COMPULSORY SERVICE FINDS STRONG SUPPORTERS IN CITY AMONG SOLDIERS' PARENTS

Rev. Canon Tucker Think Quebec Might, If Necessary, Be Excluded, But Believes All That Is Needed There Is a Knowledge of Actual Conditions to Bring Recruits.

Registration and compulsory service as a means of raising Canada's full contribution of 500,000 men to the army of the Empire was first advocated at a public meeting in this city several months ago by representatives of the Hamilton Recruiting League. The Recruiting League of the Ambitious City was the one to lead all Canada in the movement last spring to petition the Government to enforce compulsory service. The Hamilton Recruiting League again put itself on record at a meeting held last evening as being opposed to any measure less comprehensive. The present scheme of the Government was termed useless, and it was claimed that the only just measure was registration and selection, followed by conscription.

Crown Attorney S. F. Washington, the first speaker to advocate conscription in London, was responsible for a motion to the effect that conscription outright should be adopted.

Since the first occasion on which the subject of universal military service for Canada was broached in public here, it has again and again been discussed in gatherings large and small.

The probable attitude of Quebec has been a theme for much speculation.

Canon Tucker's Opinion.

Rev. Dr. Tucker, rector of St. Paul's Cathedral, who has just returned home after attending meetings of committees of the General Synod in Montreal, has this to say on the question: "Great Britain did not include Ireland in the compulsory service scheme enforced in the British Isles. It might be possible for Canada to arrange in a similar way in regard to Quebec, owing to the opposition there. Still, I firmly believe, that the people of Quebec are just as courageous as in any part of the Empire. It isn't lack of courage, but a lack of knowledge of conditions which has prevented them from enlisting. The true knowledge of conditions has not been brought home to them.

"There are five reasons in my mind for the attitude of Quebec: First, the isolation of the people from the rest of the world for generations; the fact that the population is largely rural; the lack of effort to bring the real issues before the people; the influence of Bourassa, both through his paper and on the platform, and the quiet opposition of priests.

There has not at any time been a general recruiting campaign such as has been carried on almost continuously since the outbreak of war in Ontario. Though the attitude of the priests has been opposed to recruiting, the higher officials of the Roman Catholic Church in the province, such as Archbishop Bruchesi, have come out strongly urging it to be a duty of supporting the Allies in the fight against the German aggressors.

"The English in Montreal and the other parts of Quebec have, I believe, enlisted as well as in any other part of Canada.

Favors Compulsory Service.

"Personally, I am heartily in accord with the action taken by the Hamilton Recruiting League. I presided at a meeting in the Masonic Temple here some two months ago, called by the head of recruiting for the Government.

"There were two Methodist ministers in uniform who spoke, both named Williams. Both said that neither of the leaders, Sir Robert Borden nor Sir Wilfrid Laurier would stand for compulsory service. I replied that the people of Canada weren't in the pockets of either Sir Robert or Sir Wilfrid. There were representations present from all over the military district, from Sarnia to Brantford, and north to Owen Sound. The voice of one seemed to be the voice of all in favor of registration and compulsory service. Before the close of the meeting, we passed a resolution to the effect that the military district was in favor of registration and universal military service."

Entirely in Favor.

Major Hume Cronyn, when asked by The Advertiser for his views on the subject of compulsory service, said: "I do not as a rule give interviews for publication without thoroughly going into the subject, but I can say offhand I agree with the Hamilton Recruiting League that resources have been pretty well exhausted along the lines adopted for recruiting up to the present time. I am entirely in favor of registration and compulsory service."

Strong for Conscription.

Major T. J. Murphy, who, like Dr. Tucker and Major Hume Cronyn, has a son enlisted for the service of King and country, says emphatically: "I don't know whether the country, as a whole, favors conscription or not, but I can assure you I for one do. Probably there would be objections to this measure in Ontario, even as there would undoubtedly be in Quebec, but the point is this: We have got to win this war. We don't want German rule, and we can't win the war unless we get the men. My boy is leaving for overseas on Saturday. Why should he go to fight for the liberty of others who stay at home in ease and comfort? It is only fair that they should be compelled to go along and do their own part. It is the single men who should go, for the reason that they are less expense to the country. As far as objections to conscription which the country might make are concerned, I believe that firm leadership in the matter is required and that a propoganda along the lines of compulsory service would help the cause."

