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ANOTHER BREAK IN VALUES

New York Stocks Suffered Severely on Thursday and Had Little Support.

CAPERS IN LAKE SUPERIOR

Price Drops 50 Per Cent.—Market Quotations, Notes and Gossip.

World Office,
Thursday Evening, Dec. 11.

The effect of further weakness at New York was plainly apparent in local stocks to-day, and prices weakened thru out the list. Lake Superior was the prominent weak feature, and, on pressure at Philadelphia, the price of this stock dropped easily from 18½ to 10½. C. P. R. broke thru 125 and closed only a fraction higher. Twin City was better supported to-day, and did not get below 114. Sao Paulo lost 3 points, and Toronto Railway, 2. The day's transactions indicate the trend better than any description. It was reported to-day that some other banks had followed the lead of the Nova Scotia, and raised the call rate to 7 per cent. Local brokers are advising purchases only when the scrip can be taken up.

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The weakness in other markets was equally apparent at Montreal to-day, and reductions from Wednesday were made almost thruout the list.

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At Boston, to-day, Dominion Coal closed 12⅝ bid, 127½ asked, and Dominion Steel, 54⅝ bid, and 54¾ asked. At Philadelphia, Superior closing quotations were 9 to 9¼.

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Since Friday, the banks have lost $4,146,000 to the Sub-Treasury.

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Summary: Hocking Valley earnings show about 7 per cent. on common after preferred dividend. Shortage of coke continues to hamper U. S. Steel operations. Denials of proposed retirement of Hocking Valley, preferred, considered merely technical. Stocks plentiful in the loan crowd, with only a moderate professional short interest indicated.

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Joseph: Traders are bearish and fear the monetary outlook. Marginites are nervous, and are apprehensive lest the big men take alarm at the situation, and this feeling naturally chilled bullish enthusiasm. Stocks are cheap, if one can protect them against raids. Holders of Steel, Eries, Atchison, Pacifics should average on dips, but also take advantage of 1 to 2 points rallies to let go.

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Pittsburg—There was a stir in industrial circles yesterday when it was discovered that, instead of going to the big plants of the United States Steel Co. there, the inspection party went on up the Monongahela River to Donora, the home of the Union Steel Co., the greatest rival of the U. S. Steel Co.

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Philadelphia—The demoralized condition of the C. L. S. securities is attracting considerable attention. There has been very heavy liquidation on both common and preferred. There is no explanation for the movement. The stock had not the least support. Decline seems to have uncovered a lot of stop orders and weak marginal holdings. The general market stood the attack well.

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Messrs. Parker & Co., Victoria-street, received the following cable in reference to the meeting of the Marconi Wireless Telegraph, Limited, which was held in London yesterday: "Marconi meeting passed off very quietly; things remain as they were."

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The Canada Northwest Land Company's sales continue to show large increases. For November, sales were 28,198.80 acres, of a value of $171,328.25, an increase over a year ago of 16,665.90 acres and $109,887.33. From Jan. 1 to Nov. 30, 1902, sales were 490,516.99 acres, value $2,373,947.51, an increase of 303,025.48 acres, and $1,846,194.88.

Railway Earnings.

Texas Pacific, first week Dec., $216,541; decline, $36,878.

Mo. Pacific, first week, Dec., $645,000; increase, $3000.

Hocking Valley, first week Dec., $105,321; increase $1300.

C. P. R., first week Dec., $875,000; increase, $116,000.

G. T. R., same time, $611,233; increase, $64,247.

Mexican Central, first week Dec., increase $39,382.

Local Bank Clearings.

The clearings of Toronto banks for the week, with the usual comparisons, were:

Year ago	$15,572,573
Two years ago	11,730,170
This week	16,229,095
Last week	16,152,571

Bank of England Statement.

London, Dec. 11.—The weekly statement of the Bank of England shows the following changes:

Total reserve, decreased	£374,000
Circulation, decreased	247,000
Bullion, decreased	622,118
Government securities, decr'd.	1,500,000
Other securities, decreased	1,445,000
Other deposits, decreased	1,708,000
Public deposits, decreased	1,628,000
Notes reserve, decreased	384,000

The proportion of the Bank of England's reserve to liability this week is 44.53 per cent., as compared with 42.34 per cent. last week. Rate of discount unchanged, at 4 per cent.

