

LATEST FINANCIAL AND SHIPPING NEWS AND NOTES

CLOSING LETTER OF N. Y. MARKET BY E. & C. RANDOLPH

New York, Dec. 29.—The market was inert and lifeless during nearly the entire session. The street believed that the Austrian note would be received before the end of the week and as those who had stocks for sale thought the communication from Vienna would open the way for further communication and possibly result in some covering of shorts in the market, the selling pressure was suspended for the time being. The iron age in its review of steel trade conditions says that domestic demand has slackened and regarded this change as an encouraging development, as prices had begun to advance at a dangerous rate. It is also stated that the British and French governments are making great efforts to obtain vessels to transport steel and munitions from American ports but without making much headway. This accumulation of export business at these ports is an unknown quantity, the effect of which upon the quarter's statement of the Steel Corporation may be reflected. The material is not paid for as a general rule until actually shipped, and thus the inadequacy of ocean transportation may result in a very large increase of exhibit or net earnings for the quarter. Sales 400, 429. Bonds \$3,500,000.

SHIPPING

MINIATURE ALMANAC.

December Phases of the Moon.
New Moon, 6th, 12h, 4m. a. m.
First Quarter, 13th, 7h, 38m. p. m.
Full Moon, 21st, 12h, 55m. p. m.
Last Quarter, 29th, 12h, 59m. p. m.

Data	W.	Sun	Rise	Set	Water	Water	Water	Water
30 Th	8:14	4:45	6:41	18:08	11:50			
31 Fr	8:11	4:45	6:41	18:09	0:20	12:52		

PORT OF ST. JOHN.

Arrived Wednesday, Dec. 29, 1913.
St. Chimento, 2943, Adams, Demerara, West Indies and Bermuda, Wm. Thomson & Co. mails, passengers and general cargo.

BRITISH PORTS.

Manchester, Dec. 21—Arr: Sir Paul, McCarty, Dalhousie, N. B.

FOREIGN PORTS.

Portland, Dec. 27—Arr: Sch Hartney W. Diligent River, N. S.
Rockland, Dec. 27—Arr: Schs Ralph N. Hayward, Bridgewater; N. B. Ayer, Bangor; Edward Stewart, do; John J. Perry, Rockport.

Bangor, Dec. 27—Sch: Sch C. B. Clark, Sag Harbor, New York.
Boston, Dec. 27—Arr: Schs Emma S. Briggs, South Amboy; Eliza Levensaler, Thomaston; Mary A. Hall, Philadelphia for Camden.
Calais, Dec. 27—Arr: Schs Rebecca M. Walls, New York; Charles L. Jeffry, St. George, N. B.
New London, Dec. 27—Arr: Schs W. F. Hutton, Rockland; Alaska, Eastport.
Cape Cod Canal, Dec. 26—Passed east: Schs Mary E. Hall and Francis Goodnow.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

Portland, Dec. 27, 1913.
Portland Approach, Me.
Old Anthony Gas and Whistling Buoy, 22, regulated December 27, having been found not showing proper characteristics.
Kennebec River, Me.
Winslow Rock buoy, HS, 24-class tall nun, reported dragged out of position December 27, will be replaced as soon as practicable.

MARINE NOTES.

THE ADMIRALTY COURT.

In the Admiralty Court at Halifax on Monday Mr. Justice Drysdale continued the cases of the prize steamers Hamburg and Hocking for a week and allowed time to amend the appraisement of the Hamburg.

STEAMER IN TROUBLE.

Sir Tredgar Hall at Portland, Me., is in trouble and there is a strong probability that she will have to proceed to Boston or New York to haul out on the drydock for repairs before taking on the cargo of 240,000 bushels of wheat she is scheduled to load for Avonmouth. The steamer arrived at Portland, Me., Friday last, after a particularly hard passage of 45 days from Algiers via Bermuda, she having touched at the latter port for bunker coal, her supply of which was about exhausted. She had passed through several terrific gales and it is believed that owing to the severe battering received her bottom is damaged.

