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MARKETS ARE IRREGULAR BUT IN THE MAIN STRONG

Moderate Fluctuations in N. Y. Issues —Movement Continued in Mackays in Local Issues.

World Office.
Tuesday Evening, Feb. 7.

The local market had an appearance of buoyancy to-day, but the upward movements were confined to specialties. The Electric issues were advanced, but as these stocks are regarded as pretty much of a one-broker combination, they were not followed by traders close to the market. Mackay shares continued the strength of yesterday, with the common advancing 1⅝ from yesterday's top price. Canadian markets are reported as largely cleared of these stocks, and the present buying is said to emanate from London and New York interests. Brokers are bare of information as to the strength of the common stock and unable to satisfactorily account for the advance in the price. A better enquiry is being made for the Coal shares, and Dominion Coal and Nova Scotia Steel were both active and firm. Tractions were dull, with Sao Paulo the more frequently quoted at a fractional reduction. The earnings of Twin City for the last ten days of January were considered satisfactory, but failed to produce any aggressive buying. C. P. R. and a number of other issues were simply in the hands of traders at steady prices. Investment shares were quiet. Ontario Bank sold easier, but Canada Permanent was firmer on the excellent annual statement just published.

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Ennis & Stoppani, McKinnon Building, report the close of New York: Northern Securities, bid 149½, asked 150. Boston: Dominion Steel, closed 18½; Granby Smelter, bid 5¼. Philadelphia: Lake Superior, common, bid 7¾, asked 8¼; Lake Superior, preferred, bid 14, asked 15½. New York: Havana Electric, common, 14 bid, 15½ asked; Havana Electric, preferred, bid 46, 50 asked.

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Understood Senate will not pass any rate legislation this year.

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Stocks plentiful in the loan crowd.

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Inter-state commerce commission takes up case against coal roads in Washington today.

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Western traffic managers say business largely affected by cold weather.

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Great scarcity of good investment bonds.

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National Lead report will show earnings largest for several years past.

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Twenty-two roads for fourth week of January show average gross increase of 12.4 per cent.

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Banks gained from sub-treasury since Friday $414,000.

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Gold, $5,750,000 bars will go to Paris on Thursday.

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Seven million dollars will go to Argentina and three million, both in coin, will go to Cuba this week.

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Stated from London that negotiations have been completed for floating a two hundred million-dollar new Russian 5 per cent. loan in Paris.

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Talk is that Smelters will take over National Lead.

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The banks have gained $355,000 from the sub-treasury since Friday.

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August Belmont again denied that Interborough would guarantee dividend on Metropolitan Securities.

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There will be no railroad rate legislation at the present session of congress. Prevailing understanding is that the president will call congress in ordinary session next October or November, instead of in the spring. Senator Allison says that he expected extra session in the fall of the year.

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The annual meeting of the shareholders of the Dominion Coal Company will be held in Montreal at noon on March 2. Books close February 17 to March 3.

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London: Americans closed firm at top of day. Coal and Steel stocks showed especial strength. Russo-Japanese war is in fair way to settlement.

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Joseph says: The market is again largely oversold. Buyers of People's Gas may safely hold it for 115 or even 120. Tractions and low-priced industrials are worthy of attention.

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Altho Metropolitan did not hold all its early advance, the Tractions continue to be one of the strongest features of the trading. The advance in Interborough on the curb had some sympathetic influence. There is reason for saying that whatever may be the developments pending, any definite change in present status of traction roads is a long way off, perhaps even as far as completion of Pennsylvania and New York Central terminals. There is a strong bull pool operating in Metropolitan.—Dow Jones.

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Buffalo, Feb. 7.—A meeting of the stockholders of the Lackawanna Steel Company was held to-day, and it was agreed to issue $30,000,000 of first consolidated mortgage bonds.

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Railway Earnings.

Earnings fourth week in January: Texas & Pacific, increase $22,545.

Twin City Rapid Transit, increase $5842.

Southern Railway, same time, increase $55,900.

Transcontinental, same time, increase $22,545.

M., K. T., same time, increase $14,968.

Detroit Southern, same time, decrease $774.

Duluth, South Shore, same time, increase $17,000.

Louisville, six months, net to December 31, increase $583,000.

On Wall Street.

Marshall, Spader & Co. wired J. G. Beaty, King Edward Hotel, at the close of the market to-day:

New York, Feb. 7.—The list presented the appearance to-day of having been rather freely sold among Vanderbilt issues.

The traction excitement has subsided, and these stocks are allowed to take care of themselves, with some consequent liquidation and realizing.

The railroad list, while strong in spots, as in the case of Atchison and New York Central, and partially so in the Harriman shares, was distinctly strong in lesser railroad properties like Chesapeake & Ohio, Norfolk and Western and a few southwestern properties.

There was no special avidity in buying, unless in these smaller properties, and in T., C. & I., which is reported to have sold its entire output for a year ahead, and the stock gave evidence of inside buying.

Interborough, on the outside, lost six points, and Northern Securities showed signs of realizing and satisfied profit taking.

The market was a demonstration of strength, in one sense, inasmuch as it absorbed rather handily offerings under stress of news, which could be construed unfavorable.

The exports of gold this week bid fair to equal, if not exceed, last week's shipments, and gold bars coming from Philadelphia to the extent of five millions signalized the far-reaching character of the movement.

Foreign exchange eased off as a result of corn and cotton bills, and only moderate demand for remittances.