On Wall Street.

J. G. Beatty, 21 Melinda-street, received the following from McIntyre & Marshall this evening:

The heavy liquidation which began yesterday afternoon was continued thruout most of the session, and prices suffered severely. Notwithstanding the fact that all sorts of rumors were afloat in different quarters, there was no announcement of any special case, nor do indications point to more than the ordinary stress caused by the hardening money rates and the calling of several large loans, the liquidation of which to-day was the main cause of most of the disturbance. As usual at such times, the buying to-day was infinitely better than the selling, and, while liquidation may not have run its course, it seems sure that, as far as the average commission house is concerned, that most of the weak holdings have been disposed of, tho, from other quarters, that is to say, from the larger trading interests, there has been apparently no important selling, and we, therefore, think the worst is over. There was talk during the day of possible complications arising from Venezuelan matter, but we see nothing in this to cause apprehension, and do not look to see another strain put on the situation than it has already endured, and while the loss in reserve to the Sub-Treasury reported on Friday will probably equal five millions, this is told, and will cause no further discussion. There has undoubtedly been a moderate short interest established, and some issues even now show the effect of an effort to support the market.

Foreign Exchange.

Messrs. Glazebrook & Becher, exchange brokers, Traders' Bank Building (Tel. 1068), to-day report closing exchange rates as follows:

	Between Banks Buyers	Sellers	Counter
N.Y. Funds	3-64 dis	1-64 dis	1-8 to 1-4
Mont'l Funds	10c dis	par	1-8 to 1-4
60 days sight	8 3-4	8 25-32	9 1-16 to 9 3-16
Demand Sig	9 17-32	9 19-32	9 7-8 to 10
Cable Trans.	9 21-32	9 23-32	10 to 10 1-8

—Rates in New York—

	Posted.	Actual.
Sterling, demand	4.88	4.87¼ to ....
Sterling, 60 days	4.84½	4.83⅞ to ....

Price of Silver.

Bar silver in London, 22¼d per ounce.
Bar silver in New York, 47⅝c per ounce.
Mexican dollars, 37¼c.

Money Markets.

The Bank of England discount rate is 4 per cent. Money, 3¼ to 3¾ per cent. The rate of discount in the open market for short bills, 3⅞ to 3 15-16 per cent., and for 3 months' bills, 3¾ per cent. Local money 6 per cent. Call money at New York, 6 to 10 per cent. Last loan, 9 per cent.

Toronto Stocks.

