Financial and Commercial.

BANK STATEMENTS

Have a Favorable Effect Upon the Stock Market.

(Saturday's Boston Transcript.)

As usual at this season of the year interest of stock market traders centred in the New York bank statement. Awaiting its publication the market was comparatively quiet; on the issuance of the figures it advanced and closed strong, with specialties well up and the general list firm. An unfavorable exhibit was looked for, this is the season when reserves diminish, when the demands of spring trade call funds from New York to the interior. Yet loss in cash holdings on the week's compilation of averages was well under a million, and as deposits came down by twelve millions, the surplus reserve increased over two millions. Barring last year, surplus is the highest at the beginning of April since 1899. Two years ago, following the collapse of the last great stock market boom, due largely to monetary firmness, the New York banks were loaning fifteen millions in excess of deposits and cash reserves were down with but two millions surplus. Today the banks are loaning $195,000,000 more, but they hold $250,000,000 more in deposits and $69,000,000 more in lawful money reserve, surplus being four times as great.

Since last September and October, when the high records were reached respectively, deposits have fallen by $86,000,000, loans by $47,000,000; in the first three months of 1905 deposits have fallen by $25,000,000; loans remain at practically the same total. That measures movements in the first quarter, or since influence of semi-annual disbursements of Jan. 1 was felt. An active stock market in most of the quarter accounts for the change; of late there has been liquidation and loans have contracted substantially. Reserves reached their high record last August, at $361,000,000; fell to $289,000,000 at the beginning of January reached $315,000,000, three weeks later, and now stand at $293,000,000; surplus, which was $58,600,000 last August, now is $8,600,000. These comparisons reflect the activity in the stock market in the last seven months, the period of great buoyancy, of heavy investment, of iron and general trade uplist, of expending bank clearings, increasing railway traffic and of industrial activity throughout the country.

Now we stand on the threshold of a new quarter, with questions yet to be settled of the effect of active trade on loan rates, of Government treasury needs and their effect on the same, of smaller foreign trade balances, of international finance, of subscriptions for foreign and home securities, of crop uncertainties and of public disposition to follow Wall Street and to take interest in a market averaging more than $25 higher than a year ago and only $2 under the year's highest level, $1 only under the climax of the 1902 "boom." Doubtless money will be easier for a time, now that the quarterly payments are out of the way and much of the money will return to the banks, favorably affecting reserves another week, probably. Indeed, the banks today doubtless are in better position than indicated by the statement, for the latter was compiled on rising averages. Four percent on call near the end of March contrasts with 2 percent at the beginning of the quarter; this week the rate has softened in tendency and may be quoted at 3½@¾.

Will it soften further or hold thereabouts, permitting pools further to advance specialties? That seems to be the opinion of many, and despite high level of prices and the much-talked-of "public" indisposition to trade, the outlook is for continued breadth and buoyancy this spring. The money question will remain prominent; Government revenue and financial operations will be watched closely; so will railroad earnings, recent exhibits of which show exceedingly high operating cost and market tendency to fall off in net income from February last year. But general trade reports give little encouragement to bearishness. The country's mercantile activity is great, bank clearings tell the story of great prosperity—52 percent this week over last year. Even allowing for New York's influence, by reason of speculative activity contrasted with dulness a year ago, the cities outside of New York report 16 percent increase in bank clearings this week, and that means general industry's gain. The stock market buoyancy rests on the country and its business.

MONTREAL REPORT.

(Montreal Witness, Monday.)

Wall Street opened strong and active this morning with a continuance of the recent large demand for the industrials. London was a moderate buyer on higher prices, and altogether the market presented a bullish tendency. Locally, there was an exceedingly active and strong market with Canadian Pacific again in the foreground. Montreal Street and Twin City improved several points. The former opening strong at 224 on the sale of 110 shares, the market was not solid at this price, however, but fluctuated from 223½ to 224, under a fair amount of business. Twin City was the most buoyant stock of the season, opening at 118¼, there was quickly an advance to 120, and later to 120¼. The volume of business was heavy and the average price about 119¾. Canadian Pacific was strong at 148½ to 149½, just a fraction less than the highest price on record. The stock closed at 149½, and the trading of the morning amounted to over 1,000 shares. Sao Paulo improved about 9 points since the last sale at 129¼ to 130. Toronto Railway is steady and active at 109½. There was little change in Montreal Power. Dominion Coal dropped 2 points during the morning. The market was generally strong with a decidedly bullish feeling, and operators expect higher prices on the local market, if no untoward event should happen for the next few days.

CURB TRADING.

