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LARGE BANK FAILURE AN INFLUENCE IN STOCKS

New York Issues Open Decidedly Weak and Recover Later—Local Issues Quiet.

World Office,
Monday Evening, Dec. 18.

The local exchange was marked by irregularity to-day, with the general undertone easier than at the close of last week. The only development of immediate interest to values was the financial failure at Chicago, which might have influenced sentiment indirectly thru the New York market. That this, however, was not of absolute import was disproved by the firmness of Mackay and the weakness of C. P. R., the both are dealt in at New York. Mackay common resumed its recent position among local securities, absorbing a large proportion of the day's total trading. The stock is evidently well supported, and the disappointment over the failure of the directors to advance the rate of dividend evidently not keen. Any other large-sized dealings were confined to Dominion Steel common, but, as these were in round lots of 100 shares principally, it was inferred that the outside was not taking a prominent part in the transactions. The price rose on nearly two points from last week's high figure, and the shares were not in active demand at the decline, the it is freely asserted that the rise has not yet culminated. Sao Paulo, Twin City and others of similar speculative character were dull and easier, and there was only a light demand for the less erratic issues.

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Ennis & Stoppani, McKinnon Building, report the close on: Cons. Lake Superior stock—18 to 18¾; do. bonds, 43 to 44; Granby Copper, 9¾ to 10; Mackay common, 51¾ to 51½; do. preferred, 71 to 71½; Northern Securities, 175 to 185.

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Tone of newspaper comment over end of week generally conservative.

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Steel manufacturers have very little capacity for additional orders next year.

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Anaconda reports rich strike at low level.

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Stocks plentiful in loan crowd, but Rock Island preferred and Kansas City Southern preferred rather scarce.

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All lines of trade report new high records in prosperity.

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Shortness of cars hindering development of Mo. Pacific business.

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Thirty-seven roads for first week of December show average gross increase of 7.07 per cent.

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Return of currency from interior moderating call money rates.

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London Stock Exchange doing more business than usual so near the holidays.

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Good borrowing demand Saturday for Baltimore & Ohio, Canadian Pacific, Metropolitan Street, Northwest, Southern Pacific and other stocks.

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Bituminous coal trade firmer, and leading producers look for two dollars for runs of mine coal before the end of January.

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Rock Island has withdrawn all trains which were engaged in hauling dressed meats and provision traffic.

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Banks have gained $1,592,000 from subtreasury since Friday; sub-treasury is debtor at clearing house for $631,000.

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American Wool declared regular quarterly dividend of 1¾ per cent. on preferred stock, payable Jan. 15; books close Jan. 2, reopen Jan. 16.

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Inquiry has been made at assay office in regard to the kind of gold bars that can be furnished for export, but no engagement has been made. Assay office has about $20,000,000 in gold bars suitable for export, most of which is 992 to 994 fine. It has about 400,000 bars 989½ fine, it has very few bars finer than 995.

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London was heavy seller on balance; probably sold 50,000 shares out of 75,000 dealt in. Sales for foreign account were pretty well distributed, but included Steels in quantity and good deal of Southern Pacific and Union Pacific. Most of the selling seemed to represent stock sold for New York account on the other side before our opening.—Dow, Jones.

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J. S. Bache & Co. say: The situation shows little change, and, altho the present upward movement may continue well into the new year, it is well to remember that a market of this kind is not all one way. In 1901 the fluctuations were violent and frequent. Many stocks are now selling above the present or prospective value, but in a bull market stocks advance above the dreams of the optimist, just as in a bear market they fall much below their actual worth.

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London.—(Evening.)—Americans suffered spasmodic changes on the curb, and closed weak, but above the lowest. There was a good recovery in the international list. At the lower level made at the regular session the continent turned a buyer. Other departments also showed distinct general improvement.

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Berlin, Dec. 18.—Prices on the bourse to-day were firmer upon the news of the restoration of communication on the Russian telegraph lines.

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Paris, Dec. 18.—Prices on the bourse to-day had a strongly upward tendency, owing to the improvement in the telegraph situation in Russia, which sent up Russian securities.