	Dec. 10 Last Quo. Ask.	Bid.	Dec. 11 Last Quo. Ask.	B.d.
Montreal, xd	...	...	...	...
Ontario, xd	130	...	130	...
Toronto, xd	255	...	255	...
Merchants', xd	...	...	...	...
Commerce, xd	162	161	...	160½
Imperial, xd	...	227	238	236
Dominion, xd	245½	244	244½	242
Hamilton, xd	...	...	...	...
Standard	...	245	...	250
Nova Scotia	...	260	...	260
Ottawa, xd	225	...	225	218
Traders' xd	...	125	...	125
British America	...	97	...	97
West. Assurance	100	97	100	97½
Imperial Life	...	150	...	150
National Trust	...	139	...	138
Tor. Gen. Tr.	...	...	...	168
Con. Gas, xd	...	212	...	212
Ont. & Qu'Appelle	...	80	...	80
Can. N.W.L. pr.	...	99	...	99
do., com.	...	195	...	195
Canada Life	...	...	...	...
C. P. R. stock	126⅝	126⅜	125½	125¼
Tor. Elec. Lt.	157½	155	...	154½
do. pref.	...	...	...	...
do. new	...	...	...	...
Can. Gen. Elec.	202	200	202	198¼
London Elec.	105	...	105	...
Com. Cable	178	...	178	173½
Dom. Tel.	118	...	118	118½
Bell Telephone	...	...	...	...
Richelieu Nav.	100	94	100	...
Niagara Nav.	...	126	127	124½
Northern Nav.	142	141	141	139½
St. Law. Nav.	...	...	...	...
Toronto Ry.	114	113	113	112½
Toledo Railway	...	...	...	...
London St. Ry.	...	...	...	...
Twin City, xd	115	114½	115	114⅛
Winnipeg St. Ry.	...	165	...	163
Sao Paulo	93	91	90	87
Luxfer-Prism, pr.	...	...	...	...
Carter-Crume, pr.	105	103¾	105	103½
Dunlop Tire, pr.	107	106	107	105¾
W. A. Rogers pr.	105	103½	105	103½
B. C. Packers (A)	100	98½	100	98½
do. (B)	100	98	100	98
Dom. Steel, com.	55¾	55½	54½	54⅛
do. pref.	...	...	...	...
do., bonds	...	89¼	...	...
Dom. Coal, com.	129	128	128	126½
N. S. Steel, com.	...	100⅝	...	98½
do. pref.	...	...	...	...
do., bonds	...	111	110¼	...
Lake Sup., com.	20¾	19¼	11	9½
Can. Salt	...	123	...	123
War Eagle	...	15	...	...
Republic	...	...	...	...
Payne Mining	...	...	...	...
Cariboo (McK.)	...	...	...	...
Virtue	...	...	...	...
North Star	...	...	...	...
Cons. N. C., ex-al.	300	...	...	...
Dom. Coal pr.	...	...	...	...
British Canadian	...	70	...	70
Canada Landed	...	108	...	108
Canada Per.	...	122	...	122
Can. S. & L.	...	121	...	121
Cent. Can. Loan	...	136	...	136
Dom. S. & I.	...	70	...	70
Ham. Provident	...	121	...	121
Huron & Erie	...	182	...	182
do. new	...	...	...	...
Imperial L. & I.	...	...	...	...
Landed B. & L.	...	121½	...	121½
Lon. & Can.	100	...	80	70
Manitoba Loan	...	70	...	70
Toronto Mort.	...	85	...	85
London Loan	...	113	...	115
Ont. L. & Deb.	...	123	...	123
People's Loan	...	...	...	...
Real Estate	...	...	...	...
Toronto S. & L.	...	127	...	127

Morning sales: Commerce, 20 at 160½; Imperial, 14 at 237; Dominion, 50 at 245, 30 at 244; Can. Gen. Elec., 10 at 200; Toronto Railway, 25 at 113⅝, 30 at 114; Twin City, 25 at 114½, 200 at 114, 25 at 114⅛, 10 at 114½, 50 at 114¼, 125 at 114; C. P. R., 110 at 126¼, 225 at 126⅛, 125 at 126, 25 at 125¾, 100 at 126⅛, 75 at 126¼, 100 at 126⅜; Cons. new, 100 at 125¾, 25 at 126, 60 at 125¾, 25 at 126⅛, 25 at 126; Sao Paulo, 25 at 91, 65 at 90, 60 at 89; Dominion Steel, 250 at 55, 25 at 54¾, 25 at 54⅝; do., pref., 40 at 95, 10 at 94⅝, 100 at 94¾; Coal, pref., 14 at 119; N. S. Steel, 5 at 101, 28 at 100½; Superior, 50 at 18½, 50 at 17½, 25 at 16½, 50 at 15½, 50 at 15⅝; Can. Perm., 100 at 122½, 100 at 122; Real Estate, 6 at 80.

Afternoon sales: Ontario Bank, 10 at 132; Imperial, 3 at 237; Dominion, 10 at 242; Niagara, 10 at 126; Northern, 20 at 141; Toronto Railway, 25 at 113, 25 at 113⅛, 25 at 113½; Twin City, 112 at 114, 25 at 114⅜; Sao Paulo, 10 at 89, 25 at 87¾; C. P. R., 25 at 125, 75 at 124¾, 25 at 125¾, 100 at 125⅝; Dunlop, 25 at 106; Dominion Steel, 25 at 54½, 75 at 54¼; N. S. Steel, 50 at 100; Superior, 50 at 13½, 50 at 14, 25 at 12, 25 at 11¼, 5 at 11, 25 at 10½; Dominion Steel bonds, $4000 at 89, $7000 at 88½.