On Monday trading on the curb was commenced for the first time in Montreal and the younger members of the exchange lost no time in taking advantage of the sun-bath while carrying on the business of buying and selling those stocks which have not been listed and which are not "negotiable" on the floor of the exchange. Quite an active business was carried on during the short intervals of curb trading. The curb market will be held daily at 10.30 to 11, and 12 to 12.30 in the mornings and in the afternoons at 2.30 to 3. The following securities will be handled on the curb:

Electrical Development Company, on Ontario, stocks and bonds.

Havana Electric Railway Company common and preferred stock and bonds.

Lake of the Woods Milling Company, common stock.

Mexican Light and Power Company stock and bonds.

Rio de Janeiro Tramway Light and Power Company, stock and bonds.

BULLISH ON C. P. R.

The weekly financial review in The New York Tribune continues very bullish on C. P. R. Last week the writer pointed out that the U. S. exports to China in February were valued at $28,000,000 against $8,000,000 a year ago, and adds —"No parade is ever made of what is proceeding and proposed in the Canadian Pacific's interest; but in this one matter of catering for the Orient's trade there are extraordinary plans afoot." The statement is made that "the railroad owns 2,500,000 acres in the Island of Vancouver, land heavily timbered and underlaid with coal, copper and iron—this Vancouver Island acquisition having notable part to play in the vast Oriental transportation plans which in due season Canadian Pacific is to disclose. . . . There are calculators who estimate that Canadian Pacific's agricultural and mineral land ownership alone will reach far toward $200,000,000. The company's total outstanding capital stock is $102,000,000." C. P. R. that paper states, is still absorbing the issue

RAILWAY OPERATION.

February Earnings Make Unfavorable Comparison---High Percentage of Expenses and Decreased Net.

As railroad earnings reports for February continue to come in numerous losses in net in contrast with last year are shown. The St. Paul reports $32,341 decrease in net, only 4 percent. but still a decrease. The Southern Railway February net decrease $249,416 or 25 percent. The Big Four $49,042 or 20 percent. Illinois Central fell off $298,953 in net, or 30 percent; Rock Island $601,320, St. Louis & San Francisco $466,799, Chicago & Alton $91,396. Per contra, Union Pacific gained $93,677, or about six percent, and Southern Pacific $109,292, or nine percent, but the rule is for decreases and large ones. The Wall Street Journal gives aggregate figures for 52 roads, showing:

February.	1905.	Compared with 1904	Per Ct.
Gross..	$45,601,862	Dec. $979,855	2.10
Expenses	35,405,084	Inc. 92,412	0.26
Net	$10,196,778	Dec. $1,072,267	9.51
July 1 to Feb. 28—			
Gross	$443,208,807	Inc. $14,424,919	3.36
Expenses	290,142,023	Inc. 5,558,612	1.90
Net	$146,066,784	Inc. $8,866,303	6.46

February operating cost of the 52 roads was 77½ percent of gross, a remarkably high percentage, but comparing with 76 percent in the month last year. February cost in American railroading. For January 101 roads were operated for 74 percent of gross against 76 percent in January, 1904. For eight months the 52 roads were operated for 67 percent, against 68 percent last year; the 101 roads show for seven months to Jan. 31 this year 66 percent of gross was required for expenses, against 67½ percent last year. High cost of operating is very much of a feature in current railroad business. In February less than one-quarter of gross earnings counted as net for payment of interest, rentals and dividends.

For the first half of the current year the roads kept expenses down to last year's level; January showed 4.4 percent increase and February but one-quarter of one percent increase, though a 6 percent increase in aggregate gross earnings in January is followed by over 2 percent decrease in February gross. Thus the fiscal year to date shows only about 3 percent better in gross and 6½ percent gain in net, with a 9½ percent loss in February net suggesting doubt as to the full year's showing. The roads are paying liberally from their increased earnings as the result of higher wages, higher cost of supplies, free purchases of equipment, etc.

NEW YORK STOCK QUOTATIONS.

Chicago Market Report and New York Cotton Markey, furnished by D. C. Clinch Banker and Broker.