A Stern Duty.

J. M. McEvoy, whose son, Capt. Max McEvoy, is undergoing treatment in England for deafness resulting from shell shock, spoke with caution at first. "I am afraid," he said, "in the present condition of mind of the country, anything that favored compulsory service would not receive a very graceful acceptance."

Then his voice took on a less legal and warmer tone: "Nevertheless, I think it is the duty of the people who have near relatives and friends in the fight to do all in their power to send others to back them up. I think it is the duty of such people to insist, even to the point of compelling to go all medically fit young men who have failed to see their duty and to do it. It is the only fair way for all to go along to take their chances and not leave it to the best of our boys to sacrifice their lives for the others who stay at home. I feel I should do all I can to send along support for my boy, and I feel sure if the positions were reversed, and I was over there and he at home, he would be doing all in his power in this way for me. I don't see how people with near relatives doing their part can feel otherwise in the matter."

LETTER BRINGS FIRST NEWS OF WOUNDING

Pte. Claude Whitby in French Hospital Injured in Head.

J. W. Whitby of 416 Ridout street received a letter yesterday from his son, Pte. Claude Whitby, stating that he had been wounded in the neck and eye, and was in a hospital in France. His name has neevr apepared in any of the casualty lists and his parents knew nothing of his wounds until the letter was received today.

He was 18 years of age and enlisted with the 70th Battalion and left with that unit on April 21 last.

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WOMEN'S SOCIETIES RESENT STATEMENTS BY 142ND BANDSMAN

Say Battalion Musicians Were Given Benefits.

"The men of London's Own Band who have somehow been overlooked in these criticisms gave many an evening to aid the various churches and patriotic associations and willingly gave their services free, but after leaving the city they find that other bands are paid for similar services. This also tends to raise our estimation of London's patriotism towards their own battalion."

The foregoing paragraph, from a letter by Pte. Charles Wood, a bandsman in the 142nd Battalion, which appeared in The Advertiser of yesterday afternoon, has brought protest from several quarters.

Mrs. W. D. I. Wright, regent of the 7th Regiment Chapter, I. O. D. E., called up The Advertiser this morning:

Generous to Band.

"I was very sorry to see that statement in regard to the band," she said, "I can assure you that our chapter, at least, has had nothing but the best feeling for the 142nd Battalion. I further wish to state that we gave the proceeds of two band concerts to the 142nd Band, the first held in the Armories early last spring and the second at the time the men were home in the fall for the farewell demonstration. In this connection I may say we have never given the proceeds of a concert to any other band which has furnished a program for us, in all other cases the money raised was applied to our chapter funds."

Slow Acknowledgment.

A similar protest has come from the Overseas Chapter, I. O. D. E., of which Mrs. A. H. Galbraith is regent. The Overseas Chapter says: We have arranged two benefit concerts, one for the band of the 142nd Battalion, one for the band of the 135th. In other cases the money raised was used for our soldiers' comfort fund. After the benefit for the band of the 142nd, we forwarded the check to Lieut.-Col. Graham. We waited weeks and received no acknowledgment. Finally we called him up about it. He said he had received it and indorsed it over to someone else, but that he had lost it. We immediately stopped payment at the bank and made out another check. We also had to wait weeks before receiving any acknowledgment for that."

LOCAL C. P. R. MEN NOTIFIED STRIKE IS OFFICIALLY "OFF"

The local committee of the C. P. R. trainmen have received word that the threatened strike of the men on the system has been called off.

Morley Riley, who is in charge of the local organization, being the chairman, received a wire this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, notifying him that a settlement had been arrived at, and that the men were to continue to work.

He at once got busy on the wire, and notified every man that the settlement had been reached.

"I am very glad that this is the case," said Mr. Riley. "It makes it better for all concerned. The men will be notified to continue at work, and I am sure that there will not be the slightest interruption in the service."

In this district, 350 men would have been affected. It is no small job to notify them all, but they will all know this afternoon that there will be no strike.

All arrangements had been made here for the men to go out, in case an agreement had not been made.

ALLEGES HIS CHILD BADLY BURNED IN VICTORIA HOSPITAL

That one leg of his infant child had been so badly burned or scalded that it might have to be amputated while it was at Victoria Hospital was the charge made to The Advertiser by Russell Eyre, 8 Johnston street, today. He is consulting legal opinion as to the course of action he should take.