Montreal Stocks.

Montreal, Dec. 11.—Closing quotations today

	Asked.	Bid.
C. P. R.	125¼	125⅛
Toledo Railway	30½	30
Toronto Railway	113	112¾
Montreal Railway	275	274
Detroit Railway	82½	82
Halifax Railway	105	100
Winnipeg Railway	...	...
Twin City	114	113
Dominion Steel	55	54½
do., preferred	93	92½
Richelieu	96	94
Cable	176	174
Bell Telephone	170	160
Montreal Light, H. & P.	89	88
Nova Scotia Steel	103½	100
Montreal Telegraph	170	164
Ogilvie, preferred	...	...
Dominion Coal	128	126
Laurentide Pulp	100	...
R. C. Packers (A)	...	...
Montreal Cotton	128	122
Dominion Cotton	...	50
Colored Cotton	...	52
Merchants' Cotton	...	65
Bank of Toronto	260	...
Union Bank	...	...
Merchants' Bank	...	...
Commerce	...	...
Hochelaga	138	...
Dominion Steel Bonds	89½	88½
Ogilvie bonds	113	112
Montreal Railway bonds	107	105
Molsons Bank	...	...
Montreal Bank	275	255
Northwest Land	...	...
do., preferred	...	...
Imperial	...	...
Bank of Nova Scotia	...	...
Quebec	...	...
War Eagle	...	...
Ontario	...	...
Lake of the Woods	...	...

Morning sales: C. P. R., 100 at 126¼, 125 at 126, 150 at 125⅞, 125 at 125, 50 at 125¼, 25 at 125½, 200 at 125⅝, 26 at 125⅞, 75 at 125½; Dominion Cotton, 75 at 51½; Toledo Railway, 50 at 30; Coal, 125 at 128, 25 at 127½, 100 at 127; Cable, 40 at 174; Dominion Steel, 215 at 55¼, 25 at 55, 20 at 55⅛, 10 at 55½, 110 at 54¾, 25 at 55½, 25 at 55¼, 35 at 55, 25 at 54¾, 75 at 54⅝, 100 at 54⅝, 50 at 55; N. S. Steel, 50 at 101; Toronto Railway, 50 at 113; Dominion Steel preferred, 275 at 94, 5 at 94⅜, 10 at 94½; Toledo Railway, 50 at 54½, 75 at 54¼, 200 at 54; Twin City, 110 at 114; Toronto Railway rights, 40 at 1.30, 505 at 1.25; Montreal Power, 100 at 88, 25 at 87¾, 25 at 87⅝, 50 at 88, 50 at 88¼, 125 at 88½; Dominion Steel bonds, $1000 at 89¾, $2000 at 89½, $12,000 at 89; Bank of Commerce, 3 at 160; Merchants' Bank, 2 at 160½, 10 at 160¾.

Afternoon sales: C. P. R., 500 at 125, 25 at 125⅝, 100 at 125¼, 275 at 125¼; new, 50 at 125; Coal, 15 at 128, 25, 25 at 127; Halifax 1 at 105; Toledo Railway, 25 at 30, 25 at 30¼, 125 at 30; Dominion Steel, 150 at 54, 10 at 55, 100 at 53¾, 175 at 54, 25 at 54¼, 25 at 54¾, 25 at 54⅝; N. S. Steel, 5 at 100¼, 20 at 100½; Twin City, 25 at 114; Dominion Steel preferred, 50 at 94, 25 at 93½; Toronto Railway, 50 at 113; Montreal Railway, 100 at 274; Detroit Railway, 25 at 82, 2 at 84¾, 150 at 81, 50 at 81¾, 5 at 83, 50 at 81¾, 25 at 82, 25 at 82¼; Montreal Power, 100 at 87¼, 175 at 88, 50 at 88½, 65 at 88; Merchants' Bank, 6 at 160.