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The sharp decline in prices for stocks at the opening was due as much to the uncovering of an enormous number of stop orders, the existence of which we called attention to last week, as to any large volume of urgent selling. By the elimination of these stops and liquidation on the part of weak holders the technical position of the market has been improved, but we may expect a nervous and feverish price movement until the market has recovered from the shock of the bank failures.—Town Topics.

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Baillie Bros. & Co., 41 West King-street, furnished the following current prices for unlisted stocks to-day:

	Asked.	Bid.
Rio Underwriting	*90	x90
do. bonds	76½	76
do. stock	47½	46¾
Electric stock	60	57
do. bonds	92	...
Havana preferred	78	75
do. common	36	33

*With 28 per cent. stock. xWith 30 per cent. stock.

Railroad Earnings.

Mo. P., 2nd week Dec.	Increase. $80 00
Toronto Ry., last week	6,397

On Wall Street.

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

The Russian situation, the monetary conditions, and, in fact, all other considerations, were set aside this morning, as market influences, when it became known that three financial institutions in Chicago, with deposits approximating $24,000,000, had suspended.

The details contain some assuring statements, which include the fact that the Chicago Clearing House, acting for other institutions, had agreed to pay the depositors in full, or to guarantee payment upon pledges made of the assets of these banks, and later on, as it appeared, by pledges of officers and directors of the suspended institutions.

Our market, after an early break, endured considerable liquidation, but made a partial recovery at the end of the first half-hour's trading, and, the heavy selling followed good support, and absorbing orders finally carried the day for steadiness, until it became known that the Chicago situation was nearly under perfect control, during the second hour of the afternoon, the market showed in some cases nearly full recovery of the overnight loss.

It is worthy of note that the Rock Island issues showed greater relative resistance to the early decline, than appeared in other directions, and the sharpest and quickest recovery was in T. C. I. and Amalgamated Copper.

Setting aside for a time the possible after-effect of the Chicago incident, the market may possibly be influenced by financial conditions abroad, and the chances of gold exports as a result of the drain of gold to France and Germany.

Perhaps the Russian situation is responsible largely for the situation, but it exists and must be taken into account as a market influence.

We have a favorable opinion of the stock market following to-day's experience.

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

The market to-day has recovered after the break, due to the Chicago bank failure, and in face of sales of some 50,000 shares by London, owing to the disturbed political situation abroad, in a manner which demonstrates conclusively the strong technical position now occupied, despite recent substantial advances. Official announcement that U. S. Realty has secured control of the Century Realty Company was responsible for advance in the former stock. Strength in American Beet Sugar and in American Sugar is considered significant of important developments. The U. S. Steel issues have been firm in face of liquidation elsewhere, and fresh attention is being called to very satisfactory state of the steel trade, as well as to indications of a fresh buying movement in pig-iron. Copper metal stocks abroad are reported again decreasing for the week, and bidding for the metal here is urgent. The Amalgamated Copper dividend may logically be increased, in view of unprecedented position of the copper trade at the present time. Railways continue to report remarkably heavy traffic. Mo. Pacific earnings for second week of the month are good, and the stock now carries the semi-annual dividend, recently declared. The local financial position is now quite satisfactory, without going into details, and, altho there is some talk of gold exports, the matter is still very uncertain. The most important fact in connection with the Chicago failure is that it was due to over-extension of operations by an individual, and does not concern the general banking position.

The weak spot is now known, and in a fair way to be removed without general injury, and the situation is that much better in consequence. The low points reached to-day should be low prices for balance of the year.

Heron & Co., 16 West King-street, received the following from W. F. Dever & Co. at the close:

The financial disturbances at Chicago brought out a flood of selling orders on the opening, causing severe declines all along the line. Copper was, perhaps, the worst sufferer, 20,000 shares selling on a range from 97 to 93½, an extreme drop of 7¾ from Saturday's close. When it was learned that thru the action of the Clearing House Association the depositors in the defunct institutions would not lose a cent, the excitement quickly subsided. Many who at first threw their stocks overboard, bought them back, and the ensuing rally continued right up to the close, which was strong and buoyant. T. C. I. advanced to a new high price, making an extreme gain of $11. The news in general, apart from the Chicago situation, was favorable. Washington advices were very bullish on Sugar and P. M. The market should be the better for to-day's shake-out, and, while irregularity may be anticipated for a day or two yet, good stocks bought on any further drive should show substantial profits before the end of the week.