The prospect of the house passing the railroad bill by Thursday next, under a rule which prevents debate after 3 p. m. on that day, would, under ordinary circumstances, induce some withdrawal of support and possible declines, but the market seems to give little heed to such things, and we are quite prepared to see the quotation list caught up eagerly by investors should a decline tempt this class of operations under existing conditions.

The prospect of peace in the far east is possibly no nearer being realized, but there seems no doubt of preliminary negotiations being under way, and this beginning could easily develop rapidly.

Off the market, to-day's trading might suggest some loss of vitality growing out of a much reduced short interest, which appears in most directions to have covered, urged by forceful operations of pools and influenced by general optimism.

Ennis & Stoppani, wired to J. L. Mitchell (McKinnon Building):

New York, Feb. 7.—The market to-day has shown an excellent distribution of speculative activity, and the renewed interest in industrials, to which we referred yesterday, developed to cover nearly all the important stocks of this class. London was a buyer of some 25,000 shares on balance, and orders were received in quantity from Chicago, Boston, Philadelphia and Pittsburg. It appears that sentiment in outside centres is distinctly bullish, and the market requires only to be free from interference to develop a general bull speculation. Various reports were current to explain advances in individual stocks, but many of these simply followed the buying, which, under present conditions, with offerings very limited, is all that is necessary. The general principle is that business in all lines is flourishing, and, one by one, our railroad and industrial companies are able to add to disbursements to stockholders. There are reports to the effect that (Realty, Rep. Steel, pfd., and Great Western A stocks will soon pay dividend. There are bull pools in a large number of low-priced stocks, and each is having its turn. Favorable comment is current on Erie, Colorado Southern and K. S. U. Foreign accumulation of Great Western is so persistent that something important must be developing. T., C. & I., Rubber, Woolen, Lead and numerous others seem attractive.

We continue to favor purchases, and except for some temporary irregularity, the market seems destined to broaden into activity not witnessed for months past.

Yates & Ritchie to McMillan & Maguire:

New York, Feb. 7.—The stock market responded to the higher prices in London this morning, and opened strong and active. Sentiment on the other side was optimistic on further peace talk. While floor traders were reported bearish, a better feeling prevailed in conservative quarters of the street. The action of the senate in putting off rate legislation was met with favor stock-marketwise. This factor caused hesitancy on the part of many operators, who, to-day, became more active again. Some short selling was reported. A strong undertone prevailed, tho the market became dull after noon. London bought about 25,000 shares. Banks reported a gain from the sub-treasury of $350,000. Call money ruled at 2 per cent. Outside interest in the market is becoming more apparent, the public being attracted by good strength displayed here. The opinion expressed by prominent men in the street is that market will gradually work to higher levels. Reactions may be expected, but those opportunities should be availed of to buy stocks. More attention is being given to low prices, railroad and the industrial shares. We continue to recommend purchases on recessions, selling on bulges until market shows more activity.

Money Markets.

The Bank of England discount rate is 3 per cent. Money, 2¼ to 2⅜ per cent. Short bills, 2 7-16 to 2½ per cent. New York call money, 1¾ to 2 per cent. Last loan, 2 per cent. Call money at Toronto, 4½ to 5 per cent.

Foreign Exchange.

A. J. Glazebrook, Traders' Bank Building (Tel. 1091), to-day reports 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..	9 1-4	9 5-16	9 9-16 to 9 11-16
Demand stg.	9 3-4	9 13-16	10 1-16 to 10 3-16
Cable Trans.	9 27 32	9 29 32	10 3-16 to 10 5-16

—Rates in New York—

	Actual.	Posted.
Sterling, demand ...	487.75|480	to ...
Sterling, 60 days ...	485.65|486½	to ...

Price of Silver.

Bar silver in London, 28¼d per oz.

Bar silver in New York, 61½c per oz.

Mexican dollars, 47½c.

Toronto Stocks.

	Feb. 6. Ask.	Bid.	Feb. 7. Ask.	Bid.
Ontario	...	135½	136	135
Toronto	...	...	236½	...
Commerce	162	159¼	158½	158¼
Imperial	240	235	239	235
Dominion	253	...	251	249
Standard	240	...	238	...
Hamilton	219	218½	218½	217
Nova Scotia	...	...	...	...
Ottawa	...	215	...	...
Traders'	...	132½	...	133
Imperial Life	...	149	...	149
Con. Gas, xd.	210½	210	210½	210
Ont. & Qu'Appelle	...	100	...	100
C.N.W.L. pr.	...	99	...	99
C. P. R.	134	133½	134½	133¾
M.S.P. & SS pr.	...	...	...	...
do common	100	99½	101	100
Tor. El. Light	152	151¾	155	153½
Can. Gen. Elec.	176	175⅛	178	177⅝
Mackay com.	42¼	41¾	43⅝	43⅝
do. pref.	75¾	75½	77	76
Dominion Tel.	...	120	...	120
Bell Telephone	161	159	160	159
Richelieu	...	62⅝	...	62¾
Niagara Nav.	114	...	114	...
Northern Nav.	70	64¾	70	64¾
St. L. & C.	...	100	...	100
Toronto Rail.	...	104¼	...	104⅝
Twin City	106	104¾	106	105¼
Win. St. Ry.	...	138	140	137
Sao Paulo	117	116¾	116½	116¼
Dom. Steel com.	19¼	18	19	18⅛
do. pref.	...	63½	...	...
Dom. Coal com.	64	63	64½	64¼
N.S. Steel com.	69¼	69	69	68⅝
Canada Salt	114	...	114	...
Crow's Nest Coal	350	...	350	...
Can. Landed	...	110	...	110
Brit. Canadian	95	92	95	92
N. S. pref.	...	...	...	...
Canada Per.	...	122½	123½	123¼
Can. S. & L.	...	120	...	120
Cent. Can. Loan	...	170	...	170
Dom. S. & I.	...	70	...	70
Hamilton Prov.	...	119	...	119
Huron & Erie	...	185	...	185
Landed B. & L.	...	119	...	119
London & Can.	...	98½	...	99¾
Manitoba Loan	...	95	...	95
Toronto Mort.	...	107½	107½	105
London Loan	...	118	118	...
Ontario L. & D.	...	120	...	120
Toronto Savings	...	130	...	130