April 5th.	Yesterday. Close.	Today. Open.	Noon.
Amalg Copper	81¾	81½	81¼
Anaconda	119¾		
Am Sugar Rfrs	142¼	142	143¼
Am Smelt & Rfg	104⅛	104⅛	107⅜
Am Car Doundry	40	40⅛	40
Atchison	87⅜	87⅜	87¾
Atchison pfd	102⅜	102⅛	102¼
Am Locomotive	50⅛	50⅛	50
Brook Rpd Trst	67⅛	68⅛	68⅛
Balt & Ohio	108⅛	107⅞	108
Chesa & Ohio	58⅛	58⅛	58⅛
Canadian Pacific	149	149	150⅜
Chicago & Alton	41		
Chi & G. West	23⅛	23⅛	23½
Colo F. & Iron	56⅛	56⅞	55⅞
Con. Gas	205¼		
Colorado Southern	28⅞	28⅞	28¾
Gen. Electric Co	187½	187½	187½
Erie	46⅛	46⅛	46⅜
Erie 1st pfd	81⅛	81⅛	81⅜
Erie 2nd pfd	69⅝	69⅝	69⅜
Illinois Central	160⅛		159½
Kansas & Texas	31¼		
Louis & Nashville	142¼	142¼	142½
Manhattan	166⅝		
Met Street Ry	123	123	123¼
Mexican Central	25¼	24⅞	24¼
Missouri Pacific	106½		106⅜
Nor & Western	84⅞	84⅞	84⅞
N. Y. Central	161⅜	161½	161½
Ont. & Western	61⅞	62	61⅝
Pacific Mail			44½
Peo. C. & Gas. Co	114	113	113½
Reading	93⅞	94	94⅝
Pennsylvania	143	142⅞	142⅝
St. Paul	176	175½	175¼
Rock Island	35⅛	34⅞	35⅛
Southern Ry	35	34⅞	35⅛
Southern Pacific	67⅛	66⅞	67⅛
Twin City		120	119½
Tenn C. & Iron	103⅞	103	104½
Texas Pacific	38⅝	38½	38½
U. S. Leather	14	14	14
Union Pacific	131⅛	130	131
U. S. Rubber			42⅞
U. S. Steel	36⅞	36⅞	36⅝
U. S. Steel pfd	98⅛	98⅜	98⅜
Wabash	23		
Wabash pfd	46⅝	46⅝	46½
Western Union	93⅛		92⅝

CHICAGO MARKET REPORT.

May Corn	47¼	47¼	47⅜
May Wheat	114	114½	114
May Prok	12.80	12.85	12.85
July Corn	47¼	47¼	47¼
July Wheat	87⅞	87⅞	87½
July Pork	12.98	13.20	13.20
Sept. Wheat	83⅛	82⅞	82¾

MONTREAL QUOTATIONS.

Dom Coal	84	83¾	83¼
Dom Iron & Steel	23¾	23½	23½
Dom I. & S., pfd	71½		71¼
Nova Scotia Steel	66⅞	66⅞	66½
C. P. R.	149	149¾	150
Twin City	120¼	121	118⅞
Montreal Power	92½	92¾	92
Rich. & Ont. Navigation	74½	74½	74½

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET.

May	771	775	775
July	758	764	764
October	772	775	776

WALL STREET.

New York, April 5.—There was some irregularity in the opening dealings in the stock market today but the gains were amongst the specialties and the principal stocks were lower. Three were running sales of 18,000 shares of Union Pacific at 130 and 130½ compared with 131½ last night. Peoples' Gas declined ½ St. Paul a point and Tennessee Coal and Minneapolis, St. Paul and S. S. Marie large fractions. Federal Mining rose 1½ and Steel foundries pfd a point.

COTTON MARKET.

New York, April 5.—Cotton futures opened steady with the advance. April 753 bid; May 774; June, 761; July 763; August 765; Sept. offered 770; Oct. 776; Nov. offered 780; Dec. offered 785, Jan. 780.

THE JEWS AND TEDDY.

London, April 5.—Speaking at a Zionist banquet in London last night, Israel Zangwill declared that in the whole history of the world, the Jews never had a better friend than President Roosevelt. Referring to Great Britain's offer of territory in East Africa, he said it was doubtful whether a settlement five hundred miles from the sea offered sufficient basis for a prosperous Jewish colony.

SYDNEY CARNIVAL.

Sydney, N. S., April 5.—(Special)—The date of the Sydney carnival was fixed today at the 31st of July, continuing until Saturday, August 5th. The programme will include aquatic and athletic sports, horse racing, regattas, naval, military and trades parades, illuminations, etc.

Tom—"Teacher, I've run a splinter under my fingernail."

Teacher—"Let me see. I wouldn't worry I don't think it will grow into a tree, although there is soil enough there."

THE WORLD OF SHIPPING.

MINIATURE ALMANAC.