Money Markets.

The Bank of England discount rate is 4 per cent. Money, 3½ to 4 per cent. Short bills, 4 per cent. New York call money, highest 12 per cent., lowest 6 per cent.; closed 9 per cent. Call money at Toronto, 5½ to 6 per cent.

Foreign Exchange.

A. J. Gingzebrook, Traders' Bank Building (Tel. 1901), to-day reports exchange rates as follows:

	Between Buyers	Banks Sellers	Counter
N.Y. Funds	par	1-32 prem	1-8 to 1-4
Mont'l Funds	15c dis	par	1-8 to 1-4
60 days sight	8 17-32	8 21-32	8 15-16 to 9 1-16
Demand sg.	9 7-16	9 1-2	9 3-4 to 9 7-8
Cable Trans.	9 9-16	9 5-8	9 7-8 to 10

—Rates in New York.—

	Actual.	Posted.
Sterling, demand	486.40	487
Sterling, 60 days' sight	482.70	483

Price of Silver.

Bar silver in New York, 65½c per oz.
Bar silver in London, 30¼d per oz.
Mexican dollars, 50¼c.

Toronto Stocks.

	Dec. 18. Ask.	Dec. 18. Bid.	Dec. 18. Ask.	Dec. 18. Bid.
Montreal	...	...	...	...
Ontario	130½	...	130½	...
Toronto	...	...	...	...
Merchants	...	...	...	...
Commerce	170	...	170	169
Imperial	...	227	...	226
Dominion	268	263	...	264½
Standard	...	...	...	...
Hamilton	217½	214	217½	...
Nova Scotia	285	...	...	275
Ottawa	226	...	...	142
Traders	...	142	...	...
Sovereign Bank	...	132	...	132
Molsons	...	...	239	...
Toronto	...	91½	...	91½
West. Assur.	...	93	...	93
Imperial Lif	...	149	...	149
Consumers' Gas	200	...	208½	...
Ont. & Qu Appelle	...	100	...	100
C.N.W.L. pt	...	99	...	99
C. P. R.	...	173	...	172¾
Montreal Power	...	...	...	...
Tor. El. Light	160	157	160	156½
Can. Gen. El., xd.	151	150	150	149
Mackay com., xd.	51¼	51	51¾	51½
do. pref., xd.	73	71	72	71
Dominion Tel.	...	129	123	120
Bell Telephone	...	157	158	...
R. & O.	...	...	70	...
St. L. & C., xd.	130	127	130	...
Niagara Nav.	...	117	120	...
Northern Nav.	...	74¼	...	...
Toronto Ry., xd.	105	103¾	105¾	...
Twin City	117¾	117	117¾	117
Winnipeg Elec	190	...	198	...
Sao Paulo	139½	139	139½	138½
do. bonds	94	...	94	...
Mex. L. & P.	69	67½	69	67
do. bonds	85	...	...	...
Mex. Electric	...	...	81¾	78½
do. bonds	...	...	...	...
Dominion Steel	27	26¾	...	25½
do. pref.	...	...	...	...
do. bonds	...	85½	...	...
Dominion Coal	80¾	80	80½	79
N. S. Steel com.	67¾	67	...	66
do. bonds	...	108½	...	108½
Lake of Woods	...	...	92	...
Canada Salt	...	...	...	...
War Eagle	...	...	...	...
Toledo Rail	...	...	...	...
Detroit	...	...	...	...
British Can	106	...	106	...
Canada Landed, x.	...	118	...	118
Canada Perm, xd.	128	125½	128	125½
Can. S. & L.	...	...	...	...
Cent. Can. Loan	170	...	...	170
Dom. S. & L.	70	...	...	70
Hom. Provident x.	119	...	...	119
Huron & Erie	...	...	...	...
Imperial L. & I.	70	...	...	70
Landed B. & L., x	120	...	...	120
London & C., xd.	103	...	...	103
Manitoba Loan	95	...	...	...
London Loan	112	...	...	112
Ont. L. & D., xd	128	...	...	128
Tor. S. & L.	130	...	...	130