Morning sales: Commerce, 8 at 159½, 25 at 159; Hamilton, 18 at 218½, 37 at 218; Toronto Electric, 175 at 152, 170 at 153, 6 at 152¾; Twin City, 35 at 105¼; Sao Paulo, 50 at 116⅞, 25 at 116¾, 50 at 116⅞, 80, 100 at 116⅝, 25 at 116¾; Can. General Electric, 25 at 175¾, 25 at 176, 15 at 176¼, 5 at 176½, 25 at 176¾, 28 at 177, 100 at 177¼, 2 at 177, 25 at 176¾, 60 at 176½, 10 at 176⅞, 50 at 176¾, 25 at 176⅝, 43 at 176⅝, 100 at 176⅞, 35 at 176¾; C.P.R., 25 at 134¼; Canada Permanent, 50 at 123½; London & Canadian, 30 at 100, 200 at 99½; Mackay, 50 at 42½, 110 at 43, 125 at 43⅛, 50 at 43, 250 at 43¼, 25 at 43⅜, 75 at 43½, 10 at 43¼, 100 pref. at 76, 275 pref. at 75¾, 100 pref. at 76, 100 pref. at 76⅛, 25 pref. at 76; Soo Railway, 25 at 100½; N.S. Steel, 50 at 69, 25 at 69⅛, 50 at 69¼, 350 at 69, 25 at 68⅞, 75 at 68¾, 25 at 68⅝, 25 at 68½.

Afternoon sales: Ontario Bank, 10 at 135¼, 5 at 135¾, 10 at 135½; Mackay pr., 85 at 76, 100 at 76⅛, 64 at 76¼, 25, 25, 105 at 76¼; British America Assur., 4 at 94; Western Assurance, 18 at 84; Mackay com., 50 at 43⅝; Toronto Electric, 50 at 153½, 50 at 153⅝, 50, 25 at 153¾, 25 at 153⅝, 25 at 153½; General Electric, 25 at 177, 45 at 177¼, 25, 25 at 177½, 5 at 178, 25 at 177⅝, 95 at 177⅞; C.P.R., new, 6 at 130⅝, 25 at 131; Coal, 25 at 63½, 25 at 63¾, 25 at 64, 25, 50 at 64¼; N.S. Steel, 85, 25, 25 at 68⅞; Canada Permanent, 65 at 123; Twin City, 5 at 105¼; Sao Paulo, 50 at 116½.

Montreal Stocks.

Montreal, Feb. 7.—Closing quotations today:

	Ask.	Bid.
C. P. R.	134½	134
Toledo Railway	23	22½
Montreal Railway	213	212
Toronto Railway	105½	104½
Halifax Railway	110	107
Detroit Railway	77¾	77⅝
Dominion Steel	18¾	18¼
do. pref.	64	63½
Twin City	105¾	105½
Richelieu	63¼	62¾
Montreal L., H. & P.	78¼	77¾
Bell Telephone	160	159½
Nova Scotia	69	68¾
Dominion Coal	65	64¼
Dominion Steel bonds	82	81
Quebec Bank	...	...
Montreal Bank	...	...
Hochelaga	...	...
Commerce	...	...
Mackay common	43¾	43⅝
do. pref.	76	75⅝
Molsons	...	...
Union Bank	...	...
Winnipeg Railway bonds	...	...
Merchants'	...	...
Dominion Cotton	...	41

Morning sales: Mackay, 100 at 42½, 25 at 42¼, 25, 25, 25 at 42⅝, 5 at 43, 50 at 42¾, 25 at 42⅞, 50 at 43, 50 at 43¼, 25 at 43⅛, 25 at 43, 50 at 43⅜, 25, 25 at 43⅜; Twin City, 10, 25, 25 at 105⅜; Mackay preferred, 25 at 75½, 50 at 75⅝, 25, 50 at 75⅝, 25, 100, 100, 25, 50, 25, 25, 25, 25, 25, 25, 25 at 76, 10 at 75⅝; Richelieu, 20, 15 at 63; Steel, 45 at 18⅛; Dominion Cotton, 3, 1 at 45; Switch, 15 at 73¼; Duluth, xd., 25 at 77½; Power, 1, 25 at 78; Montreal Railway, 3, 1, 8 at 212; Soo, 50 at 100, 50 at 100⅛, 50 at 100⅜, 25, 100 at 100½; N.S. Steel, 25 at 68½, 10, 25, 8 at 69, 25 at 69⅛, 25 at 69, 25 at 68⅞, 50, 25 at 68⅞.