New York Stocks.

A. J. Wright & Co., Canada Life Building, report the following fluctuations in New York stocks to-day:

	Opening.	High.	Low.	Close.
Trunk Lines and Grangers—				
Balt. & Ohio	95¾	96⅛	93	94⅛
do. pref.	...	...	...	...
Can. Southern	75	75⅛	75	75¼
C. C. C.	95	95	93¾	93⅝
Chi. & Alton	32¼	32¼	30½	31
Chi. Gt. Western	24	24	23	23¼
Duluth S.S. & A.	16	16	15¼	15½
Erie	32¼	32⅜	30¼	30½
do. 1st pref.	63	63	61¼	61⅞
do. 2nd pref.	44⅝	44⅝	42	43
Great Northern, pf.	187¾	188	187	187
Ill. Central	143	143	139½	140
Iowa Central	37	37	35½	36¾
Northern Pacific	218	218	215	216
N. Y. Central	150⅝	151¼	149½	149½
Rock Island	38⅛	38⅛	35½	36⅝
Soult Ste. Marie	73	73	70	70⅝
do., pref.	121	121	120	120
St. Paul	169⅝	169⅝	167½	168½
Wabash, pref.	40¼	40⅝	39⅞	39¾
do., B bonds	72⅝	72⅝	71	71⅛
Wis. Central	24½	24½	23⅝	24
Pacifics and Southerns—				
Atchison	80⅝	81	79	79⅝
do., pref.	97⅛	97⅛	96⅝	97⅝
do., adj.	90	...	...	...
Can. Pacific	126¼	126⅜	124½	125⅛
Col. & Southern	28¼	29½	26¼	26⅞
Denver, 2nd pref.	43½	43½	42	42
do., pref.	89	89½	88½	88½
Kan. & Texas	23⅝	24⅛	22⅞	23½
do., pref.	53½	53½	51⅝	51⅝
Louis & Nash.	122½	122⅞	120	120⅞
Mex. Central	21⅝	21⅝	21	21
Miss. Pacific	103½	103⅞	101	101⅝
Mex. National	15	15⅛	14⅝	14⅝
San Francisco	70¼	70¼	67	67¼
do., 2nd pref	69½	69½	67¾	69
Southern Pacific	60½	60⅝	57¾	59
Southern Railway	31⅛	31⅛	29¼	29⅝
do., pref.	91¼	91¼	91	91
St. L. & SW., pf.	60	60	58	58½
Texas Pacific	39⅝	39⅝	38	38½
Union Pacific	97½	97¾	95	96
do., pref.	91	91	90	90
do., 4s	104⅝	104⅞	103½	104
Coalers—				
Ches. & Ohio	44½	45⅛	43	44
Col. F. & I.	81	81½	79½	80½
Del. & Hudson	155¼	155½	154	154
Del. & Lack.	245	...	...	...
Rocking Valley	98⅞	99¼	95	97⅝
do., pref.	96	96¼	95½	95⅝
Norfolk & West.	68½	68¾	67⅞	68¼
Ont. & West.	28	28	27	27¼
Penn. Central	153¾	153⅝	151½	151⅞
Reading	56⅛	56¾	54½	55½
do., 1st pref	84	...	...	...
do., 2nd pref	73¼	73¼	72	72⅝
Tenn. C. & I.	54½	54⅞	53	53
Industrials, Tractions, etc.—				
Amal. Copper	55¼	55⅝	54	55⅛
Anaconda	86	86	82½	82½
Am. C. O.	44½	44½	40	40½
Am. Sugar Trust	118⅝	119¼	117⅝	119¼
Brook. R. T.	61⅝	62⅛	60⅝	61⅛
Car Foundry	34	34	33½	33½
Con. Gas	208⅝	209⅝	205	205
Gen. Electric	174	175	173½	174
Int. Paper	17¼	...	...	...
Lead	25¼	25¼	24⅞	24⅞
Leather	12	12	11½	11½
do., pref.	88⅝	88¾	87½	88¼
Locomotive	27	27	25½	26⅝
Manhattan	147	147	143½	144
Met. Traction	137½	137½	135¼	136¾
Pac. Mail	38½	38½	38¼	38¼
People's Gas	100⅛	100⅛	99¼	99
Republic Steel	18½	18½	18¼	18½
do., pref.	77	77½	75⅞	76
Rubber	16	16	15½	15½
Twin City	114½	...	...	...
U. S. Steel	34	34⅛	31⅝	32¼
do., pref.	82¼	82¼	80	80⅝
Western Union	87½	87½	87	87¼
Sloss	55⅛	55½	55⅛	55⅛

