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**THE MARKETS**

**Montreal Stock Market.**  
MONTREAL, March 15.

|                              |         |         |
|------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Canadian Pacific, ex-div.    | 100     | 99 1/2  |
| Duluth, common               | 54      | 54      |
| Duluth, preferred            | 100     | 100 1/2 |
| Commercial Cable             | 100     | 100 1/2 |
| Com. Cable Coupon Bonds      | 100 1/2 | 100 1/2 |
| Commercial Reg. Bonds        | 100     | 100 1/2 |
| Montreal Telephone           | 100     | 100 1/2 |
| Bellevue and Ontario, xms    | 100 1/2 | 100 1/2 |
| Montreal Street Railway      | 100     | 100 1/2 |
| Montreal St. Railway, new    | 100     | 100 1/2 |
| Toronto Railway              | 100 1/2 | 100 1/2 |
| Montreal Gas Company         | 100 1/2 | 100 1/2 |
| Bell Telephone               | 100 1/2 | 100 1/2 |
| Northern Electric, ex-div.   | 100 1/2 | 100 1/2 |
| Bank of Montreal             | 100 1/2 | 100 1/2 |
| Ontario Bank                 | 100 1/2 | 100 1/2 |
| Molson Bank                  | 100 1/2 | 100 1/2 |
| Bank of Toronto              | 100 1/2 | 100 1/2 |
| Merchants' Bank              | 100 1/2 | 100 1/2 |
| Merchants' Bank of Halifax   | 100 1/2 | 100 1/2 |
| Quebec Bank                  | 100 1/2 | 100 1/2 |
| Union Bank                   | 100 1/2 | 100 1/2 |
| Bank of Commerce             | 100 1/2 | 100 1/2 |
| Northwestern Land, pref.     | 100 1/2 | 100 1/2 |
| Montreal Cotton Co., ex-div. | 100 1/2 | 100 1/2 |
| Canada Cotton Co., ex-div.   | 100 1/2 | 100 1/2 |
| Dominion Cotton              | 100 1/2 | 100 1/2 |

**Toronto Stock Market.**  
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|                              |         |         |
|------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Ontario                      | 100     | 100 1/2 |
| Commercial Cable             | 100     | 100 1/2 |
| Com. Cable Coupon Bonds      | 100 1/2 | 100 1/2 |
| Commercial Reg. Bonds        | 100     | 100 1/2 |
| Montreal Telephone           | 100     | 100 1/2 |
| Bellevue and Ontario, xms    | 100 1/2 | 100 1/2 |
| Montreal Street Railway      | 100     | 100 1/2 |
| Montreal St. Railway, new    | 100     | 100 1/2 |
| Toronto Railway              | 100 1/2 | 100 1/2 |
| Montreal Gas Company         | 100 1/2 | 100 1/2 |
| Bell Telephone               | 100 1/2 | 100 1/2 |
| Northern Electric, ex-div.   | 100 1/2 | 100 1/2 |
| Bank of Montreal             | 100 1/2 | 100 1/2 |
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| Bank of Commerce             | 100 1/2 | 100 1/2 |
| Northwestern Land, pref.     | 100 1/2 | 100 1/2 |
| Montreal Cotton Co., ex-div. | 100 1/2 | 100 1/2 |
| Canada Cotton Co., ex-div.   | 100 1/2 | 100 1/2 |
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**New York Stocks.**  
New York, March 15.  
Reported by F. H. Butler, stock broker,  
Member House, for the Advertiser:

|                  |         |         |         |         |
|------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Yester.          | Open.   | High.   | Low.    | 2 p.m.  |
| Am. Bond         | 47 1/2  | 47 1/2  | 46 3/4  | 46 3/4  |
| Am. Bond         | 23 1/2  | 23 1/2  | 23 1/4  | 23 1/4  |
| Am. Bond         | 67 1/2  | 67 1/2  | 67 1/4  | 67 1/4  |
| B. & O.          | 63 1/2  | 63 1/2  | 63 1/4  | 63 1/4  |
| Brooklyn Trans.  | 68 1/2  | 68 1/2  | 68 1/4  | 68 1/4  |
| C. & O.          | 125 1/2 | 125 1/2 | 125 1/4 | 125 1/4 |
| C. & N. W.       | 100 1/2 | 100 1/2 | 100 1/4 | 100 1/4 |
| F. & M.          | 175 1/2 | 175 1/2 | 175 1/4 | 175 1/4 |
| Gen. Electric    | 125 1/2 | 125 1/2 | 125 1/4 | 125 1/4 |
| J. & J. C.       | 115 1/2 | 115 1/2 | 115 1/4 | 115 1/4 |
| K. & T. Pfd.     | 82 1/2  | 82 1/2  | 82 1/4  | 82 1/4  |
| L. & N.          | 81 1/2  | 81 1/2  | 81 1/4  | 81 1/4  |
| Manhattan        | 105 1/2 | 105 1/2 | 105 1/4 | 105 1/4 |
| Metropolitan St. | 103 1/2 | 103 1/2 | 103 1/4 | 103 1/4 |
| N. Y. C. & H. R. | 45 1/2  | 45 1/2  | 45 1/4  | 45 1/4  |
| N. Y. C. & H. R. | 125 1/2 | 125 1/2 | 125 1/4 | 125 1/4 |
| Norfolk and W.   | 82 1/2  | 82 1/2  | 82 1/4  | 82 1/4  |
| Northern Pacific | 62 1/2  | 62 1/2  | 62 1/4  | 62 1/4  |
| Ont. & Western   | 23 1/2  | 23 1/2  | 23 1/4  | 23 1/4  |
| P. & M.          | 37 1/2  | 37 1/2  | 37 1/4  | 37 1/4  |
| Pennsylvania     | 104 1/2 | 104 1/2 | 104 1/4 | 104 1/4 |
| R. I.            | 108 1/2 | 108 1/2 | 108 1/4 | 108 1/4 |
| St. Paul         | 123 1/2 | 123 1/2 | 123 1/4 | 123 1/4 |
| Southern Ry. Pfd | 35 1/2  | 35 1/2  | 35 1/4  | 35 1/4  |
| Southern Pacific | 45 1/2  | 45 1/2  | 45 1/4  | 45 1/4  |
| T. O. L.         | 92 1/2  | 92 1/2  | 92 1/4  | 92 1/4  |
| U. Pacific       | 49 1/2  | 49 1/2  | 49 1/4  | 49 1/4  |
| W.               | 82 1/2  | 82 1/2  | 82 1/4  | 82 1/4  |

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**Toronto Produce Market.**  
Toronto, March 15.—Wheat steady at 64 1/2c to 65c for red, 63c to 64c for white, and 62c to 63c for west. Spring wheat is steady at 65 1/2c to 66c. Manitoba wheat is firmer at 65 1/2c to 66c. No. 1 hard grinding in transit, Saratoga, 49c to 50c. Port William, 48c to 49c. North Bay. Flour dull; cars of straight roller in barrels are quoted at \$2 85, middle freights. Millfeed nominal at \$16 to \$18 for shorts and \$15 for bran. Wheat, 49c to 50c. Corn, 24c to 25c. Buckwheat steady; 49c west. Rye steady at 50c west. Corn firm at 26 1/2c to 27c for Canada yellow west. American corn is quoted at 44 1/2c to 45c. No. 2 yellow, Toronto, Oats steady; mixed, 26 1/2c, and white, 27c west. Peas steady at 61c to 62c west. Butter—Supply light; dairy pound rolls are quoted at 25c to 26c, and large rolls at 24c to 25c; creamery is steady at 24c to 25c for tubs, and 26c to 27c for prints. Eggs—Receipts large; demand fair; new laid, 35c to 36c. Dressing hogs—\$5 50 bid and 57c asked for car lots on track here. Live hogs—Receipts today, 1,000; prices unchanged; choice bacon, 5 1/2c; thick and light fat, 4 1/2c.