According to his story, his wife went to Victoria Hospital to be confined last Saturday, and the child was born on Sunday. He went to the Hospital on Monday, and noticing one of the child's limbs bound up, he inqhired the reason, and after some delay, was told that the leg was badly scalded or burned. It was thought that it might have to be amputated.

Mr. Eyre was furious about it, and may take steps to seek some reparation.

CHAPLAIN CARLISLE LEARNED LESSONS FOR AFTER STRUGGLE

Speaks to Rural Deanery at Glanworth.

A feature of special interest in connection with the semi-annual meeting of the East Middlesex Rural Deanery Chapter, held Tuesday in Christ Church, Glanworth, was an address in the afternoon by Rev. Arthur Carlisle, B. A., formerly chaplain of the 18th Battalion, on "My Experiences as a Chaplain and Some Important Lessons It Has Taught Me With Regard to Post-Belium Problems."

Mr. Carlisle spoke first of his surprise on arriving in England to find the great attention given to the men. He had the comforting reassurance for those of his audience who had near and dear ones at the front that the wounded had the benefit of all that science and care could do for them.

Praise for Men.

For the men he had only words of highest praise, "splendid fellows, and never a coward among them." He referred especially to the spirit of unity prevailing among members of various church divisions, "Church of England, Methodist or Roman Catholic, no questions are asked, and they find it possible frequently to worship together in harmony," he said.

The meeting opened at 10:30 o'clock with Holy Communion, celebrated by the rector, Rev. Oliver Thorne, M. A., the Woman's Auxiliary Association of the deanery, which also met at Glanworth yesterday, joining in the service which followed. Mr. Ward, who is a returned missionary from China, told of the life of a missionary in China, and how the missionary money is used which is raised by the M. S. C. C.

Following the address the delegates to the W. A. meeting adjourned to the rectory to transact business, the Deanery Association proceeding with its program. Rev. Canon Craig presided in the absence of Rural Dean Appleyard, who is on duty as an overseas chaplain.

Prompt Remittance.

In connection with a discussion regarding apportionments and duplex envelopes, the importance was emphasized of prompt remittance from the various parishes. A motion of Principal Waller was unanimously carried to the effect that the parishes be urged to send, through the deanery chapter to the synod treasurer, their apportionments to the Missionary Society early in the year, and at least monthly, as the funds permit.

The chief feature of the forenoon session of the Woman's Auxiliary Association of the deanery was an address by Mrs. Waller, Huron College, who urged the importance of assisting the Northwest missionaries with the education of their children. She reminded that the missionaries are usually located in isolated places, where even good public schools are not within reach. The education of the children of the missionary must suffer under the circumstances, unless some financial aid in this direction is given.

"How," she asked, "can a missionary getting $400 or $500 a year be expected to send his children away for proper educational facilities?" The assisting in the educating of the children of missionaries is a work voluntarily taken up by the Woman's Auxiliary, and extensive aid in this direction is given by the Huron diocesan branch.

Mrs. J. W. Beverly presented a most gratifying financial statement.

The Joint Luncheon.

A pleasant social feature of a most enjoyable day was the joint luncheon served by the ladies of the Glanworth church in the rectory, for the delegates to the deanery meeting and W. A. gathering.

Following this, a general meeting was held, when, in addition to Mr. Carlisle's address, Rev. Precentor Tucker, M. A., D. C. L., gave an illuminating talk on social service, its history, and the various avenues where such ministry is now required. Rev. Canon Gunne, M. A., spoke in an interesting manner of Sunday school inspectors and their work, and an instructive paper was given by Rev. Oliver Thorne on "The Oxford Movement," which originated in 1833.

Rev. A. L. Beverly resigned from the position of secretary of the diocese, and Rev. A. A. Bice was appointed to succeed him.

SETTLEMENT MADE OF CASE CLAIM BY G. T. R. COMPANY

Widow of Fire Captain Accepts Offer Understood To Be $10,000.

The Grand Trunk Railway has settled the claim of Mrs. John Case, widow of Capt. John Case, who was killed as the result of an accident at the Ridout street crossing of the Grand Trunk on June 19.

The action was for $20,000 and it is understood that the railway company agreed to pay $10,000.