Afternoon sales: Twin City, 75 at 105⅝, 50 at 105½; Steel, 50, 100, 50 at 18¼; Mackay, 50, 50 at 43½; Montreal Power, 25, 25 at 77⅝, 25 at 77½, 25 at 77½, 25 at 77⅝, 6, 25, 25 at 77⅝, 25, 25, 25, 25 at 77½; Detroit at 78, 25, 25 at 77½, 100, 25 at 77⅝; Montreal Railway, 25, 25 at 77⅝; Montreal Railway, new, 2 at 211; Switch, 15, 17, 25, 25 at 75; Richelieu, 10, 50 at 63; Coal, 50, 50 at 64, 25 at 64¼, 50, 25 at 64½; Commerce, 25, 25, 25 at 158½; Montreal Railway, 2 at 212½; Mackay pref., 25, 25, 25, 25, 25 at 76.

London Stocks.

	Feb. 6. Last Quo.	Feb. 7. Last Quo.
Consols, account, ex-int.	88 11-16	88 9-16
Consols, money, ex-int.	88 9-16	88 11-16
Atchison	...	89⅝
do. pref.	104¾	104¾
Chesapeake & Ohio	51⅜	51¼
Anaconda	5⅝	5⅝
Baltimore & Ohio	107	107¼
Denver & Rio Grande	33½	33½
C. P. R.	137½	137¼
Chicago Gt. Western	24	23⅝
St. Paul	180½	180¼
Erie	44⅝	44⅝
do. 1st pref.	82¼	82⅛
do. 2nd pref.	67	66½
Louisville & Nashville	140¾	140¼
Illinois Central	159½	159
Kansas & Texas	32⅝	32¼
Norfolk & Western	82⅝	84⅞
do. pref.	95	95
New York Central	151¼	151¼
Pennsylvania	71⅝	71⅝
Ontario & Western	45¼	45⅝
Reading	48⅜	48
do. 1st pref.	47½	47¼
do. 2nd pref.	46½	46
Southern Pacific	68⅞	68⅝
Southern Railway	35⅛	35⅛
do. pref.	100	99½
Wabash common	23½	23¼
do. pref.	46⅜	46¼
Union Pacific	124⅜	124⅜
do. pref.	100	100
United States Steel	31¼	31⅜
do. pref.	98	98⅛

New York Stocks.

Marshall, Spader & Co. (J. G. Beaty), King Edward Hotel, report the following fluctuations on the New York Stock Exchange to-day:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Hocking Valley	90	90⅝	90	90
Chesapeake	49⅝	51¼	49⅝	51
Norfolk	81⅝	84	81⅝	83⅞
Reading	94	94⅝	93⅞	94⅞
do. 1st pref.	...	...	...	...
do. 2nd pref.	...	...	...	...
O. & W.	44½	45¼	44¼	45¼
Erie	43⅞	44	43½	44
do. 1st pref.	80	80¼	80	80¼
do. 2nd pref.	65½	65½	65¼	65¼
N. Y. C.	147¼	148¼	147¼	147¼
Penn. Central	139⅝	140¼	139⅝	140
B. & O.	104½	105⅛	104⅝	104⅝
D. & H.	192⅝	194¼	192⅝	194
Atchison	87⅞	89½	87⅞	89¼
do. pref.	102¼	102⅞	102¼	102⅞
C. G. W.	23¼	23⅜	23¼	23½
C. P. R.	133⅞	134⅝	133⅞	134½
S. S. Marie	99⅞	100⅞	99⅞	100⅞
do. pref.	...	...	...	...
Union	121⅝	122¼	121½	122¼
do. convert.	121¼	121⅛	121¼	121⅛
Denver pref.	87½	88½	87⅜	88
Mo. Pacific	107⅝	108	107⅝	107⅝
R. I.	34⅝	35½	34⅝	34⅝
do. pref.	81¼	81½	80¼	80¼
St. Paul	176⅛	176½	175⅜	176¼
South. Pacific	66⅞	67¼	66⅜	67¼
Southern Ry.	34¼	34⅛	34⅛	34⅛
do. pref.	97¼	97½	97¼	97½
L. & N.	137½	138	137⅝	137⅞
Ill. Central	155¼	156½	155¼	155½
Alton	...	...	...	...
S. L. S. W.	26	26⅜	26	26⅜
do. pref.	62	63⅝	62	63
Texas Pacific	36½	36⅝	36	36¼
Wabash	23	23	22⅝	22⅝
do. pref.	45¼	45⅜	45⅛	45⅜
M., K. & T.	31⅜	31⅝	31½	31⅝
do. pref.	65⅝	66¼	65⅝	66¼
S. F. S. 2nds	73	73	72⅝	72⅝
Mex. Central	22¼	22⅝	22⅛	22¼
Am. Smelters	87⅛	87⅝	87	87⅛
Amal. Copper	73⅞	74½	73⅝	74
Car Foundry	33¼	33⅛	33⅛	33¼
Pressed Car	36	36	35⅝	35⅞
Locomotive	36⅞	37	36½	37
Sugar	143⅞	144¼	143½	144⅛
Nor. American	...	...	...	...
C. F. & I.	47⅝	49¼	47¼	48⅝
T. C. & I.	74¼	77¼	73⅞	77
Sloss	61⅝	63½	61⅝	63¼
Republic Steel	16	16⅝	16	16⅝
do. pref.	69½	70⅜	69½	70⅜
U. S. Steel	31	31	30⅜	30⅞
do. pref.	44¼	44½	44¼	44⅝
do. bonds	94¼	94⅝	94¼	94½
B. R. T.	63	63¼	62	62
Manhattan	171⅝	171⅞	171½	171⅞
Metropolitan	123	123	120¼	120⅝
M. S. Y.	84	84¼	81⅝	81⅝
Twin City	106	106	105¼	105¼
People's Gas	108¾	109¾	108⅝	109
N. Y. Gas	206½	210¼	205⅝	109½
W. U.	93	93	92⅞	92⅞
Rubber	36½	37⅝	36¼	37¼
Pacific Mail	43½	43⅞	43½	43⅞
Gen. Electric	185¼	187	185½	187
Col. Southern	26¼	26½	26	26½
Lead	31¼	32⅛	30⅝	31⅞

Sales to noon, 472,500; total, 972,500.