Sales at noon, 530,500; total sales, 1,125,600.

London Stocks.

	Dec. 10 Last Quo.	Dec. 11. Last Quo.
Consols account	92 13-16	92 13-16
Consols, money	92 9-16	92 9-16
Atchison	84⅛	82⅞
do., preferred	101	100¼
Baltimore & Ohio	100⅞	97¼
Anaconda	4½	4⅝
Chesapeake & Ohio	47¼	45⅞
St. Paul	177	174½
D. R. G.	41	39¼
do., preferred	92½	91½
Chicago Great Western	26⅝	24⅝
C. P. R.	131½	129¼
Erie	34¼	33
do., 1st preferred	66⅝	64½
do., 2nd pref.	49½	46
Illinois Central	147	146
Louisville & Nashville	128⅝	126
Kansas & Texas	25⅝	24⅝
New York Central	157⅝	154½
Norfolk & Western	73⅝	70¼
do., preferred	94	94⅝
Pennsylvania	80	78½
Ontario & Western	29⅝	28⅝
Southern Pacific	63¾	62⅝
Southern Railway	32⅝	31½
do., preferred	94½	94
Union Pacific	101⅞	100¼
do., pref.	94	93¼
United States Steel	37⅝	35⅝
do., preferred	85⅝	84½
Wabash	29½	27
do., preferred	43½	41½
Reading	30¼	28⅞
do., 1st pref.	43½	43¼
do., 2nd pref.	39¼	38

Standard Stock & Mining Exchange

	Dec. 10. Ask.	Bid.	Dec. 11. Ask.	Bid.
Brandon & G. C.	...	...	...	...
Black Tail	9	7½	9½	7½
Can. G. F. S.	4	3	4	3
Cariboo (McK.)	18½	16½	18	16
Cariboo Hyd.	75	...	75	...
Centre Star	38	35	38	35
California	...	...	...	...
Deer Trail	...	...	...	...
Dom. Con.	3½	2¾	3½	2½
Fairview Corp	4½	3½	4½	3½
Golden Star	...	...	...	...
Granby	5	3	5	3
Granby Smelter	300	320	375	320
Iron Mask	9	...	9	...
Lone Pine	5	3	5½	4
Morning Glory	3	...	3	...
Morrison (as.)	3	...	3	...
Mountain Lion	17	12	18	12
North Star	12½	9	12½	10
Olive	...	...	...	...
Payne	12	10	12	10
Rambler Cariboo	35	20	35	20
Republic	8	6	8	6
Sullivan	6	3	6	3
Eugene	25	...	22	15
Virtue	8	6	8	5
War Eagle Con.	18½	18	19½	17
White Bear	2½	...	2½	...
Winnipeg	4	...	4	...
Wonderful	4	...	4	...
C. P. R.	128½	128¼	125¾	125¼
Duluth com.	...	...	...	...
do., pref.	...	...	...	...
Soo Ry. com.	74½	73¾	71	70
do., pref.	123	121	...	...
Lake Sup., com.	21	20	15¼	14½
Toronto Railway	114¾	114	114¼	114
Twin City	115⅞	115½	114¼	114
Crows' Nest Coal	500	...	500	...
Dom. Coal, com.	129¼	128¾	...	...
Dom. I. & S., com.	56½	55	55	54
do., pref.	96	94	94½	94
N. S. Steel, com.	103	101¼	102	101
do., pref.	...	...	...	...
Rich. & Ont.	96	94½	...	...
Tor. Elec. Light	204	201½	201	200
Can. Gen. Elec.	...	...	...	...