An offer of $6,500 made some days ago was refused.

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.

[Reported by Thomson & McKinnon.]

Chicago, Oct. 25.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—				
Dec.	$1 81½	$1 86	$1 74¾	$1 80¾
May	1 81	1 85	1 79¾	1 80½
July	1 45	1 49¼	1 44¼	1 46½
Corn—				
Dec.	89¾	92	87⅞	87⅞
May	90⅞	92¾	89⅝	89⅞
July	90	83⅝	89½	89⅞
Oats—				
Dec.	55	56	54	54
May	58½	59¾	57½	57½

WINNIPEG GRAIN MARKET.

[Reported by Thomson & McKinnon.]

Winnipeg, Oct. 25.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—				
Oct.	$1 86	$1 87⅝	$1 82¾	$1 82⅞
Dec.	1 87	1 82¼	1 77½	1 77⅛
May	1 82⅞	1 74¼	1 80	1 80
Oats—				
Oct.	59½	61⅝	59⅜	59¾
Dec.	62	62½	60	60⅛
May	1 82⅞	64⅛	62	62⅛
Flax—				
Oct.	.....	.....	.....	2 53½
Dec.	.....	.....	.....	2 51½

MINNEAPOLIS GRAIN MARKET.

[Reported by Thomson & McKinnon.]

Minneapolis, Oct. 25.—Wheat—Close—December, $1 93¾; May, $1 90¼.

KANSAS CITY GRAIN MARKET.

[Reported by Thomson & McKinnon.]

Kansas City, Oct. 25.—Wheat—Close—December, $1 79; May, $1 79½.

CHICAGO PROVISION MARKET.

[Reported by Thomson & McKinnon.]

Chicago, Oct. 25.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Por—				
Oct.	$.....	$.....	$.....	$29 00
Dec.	.....	.....	.....	22 80
Lard—				
Oct.	16 10	16 20	15 97	15 90
Dec.	16 00	16 12	15 75	15 80
Ribs—				
Oct.	.....	.....	.....	14 00
Dec.	.....	.....	.....	14 60

LIKES CAMP LIFE. — Rev. Capt. Appelyard R.D., who was franted leave of absence from St. Mathew's Church to accept a chaplaincy to training camps in England, has been stationed at Shorncliffe for some time. He writes enthusiastically of the camp life which he finds most interesting, and of the men which, he declares, are splendid as a whole. He is very happy in his work and the one drawback is that he is so far from home. He frequently meets Londoners at Shorncliffe.

Price of Staples Here and Elsewhere

Article.	London	Toronto.	Detroit.	New York
Butter	$0.40 to $0.43	$0.38 to $0.41	$0.30 to 0.34½	$0.35 to $0.37½
Eggs	0.42 to 0.42	0.40 to 0.45	0.30 to 0.33	0.39 to 0.40
Flour	9.00 to 9.00	9.00 to 9.70	8.50 to 9.00	8.20 to 9.55
Potatoes, bag.	1.80 to 2.00	1.55 to 1.75	1.87 to 2.00	.....
Chickens	0.45 to 0.70	0.42 to 0.80	.....	0.60 to 0.90
Hogs, dressed	14.50 to 15.00	11.50 to 16.50	.....	.....
Beef	9.00 to 11.50	11.50 to 12.50	.....	.....

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

OFFERING SMALL, WITH PRICES REMAINING FIRM

Demand Is Good for Apples, Which Bring Up to $1 a Bushel.

Little was offered at the local market this morning. Scarcely any straw was brought in, and $8.50 to $9.25 a ton was offered for it. Hay brought $12 to $13.50 a ton. Oats were firm at $1.90 to $2 for old, and $1.65 to $1.80 a cwt. for new. New wheat sold for $1.55 a bushel, and old for $1.45.

Potatoes maintained their jump, but went no higher, selling for $1.20 to $1.35 a bushel, and $1.70 to $1.90 a bag. Tomatoes are practically off the market. New cabbage are selling for 60c to $1.50 a dozen. Dry onions are bringing $2.50 a bushel, and carrots 90c a bushel. Celery is being sold for 30c to 50c a dozen.

There is a good demand for apples, and they are selling for 75c to $1 a bushel. Pears are selling for $1 to $1.25 a bushel. Few peaches are being offered, and it is expected that there will be none for sale by the end of the week.