**Chicago Exchange.**  
CHICAGO, March 15.  
Following are the fluctuations on the Chicago Board of Trade furnished by F. H. Butler, broker, Tecumseh House, Phone 1278.

|           |        |        |        |        |
|-----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Wheat—May | 66 1/2 | 67 1/2 | 66 3/4 | 66 3/4 |
| July      | 67 1/2 | 68 1/2 | 67 3/4 | 67 3/4 |
| Sept.     | 68 1/2 | 69 1/2 | 68 3/4 | 68 3/4 |
| Oct.      | 69 1/2 | 70 1/2 | 69 3/4 | 69 3/4 |
| Nov.      | 70 1/2 | 71 1/2 | 70 3/4 | 70 3/4 |
| Dec.      | 71 1/2 | 72 1/2 | 71 3/4 | 71 3/4 |
| Jan.      | 72 1/2 | 73 1/2 | 72 3/4 | 72 3/4 |
| Feb.      | 73 1/2 | 74 1/2 | 73 3/4 | 73 3/4 |
| Mar.      | 74 1/2 | 75 1/2 | 74 3/4 | 74 3/4 |
| Apr.      | 75 1/2 | 76 1/2 | 75 3/4 | 75 3/4 |
| May       | 76 1/2 | 77 1/2 | 76 3/4 | 76 3/4 |
| June      | 77 1/2 | 78 1/2 | 77 3/4 | 77 3/4 |
| July      | 78 1/2 | 79 1/2 | 78 3/4 | 78 3/4 |

**American Markets.**  
NEW YORK, March 15.—Flour—Receipts, 15,354 bbls; sales, 3,100 pkgs; state and western market was neglected during the forenoon, but steadily held; Minnesota patents, \$3 70 to \$3 95. Rye flour—Dull; sales, 150 bbls; fair to good, \$3 10 to \$3 20; choice to fancy, \$3 20 to \$3 60. Wheat—Receipts, 119,200 bu; sales, 510,000 bu; options opened easy under Northwest receipts and local realising; to recover later with corn; May, 73 1/2c to 73 3/4c; July, 73 1/2c to 73 3/4c; Sept., 73 1/2c to 73 3/4c. Rye—Steady; state, 58c to 59c, c.i.f., New York, car lots; No. 2 western, 63 1/2c, f.o.b., options opened steady on higher cables and subsequently improved on a fair speculative demand. Oats—Receipts, 69,900 bu; options dull but steady; on track, white state, 21 1/2c to 22 1/2c; on track, white western, 21 1/2c to 22 1/2c. Butter—Receipts, 2,135 pkgs; market steady; state and Pennsylvania, at mark, 15c to 16 1/2c; western, at mark, 15c; southern, at mark, 15c to 15 1/2c. Sugar—Raw, firm; fair to good, 35c; centrifugal, 18 1/2c to 19c; molasses sugar, 2 1/2c to 2 1/4c, reduced, firm. Coffee—Steady; No. 7 Rio, 5 1/2c to 5 3/4c; nominal. Wool—Dull. Hops—Quiet. Lead—Dull.

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Following is the text of Mr. Balfour's reply: "The United States charge d'affaires on March 13 communicated to Lord Salisbury the following telegram from Mr. Hay: 'By way of friendly and good office, inform the British minister of foreign affairs that I today received a telegram from the United States consul at Pretoria reporting that the government of the South African republic requested the president of the United States to intervene with the view of a cessation of hostilities, and saying that a similar request had been made to the representatives of the European powers. In communicating this request I am directed by the president of the United States to express the earnest hope that a way will be found to bring about peace, and to say that he would be glad in any friendly manner to aid in bringing about the desired result.'"  
The reading of this dispatch was greeted with cheers from the Irish members.  
Continuing, Mr. Balfour said: "Lord Salisbury requested Mr. White to convey the sincere acknowledgment of her majesty's government to the government of the United States of the friendly tone of their communication, and to say that her majesty's government did not propose to accept the intervention of any power in the settlement of South African affairs."  
Loud and prolonged cheers followed this statement.