Sales: North Star, 1000 at 11, 1000 at 11; C. P. R., 50 at 125½, 50 at 125½; War Eagle, 1000 at 19, 500 at 19.

New York Cotton.

New York, Dec. 11.—Cotton futures opened firm: December, 8.30; January, 8.30; February, 8.32; March, 8.35; April, 8.25; May, 8.27; July, 8.30; August, 8.14; September, 7.85.

New York, Dec. 11.—Cotton futures closed firm: December, 8.35; January, 8.33; February, 8.23; March, 8.31; April, 8.31; May, 8.32; June, 8.32; July, 8.35; August, 8.10; September, 7.87; October, 7.87.

New York, Dec. 11.—Cotton—Spot closed steady: 5 points higher; middling uplands, 8.55; middling Gulf, 8.80; sales, 800 bales.

Price of Oil.

Pittsburg, Dec. 11.—Oil opened and closed at 1.48.

W. R. Grundy & Co.

New York promoters of Canadian industrials, companies organized, charters procured, capital furnished. Toronto office, 39 Scott-street. Telephone Main 4307. Night Main 084.

Bill for $1,000,000.

Washington, Dec. 11.—In the house to-day Mr. Wadsworth (New York) reported from the Committee on Agriculture a bill to appropriate $1,000,000 to eradicate the foot and mouth disease in New England.

Christmas Shipments.

The Canadian and Dominion Express Companies request that in order to avoid delay and confusion, prospective shippers will make their shipments early, to insure delivery before Christmas.

In Nature's Storehouse There are Cures.—Medical experiments have shown conclusively that there are medicinal virtues in even ordinary plants growing up around us, which give them a value that cannot be estimated. It is held by some that Nature provides a cure for every disease which neglect and ignorance have visited upon man. However this may be, it is well known that Parmelee's Vegetable Pills, distilled from roots and herbs, are a sovereign remedy in curing all disorders of the digestion.

Boy Died From Exposure.

Auburn, N.Y., Dec. 11.—Willie Hinger, a five-year-old boy who mysteriously disappeared last Sunday, was found to-day lying on the porch of a house in the eastern suburbs, dead from exposure.

Heavy Storm in Crimea.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 11.—A heavy storm has caused losses thruout the Crimea. Electric lighting plants, telegraph and telephone wires at Odessa and Sebastopol were crippled.

There can be a difference of opinion on most subjects, but there is only one opinion as to the reliability of Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator. It is safe, sure and effectual.

GRAIN MARKETS ARE FIRM

Conditions Reported Bullish for American Cereals and Prices Closed Steady.

LIVERPOOL CABLES ARE EASIER

Local Grain Markets More Active—General Markets and Comment.

World Office,
Thursday Evening, Dec. 11.

Liverpool wheat futures closed ¼d lower to-day than on Wednesday, and corn futures ¼d lower to ⅛d higher.

At Chicago May wheat closed ⅜c above Wednesday; May corn ⅛c higher and May oats ⅜c higher.

The United States government crop report makes winter wheat condition 90.7 per cent., compared with 86.7 in 1901, and 97.1 in 1900, and an average for nine years of 91.4 per cent.

Price Current: Wheat is maintaining its high condition. There is little apprehension from present weather conditions. Movement is moderate. Corn is slowly improving in marketable condition. Packing of hogs for the week 595,000, against 775,000 a year ago.

George H. Phillips, Chicago, wires J. L. Mitchell & Co.: Commission houses buying, the feature in wheat to-day, local trade selling. I look for at least 2 cents up before 2 down from here.

London—Close—Wheat, on passage, buyers indifferent operators. Parcels No. 1 Nor. Manitoba, Dec., 29s 6d; Jan., 29s 7½d. Maize, on passage, less offering.

Paris—Close—Wheat, tone quiet; Dec. 21f 20c; May and Aug., 21f 65c. Flour, tone quiet; Dec., 28f 85c; May and Aug., 28f 65c.

