

THE STANDARD'S FINANCIAL SECTION

QUOTED VALUES
ON WALL STREET
ARE SENT DOWNBusiness of Greater Extent
But Prices Show a Weaker
Tendency.WIDE RANGE OF
PRICE FALLINGSMoney Stock at Seven Per
Cent. Less Generous Than
Recently.

New York, March 10.—Business on the stock exchange today was appreciably larger and much more diversified than at any recent period, but the quiet pace was attended by further substantial depreciation of quoted values.

Selling for both accounts of the call-way shares was the overshadowing feature. Declines of one to three points embraced almost every class of transportation. In some instances, notably that of Pennsylvania, a premier stock, lowest prices for a number of years were registered.

The break in rails was naturally attributed to the decision of the various systems of the United States to effect drastic reductions in wages and salaries from the war-time basis in conformity with existing economic conditions and a widespread policy of retrenchment.

Helped the Shorts

Other incidents of the session, such as the February tonnage report, revealing another large decrease of unfilled orders, were among the factors which played into the hands of the aggressive short interests.

Steele, railway equipments, shipping, copper and oils, the European issues excepted, were involved in the general reversal at declines of one to four points, as well as many specialties of no definite description. Liquidation was at its height in the last hour, the busiest period of the day. Pressure against United States Steel and Pennsylvania was then most effective, those issues closing at net losses of two and 1½ points respectively. Sales amounted to \$90,000 shares.

Although money on call and time was unchanged as to rates, supplies for both forms of accommodations were smaller.

Better Foreign Exchange

All the principal foreign exchange rates showed a movement more favorable to home countries, Scandinavian resistance showing especial strength. In the bond market lower prices ruled for domestic and foreign issues. Liberty 2½'s at 90½ made a new low record for the issue. Total sales, par value, were \$4,750,000.

N. Y. QUOTATIONS

Am Beet Sug.	43½	43½	43½	43½
Am Car Pdy	123	123	123½	124½
Am Loco	86½	86½	86½	86½
Am Smelting	38½	38½	38½	38½
Am Steel	86½	86½	86½	86½
Am Tele	102	102	102	102
Atchafson	80½	80½	80½	80½
Am Can	28½	28½	28½	28½
Am Woolen	64	64	64	64
Beck	57	57	57	57
Balt and O	32½	32½	32½	32½
Baldwin Loco	88½	88	87½	87½
Brook Rap Tr	124	124	124	124
C F I	28½	28½	28½	28½
Ches and O	59	59	57½	57½
Crescent Steel	91½	91½	91½	91½
Can Pacific	111½	111½	110½	110½
Cent Leach	38	38½	37½	37½
Chandler	70½	70½	70½	71½
Eric Com	12½	12½	12½	12½
Gen Motors	133	133	132½	132½
Gr North Pdy	72½	72½	72½	72½
Inter Paper	54	54	53½	53½
Mex Petrol	166½	166½	164½	164½
NY N H	17½	17½	16½	16½
N Y Central	68½	68½	67½	67½
North Pacific	78½	78½	77½	77½
Pennsylvania	37½	37½	36½	36½
Reading Com	71½	71½	70½	70½
Republic Steel	68	68	64½	64½
S. P. Ind	25½	25½	25½	25½
South Pacific	74½	74½	73½	73½
Studebaker	60½	61	59½	59½
Stromberg	81½	81½	81½	81½
U S Pac Com	115½	115½	115½	115½
U S Steel	81	81½	79½	79½
U S Rub Com	67½	67½	66½	66½
Willam Ore	7½	7½	7½	7½
Sterling	296½	296½	296½	296½
N Y Funds	14½	14½	14½	14½

Cotton

March	High	Low	Close
March	11.47	11.40	11.30
May	12.05	11.80	11.81
July	12.48	12.25	12.26
October	12.05	12.25	12.23
December	12.20	12.05	12.04

MONTREAL PRODUCE

Montreal, Mar. 10.—Oats, Canadian Western, No. 2, 67c to 68c. Oats, Canadian Western, No. 3, 66c to 67c. Buckwheat, No. 2, \$10.50. Rolled oats, bag 90 lbs., \$3.40. Bran, \$3.25. Shorts, \$3.25. Hay, No. 2, per ton, cash lots, \$24.00 to \$25.00. Cheese, finest, cream, 25½c to 30c. Butter, choicest, creamery, 50½c to 57c. Eggs, fresh, 45c. Potatoes, per bag, cash lots, \$1.00 to \$1.05.