—Morning Sales.—

Con. Gas.	Mackay.	Dom. Steel
25 @ 207	200 @ 51¼	100 @ 26½
	610 @ 51⅛	100 @ 26¾
Niagara.	10 @ 51⅜	75 @ 26
20 @ 118	*25 @ 72	25 @ 25¾
	*25 @ 71¾	
St. Law.		Sao Paulo.
5 @ 130	Mex. El. bds.	100 @ 139½
	$3000 @ 81¾	50 @ 139
Hamilton.		
25 @ 214		

*Preferred.

—Afternoon Sales.—

Ottawa.	Gen. Elec.	Dom. Steel
12 @ 225	20 @ 150	100 @ 25¾
Can. Life.	Mackay.	Mackay.
10 @ 164	250 @ 51⅝	*50 @ 71¾
	125 @ 51½	
Con. Gas.		St. Law.
7 @ 207		25 @ 130

*Preferred.

Montreal Stocks.

Montreal, Dec. 18.—Closing quotations to-day:

	Asked.	Bid.
C. P. R.	173½	172¾
Detroit Railway	94¾	94½
Nova Scotia	68	67
Mackay common	51½	51¼
do. preferred	72½	72
Richelieu	70½	69½
Dominion Steel	26	25¾
do. preferred	75	74
Toronto Railway	108	105
Montreal Railway	234	233½
Toledo	33½	32¾
Havana	35	34
Dominion Coal	81	79½
Twin City	118	117
Power	90	89¾
Mexican L. & P.	68½	67¾
do. bonds	85½	84¾
do. Electric bonds	81½	81

—Morning Sales.—

Dominion Steel—25 at 26¾, 100 at 26⅞, 50 at 26¼, 25 at 26¾, 70 at 26½, 50 at 26¼, 270 at 25¾, 325 at 26, 100 at 26½, 25 at 26¼, 100 at 26¼, 25 at 26¼, 30 at 26, 50 at 26¼, 10 at 26, 25 at 26¼, 100 at 26, 100 at 25¾, 25 at 26, 25 at 25½, 125 at 25⅝, 10 at 25½, 200 at 25¾.

Toronto Bank—2 at 236, 1 at 235.

Mexican Power—20 at 69, 200 at 68.

Bank of Montreal—15 at 256.

Toronto Railway, xd.—20 at 108.

Mackay pref., xd.—25 at 72, 25 at 72¼.

Canadian Pacific—25 at 173, 13 at 173¼, 50 at 172½.

Soo—100 at 137½.

Havana—15 at 32½.

Montreal Power—30 at 99.

Textile pref.—150 at 103½.

Detroit—50 at 94¾.

Switch—50 at 105.

Twin City—100 at 116, 50 at 117.

Richelieu & Ontario—100 at 69¾.

Mackay, xd.—100 at 51½, 50 at 51¾.

Bell Telephone—3 at 157½.

Mexican Electric bonds—$3000 at 81½.

N. S. Steel—25 at 67, 25 at 67½.

Bank of Nova Scotia—8 at 275.

Dominion Coal bonds—$2000 at 86.

Montreal Railway—50 at 234.

Toledo—75 at 33.

Lake of the Woods—10 at 90.

Mexican Power bonds—$3000 at 84¾.

—Afternoon Sales.—

Steel bonds—$1000 at 86.

Twin City—100 at 117.

Mackay—25 at 51½.

Mackay pref.—5 at 71¾, 75 at 72¼.

Textile pref.—25 at 103.

Steel—8 at 26¾, 25 at 26.

Richelieu—50 at 69¾.

Switch—25 at 105¾.