Medical Examiner Appointed.
At the meeting of the Citizens' Re-vaulting Committee, yesterday afternoon, Captain Tilley submitted his report with reference to the appointment of a medical examiner for recruits and stated that Dr. C. M. Pratt had been provisionally appointed to act in this capacity.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AGAIN SERVE AS A CHECK TO SPECULATION

Market disturbed over Austrian outlook and Political Situation in England—Record-breaking Railway Earnings for November one of encouraging features which partly nullified adverse developments

New York, Dec. 29.—Increased anxiety over the foreign situation, particularly the Austrian outlook, and the acute political conditions in Britain, together with a new low quotation for the Anglo-French bonds, served as a check to speculation today. Trading suffered some curtailment, also, as a result of the storm, which interrupted communication with this centre.

Adverse developments were partly nullified, however, by others of a highly constructive character, such as additional record-breaking November railway earnings, the further strength of exchange on London, heavy buying of equipment by the railways, and the optimistic forecasts of steel trade authorities.

Heaviness prevailed at the opening of the market, followed by spasmodic rallies in which specialties were most conspicuous. United States Steel and leading rails inclined to lower levels, St. Paul proving the most notable exception on its rise of 1 1/2 to 37 1/4.

Prior to the publication of November earnings, disclosing a net increase of \$2,000,000, Canadian Pacific was unresponsive to that road's remarkable exhibit, a net gain of \$3,719,000, but

Erie first and second preferred hardened on announcement of the terms of the new convertible bond issue.

Specialties later pursued an irregular course, General Motors losing 19 at 47 1/2 and Bethlehem Steel 10 at 46 1/2, while war descriptions were one to three points lower. Oil shares were brought forward in the final hour with average gains of 2 to 3 points, but otherwise the list showed little animation. Total sales amounted to 400,000 shares.

The fall in Anglo-French 5's to the new low price of 93 7/8 occasioned much conjecture as to the principal sources of the selling.

Offerings overshadowed all other features of the bond list, one lot of \$788,000 changing hands at 94 1/2 immediately before touching the new minimum. Sales of this issue aggregated \$2,000,000.

Demand bills on London rose to 47 3/4, with steadiness in the Austrian and Russian remittances.

Asin approached lowest rates quoted since the war.

Bonds, as a whole, reflected the heaviness of the Anglo-French issue. Total sales, par value, aggregated \$4,650,000.

Montreal, Dec. 29.—CORN—American No. 2 yellow, 81 to 82.

Flour—Manitoba spring wheat patents, firsts, 6.90; seconds, 6.40; strong bakers, 6.20; winter patents, choice, 6.50; straight rollers, 6.80 to 2.85.

MILLFEED—Bran \$94; shorts, \$25; middlings, \$28 to \$30; mouille, \$31 to \$33.

HAY—No. 2, per ton, car lots, \$19 to \$19.50.

POTATOES—Per bag, car lots, \$1.30 to \$1.35.

Winnipeg Wheat Close
Dec.—115 1/4.
May—118 1/4.
July—118 1/4.

PRODUCE PRICES ON MONTREAL MARKET
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STOCK QUOTATIONS ON N.Y. EXCHANGE

(McDOUGALL & COWANS)			
Am Beet Sug	Open	High	Low
Am Beet Sug	69 1/2	69 1/2	68 1/2
Am Car Ry	77 1/2	78	77 1/2
Am Loco	103	104	103
Am Smelt	103	104	103
Anacosta	129 1/2	129 1/2	129 1/2
Am Tele	107	107 1/2	107
Atchafalpa	107	107 1/2	107
Am Can	59 1/2	60 1/2	59 1/2
Balt and O	94 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2
Beth Steel	460	467 1/2	458
C P I	51 1/2	52 1/2	51 1/2
Ches and Ohio	62 1/2	62 1/2	62 1/2
Chino	53 1/2	53 1/2	53 1/2
Cent Leath	53 1/2	53 1/2	53 1/2
Can Pac	178 1/2	179 1/2	178 1/2
Cruc Steel	72 1/2	73 1/2	72 1/2
Erie Com	42	42 1/2	42
Gr Nor Pfd	125 1/2	125 1/2	125 1/2
Lehigh Val	80 1/2	81 1/2	80 1/2
Min Pac	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2
N Y Cent	108 1/2	109 1/2	108 1/2
Nor Pac	117	117 1/2	117
Penn	50	50 1/2	50
Press Sil Car	63 1/2	63 1/2	63 1/2
Reading Com	81 1/2	82 1/2	81 1/2
Repub Steel	54 1/2	54 1/2	54 1/2
St Paul	95 1/2	95 1/2	95 1/2
Son Pac	102	102 1/2	102
Studebaker	165 1/2	167 1/2	165 1/2
Un Pac Com	138 1/2	138 1/2	138 1/2
U S Steel Com	87 1/2	87 1/2	87 1/2
U S Steel Pfd	116 1/2	116 1/2	116 1/2
U S Rub Com	55	55	55
Westing Elec	69 1/2	69 1/2	69 1/2