LONDON MONEY MARKET

London, Mar. 10.—Bar silver 54½ per ounce. Bar gold 104½ 7/8. Money rate per cent. Discount rates short bills 5½ to 6½. 12½ to 14½. Gold bullion at £104. 1/2.

Breweries Touch
New Low; Spanish
Common Is DearerAll Papers Make Gains of
from One and a Half Points
to Six Higher.

Montreal, March 10.—A much stronger market featured the day's trading on the local stock exchange. The only issue to show a loss among the leaders of the stocks dealt in was Breweries, which made a new low for the movement at 88, with subsequent recovery to 89½ down a large fraction on the day.

Dominion Steel was given good support, and towards the close rose from a low of 87½ to 89, a net gain of 1½ points. Steel of Canada moved up a fraction to 87½ and closed at the best. Ontario Steel dropped two points at 84.

The Spanish River stocks were among the day's strongest features. The common netted 1½ points at 71½, and the preferred was up 2½ points at 82½, both closing strong. Abitibi moved up 1½ points to 36. Klondike showed the day's best gain, one of 6½ points at 123½, and the Waynamack gained a fraction at 65½. Laurentide was unchanged at 62. Total sales listed, 15,971; bonds, \$186,250.

MONTREAL SALES

(McDougall & Cowans)

Abitibi	36½	36½
Brazilian L H and P	32½	33
Brompton	35½	36
Canada Car	70	70½
Canada Car Pfd	70	70½
Canada Cement	63½	64
Canada Cement Pfd	63½	64
Canada Cotton	78	78½
Dom Bridge	33	33½
Dom Canons	29	29½
Dom Iron Pfd	33	33½
Dom Iron Com	38½	39
Dom Tex Com	110½	111
Laurentide Paper Co.	82½	83
MacDonald Com	33	34
McL. H and Power	81½	81½
Ogilvie	300½	301
Penman's Limited	29	29½
Quebec Railway	26½	27
Ridion	120	120½
Shaw W and P Co.	104	104½
Spanish River Com	70½	71
Spanish River Pfd	73½	74
Steel Co Can Com	67½	68
Toronto Ralls	68	69
Waynamack	65	66

Morning

Steamships Com	5 at 23
Steamships Pfd	42 at 67, 30 at 66½, 25 at 65½
Brazilian	30 at 33, 60 at 33½
Dom Textile	43 at 112
Steel Canada Pfd	10 at 33
Canada Com	20 at 38½, 15 at 38½, 10 at 38½, 5 at 38½
Blue Canada Com	20 at 57½, 15 at 56½, 10 at 56½, 5 at 56½
Dom Iron Pfd	43 at 78
Dom Iron Com	37½ at 88, 35 at 87½, 33 at 87½, 31 at 87½, 29 at 87½
Shawinigan	10 at 104
Montreal Power	53 at 91½, 35 at 91½
Abitibi	205 at 33½, 35 at 33½, 300 at 33½, 35 at 33½, 175 at 33½, 76 at 33½
Beit Telephone	35 at 104
Detroit United	25 at 86
Canada Car Pfd	5 at 70½, 110 at 74
Ogilvie	10 at 200½
Ogilvie Pfd	10 at 100, 5 at 100
Gen Electric	20 at 111½
Laurentide Pulp	225 at 82, 50 at 82½
Smelting	16 at 13
Ridion	30 at 123
McDonald	25 at 64½, 50 at 65½, 75 at 66½, 100 at 67
Quebec Railway	3 at 26, 90 at 26½, 35 at 26½, 75 at 26½
Atlantic Sugar Com	50 at 20
Breweries Com	75 at 49½, 25 at 49½, 40½, 50 at 49, 75 at 49½, 25 at 49½, 25 at 49½, 25 at 49½, 25 at 49½
Span River Com	150 at 70½, 750 at 70½
Span River Pfd	406 at 84, 20 at 84, 80½, 25 at 84
Brompton	155 at 24½, 120 at 24½, 76 at 24½
Canada Converters	5 at 89
Glass Com	25 at 58
1222 Victory Loan	98½
1227 Victory Loan	98½, 97½
1223 Victory Loan	98
1224 Victory Loan	98½, 98½
1225 Victory Loan	98½