Bell Telephone—25 at 158.

Toledo—100 at 33, 10 at 32½.

Power—1 at 99, 150 at 89¾.

Montreal Railway—5 at 231.

Coal—25 at 80.

Montreal Cotton—25 at 130.

Steel pref.—50 at 74.

Mexican Electric bonds—$17,000 at 81¾.

Detroit Railway—50 at 94½.

Steel bonds—$1000 at 86.

New York Stocks.

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

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Amal. Copper	100	100	93½	98¼
Am. Car & F.	38¾	39½	38¾	39½
Am. Loco.	67¾	68¾	67¼	68¾
Am. Smelters	161	161¾	158½	161¼
Am. Sugar	153	151¼	148½	151
Atchison	86	86½	85⅜	86½
Balt. & Ohio	112	112¾	111¼	111¾
Brooklyn R. T.	86½	88¾	85½	88½
Can. Pacific	172¾	173½	172	173½
Ches. & Ohio	54½	54½	53½	54¼
C. Gt. West.	20¾	20¾	20½	20¾
Chic., M. & St.P.	177¾	178¼	176½	178¼
Consol. Gas	181	181	180	181
Del. & Hudson	221	222	221	222
Erie	47	47½	46¼	47
do. 1st pref.	79¾	80¾	79¾	79½
do. 2nd pref.	72¾	72¾	72¾	72½
Gen. El. Co.	175	175¾	174½	175¾
Illinois Cent.	175½	175½	173	174¾
Louis. & Nash.	151	151	150	151
Manhattan	161¾	...	161½	...
Metropolitan	119½	121¾	119½	120¾
M. S. M.	167	...	...	...
do. pref.	167	...	...	...
M. K. T.	36	36¾	35¼	36¼
do. pref.	67½	...	67	...
Mo. Pacific	101	102¼	101	101¾
N. Y. Central	145	147¼	144	146¾
North. Pacific	200	202½	199½	202½
Norfolk & W.	83¾	84	83¾	84
Pennsylvania	140½	140½	139¾	140¾
People's Gas	106½	106¾	105¼	106¾
Pr. Steel Car	33¼	34	33¼	33¼
Reading	137	137	135¾	136½
Rep. I. & S.	33¼	34	32½	34
Rock Island	21¾	22½	21¾	22½
St. L. & S. W.	21	22	21	22
Sloss	88½	90	87	90
South. Pacific	66¼	66½	65¾	66
Southern Ry.	34¾	35½	34¾	35
Tenn. C. & I.	141	146	137	146
Texas	33½	33¾	33	33¾
Twin City	117¼	117¼	116¾	117¼
Union Pacific	142¾	144½	141¼	143¾
U. S. Steel	37¾	37¾	37¼	37¾
do. pref.	104¾	104½	103½	104½
U. S. Rubber	54½	54¾	53¼	54¾
Wabash	20¾	20¾	20¼	20¼
do. pref.	40¾	40¾	40¼	40¼
West. Union	51½	51½	51	51½
C. F. I.	52¾	56½	51¼	56½
R. Y.	60½	60½	58½	59¾
Wool	43	43	42½	44
A. N. C.	182½	186½	180½	186½

Sales to 11 a.m., 555,000; to 12 m., 976,600; total, 1,670,800.

London Stocks.

	Dec. 16. Last Quo.	Dec. 18. Last Quo.
Consols, money	88⅞	88¾
Consols, account	89	88 15-16
Atchison	90⅝	88½
do. preferred	107⅝	106½
Chesapeake & Ohio	56¼	56
Anaconda	9½	9¼
Baltimore & Ohio	116¼	114½
Denver & Rio Grande	38⅛	37⅛
C. P. R.	179	177½
St. Paul	184¾	183
Chicago Gt. Western	22	21
Erie	49⅛	48½
do. 1st preferred	83	82½
do. 2nd preferred	76	75
Louisville & Nashville	156¾	156
Illinois Central	180¾	180½
Kansas & Texas	38½	37
Norfolk & Western, xd.	86⅞	86¾
do. pref.	95	95
New York Central	153⅞	150½
Pennsylvania	72⅝	72¼
Ontario & Western	33⅞	33
Reading	71¼	70¼
do. 1st preferred	48	48
do. 2nd preferred	50	50
Southern Pacific	71¼	67¾
Southern Railway	33¼	35⅝
do. preferred	102	102½
Union Pacific	149¼	146
do. preferred	100½	100
Wabash common	21¼	21¼
do. preferred	42¼	42
U. S. Steel	39⅝	38½
do. preferred	107⅝	107

*Ex-dividend.

