats, a slight error was made, by stating that he supplied the principal towns and cities between Toronto and Montreal. It should have read the principal hotels of the cities and towns.

The hotels in and around the market were doing a rushing trade, especially the Clyde, which was crowded with farmers from morning till night.

Mr. Lemon, the popular host, with his staff of employes, was kept busy attending to the wants of their many patrons.

In The World's write-up of the butchers' market, the name of Mr. Lavery was printed Lanery, which stands corrected.

Grain—		
Wheat, white, bush.	$0 69 to	$....
" red, bush.	0 68	....
" goose, bush.	0 67	....
" fife, spring, bush.	0 69	0 67
Rye, bush.	0 51½	....
Oats, bush.	0 31	0 31½
Buckwheat, bush.	0 46	....
Barley, bush.	0 48	0 49
Peas, bush.	0 58	0 65
Seeds—		
Red clover, bush.	$3 50 to	$4 00
White clover seed, bush.	6 00	9 00
Alsike, good to prime, bu.	4 00	4 50
Alsike, choice, bush.	4 75	5 00
Timothy, bush.	1 25	1 35
Beans, white, bush.	0 75	0 80
Hay and Straw—		
Hay, timothy, per ton	$8 50 to	$10 00
Hay, clover, per ton	6 00	7 00
Straw, sheaf, per ton	7 00	....
Straw, loose, per ton	4 00	5 00
Dairy Products—		
Butter, lb. rolls	$0 14 to	$0 18
Butter, large rolls	0 13	0 14
Eggs, new laid	0 30	0 40
Fresh Meats—		
Beef, hindquarters, cwt.	$6 00 to	$8 00
Beef, forequarters, cwt.	4 00	5 00
Lamb, spring, per lb.	0 06½	0 07½
Mutton, carcass, cwt.	5 00	5 50
Veal, carcass, cwt.	6 50	8 00
Hogs, dressed, light	5 15	5 30
Hogs, dressed, heavy	5 00	....
Poultry—		
Chickens, per pair	$0 35 to	$0 70
Turkeys, per lb.	0 08	0 10
Spring ducks, per pair	0 50	1 00
Geese, per lb.	0 06	0 07
Fruits and Vegetables—		
Apples, per bbl.	$1 50 to	$2 50
Potatoes, per bag	0 55	0 65
Cabbage, per doz.	0 20	0 40
Onions, Spanish, per lb.	0 03½	....
Beets, per doz.	0 12½	0 15
Cauliflower, per doz.	0 40	0 55
Turnips, per bag	0 30	0 35
Parsnips, per bag	0 50	0 60

FARM PRODUCE WHOLESALE.

Hay, baled, carlots, per ton	$7 00 to	$7 50
Straw, baled, carlots, per ton	4 00	4 50
Potatoes, carlots, per bag	0 50	0 57
Butter, choice, tubs	0 13	0 15
" " medium, tubs	0 11	0 12
" dairy, lb. rolls	0 15	0 16
" large rolls	0 14	0 15
" creamery, boxes	0 19	0 20
" creamery lb. rolls	0 20	0 22
Eggs, choice, new laid	0 30	0 22
Eggs, held stock	0 16	0 18
Honey, per lb.	0 03	0 07
Hogs, dressed, carlots	5 00	5 25
Chickens, per pair	0 25	0 40
Ducks, per pair	0 40	0 60
Geese, per lb.	0 06	0 06½
Turkeys, per lb.	0 08	0 09

Hides and Wool.

Price list, revised daily by James Hallam & Sons, No. 521 Front-street east, Toronto:

Hides, No. 1 green	$0 08½	$....
" No. 1 green steers	0 09	....
" No. 2 green steers	0 08	....
" No. 2 green	0 07½	....
" No. 3 green	0 06½	....
" cured	0 08½	0 09
Calfskins, No. 1	0 10	....
Calfskins, No. 2	0 08	....
Pelts, each	0 75	0 80
Lambskins, each	0 75	0 80
Wool, fleece	0 15	....
Wool, unwashed, fleece	0 10	....
Wool, pulled, super	0 17	0 18½
Tallow, rough	0 01¼	0 02½
Tallow, rendered	0 03	0 03½

East Buffalo Live Stock.

East Buffalo, Dec. 24.—Cattle—The receipts were five loads, mostly good cattle. Calves were in light supply, moderate demand, and on the basis of $6.50, with a few sales a little higher.

Sheep and Lambs—The total sales were 40 loads, including about four loads of Canada lambs. There was a little more activity and a pretty good clearance. Choice to extra were quotable, $5.25 to $5.40; good to choice, $5 to $5.25; common to fair, $4.75 to $5. Sheep, choice to extra, $4.25 to $4.40; good to choice, $4 to $4.25; common to fair, $2.50 to $3.50. Canadas sold on the basis of $5.35 to $5.40.