New York Cotton.

Marshall & Spader, King Edward Hotel, report these fluctuations on the New York Stock Exchange:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
March	7.53	7.57	7.40	7.40
May	7.60	7.63	7.44	7.44
July	7.70	7.71	7.54	7.54
Sept.	7.80	7.86	7.80	7.84
October	7.81	7.91	7.79	7.86

Cotton spot closed quiet, five points higher. Middling Uplands, 7.80; do., Gulf, 8.05. Sales, 161 bales.

Price of Oil.

Pittsburg, Feb. 7.—Oil closed at $1.39.

UNLISTED STOCKS.

Unlisted Securities, Limited, Confederation Life Building, furnish the following quotations for unlisted stocks:

	Asked.	Bid.
Nat. Portland Cement	25.00	20.00
Metropolitan Bank	195.00	193.00
Sovereign Bank, xd.	129.00	128.50
Canadian Birkbeck	95.00	90.00
Colonial L. & I.	7.80	7.50
Dominion Radiator	...	90.00
Northern Life	...	10.00
Dom. Permanent Loan	...	76.00
Viznaga	.12½	.11
War Eagle	.13½	.10½
St. Eugene	.48	.46
Rambler Cariboo	.14½	.12
Jumbo	.60	.55
Granby Con.	...	4.75
Union Con. Refinery	.10½	.07½
Aurora Consolidated	.16¼	.14½
Aurora Extension	.08¾	.07½
San David	.07½	.06½
Union Con. Oil	.10½	...
White Bear	.04	.03
Centre Star	.23	.18¾
Leamington Oil	.22	.18
S. Africa War Scrip, B.C.	...	170.00

CAPITAL, $1,000,000 (FULLY PAID).

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Imperial Bank of Canada

A branch of the Bank has been opened at the Northwest corner of West Market and Front Streets, Toronto, under the management of Mr. F. J. Peterson, formerly accountant of the Yonge Street Branch, Toronto.

PETERBORO WOULD BE A CITY.

Will Make Application at Coming Session of Legislature.

Peterboro, Feb. 7.—(Special.)—The town council has turned down the proposition of the Trades and Labor Council to appoint an assessment commissioner. Last night a half-way measure was put thru, and two assessors selected, T. B. McGrath and Thomas McKee. In former years four men have always been engaged to do the work.

The council also decided to petition the Ontario legislature for special legislation, so as to pay for all granolithic walks in future out of the general tax rate instead of by frontage tax. Application will also be made by E. H. D. Hall, town solicitor, to the legislature to incorporate Peterboro as a city.

James Lynch, one of Peterboro's prominent young business men, was married at St. Peter's Cathedral to-day by Rev. Dr. O'Brien to Miss Maud Kelly, daughter of Daniel Kelly. They left on a trip to New York.

Peterboro is likely to establish a local sanitarium for the treatment of consumptives. Dr. C. A. Hodgetts of the provincial board of health will address a joint meeting of the board of trade, town council and board of health on Thursday night in support of the movement.

OPPOSED TO INCREASES.

Mr. Stratton's Paper Thinks Ministers Get Enough.

Peterboro, Feb. 7.—Hon. J. R. Stratton's organ, The Examiner, to-night publishes a strong editorial in opposition to any salary increase proposed for Ontario cabinet ministers. It says, in part: "It is often urged that the demands upon ministers by reason of their positions is a great drain upon their income. This is much over-rated. The Examiner should know, and is in a position to state, that the combined outlay represented by visits of ladies with subscription lists and other schemes demanding recognition, would not amount to over $200 per year. It does not seem that a large increase in ministers' salaries like that proposed is called for, if the increase is made upon the grounds suggested, the increased cost of living, a similar all around increase in the salaries of civil servants could not be consistently denied. The financial resources of the province are not unlimited, and there is urgent need of every cent of available revenue to meet the increasing requirements of education, agriculture, etc., not to speak of development operations, including colonization roads, which in view of the rapid increase of settlement will create large demands upon provincial funds."

WHAT A DIFFERENCE IN THE MORN!

Cobourg Conservative Merchants Get Unexpected Provincial Custom

Cobourg, Feb. 7.—(Special.)—The remarkable revulsion of feeling in this riding of West Northumberland, especially in official quarters, since the Liberal holocaust, has provoked much humorous comment among the disinterested. West Northumberland stands unique in having increased its Liberal majority in the face of the Conservative sweep of the province.

Cobourg is a hive of provincial government officials, all of whom more or less have been intensely active partisans of the bitterest type. Especially was this evidenced in the recent contest. But hardly had the provincial returns been fully received before local Conservative merchants were the recipients of orders from the asylum, Cobourg jail and from other unexpected quarters.

These facts have become now a byword on the streets, as the only too evident desire is to mitigate the effects of investigations into the unfortunate misakes of these ardent official partisans.