Standard Stock and Mining Exchange.

	Asked.	Bid.
Metropolitan Bank	195	190
Sovereign Bank	134	131
Crown Bank	112	103
Colonial L. & Inv. Co., xd.	775	...
Dominion Permanent	85	80
W. A. Rogers pref.	93	...
City Dairy pref.	...	70
International Coal & Coke	28	24
Carter Crume pref.	90	...
National Port. Cement	...	20
Western Oil	...	37
Rambler Cariboo	...	26
War Eagle	25	22
Granby Smelter	10¼	9¾
C. G. F. S.	5¾	4¾
Centre Star	38	37
St. Eugene	51	48
North Star	6	4

Unlisted Stocks.

The Investment Exchange Company, Spectator Building, Hamilton, Canada, furnishes the following quotations for unlisted stocks:

	Bid.	Asked.
Marconi Wireless	29.00	33.75
Marconi Fives	3.10	3.75
Granby Consolidated	10.00	10.25
Montana Tonopah	2.35	2.70
Tonopah Extension	5.60	5.90
Tonopah Mining	14.25	15.00
Aurora Consolidated	.17½	.20
Homestake Extension	...	.25
Western Oil & Coal	.24	...

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" Queen and Teraulay Sts.
" Yonge and Cottingham Sts.
" Dovercourt and Bloor Sts.
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Vizaga Gold		13½
Osage Petroleum	11½	11¼
California Monarch Oil	.23	.20
Cal. & N. Y. Oil	.26	.24½
Cleneguita Copper	.....	7.00
National Agency	.....	116.00
Dominion Permanent	79.00	.....
Colonial I. & L.	7.40	.....
Home Life	14.00	13.00
National Oil (Lima)	.12	.16
San Pedro Gold	.15	.17

Price of Oil.

Pittsburg, Dec. 18.—Oil closed at $1.58.

New York Cotton.

Marshall, Spader & Co., King Edward Hotel, report the following fluctuations on the New York market to-day:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
December	11.72	11.72	11.68	11.68
January	11.79	11.80	11.70	11.70
March	12.08	12.10	11.99	11.99
May	12.22	12.22	12.12	12.12
July	12.28	12.26	12.26	12.26

Cotton spot closed quiet, 5 points lower. Middling Uplands, 12.15; do., Gulf, 12.40. Sales, 1100 bales.

Cotton Gossip.

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

New York, Dec. 18.—The early strength of the market was due to stronger cables than expected, but heavy selling by houses having Chicago connection caused a decline, which was further increased by reports that the National Cotton Ginners' estimate, when issued, would approximate 9,400,000 bales, and the delay in the appearance of this report was the cause of further weakness in the market.

During the early afternoon the heavy receipts expected at Galveston caused a further selling movement, but the tone of the market was well preserved throout it all, with no important loss. We believe the present conditions will not stand much higher prices than which now prevail.

FAVORED ISLAND COTTAGERS.

Committee Decides on the Twelve Who May Stay.

The final meeting of the civic island committee was a long-drawn-out affair during which the question of making allotments to the cottagers who have been ordered to remove from the western sandbar south of Turner's Baths back to the lagoon was the only matter under consideration.

There were nineteen cottagers on the beach last year, and on the new lots only twelve can be provided for. Commissioner Forman submitted the names of twelve who he thought should be given the preference, but favored excluding all cottagers from that portion of the sandbar, and making a park of the land. Ald. McBride moved to have this struck out and this carried.