**MAFEKING!**

Ottawa Jubilating Over the Reported Relief of the Town.  
[Special to The Advertiser per C.P.R.]  
Ottawa, Ont., March 15.—This city is rejoicing over the relief of Mafeking, although nothing official has yet been received. Bells are ringing and flags are flying from all the principal buildings in the city.

**THE SECOND TIME**

Jacques Boileau Acquitted of the Charge of Murdering His Step-Daughter.  
[Special to The Advertiser per C.P.R.]  
Ottawa, March 15.—The jury returned a verdict in the case of Jacques Boileau, accused of murder at the Hull assizes, today. Boileau was acquitted. He was charged with murdering his step daughter, Lavina Steenge. This is the second time he has been acquitted. Boileau's wife will be tried for the murder on the 28th inst. The girl was very elaborately murdered miles up the Gatineau, near Maniwaki. Judge Lavergne charged strongly against Boileau, and the jury was out all night.

**Ella Wheeler Wilcox Is Good Authority.**

The following letter from Ella Wheeler Wilcox, one of the brightest and most widely read of American writers, is well worth reading and remembering:  
"To the Sanitarium Health Food Company:  
"Gentlemen,—It has long been my conviction that light eaters make long lives. The regular prevalent idea of a good appetite which consumes bloody meats and greasy foods of all kinds, three times a day, is filling hospitals and sending patients to the grave. For the first time in my life I cheerfully give my name as reference for the excellent and beneficial effects of your Health Food. I thoroughly believe in them. Could many who are complaining of their ailments be induced to use your foods, I believe it would turn an army of grumblers into cheerful optimists."  
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**PASSED THE RAILWAY COMMITTEE.**

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Ottawa, March 15.—At a meeting of the railway committee today the Canadian Pacific bill for building branches in Manitoba was passed.

**BRIBERS PAY UP.**

Toronto, March 15.—Three of the bribers who were convicted of corrupt practices in South Ontario elections have paid their fines. Simon Hewitt, of Brantford, and Lewis Luke, of Whitby, have each contributed \$200, together with about \$100 as costs, to her majesty's revenue rather than spend six months in jail; while W. H. Thomas, of Oshawa, convicted on two charges, has put up \$400 and \$100 as costs. Thomas Baker, of Oshawa, fined \$200 and costs, or six months hanging over his head. Nine other defendants who accepted bribes are still in default to the tune of \$200 and costs each.

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London, March 15.—In the House of Commons today, replying to Mr. Wm. Redmond (Irish Nationalist), who asked whether the government of the United States had offered its good services to her majesty's government with the view of bringing about peace in South Africa, the government leader, Mr. A. J. Balfour said her majesty's government would not accept the intervention of any power in the settlement of South African affairs.  
Following is the text of Mr. Balfour's reply: "The United States charge d'affaires on March 13 communicated to Lord Salisbury the following telegram from Mr. Hay: 'By way of friendly and good office, inform the British minister of foreign affairs that I today received a telegram from the United States consul at Pretoria reporting that the government of the South African republic requested the president of the United States to intervene with the view of a cessation of hostilities, and saying that a similar request had been made to the representatives of the European powers. In communicating this request I am directed by the president of the United States to express the earnest hope that a way will be found to bring about peace, and to say that he would be glad in any friendly manner to aid in bringing about the desired result.'"  
The reading of this dispatch was greeted with cheers from the Irish members.  
Continuing, Mr. Balfour said: "Lord Salisbury requested Mr. White to convey the sincere acknowledgment of her majesty's government to the government of the United States of the friendly tone of their communication