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET SALES

(McDOUGALL & COWANS)			
Jan.	High	Low	Close
Jan.	12.10	11.96	11.96
Mar.	12.10	12.22	12.22
May	12.10	12.22	12.22
July	12.10	12.22	12.22
Oct.	12.10	12.22	12.22

JEW AND CHRISTIAN UNITED IN MARRIAGE AT YARMOUTH, N. S.

Yarmouth, Dec. 28.—An event of great interest to the Jewish colony of Yarmouth has just taken place in the marriage of Miss Beatrice Nelson, daughter of J. Nelson, to Leonard L. Shogren of Yarmouth. The civil ceremony was performed by Rev. G. W. Schurman of Zion Baptist church, and the Jewish ceremony by Rabbi W. W. Schurman of Yarmouth. The bride wore a gown of white chamoise silk, trimmed with Irish lace and carried a beautiful bouquet of white roses. She was attended by Miss Fannie Kaplan as maid of honor, who wore a dress of pink silk trimmed with allover lace and carried a bouquet of pink carnations. The groom was supported by Isadore Shans of Halifax. The bride was given away by her parents and the following were Mr. and Mrs. B. Shogren and Mr. and Mrs. A. Nelson. Mrs. Shogren being attired in black chamoise trimmed with golden lace and Mrs. Nelson in white chamoise trimmed with golden lace. About one hundred guests sat down to the supper table, many of them being from Halifax and St. John.

DOUGLASSMAN IS APPRECIATED

Presentation of address to Ernest Hutchison who donated fine Hall for use of Fraternal Societies.

Newcastle, Dec. 29.—Ernest Hutchison, who donated the fine public hall in Douglastown to the Rebekahs, Oddfellows, Freemasons and Foresters of the village, was suitably honored last night at an "Home" given by the members of these four lodges, many of the audience coming from Newcastle and Chatham. A fine programme was carried out with Miss Ruby Hanland accompanist, and refreshments were served.

R. H. Jessiman presided, and addresses were given by the chairman, Rev. Alex. Pirih, J. G. McKnight, Mr. R. B. Crocker and Mr. Simonson, of Millbank. Among the soloists were John Elder, of Millbank; Robert Galloway and C. M. Dickson, of Newcastle, and Andrew Cassie, of Douglastown.

The addresses, which was on specially prepared paper, illuminated in gold, and bearing the emblems of the four orders, endorsed by the Sisters of Chatham Convent, was read by the chairman and, along with a beautiful bouquet for Mrs. Hutchison, was presented by Miss Zella Johnston.

Newcastle, Dec. 29.—Following were installed as officers of No. 27, Wm. Touchie; Chap., Jos. H. Street; R. S. H. A. Taylor; F. S. Wm. H. Coburn; Treas., Joan Williamson; D. of C., Keith Anderson; Senior Committeeman, D. C. Smallwood; Committee, D. McGruar, John Jardine, Daniel McDonald and W. J. McCormick.

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CHICAGO GRAIN AND PRODUCE

(McDOUGALL & COWANS)			
Chicago, Dec. 29.—WHEAT—No. 2	High	Low	Close
red, nominal; No. 3 red, 1.16 1/2; No. 3 hard, 1.30 1/2 to 1.23 1/4; No. 3 hard, 1.16 to 1.18.	1.16 1/2	1.16 1/2	1.16 1/2
CORN—No. 2 yellow, nominal; No. 4 yellow, 68 1/2 to 69 1/2; No. 4 white, 68 1/2 to 69.	68 1/2	68 1/2	68 1/2
OATS—No. 3 white, 43 1/4 to 43; standard, 44 to 45.	43 1/4	43 1/4	43 1/4
RYE—No. 2, 98.	98	98	98
BARLEY—64 to 76.	64	64	64
TIMOTHY—5.50 to 8.25.	5.50	5.50	5.50
CLOVER—10.00 to 19.00.	10.00	10.00	10.00
PORK—16.10; lard, 9.50; ribs, 9.50 to 9.92.	16.10	9.50	9.50