"Confessions" of Kings.

London, Feb. 5.—Answering the "confession album" question, "What type of person do you consider the most objectionable?" the King has written: "The man who insists on pointing at you with his umbrella and shouting, 'There he is!'"

The album in which this reply is written is possessed by the Queen of Greece, says Chic, and it contains the "confessions" of nearly every sovereign in the world.

To the question, "What is your idea of happiness?" the King of Greece answered, "To always have a sovereign without a crown," while the King of Sweden confessed that his idea of complete unhappiness was, "Tight boots, a corn and a heavy foot on top of it."

Whole Family Drowned.

Mount Holly, N.J., Feb. 7.—An entire family consisting of Shinn O. Ballinger and his wife and the latter's sister, Miss Mary Taylor of Medford, N.J., were drowned at Olliphant's millpond near here to-day. The victims to save time started to cross the pond, when the ice gave way and they drowned before aid could be summoned. A boy on the edge of the pond was the sole witness of the tragedy. All the bodies were recovered.

Rome.

Prof. W. Dale will address an open meeting of the University College Classical Association on the above subject in the main building this afternoon at 4.30.

Something for Trepoff.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 7.—It is understood that Governor-General Trepoff is likely to become minister of the interior shortly or receive the specially created post of minister of police.

Jerome to Close Pool Rooms.

New York, Feb. 7.—District Attorney Jerome said to-day that he had begun a crusade against pool-rooms in this city and intended to close all of them.

GRAIN PRICES STEADY OPTION CHANGES SMALL

Liverpool Lower for Wheat and Corn —Large Increase in World's Visible Wheat.

World Office,
Tuesday Evening, Feb. 7.

Liverpool wheat futures closed to-day ⅝d lower than yesterday and corn futures ⅛d lower.

At Chicago May wheat closed ½c higher than yesterday, May corn ⅛c lower and May oats unchanged.

Chicago cars: Wheat 29, none; corn 503, none; oats 142, 24.

Northwest receipts to-day 232 cars, week ago 267, year ago 327.

Primary receipts: Wheat 327,000 bushels, against 649,000 bushels; shipments 260,000 bushels, against 356,000 bushels; receipts corn 657,000 bushels, against 763,000 bushels; shipments 456,000 bushels, against 495,000 bushels.

Bradstreet's estimate indicates an increase for the week of 6,007,000 bushels in the world's visible supply of wheat; for the same week last year the increase was 2,605,000 bushels.

Liverpool, Feb. 7.—Broomhall's weekly summary of foreign crop conditions is as follows: United Kingdom—Crop conditions remain very favorable. France and Germany — The weather still changeable, and damage is feared, but complaints up to the present time have not been serious. Hungary—Since our report of a week ago, snow has fallen, and the crop now has a sufficient covering. Roumania—There is good snow protection except along the Danube; the wheat acreage has been increased 330,000 acres over a year ago. Russia—The weather is now milder. Crops are in excellent condition. Port stocks have increased the past month.

Puts and calls, as reported by Ennis & Stoppani, McKinnon Building, Toronto: Milwaukee May wheat, puts $1.16⅝, calls $1.17⅞.

ST. LAWRENCE MARKET.

Receipts of farm produce were 1000 bushels of grain, 30 loads of hay, 5 loads of straw and a fair delivery of dressed hogs.

Wheat—Three hundred and fifty bushels sold as follows: White, 100 bushels at $1.06 to $1.08; red, 200 bushels at $1.06 to $1.08, and 1 load of spring at $1.04.

Barley—Three hundred bushels sold at 51c to 52c.

Oats—Three hundred bushels sold at 41½c to 42c.

Rye—One load sold at 75c per bushel.

Hay—Thirty loads sold at $9 to $10.50 per ton for timothy and $7 to $8 per ton for mixed hay.

Straw—Three loads sold at $10 per ton.

Dressed hogs—Market steady at $7.50 to $7.75 per cwt.

George Puddy bought 150 dressed hogs at $7.50 to $7.75 per cwt.

Grain—		
Wheat, white, bush	$1 06 to	$1 08
Wheat, red, bush	1 06	1 08
Wheat, spring, bush	1 04	....
Wheat, goose, bush	0 91	....
Beans, bush	1 00	1 10
Barley, bush	0 51	0 52
Oats, bush	0 41½	0 42
Rye, bush	0 75	....
Peas, bush	0 70	....
Buckwheat, bush	0 54	....
Seeds—		
Alsike, No. 1, bush	$5 75 to	$6 25
Alsike, No. 2, bush	5 00	5 50
Alsike, No. 3, bush	4 00	4 75
Timothy, No. 1, bush	1 10	1 30
Timothy, No. 2, bush	0 90	1 00
Red clover, No. 1, bu.	7 00	7 25
Red clover, No. 2, bu.	6 25	6 60
Hay and Straw—		
Hay, per ton	$7 00 to	$10 50
Straw, per ton	10 00	....
Straw, loose, per ton	6 00	7 00
Fruits and Vegetables—		
Apples, per bbl.	$1 50 to	$3 00
Potatoes, per bag	0 80	0 90
Cabbage, per doz	0 40	0 75
Cabbage, red, each	0 05	0 10
Beets, per peck	0 10	....
Cauliflower, per doz.	0 60	0 75
Red carrots, per bag	0 60	0 70
Celery, per doz.	0 50	1 00
Parsnips, per bag	0 75	....
Onions, per bag	2 00	....
Poultry—		
Spring chickens, per lb.	$0 12 to	$0 15
Chickens, last year's, lb.	0 08	0 10
Turkeys, per lb.	0 18	0 20
Ducks, per lb.	0 13	0 15
Geese, per lb.	0 12	0 15
Dairy Produce—		
Butter, lb. rolls	$0 22 to	$0 25
Eggs, new-laid, doz.	0 30	0 35
Fresh Meats—		
Beef, forequarters, cwt.	$4 50 to	5 50
Beef, hindquarters, cwt.	6 50	7 50
Spring lambs, d's'd, cwt.	9 00	10 00
Mutton, light, cwt.	7 00	8 00
Veals, carcases, each	8 00	9 50
Dressed hogs, cwt.	7 50	7 75

FARM PRODUCE WHOLESALE.