Dairy prices are firm with little prospect of a drop. Creamery butter brings 43c a pound retail, dairy butter in rolls 40c apound, and dairy butter in crocks 39c a pound. Eggs are firm at 42c a dozen.

Wholesalers are offering 13c a pound for young chickens, and 10c to 12c a pound for old fowl. They offer 11c to 12c for ducks, liveweight. Pairs of chickens retail for 90c to $1.40 and ducks for 75c to $1.

Live hogs were firm today, selling for $10.60 a cwt. Fat sows sold for $7.70 to $7.75. Dressed hogs brought $14.50 to $15 a cwt. Practically all wool has been marketed at 30c to 40c a pound. Cow hides, No. 1, sold for 17c a pound, and lambskins for $1 to $1.25.

GRAIN.

Winnipeg, Oct. 24.—Wheat closed 2c higher for October, 2⅜c higher for November, 1⅞c higher for December, and 2½c up for May. Oats were 1¼c higher for October, 1⅜c higher for December, and 1¼c better for May. Barley gained 2¼c in October, and 1¾c in December. Flax dropped 2¼c in October, and 2c in November, and ⅛c in December.

There was a very broad and active market today, with a fair volume of trading, mostly speculative. Heavy liquidation in the morning, which was half profit-taking and short selling, caused a break, but the unexpected strength of the southern markets stopped Winnipeg prices from breaking. There were reports of rain in the Argentine, which encouraged the sellers, but these were later denied. This denial and the southern strength, which was caused by the British Government buying one million bushels, made the shorts begin to cover. The speculative interest, which had been waiting for such a break, rushed in buying wheat. Wheat closed around the high points. The cash demand was very poor. There were 300,000 bushels delivered, which is big for the first delivery.

Oats, flax and barley were all in good demand.

Chicago, Oct. 25.—Alarming reports that owing to greatly increased damage from drought, the estimated Argentine exportable surplus had shrunk to a sensational extent, brought about a rapid advance today in the wheat market here. Upturns in price were much facilitated by word that yesterday's export sales in the United States were larger than at first announced, and that foreigners were today continuing to purchase freely. In the speculative pit there seemed to be no limit to the way offerings were being absorbd. Selling was only by profit-takers.

Opening prices, which ranged from ⅞@2⅞ up, with December at $1 80@1 81⅛, and May at $1 79¾@1 81, were followed by a rise respectively to $1 84 and $1 83¾.

Liverpool, Oct. 25.—Wheat—Spot, No. 1 Manitoba, 15s 11d; No. 2, 15s 9½d; No. 3, 15s 6d; No. 1 northern (Duluth), 15s 4d.

Corn—Spot steady: American mixed, new, 11s 3½d.

FLOUR.

Liverpool, Oct. 25.—Flour—Winter patents, 47s.

HOPS.

Liverpool, Oct. 25.—Hops (in London)—Pacific coast, £4 15@5 15s.

PROVISIONS.

Liverpool, Oct. 25.—Hams—Short cut, 105s.

Bacon—Cumberland cut, 96s; clear bellies, 98s; long clear middles, light, 102s; do, heavy, 100s; short clear backs, 94s; shoulders, square, 87s.

Lard—Prime western, in tierces, new, 89s 6d; do, old, 90s 6d; American refined, in pails, nominal; do, boxes, 90s 3d.

DAIRY.

Liverpool, Oct. 25.—Cheese—Canadian finest white, new, 112s; do, colored, new, 114s.

Liverpool, Oct. 25.—Tallow—Australian (in London), 47s 6d.

Turpentine Spirits—41s.

Rosin—Common, 19s 9d.

Petroleum—Refined, 1s 1¼d.

Linseed Oil—44s 6d.

Cottonseed Oil (Hull refined)—Spot, 43s.

LIVE STOCK.

Chicago, Oct. 25.—Cattle—Receipts, 26,000; market easy; beeves, native, $6 60@1 50; western steers, $6, 15@9 50; stockers and feeders, $4 65@7 75; cows and heifers, $3 35@9 45; calves, $7@1 60.

Hogs—Receipts, 41,000; market slow and unchanged; light, $9 75@10 40; mixed, $9 80@10 45; heavy, $9 80@10 45; rough, $9 80@9 95; pigs, $7 50@9 60; bulk of sales at $10@10 40.