Afternoon

Steamships Com	40 at 24½
Steamships Pfd	10 at 66½
Steel Canada	75 at 57½, 10 at 57½, 50 at 57½
Dom Iron Com	15 at 38½, 85 at 38, 20 at 38½
Dom Iron Pfd	43 at 78
Shawinigan	10 at 104
Montreal Power	10 at 92, 60 at 91½, 25 at 91½, 24 at 91½
Abitibi	260 at 39, 50 at 39½, 30 at 39½, 50 at 39½
Beit Telephone	35 at 104
Ontario Steel	25 at 63
Take of Woods	20 at 142
Laurentide Pulp	20 at 82½
Ridion	100 at 125, 25 at 125½, 35 at 127, 50 at 128, 50 at 128½
Waynamack	60 at 65½
Quebec Railway	160 at 26½, 25 at 26½, 50 at 27
Breweries Com	125 at 39½, 50 at 40½, 20 at 39½, 25 at 39½, 25 at 39½, 25 at 39½
Span River	150 at 70½, 750 at 70½, 15 at 71½, 25 at 71½, 75 at 71½, 55 at 71½, 20 at 71½
Brompton	75 at 24½, 20 at 24½, 50 at 25, 20 at 25½
Canada Converters	5 at 89

Arrival of Currants
From Greece Brings
Price Down 5 CentsFirst of New Season's Lobster
Catch Now on Sale at 40
Cents Pound.

A drop in currant, flour, currants, and eggs was recorded in the St. John market this week. Cheese was the only staple to advance. Lobsters made their initial appearance of the season. Western beef showed signs of further weakening and butchers' beef of strength.

All other lines held firm, although hides and wool were weakening with a possibility of lower values in the near future.

Cornmeal, at \$2.90 to \$4 per cwt. was from 10 to 20 cts. lower than last week. The first direct importation from Greece since the war, and the favorable exchange rate combined, sent currants down from 20 to 21 cts. per package, a drop of from 4 to 5 cts. Manitoba flour fell 20 cts. on the barrel, and Manitoba 5 cents. Manitoba is now quoted at \$12.75; Ontario at \$12.15. Lard at 21 cts. and lard compound at 14 1/4, were down one cent and three quarters of a cent respectively.

Cheese, the only staple to advance, was up a cent a pound. The present price ranges from 21 to 23 cts. per lb. Eggs were plentiful in the City Market and strictly fresh eggs could be had for from 50 to 62 cents per dozen. Case eggs were quoted at from 45 to 48 cts. Butter showed signs of becoming firmer.

The first of this year's lobster catch made its debut at 40 cts. per lb.

Wholesale Groceries

Sugar		
Yellow	10.10 to 10.15	
Standard	10.10	0.00
White	7.50	8.00
Slapam, per lb	0.11	0.12
White, per cwt	5.75	6.00
Molasses	6.00	6.00
Peas, split, bags	6.25	7.25
Barley, pot, bags	8.25	6.75
Barley, per bag	2.20	2.00
Cornmeal, gran.	3.90	4.00
Chicoles seed, 1 lb	0.29	0.29½
Seedless, 10 lb	0.29	0.30½
Salt, Liverpool	0.15	0.15
Sack, ex store	2.10	2.15
Soda, bicarb	2.70	2.00
Cream of Tartar	0.45	0.41
Peppercorn	0.25	0.22
Cinnamon	0.20	0.20
Prunes, per lb	0.12	0.13
Washing soda, lb	0.03½	0.03½
Cocoa, per lb	0.61	0.61
Checofat	0.38	0.45
Java Coffee, in tin	0.45	0.50
Quinine, special blend	0.47	0.58
Evaporated peaches	0.27½	0.28
Canned corn	0.25	0.20
Canned tomatoes	2.30	2.25
Canned peaches	2.30	2.25
Canned peaches 2½	2.10	2.30
Peas	2.50	2.50
Dates	0.80	0.80
Flax, 1½ lb box	0.00	0.25
Tea, Oolong	0.55	0.55
Nutmegs	0.40	0.45
Cassia	0.25	0.20
Cloves, ground, per lb	0.60	0.69
Glacé, ground, lb	0.23	0.34
Shelled walnuts	0.55	0.60
Walnuts, lb	0.25	0.32
Shelled almonds	0.55	0.60
Figs	0.19	0.20
Almonds	0.24	0.25
Flour, Man, bbl	0.00	12.75
Flour, Man, 50 lb	0.00	12.15
Rolls, 40 lb	0.00	9.00
Cheese, per lb	0.31	0.32
Lard, pure, tub	0.20½	0.21
Lard, compound	0.19	0.19½