Potatoes, carlots, bag	$0 70 to	$0 80
Hay, baled, carlots, ton	7 75	8 00
Straw, baled, carlots, ton	6 25	6 50
Butter, dairy, lb. rolls	0 19	0 20
Butter, tubs, lb.	0 17	0 18
Butter, creamery, lb. rolls	0 24	0 25
Butter, creamery, boxes	0 22	0 23
Butter, bakers' tub	0 14	0 15
Eggs, stored, doz.	0 21	0 22
Eggs, new-laid, doz.	0 28	0 30
Honey, per lb.	0 08	0 09
Turkeys, per lb.	0 15	0 16
Geese, per lb.	0 11	0 12
Ducks, per lb.	0 10	0 12
Chickens, young, lb.	0 09	0 11
Chickens, old, per lb.	0 07	0 08

These quotations are for choice quality only.

Hides and Tallow.

Prices revised daily by E. T. Carter & Co., 85 East Front-street, Wholesale Dealers in Wool, Hides, Calf and Sheep Skins, Tallow, etc.:

Hides, No. 1, steers, ins.	$0 09½ to	$....
Hides, No. 2, steers, ins.	0 08½	....
Hides, No. 1, inspected	0 09	....
Hides, No. 2, inspected	0 08	....
Calfskins, No. 1, selected	0 11	....
Sheepskins	1 25	1 50
Wool, fleece	0 22	0 23
Rejections	0 16	0 17
Wool, unwashed	0 13	0 14
Tallow, rendered	0 04	0 04¼

GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

Flour—Manitoba, first patents, $5.70; Manitoba, second patents, $5.40, and $5.30 for strong bakers', bags included, on track at Toronto; 90 per cent. patents, in buyers' bags, east or middle freight, $4.30; Manitoba bran, sacks, $18 per ton; shorts, sacked, $20 per ton, in Toronto.

Wheat—Red and white are worth $1.06, middle freight; spring, $1, middle freight; goose, 92c; Manitoba, No. 1 hard, $1.15½, grinding in transit; No. 1 northern, $1.12.

Oats—Oats are quoted at 36c, high freights, and 37c for No. 1 east.

Corn—American, new, 51c for No. 3 yellow, on track at Toronto.

Peas—Peas, 65c to 66c, high freight, for milling.

Rye—Quoted at about 76c, outside.

Buckwheat—At 54c, eastern milling.

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

Barley—No. 2 at 47c; No. 3 X, 44c.

Oatmeal—At $3.90 in bags and $4.15 in barrels, carlots, on track at Toronto; local lots 25c higher.

Toronto Sugar Market.

St. Lawrence sugars are quoted as follows: Granulated, $5.83, and No. 1 yellow, $5.33. These prices are for delivery here; car lots, 5c less.

Foreign Markets.

London, Feb. 7.—Close—Corn—Parcels, mixed American, 20s. Flour—Spot quotations, Minneapolis patents, 31s. Wheat—On passage, quiet but steady. Corn—On passage, firm but not active.

Paris—Close—Wheat—Tone quiet; February, 23f 30c; May and August, 23f 90c. Flour—Tone, quiet; February, 30f 05c; May and August, 30f 80c.

Leading Wheat Markets.

	May.	July.
Detroit	$1.20¾	$.04
Toledo	1.18¾	1.05
St. Louis	1.15⅞	97⅞
Duluth	1.14¾	1.13¼
Minneapolis	1.15⅝	1.13⅝

No New York close to-night.

Chicago Markets.

Marshall, Spader & Co. (J. G. Beaty), King Edward Hotel, reported the following fluctuations on the Chicago Board of Trade to-day:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—				
May	$1 16½	$1 16⅞	$1 16¼	$1 16⅞
July	1 01½	1 01½	1 01⅛	1 01⅛
Sept.	94⅞	94⅛	93⅞	93⅞
Corn—				
May	45¼	45¼	45	45⅛
July	45⅜	45⅞	45⅜	45⅞
Oats—				
May	30⅜	30⅜	30¼	30⅜
July	30½	30⅞	30⅜	30⅞
Pork—				
Jan.	12 87	....	....	....
May	12 92	12 92	12 80	12 90
Ribs—				
May	6 85	6 85	6 82	6 82
Lard—				
May	6 95	6 95	6 90	6 90

Chicago Gossip.

Marshall, Spader & Co. wired J. G. Beaty, King Edward Hotel, at the close of the market to-day:

Chicago, Feb. 7.—Wheat—The advance to-day was caused by covering of shorts by traders. All day higher prices were stubbornly contested, but the small primary receipts made a change in sentiment and closing figures were at nearly the high point. We believe that chances rather favor a traders' market during the month of February.