Motions by Ald. Dunn to leave the matter until 1906; by Ald. McBride, to have the frontage reduced to 40 feet, to accommodate three more cottagers, and by Controller Shaw, to have a single lot added for the benefit of Mrs. Biddington.

The only change made from Mr. Forman's list was the striking out of J. J. Nightingale and F. J. Sherman from the favored ones. They jointly occupied a cottage, and Ald. McBride said family claims should get first consideration.

These apportionments were made: R. A Langlois, Thos Stiff, H F Webster, G S Thompson, H Baker, J R Briggs, J H Titus, H Flether, W J Spence, Mrs Annie McLean, H M Wilson.

TRUSTEE CAUGHT NAPPING.

Doesn't Know All the Facts About Recent Grant.

Trustee Davis wrote to the finance committee of the board yesterday as follows:

"I wish to enter my protest to the manner in which the increases to the Model School teachers were put thru at the last meeting of the board. The members of the board were led to believe that there were funds provided to pay the amount voted, when such was not the case. I find we have 15 students at the Model School this year, each paying $5, making a total of $75; government grant $150; total $225. The increase passed by the board, 10 teachers at $25 each, $250; Principal Grant $100; total $350, leaving a deficit of $125 unprovided for, and this I contend cannot be paid until provided for by next year's board."

The finance committee thought it a joke, as the grants have already, by agreement, been paid.

CHARGE OF FRAUD DISMISSED CHINESE CASE IS A PUZZLE

The charge of fraud against Sun Lee was dismissed by Magistrate Denison, who decided it should be a civil case. Lee was charged with getting the best of William Macon of Buffalo for $1250 on an opium deal.

Albert Carl, who was out on $500 bail, furnished by Chinamen, did not answer when called. A warrant was issued for him. Macon claims Carl tried to do him for $100.

WILL MAKE 'EM PAY UP FOR TREATMENT IN CITY

The question of whether outside municipalities should bear the expense of having patients suffering from infectious diseases treated in Toronto is to be brought to a test. Dr. Sheard has made a claim against York Township for $42 for dealing with a diphtheria case.

The Isolation and Swiss Cottage Hospitals contain four patients from outside.

Christmas Specials.

As Christmas is on Monday, this will give you an extra day on your visit home, and single fare will be in effect for round trip via Grand Trunk Railway, good going all trains Saturday, Sunday and Monday, returning Tuesday, Dec. 26, and at fare and one-third, good going Dec. 22, 23, 24 and 25, valid returning until Jan. 2. Also single fare for New Year's, good going Dec. 30, 31 and Jan. 1, returning until Jan. 2. For tickets and full information call at city ticket office, northwest corner King and Yonge-streets.

Grand Jury's Work.

Yesterday morning in police court Jad Swift was committed for trial on the charge of stealing $7 from F. H. Stokes, in a house on Adelaide-street. In the afternoon the grand jury brought down a true bill against her. Other true bills were against George E. White, non-support, and Kate Dixon, mailing an immoral letter.

The trial of the four Chinamen will commence this morning.

Baggage Company Complaints.

Trouble is in store for some of the Union Station "redcaps" if a charge laid against them by the Canadian Transfer Company, to the effect that they are giving baggage from C.P.R. and G.T.R. trains to the Duggan Transfer Company, can be proved.

Didn't Emulate Washington.

Ernest C. Chapman, who claimed to have mailed money in a letter, was convicted of postal fraud in the police court and committed to the Central for five months.

WHEAT FUTURES LOWER MARKET WEAK AT CLOSE

Large Increase in Weekly Visible Signal for Selling at Chicago —Liverpool Steady.

World Office,
Monday Evening, Dec. 18.

Liverpool wheat futures closed to-day unchanged to ¼d lower than Saturday, and corn futures unchanged to ¼d lower.

At Chicago May wheat closed ⅞c lower than Saturday; May corn ⅝c lower and May oats ⅜c lower.

Chicago car lots to-day: Wheat 27, contract 1; corn 746, 6; oats 245, 44.

Northwest cars to-day 970, week ago 890, year ago 781.