Sheep—Receipts, 30,000; market weak; wethers, $7@8 20; lambs, native, $8 20@10 45.

Toronto, Oct. 25.—Prices held steady at the Union stockyards today. Receipts, 1,283 cattle, 185 calves, 2,628 hogs and 302 sheep.

Cattle—Exporters, choice, per cwt. $8@8 50; butchers, choice, $7 25@7 75; do, medium, $6 50@7; do, common, $5 40@5 65; do, cows, choice, $5 35@7; do, medium, $5 35@6 25; do, canners, $3 50@4 25; do, bulls, $5@7 52½; feeding steers, $6@6 75; stockers, choice, $6@6 75; do, light, $4 50@5 25; milkers, choice, each, $50@115; springers, each, $50@115; calves, $5@11 25.

Sheep—Ewes, cwt, $7 50@8 25; bucks and culls, $5@6; lambs, $1@11 25.

East Buffalo, N.Y., Oct. 25.—Cattle—Receipts, 250 head; steady.

Veals—Receipts, 350 head; steady, at $4 50@11.

Hogs—Receipts, 2,500 head; active; heavy, $10 50@10 60; mixed, $10 40@10 50; yorkers, $10 25@10 40; light yorkers, $9 50@10; pigs, $9 60@9 75; roughs, $9 50@9 60.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 1,200; active; yearlings, $5 50@9; wethers, $7 75@8; ewes, $3@7 50; mixed sheep, $7 50@7 75.

MONEY.

New York, Oct. 25.—Bar silver, 67⅝c per ounce.

London, Oct. 25.—Bar silver, 32⅛d per ounce.

Money, 5 per cent.

Discount rates—Short bills and three months, 5½@5⅝ per cent.

WALL STREET.

New York, Oct. 25—Wall Street, 10:30 a.m.—The irregular tendency of the preceding session was again manifested, though in more moderate degree, at today's opening, various specialties, including Hide and Leather common and preferred, International Paper, Republic Iron, Utah Copper and Colorado Fuel, receding from fractions to almost 2 points. This was more than offset, however, by very substantial advances in Industrial Alcohol, American Writing Paper preferred, the Sugars, California Petroleum, Marine preferred, and other leading stocks. Rock Island and Denver and Rio Grande preferred featured rails on advances of 2 or more points.

Noon.—Professional pressure was soon overcome, virtually all losses beeing retrieved to the accompaniment of various new records. These included American Beet and Cuban Cane Sugars, American Writing Paper preferred and Consolidated Gas of Baltimore, while Alcohol gained almost 10 points, with 9 for Bethlehem Steel. United States Steel was firm with shipping issues and motors. Hide and Leather preferred, however, showed increasing weakness, and some high-priced specialties reacted moderately with metals. Before noon realizing effaced or materially reduced most gains of the first hour the only marked exceptions being Westinghouse, General Electric and Sears-Roebuck, at 2 to 4 points advance. Bonds were irregular.

1:30 p.m.—Rock Island and other minor rails were the features of the early afternoon, all at substantial gains. General Motors made the new high record of 850, but other representative issues were subject to considerable fluctuations.

TORONTO STOCK EXCHANGE.

[By Edward Cronyn & Co.]

Toronto, Oct. 25.