MONTREAL MARKET

(McDOUGALL & COWANS)			
Ames Holden Com	High	Low	Close
Ames Holden Com	20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2
Ames Holden Pfd	70 1/2	70 1/2	70 1/2
Brasilia L. H. and P.	124	124	124
Canada Car Pfd	88	88 1/2	88 1/2
Canada Car Pfd	104	105	105
Canada Cement	38	38	38
Canada Cement Pfd	90 1/2	90 1/2	90 1/2
Can. Cotton	56	56	56
Crown Reserve	87	87	87
Detroit United	70 1/2	71	71
Dom. Bridge	230	233	233
Dom. Canners	31	31	31
Dom. Iron Pfd	95	100	100
Dom. Iron Com	49 1/2	49 1/2	49 1/2
Dom. Tex. Com	74 1/2	75	75
Laurentide Paper Co.	187 1/2	188	188
Lake of Woods	138	138	138
MacDonald Com	10 1/2	11	11
Min. and St. Paul	122	124	124
Mt. L. H. and Power	232	234	234
N. Scotia Steel and C.	101	101 1/2	101 1/2
Ottawa L. and P.	120	120	120
Ogilvie	135	138	138
Pennam's Limited	60	60 1/2	60 1/2
Quebec Railway	15 1/2	15 1/2	15 1/2
Shaw W. and P. Co.	136	137	137
Sher. Williams Com	55	60	60
Spanish River Com	3 1/2	5	5
St. John's Can. Com	48 1/2	49	49
Toronto Ralls	111	111	111
Steele Tobacco	29	29	29
Winnipeg Elect	180	180	180

DELAWARE AND HUDSON CO. CUT A MELON

New York, Dec. 29.—The directors of the Delaware & Hudson Company today declared an annual dividend for 1913 of nine per cent. The disbursement is payable in installments of two and one quarter per cent. on March 20, June 20, Sept. 20 and Dec. 20.

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Dec. 25 Manchester Citizen Jan. 15
Dec. 31 Manchester Shipper Jan. 15
Jan. 7 Manchester Corpora'n Jan. 29
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Tickets on sale December 24 and 25.
Limit..... December 27
Also
December 31, 1915, and January 1, 1916
Limit..... January 3, 1916
FARE AND ONE-THIRD:
Dates of Sale, December 23, 24, 25, 30, 31; January 1, 1916.
Limit..... January 4, 1916
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Going Dec. 31, Jan. 1. Returning Jan. 3, 1916.
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One-Third.
Going Dec. 29, 30, 31, Jan. 1. Returning January 4, 1916.

STEAMSHIPS.

Head Line

St. John to Dublin
SS. Bengore Head.....Dec. 7
SS. Bray Head.....Dec. 29
St. John to Belfast
SS. Inishowen Head.....Dec. 7
St. John to Avonmouth
SS. Ramore Head.....Dec. 15
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Dec. 19 Shenandoah Jan. 15
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CHANGE OF TIME.

Fall and Winter Time Table of the GRAND MANAN S.S. CO.
Grand Manan Route—Season 1915-16
After October 1st, 1915, and until further notice, a steamer of this line will run as follows:
Leave Grand Manan Mondays at 7.30 a. m. for St. John, via Eastport, Campbellville and Wilson's Beach.
Returning leave Turnbull's Wharf St. John, Wednesdays at 7.30 a. m. for Grand Manan, via Wilson's Beach, Campbellville and Eastport.
Leave Grand Manan Thursdays at 3 a. m. for St. Stephen, via Campbellville, Eastport and St. Andrews.
Returning leave St. Stephen Fridays at 7.30 a. m. for Grand Manan, via St. Andrews, Eastport and Campbellville.
Leave Grand Manan Saturdays at 7.30 a. m. for St. Andrews.