Primary receipts wheat to-day, 1,342,000, shipments 337,000; last week, 1,244,000, 559,000; last year, 1,034,000, 239,000. Corn to-day, 1,353,000, 509,000; last week, 1,032,000, 339,000; last year, 1,268,000, 491,000.

London, Dec. 18.—Mark Lane Miller market, wheat, foreign, quiet but steady. English quiet; maize, American, quiet at a decline of 3d; maize, Danubian, nominally unchanged; flour, American, is steady with a fair business. Mark Lane Miller Market. Flour, English, more offering and tending down.

Ennis & Stoppani, McKinnon Building, report privileges for Milwaukee May wheat, puts 8½c bid, calls 87⅛c bid; Chicago May wheat, bids 87⅛c bid; offers, 87⅛c bid.

Visible Supply.

	Dec. 18, '05.	Dec. 17, '04.
Wheat	38,433,000	37,108,000
Corn	8,738,000	4,565,000
Oats	24,750,000	24,201,000

Wheat increased 4,124,000 bushels during the week; corn increased 1,036,000 bushels, and oats decreased 79,000 bushels.

Toronto Grain Stocks.

	Dec. 11, '05.	Dec. 18, '05.
Fall wheat	20,493	23,733
Hard wheat	.....	.....
Spring wheat	.....	.....
Goose wheat	3,000	1,629
Barley	6,934	2,473
Oats	28,411	3,011
Rye	711	711
Corn	.....	.....
Peas	.....	1,879

Winnipeg Options.

Following were the closing quotations yesterday at this market; Dec. 73⅛c, Jan. 75¼c, May 79½c.

Leading Wheat Markets.

New York	Dec. 94⅝	May 91⅞	July. .....
Detroit	87	91	.....
Toledo	88½	90⅝	84½
Duluth	82	85	.....
St. Louis	82⅝	86⅝	80⅝
Minneapolis	81⅛	85⅛	85⅝

ST. LAWRENCE MARKET.

Receipts of farm produce were 1200 bushels of grain, and 30 loads of hay.

Wheat—Two hundred bushels sold as follows: 100 bushels fall at 76c to 78c; goose, 400 bushels at 70c to 72c.

Oats—Five hundred bushels sold at 37½c to 38c.

Peas—One hundred bushels sold at 76c.

Hay—Thirty loads sold at $9 to $10 per ton for timothy, and $6 to $8 for mixed.

Grain—		
Wheat, spring, bush	0 73	0 74
Wheat, fall, per bush	0 76	0 78
Wheat, red, bush	0 76	0 78
Wheat, goose, bush	0 70	0 72
Barley, bush	0 50	0 51
Oats, bush	0 37½	0 38
Rye, bush	0 74	.....
Peas, bush	0 75	.....
Buckwheat, bush	0 56	.....
Seeds—		
Alsike, No. 1, bush	$5 75	to $6 25
Alsike, No. 2, bush	4 75	5 25
Alsike, No. 3, bush	4 00	4 75
Red, choice, No. 1, bu.	6 25	7 00
Timothy, seed, bushel, threshed, bright, and unhulled, per bush	1 60	2 00
do. machine threshed	1 00	1 40
Hay and Straw—		
Hay, per ton	$9 00	to $10 00
Mixed hay, ton	6 00	8 00
Straw, bundled, ton	11 00	12 00
Straw, loose, ton	7 00	.....
Fruits and Vegetables—		
Apples, per bbl	$1 50	to $3 00
Potatoes, Ontario	0 70	0 80
Cabbage, per doz	0 40	0 50
Beets, per bag	0 30	.....
Cauliflower, per doz	0 75	1 25
Red carrots, per bag	0 60	.....
Celery, per doz	0 35	0 50
Parsnips, per bag	0 40	.....
Turnips, per bag	0 25	0 35
Onions, per bag	1 25	.....
Poultry—		
Turkeys, dressed, lb.	$0 15	to $0 18
Geese, lb	0 10	0 12
Ducks, dressed, lb.	0 12	0 14
Chickens, dressed, lb	0 10