	Ask.	Bid.		Ask.	Bid.
Am Cy..	35	30	Russell..	83½	82½
do pfd.	61	58	do pfd.	106	105
Ames, c.	25½	24½	Sh Wh't.	..	122
do pfd.	66	64½	Spanish.	20½	19¾
Barcel..	12½	12	do pfd.	61	59¾
Brazilian	53	52⅞	St'l Can.	64½	64¼
Bell Tel.	150	148	do pfd.	..	91½
Burt. c.	81	79	T Paper.	..	70
C Bread	19¾	19½	Tor Ry.	89¼	88
do pfd.	90	87	Tucketts	28	23½
C Car..	40	38	Tw City	97	96
do pfd.	70	69	Banks—		
Cement.	70½	69⅞	Com'rce	186	..
do pfd.	..	94	Dom	..	213
C Fdry.	198	..	Hamil'n.	..	190
C S L..	34½	34	Imperial	201	198
do pfd.	89¾	89½	Merch ..	173	..
CG Elec.	122	120¼	Mont ..	220	..
C P R..	176	175	Ottawa	202	..
C Salt..	..	125	Royal ..	211	..
C Smelt	137	136	Standard	..	220
Con Gas.	165	..	Toronto	196	..
Cr Nest..	74	72	Union ..	..	124
Canners.	25	..	Loans, etc.—		
D Steel..	68¼	68	C Land.	162¼	160
Dom Tel ..	..	87	C Perm.	173	..
Duluth..	44	..	H Prov.	..	140
L* Rose.	40	38	H & E..	215	210
Mackay.	86¾	86½	L Bank.	..	145
do pfd.	67	66½	L & Can ..	..	134
M Leaf.	115	114½	T Trust.	..	210
do pfd.	96¾	96	T Mort.	..	132
Monarch ..	..	55	Bonds—		
do pfd.	82	80	C Bread	95½	95
Nipis'g.	860	820	C Loco..	93	..
NSSteel	140	139⅛	Elec Dev	..	88¼
P Burt..	25	23	Mex Elec	30	..
do pfd.	80	77	M L & P	45	35
Penm's.	74	73	Penm's.	..	84½
do pfd.	..	85	P Rico..	87½	86
Petrol.	1160	1100	P of Ont	..	85
P Rico..	95	90	Quebec..	69	67
Quebec..	35	34	Rio, 1st.	..	86
Rogers..	89½	85½	Spanish..	85	77
do pfd.	92¼	90	St'l Can.	..	96¼
			War Ln.	99	98⅞

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE.

London, Oct. 25.—The stock market was cheered slightly by the Verdun news today, and quotations hardened in several instances, but business fails to expand pending the clearing of the Balkan situation. Rumanian stocks were weak and Brazilian tractions at American securities relapsed into dullness after yesterday's activity, and closed idle. Low-priced shares were steady exceptions.

Money was in fair supply and discount rates were quiet. Treasury bills still appear to be the most popular of the short term issues, and last week £3,000,000 were sold, against £13,000,000 of exchesuer bonds.

Closing prices were:

Consols, for money	56½
War Loan, 4½ per cent.	95¾
Atchison, com.	112¾
Baltimore & Ohio	92⅝
Canadian Pacific	183⅜
Chesapeake & Ohio	72¾
Chicago Great Western	14⅛
Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul	99½
De Beers	12½
Denver & Rio Grande	19¾
Erie, com.	41
Erie, 1st pfd.	55¾
Grand Trunk	10¾
Illinois Central	111⅛
Louisville & Nashville	143⅜
Missouri, Kansas & Texas	9¼
New York Central	73⅝
Norfolk & Western	130
Pennsylvania Railway	60¾
Rand Mines	3⅞
Union Pacific	160
United States Steel	125¼

TORONTO MINING EXCHANGE.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Toronto, Oct. 25.—Morning mining sales: Apex, 100 at 9 cash, 1,000 at 8¾; Davidson, 500 at 50½; Dome Extension, 500 at 31¾; Dome Lac, 1,000 at 53½, 1,000 at 58½, 12,500 at 58, 130 at 60 cash; Foley, 100 at 70; Hollinger Consolidated, 50 at 680; Imperial, 2,000 at 3⅞, 100 at 4¼ cash, 500 at 4, 1,000 at 3¾; Jupiter, 300 at 29, 1,000 at 27; McIntyre, 1,000 at 161, 1,700 at 158, 700 at 157, 4,800 at 160; McIntyre Extension, 500 at 44½; New Ray, 1,000 at 79, 153 at 77; Porcupine Crown, 100 at 73, 100 at 74, 700 at 75; Preston, 200 at 4½; West Dome Consolidated, 200 at 34¾, 500 at 34½, 2,500 at 34, 2,000 at 33¾, 3,500 at 34¼; Adanac, 500 at 31½, 500 at 32; Beaver, 50 at 39; Chambers, 200 at 19; Gifford, 2,000 at 4; McIntyre, 500 at 62, 500 at 61, 700 at 60½; Nipissing, 100 at 825; Ophir, 1,000 at 9½; Peterson, 500 at 20¼; Seneca, 200 at 9, 1,000 at 10; Temiskaming, 3,200 at 61½, 3,000 at 61, 500 at 60½; Tough Oaks, 100 at 27; Vacuum Gas, 1,000 at 62, 2,800 at 63, 500 at 63½, 300 at 64½, 500 at 64.