Hogs—The offerings were 20 loads, with an active demand; the market was stronger and higher, according to weights. Heavy and medium were quotable, $3.60. A few fancy selected sold at $3.70. Yorkers sold at $3.50 to $3.60, good weights on the basis of $3.60, pigs $3.40, roughs, $3.10 to $3.20; stags, $2.50 to $3.

Chicago Cattle.

Chicago, Dec. 24.—Receipts of cattle today were even smaller than usual on Saturday and the market was almost entirely a nominal one. Yesterday's prices prevailed in the few transactions recorded. Hogs, $3.25 to $3.65. Sheep, $2 to $2.50; yearlings, $4 to $4.50; lambs, common, $3.50 to $4; choice, $5.10. Receipts—Cattle 100, hogs 17,000, sheep 1000.

Money and Risks.

The December number of Money and Risks is an excellent one, containing a valuable article on auditing and auditors by Henry Lye, and also one on investments and Canadian life insurance by Thomas Bradshaw, F.I.A. Mr. H. S. Scott deals with Canadian securities for investment and speculation in an able manner. Four excellent photographs of the four generations of the four successive secretaries of the Norwich Union Fire Insurance Company, which has been handed down from father to son, are also given in the number.

A Magic Pill.—Dyspepsia is a foe with which men are constantly grappling but cannot exterminate. Subdued, and to all appearances vanquished in one, it makes its appearance in another direction. In many the digestive apparatus is as delicate as the mechanism of a watch or scientific instrument in which even a breath of air will make a variation. With such persons disorders of the stomach ensue from the most trivial causes and cause much suffering. To these Parmelee's Vegetable Pills are recommended as mild and sure. ed

Choquette on the Shelf.

Montreal, Dec. 25.—(Special.)—Mr. F. X. Choquette, Q. C., of this city and a law partner of Mr. C. A. Beausoleil, M. P. for Berthier, has been appointed Judge of Sessions in place of Judge Dugas, sent to the Yukon.

Pabst Malt Extract The Best Tonic

is recommended to build up the convalescent; to strengthen the weak and overworked; to conquer dyspepsia; to produce sleep; to build up and feed the nerves; to

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JOHN BULL IN THE BARGAIN

The Initiative Must be Taken by the United States to Renounce That Treaty.

TO RELEASE U. S. FROM PARTNERSHIP

And Reciprocity With Canada May be the Price Set on Britains' Compliance.

Montreal, Dec. 24.—(Special.)—A Star special from Washington to-day says: There is no reason to doubt that the Government of Great Britain is considering the question of the abrogation of the Clayton-Bulwer treaty, so as to leave the United States free to go ahead with the building of an inter-oceanic canal if desired. Whether any decisive steps have been taken within the last day or two in England is not known here, and it can be said positively that no negotiations have begun. There is good reason to believe that the initiative in anything that may be done lies with our Government, and that Great Britain will be the party to name the terms upon which her release of the United States from the canal partnership shall be granted. That efforts have been made to test the feeling of Great Britain on this subject has been known for some little time in Washington. It is believed that the canal question has entered into the discussions of the Canadian Joint Commission, and shrewd guessers have fixed upon reciprocity with Canada as the price the British Government would set upon her compliance. There is good ground for supposing that Great Britain does not really care much about the treaty; that she would be perfectly willing to let the United States bear the expense and trouble of constructing the canal and maintaining it alone for benefit of British shipping, for that will be about the situation, as Great Britain views it, until we have amended our navigation laws and tariff system so as to enable us to figure as one of the great factors in the world's commerce. But the British trade instinct is strong and the right to build and control the canal alone will not be given us as a pure gratuity, since it is known that we want it so badly, or think we do.

OZONE Will Digest Your Christmas Dinner.

OZONE is the best after dinner aid for digesting the food on the market to-day. Many people would enjoy a well prepared meal but for the thought of the after suffering. For a dyspeptic at omach we guarantee Ozone will arrest all fermentation, also aid in perfect digestion.

Ozone is not connected with "Uncle Tom's Cabin," as people would judge by the procession, but is playing a greater part in Toronto to-day. Don't fail to try it.

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JURY COULD NOT AGREE

As to Whether Fayne Moore Was Guilty of Working the Badger Game.

New York, Dec. 25.—After 22 hours deliberation the jury in trial of Fayne Strahan Moore, charged with robbery, failed to render a verdict and reported the fact of their disagreement to Recorder Goff at 10 o'clock this morning. The jury was locked up at 2 o'clock this morning. It was rumored at that time that they stod nine for conviction and three for acquittal, and it was also rumored, though it cannot be authoritatively stated, that at the conclusion the jury stood seven for conviction and five for acquittal. All night long the twelve men argued, sending out communications twice to find out the according penalty and also to announce that they could not agree. Recorder Goff locked them up at 9 o'clock this morning after they went to breakfast, the foreman sending word to Recorder Goff at his residence that they could not reach an agreement and that they were utterly worn out. Recorder Goff came to the court house at 10 o'clock and immediately sent for the jury and discharged them with thanks. The fact of its being Sunday morning and Christmas makes this long stay of the jury an unparalleled one in the history of the criminal court.