Meats, Etc. Wholesale

Butter		
Western	0.13	0.15
Butchers	0.08	0.12
Country	0.06	0.10
Veal	0.16	0.18
Wutton	0.13	0.13
Pork	0.13	0.13
Lamb	0.13	0.22
Country Produce Retail		
Butter		
Creamery	0.60	0.65
Per roll	0.50	0.58
Per tub	0.50	0.58
Eggs, fresh	0.45	0.52
Chicken, per lb	0.55	0.60
Fowls	0.45	0.50
Duck	0.60	0.65
Geese	0.00	0.60
Potatoes, per bbl	2.00	0.00
Rabbits, per pair	0.25	0.25
Pigeons, per pair	0.00	0.00
Green Groceries Retail		
Apples, per peck	0.40	0.60
Cabbage, native	0.10	0.15
Mineroma, per lb	0.00	1.25
Min and parsley	0.00	0.11
Onions, 5 lb box	0.40	0.25
Potatoes	0.40	0.60
Maple sugar, per lb	0.45	0.60
Radishes, per bunch	0.00	0.10
Carrots, per peck	0.00	0.50
Parsnips, per pk	0.00	0.60
Beets, per peck	0.00	0.50
Celery, per bunch	0.10	0.15
Turnips, per peck	0.00	0.20
Squash, lb	0.00	0.00
Cauliflower	0.20	0.60
Swet potatoes, lb	0.00	0.35
Chest apples, per pk	0.40	0.60
Cranberries, per qt	0.00	0.30
Green and red pqr	0.00	0.00
Peas, per peck	0.40	0.60
Garlic, per lb	0.00	0.60
Fruits, Etc. Wholesale		
Florida grape-fruit	6.50	7.00
Messina lemons	0.00	5.00
California lemons	6.00	6.50
Cal oranges	4.50	7.00
Bananas, per lb	0.00	0.10
Pineapples, roasted	0.14	0.24
Canadian onions, per cwt	2.75	2.90
Cooking oil, per bush	6.00	7.50
H. B. Apples, bbl	1.50	2.50
Meats, Retail		
Butter	0.40	0.60

GOSSIP AROUND
THE MARKETS

India produces annually over five million tons of oil seeds, valued at about \$50,000,000, according to a report from the United States Trade Commission. The seeds, one-third of which it is estimated, are exported, consist of a wide variety, including cotton, peanuts, sesame, mowra, poppy, linseed and castor.

A contract for the building of a factory for the production of superphosphates has been granted by the Moroccan Council de Gouvernement. The concessionaire contracts to produce 20,000 tons annually, but it is not granted a monopoly.

After a long period of depression the Canadian boot and shoe industry is said to be responding to an encouraging change due to promises of big orders from Russia and Italy. Idle freight cars in the United States on February 23 numbered 423,193, the largest recorded in many years and an increase of 29,000 over the previous week.

The Italian chamber has amended the budget law by inserting a clause giving the executive the power to take necessary steps to raise the price of Italian exports to countries whose money is near parity, in proportion to the depreciation of Italian exchange in those countries.

That the year 1920 was a prosperous one for the Quebec mining industry is shown by the fact that the total value of the products of the mines and quarries reached the record figure of \$28,223,141. This is nearly \$7,500,000 more than the previous highest figure.

J. P. Morgan & Co. has bought \$20,000,000 of short term notes from the Humble Oil & Refining Company, a subsidiary of the Carter Oil Company, which is a subsidiary of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey.

Merchandise agency reports show 311 commercial failures in the United States last week, as compared with 413 in the previous week and 462 in the week previous to that.

Birmingham, Alabama, dispatches say the Gulf States Steel Company has closed down all its plants in Alabama City.

Leather Business
Growing BetterPromising Cable Inquiries for
Black Kid Comes from
England.

Philadelphia, March 11.—Sole leather is the feature in the Philadelphia market is firm; heavy and light weights being more active than the medium weights. A large proportion of orders is from the United States and are weak and inactive. The market for sole leathers is mainly among the manufacturers of women's and children's shoes. With the exception of shoulders the offal market is dull.

In the upper market the demand is mostly for colored kid, which is very active. Black kid is spotty with inquiries from England for black kid. Belting leather is quiet. The stocks of sole leather in the hands of manufacturers are small.

Orders for sole leather are 30 per cent larger than in January, England has also improved. Conditions are improving rapidly and