CANADIAN BANK STATEMENT.

Ottawa, Oct. 25.—Canadian bank returns for September, issued today, show the following comparisons with the preceding month and the month of September of last year:

	Sept., 1916.	August, 1916.	Sept., 1915.
Reserve fund	$113,022,935	$113,022,933	$113,051,008
Note circulation	135,285,031	122,606,083	105,798,612
Demand deposits	454,148,049	443,317,275	359,315,280
Notice deposits	816,374,171	806,774,687	693,339,851
Deposits outside Canada	149,744,981	140,789,100	128,271,771
Current coin	65,026,146	65,962,079	62,056,691
Dominion Notes	134,433,652	137,913,307	129,818,906
Deposits, central gold reserve	25,010,000	20,860,000	7,750,000
Call loans in Canada	88,145,851	85,351,216	71,578,886
Call loans outside	173,877,586	171,390,353	135,108,412
Current loans in Canada	752,545,756	739,938,513	771,085,757
Current loans outside	69,949,215	66,556,171	49,147,877
Total liabilities	1,647,776,748	1,596,526,473	1,369,362,811
Total assets	1,793,604,732	1,810,895,799	1,616,241,728

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NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE.

Thomson & McKinnon, 16 Dominion Savings Building, report fluctuations in New York stocks for The Advertiser as follows:

New York, Oct. 25.

Trunk Lines and Grangers—	Open.	High.	Low.	1:30.
Baltimore & Ohio.	88⅝	..	..	..
Erie, com.	38¾	38¾	38⅝	38⅝
Erie, 1st pfd.	53¼	53⅝	53¼	53⅜
Great Western	40¼	40⅞	40¼	40⅞
Illinois Central	108½	..	..	..
N. Y. Central	108⅛	108¼	108⅛	108⅛
Rock Island	22½	33⅛	22½	32¾
St. Paul	95¼	..	..	..
Wabash, com.	15⅜	..	..	..
Pacifics and Southerns—				
Atchison, com.	107½	107¾	107¼	107¾
Canadian Pacific	175⅞	176	175⅝	176
Col. Southern	27½	..	..	..
Missouri Pacific	27¾	..	..	..
Northern Pacific	112⅜	112⅜	112	112
Southern Pacific	101⅝	101⅝	101⅛	101⅛
Southern Railway	29	29	28⅝	28⅝
Union Pacific	152⅝	152⅝	152	152
Coalers—				
Ches. & Ohio	69½	69½	68¾	68¾
Lehigh Valley	84⅝	84⅝	84	84
Norfolk & West.	142½	142½	142¼	142¼
Ontario & West.	27½	..	..	..
Pennsylvania	58	..	..	..
Reading Railway	109¾	110	109⅛	110
Traction Shares—				
Interboro, com.	17⅜	17⅜	17¼	17¼
Interboro, pfd.	74⅛	..	..	..
Third Avenue	53	..	..	..
Industrials—				
Allis-Chalmers	25¼	26⅝	25¼	26¼
Am. Beet Sugar	108¼	104	108¼	105⅞
American Can	62⅞	62⅞	62⅝	62⅝
American Car	68⅛	68¾	68¼	68¼
Am. Locomotive	81½	82	81½	81¾
American Sugar	124⅝	125¼	123½	123⅞
Am. Smelters	111	111¼	110⅝	110⅝
Am. Tel. & Tel.	133⅛	133⅛	133	13
American Wool	53	53	52¾	52¾
Baldwin Loco.	84¾	85	84¾	84¾
Central Leather	94⅞	94⅞	93¼	93½
Corn Products	17¾	17¾	17¼	17¼
Col. Fuel & Iron	54½	54½	54¼	54⅜
Distillers	46	47	46	46
General Electric	183½	185⅜	183¼	184⅜
Goodrich Rubber	74¼	74½	73⅝	73¾
G. Northern Ore	43¾	..	..	..
Inter. Nickel	50½	50¾	50¼	50⅜
Maxwell Motors	89¼	89¼	89¼	89⅛
Marine, com.	39¾	40⅝	39¾	40⅜
Marine, pfd.	115¼	115¾	114¾	115⅛
People's Gas	25½	..	..	..
Studebaker	134½	134½	133¼	133¼