Antwerp—Wheat—Spot, firm; 2 R. W., 15¾f.

GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

Flour—Ogilvie's Hungarian, $4.20; Ogilvie's Glenora Patent, $3.90; Ogilvie's Royal Bakers', $3.80; car lots, bags included, delivered on track, Toronto and equal points. Manitoba bran, sacked, $18 per ton; shorts, sacked, $20 per ton.

Wheat—Millers are offering 68c to 68½c for red and white, outside; goose, 64c; Manitoba, No. 1 hard, 83c for old, grinding in transit; No. 1 Northern, 81½c.

Barley—No. 3 extra sold at 45c to 46c, north and west, and No. 3 at 42c to 43c.

Oats—New oats are quoted at 30c west and 31c east, and 33c at Toronto.

Peas—Sold for milling purposes at 73c west.

Rye—Quoted at about 50c, middle.

Corn—Canadian, 68c for old and 55c for new, on track at Toronto.

Bran—City mills sell bran at $14.50, and shorts at $16.50, car lots, f.o.b., Toronto, in bags.

Oatmeal—At $4 in bags, and $4.10 in barrels, car lots, on track, Toronto; local lots, 25c higher.

Toronto Sugar Market.

St. Lawrence sugars are quoted as follows: Granulated, 83.88, and No. 1 yellow, $3.23. These prices are for delivery here; car lots, 5c less.

ST. LAWRENCE MARKET.

Receipts of farm produce were 2500 bushels of grain, 25 loads of hay, one load of straw, with a limited number of dressed hogs.

Wheat—Seven hundred bushels sold as follows: White, 200 bushels at 70c to 70½c; red, 200 bushels at 70c; goose, at 64½c to 65½c.

Barley—Six hundred bushels sold at 41c to 47c.

Oats—One thousand bushels sold at 34c to 35c.

Rye—One hundred bushels sold at 51c.

Hay—Twenty more loads sold at $13 to $16 per ton for timothy, and $6 to $10 for clover.

Straw—One load sold at $11 per ton.

Dressed Hogs—Deliveries lighter, prices unchanged at $7.25 to $8 per cwt., the bulk going at $7.50 to $7.75 per cwt.

George Puddy bought 80 dressed hogs at $7.50 to $8.

Grain—

Wheat, red, bush	$0 70	$0 70½
Wheat, white, bush	0 70	....
Wheat, spring, bush	0 68	0 69
Wheat, goose, bush	0 64½	0 65½
Beans, bush	1 30	1 50
Peas, bush	0 76	....
Rye, bush	0 51	....
Barley, bush	0 41	0 47
Oats, bush	0 34	0 35
Buckwheat, bush	0 55½	....

Seeds—

Alsike, choice, No. 1	$6 60	7 00
Alsike, good No. 2	6 00	6 40
Timothy seed	1 20	1 80
Red clover	6 00	6 60

Hay and Straw—

Hay, per ton	$13 00	to $16 00
Clover, per ton	6 00	10 00
Straw, loose, per ton	5 00	....
Straw, sheaf	10 00	....

Fruits and Vegetables—

Apples, per bbl	$0 75	to $1 25
Apples, winter, bbl	1 50	2 00
Potatoes, per bag	0 90	1 00
Cabbage, per doz	0 25	0 30
Onions, per bush	0 75	....
Cauliflower, per doz	0 50	1 00
Turnips, per bag	0 25	0 35

Dairy Produce—

Butter, lb. rolls	$0 18	to $0 22
Eggs, new-laid, doz	0 35	0 40

Poultry—

Chickens, per pair	$0 50	to $1 00
Spring ducks, per pair	0 60	1 00
Ducks, per pair	0 75	1 25
Turkeys, per lb	0 10½	0 12
Geese, per lb	0 07½	0 08½

Fresh Meats—

Beef, forequarters, cwt	$5 00	to $6 00
Beef, hindquarters, cwt	6 50	7 50
Mutton, carcase, per lb	0 05