Corn closed lower to-night, in spite of the strength in wheat. Lower prices for cash corn and an indifferent demand from outside sources were the principal reasons. For the present corn looks high enough, and sales ought to be good for small profits.

Oats—Cash oats were firm and in good demand all day. This caused firmness. There was covering of short May oats from 30¼c to 30⅜c.

Provisions—The market did not hold, and closed with prices at the low point. Local stocks of provisions have increased considerably, and this tends to keep speculation out of the market.

Ennis & Stoppani wired to J. L. Mitchell, McKinnon Building:

Chicago, Feb. 7.—Wheat—Dulness characterized to-day's trading with a range of ⅝c. The early prices showed considerable weakness under pressure from a prominent elevator interest, followed by the local professionals, and a moderate loss was recorded. Lower cables, dull and stagnant cash trade helped the decline. Bradstreet's showed an increase of 6,300,000 bushels in the world's visible supply, against an increase of 2,500,000 bushels one year ago. The winter wheat belt is now covered with snow. Rumors of the settlement of the Argentine strike and the weakness of September all were against prices. After the noon hour, there was a cessation of the pressure, and short covering with renewed commission demand in July brought about a reaction with closing prices fractionally under the best of the day. The bullish features of the situation were the light primary receipts and a large decrease in northwest stocks. July wheat should be bought around to-night's closing prices for a substantial advance.

Corn—There was a large trade in corn today, with Valentine the chief seller, and the market ruling easier. The buying was fairly brisk and general. Liverpool was slow and ¼d lower. The domestic cash trade was very small, and export business discouraging. Primary receipts were 657,000 bushels, against 760,000 bushels one year ago.

Oats—The market was heavy thruout, with lack of general list interest and trade light.

Provisions were heavily underselling by stock yards' interests and English houses, who were influenced by the large arrival of hogs and lower prices at the yards.

Liverpool Grain and Produce.

Liverpool, Feb. 7.—Wheat—Spot, nominal; futures, easy; March, 7s ⅝d; May, 6s 11⅝d; July 6s 11⅝d.

Corn—Spot American mixed, new, steady, 4s ½d; American mixed, old, quiet, 4s 10½d; futures, quiet; March, 4s 1d; May, 4s 2d.

Bacon—Short rib, quiet, 34s 6d.

Lard—American refined, quiet, 34s 9d.

Cheese—American finest white, quiet, 52s; do., colored, quiet, 51s.

Receipts of wheat during the past three days, 201,000 centals, including 18,000 centals American.

Receipts of American corn during the past three days, 69,600 centals.

New York Dairy Market.

New York, Feb. 7.—Butter—Strong; receipts, 7879; renovated, common to extra, 17c to 25c; western factory, common to extra, 17c to 24c; western, imitation creamery, common to extra, 21c to 27c.

Cheese—Firm; receipts, 428; state full cream, large, late made, colored and white, choice, 11¼c.

Eggs—Quiet and unchanged; receipts, 4797.

New York Grain and Produce.

New York, Feb. 7.—Flour—Receipts, 20,538 barrels; exports, 17,342 barrels; sales, 4200 barrels; steady, but quiet. Rye flour quiet. Buckwheat flour slow. Cornmeal—Steady. Rye—Nominal. Barley—Quiet.

Wheat—Receipts, 10,725 bushels; sales, 3,700,000 bushels; spot firm; No. 2 red, nominal, elevator; No. 2 red, nominal, $1.22⅝, f.o.b., afloat; No. 1 northern, Duluth, $1.27⅝, f.o.b., afloat; No. 1 hard, Manitoba, $1.11½, f.o.b., afloat. Options opened firmer on foreign buying, and were afterwards very irregular, with a light trade, finally advancing on the big decrease in domestic stocks, covering, and a small interior movement. The close showed a partial ¼c to ⅜c net advance. May $1.15 15-16 to $1.16⅝, closed $1.16⅝; July $1.04 15-16 to $1.05⅝, closed $1.05⅝; Sept. 97c to 97⅝c, closed 97⅝c.

Corn—Receipts, 63,575 bushels; exports, 5984 bushels; sales, 120,000 bushels spot.

Metal Market.

New York, Feb. 7.—Pig-iron—Firm. Copper—Quiet. Lead—Firm. Tin—Easy; Straits, $29 to $29.50; spelter quiet, $6.10 to $6.20.

"A MAKER OF MEN."

Mr. Sutro's Success at the St. James' in London.

London, Feb. 6.—Mr. Sutro blew another blast to the alarm of the walls of Jericho at the St. James' Theatre last night. It took the form of a curtain-raiser, and the title of "A Maker of Men."

This time Mr. Sutro avoided a direct mural attack; he attempted to shame the inhabitants of the city by proving that money, motor cars, dress and diamonds cannot produce the happiness that a man and his wife may find even under misfortune when they love each other.

Cuthbert Farringdon is a bank clerk, with rises of £20 a year. He is over 40, and the additions to a most modest income seem slow to arrive.

On the night of the play, however, he is restless with excitement. The managership of a local branch is open. He is the senior of the possible candidates. The letter announcing the appointment is due by the evening post.

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The letter comes. The post has been given to his junior.

And then his wife breaks in on his despair. She does not envy her sisters who have married so well. She has her duties, her husband, her children. Money would give her what? Drives in the park, opera tickets, a yacht perhaps—but would the boredom of the season give her greater happiness than she finds in her home; would it add to her joy in making her sons noble men?

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