Harry Hansen, who says he comes from Montreal, was arrested on Saturday night at the Robert Simpson store. He is thought to be responsible for a number of cases of theft from ladies' pockets.

KILLED FATHER FOR MONEY

Young John Henry Collins Took His Father's Life in Hope of Gaining $6500.

GUILTY OF MURDER IN FIRST DEGREE

He Was a University Student and a Licensed Lay Reader in a Church.

Topeka, Kan., Dec. 24.—Guilty of murder in the first degree, was the verdict returned to-night in the case of young John Henry Collins, charged with the murder of his father, James S. Collins, a prominent real estate and insurance agent of Topeka, who was shot as he lay asleep in bed early one morning in May last. John Henry Collins, the convict, was a student in the Kansas State University and a licensed lay reader of the leading Protestant Episcopal Church of Topeka. The motive of the crime was found in the youth's greed for money, which would come to him upon the death of his father. The elder Collins carried $26,000 of life insurance and it was provided that of this amount $6500 should go to the son.

The young student was enamored of Miss Frances Babcock of Lawrence, whose family is considered wealthy and the trial developed the fact that Collins had lived beyond his allowance at Lawrence, that he contracted numerous bills at the university town, which he could not pay and that he had planned to join the Babcocks when they went to spend the summer at an Atlantic coast resort.

Didn't Get the Shave.

Lord Minto, Governor-General of Canada, once got a lesson from a countryman of his on the observance of the Sabbath.

Donald Grant was color-sergeant of a Scotch company of the ninetieth Canadian militia during the late Northwest Rebellion. He had served in a Highland regiment in the British army, and was neatness personified. Rather than see his men go around with long hair and unshaven faces, he turned barber himself and soon became quite expert.

General Middleton, who was in command of the little army, noticed the smart appearance of the company, and was told that it was due to Grant. The General's face was bristly and his hair longer than the regulation permits, and he took advantage of the opportunity to get Grant to operate on him.

The following Sunday Lord Minto (then Viscount Melgund), the General's chief of staff, arrived at headquarters and learned of the handy man in camp. He sent for Donald, and, when the latter came, asked him to shave him and trim his hair in time for church. Donald looked at him with an expression of Scotch sourness and replied emphatically:

"Deed, I'll no."

"And why not?" demanded the Viscount angrily.

"It's no' the thing," said Donald, "for a Scotchman to work on the Sawbath. Ma mither wad never let me dae't, an' I'll no begin noo."

The Viscount apologized and went to service with his bristles.

The Firm Reciprocated.

On Saturday morning the travelers of J. H. Farr & Co., varnish manufacturers, assembled at the head office, on Morse-street, and presented Mr. J. H. Farr and Mr. John M. Sparrow each with a gold-mounted umbrella as Christmas tokens of the esteem in which they were held by their employes. An address was read by Mr. R. J. Lundy, the senior traveler of the firm, and the presentation was made by Mr. George Fagg, next in length of service. Those present were: Messrs. W. A. Bell, W. McCormack, D. Campbell, A. Campbell. Mr. Sparrow was taken aback but responded in a few neat words. The senior partner Mr. J. H. Farr, responded in a more pointed manner by presenting each man with a solid cheque to the firm's order as a token of his appreciation of their services in pushing the business to its present gigantic proportions.

Hungarians Hungry to Fight.

London, Dec. 25.—A despatch from Buda Pest to The Central News says that a duel has been arranged between Baron Banffy, the President of the Hungarian Council of Ministers, and M. Horensky, a member of the Hungarian Diet. The duel grew out of an altercation in the Chamber of Deputies yesterday, when Horensky denounced the Premier as an importer, a cheat and a traitor. Baron Banffy's seconds are Baron Fejervary, Minister of the National Defence, and M. de Perczel, Minister of the Interior.

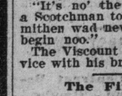
London Commercial Travelers.

London, Dec. 24.—The result of the balloting for officers of the Commercial Travelers' Association was made known to-day, and was as follows: President, William Gray (re-elected); first vice-president, W. L. Underwood; second vice-president, J. C. Hazard; directors, G. A. F. Jackson, P. Blackwell, R. C. Eckert, C. W. Nicholls, William Turnbull and W. A. Cameron.

A Letter About a Bridge.

Mr. Hugh Spears, M.D., has written a letter to The Leader, opposing the construction of a low level bridge across the Don. He says a suitable high level structure could be constructed for $120,000, and that in view of future railway development no other kind of a bridge should be allowed.

Mr. W. Phillips, the genial head waiter at the Rossin House, was presented with an umbrella as a mark of esteem by the dining room staff yesterday.



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