1905. April	Sun. Rises.	Sets.	Tides. High.	Low.
3 Mon	6.01	6.55	11.05	5.05
4 Tues	5.59	6.56	11.41	5.41
5 Wed.	5.57	6.57	12.00	6.14
6 Thurs	5.55	6.59	0.30	6.45
7 Fri	5.53	7.00	1.03	7.17
8 Sat	5.51	7.02	1.30	7.52

In Atlantic Standard Time, counted from midnight to midnight.

PORT OF ST. JOHN.

Arrived.

Coastwise:

Schr Free Trade, 73, White, St Martins
Schr Venus, 42, Thurber, Freeport.
Schr Emily, 59, Morris, Advocate.
Schr Curlew, 63, Denton, Yarmouth, N. S.

Cleared.

Schr Cora May, 117, Barton, for City Island Stetson, Cutler & Co., 173,647 feet deals.

Schr Brooklyn, 247, Innes, for Bear River N. B., J. A. Likely, ballast.

Schr Fred and Norman, 31, Cheney, for Lubec, Me., J. R. Warner & Co., shooks.

Schr Eric, 119, Gale, for City Island, for orders, Stetson, Cutler & Co., deals.

Schr Greta, 146, Buck, for City Island for orders, N. H. Murchie deals and plank.

Schr Ida May, 119, Gale, for New York A. Cushing & Co., plank and scantling.

Coastwise:

Schr Dolphin, Sabean, St. Martins.
Schr Beulah Benton, Guthrie, Sandy Cove.
Barge No. 1, Nickerson, Parrsboro.
Schr Lulu Price, Seeley, Apple River.
Schr Curlew, Denton, fishing.
Schr Packet, Chute, Bridgetown.
Schr Citizen, Woodworth, Bear River.

Sailed.

Stmr St. Croix, 1064, Thompson from Boston via Halifax, W. G. Lee, pass and mdse.

Stmr Louisburg, 1182, Gould, for Louisburg.

DOMINION PORTS.

HALIFAX, N. S., Auril 4.—Ard stmr. Pomeranian, from Glasgow, and sa led for New York.

Sailed, stmr Salacia, Mitchell for Glasgow via Liverpool.

HALIFAX, N. S., April 4.—Ard stmr. Mercator, from Jamaica.

BRITISH PORTS.

GLASGOW, April 3.—Ard stmrs Ethiopia, from New York; 4th, Hungarian, from Portland.

MANCHESTER, April 3.—Ard stmrs. Caledonian from Boston.

FOREIGN PORTS.

BOOTHBAY HARBOR, Me., April 4.—Ard schr C. J. Colwell, Springer, from St. John.

CITY ISLAND, April 4.—Bound south, schrs Lois V. Chaples, from St John, N. B.; Annie A. Booth, from do; Three Sisters from do.

FREDERICKSTAD, March 31—Sld bark Emil Stang for Miramichi.

OMEATH, April 2—Sld bark Strathisla, for Miramichi.

NEW LONDON, Conn., April 4.— Ard. schr Pardon G. Thomson from St John for Bridgeport.

BOSTON, April 4.—Ard stmrs Moltkenfels, from Calcutta, and Colombo, Devonian from Liverpool.

PHILADELPHIA, April 4.—Ard stmr. Manchester Corporation, from Manchester via St. John, N. B.

PORTLAND, Me., April 4.—Ard schrs. Childe Harold, from Boston for Walton, N. S., to go on railway.

VINEYARD HAVEN, Mass. April 4. —Ard schr I N Parker, from St John for City Island.

Sld, schrs Morris and Cliff from Rockport, Me., for Fall River, W. H. Waters from St John NB., for New York.

HAVRE, April, 3.—Ard stmr La Gascogne, from New York.

NEW YORK, April 4.—Ard bark Ethel, from Charleston; schrs Margaret G. from Manzanillo; Gracie D. Buchanan, from Brunswick; Harry L. Fenner, from South Amboy for Providence; Lizzie D. Small, from South Amboy, for Rockland, Clifford I. White, from Port Reading for Rockland; Geo Nevinger, from South Amboy for Bangor.

SALEM, Mass. April 4.—Ard schrs R. Waterman from Calais, for New Haven; Georgie E. from St John, N. B., for New Bedford; Jennie C. from do for Salem.

PORTSMOUTH, N. H., April 4.—Ard. schrs Ida M Barton, from St. John, N. B., for New York; G. H Perry from do for do; Tay from do for Norwalk; Oriole from do for Salem; Romeo, from do for Boston, Garfield White, from do for do.

REPORTS, DISASTERS, ETC.

Capt. Reid, of the steamer Strathcona on arrival in Canso, N. S., Monday, reported having sighted schools of whales on the coast between Whitehead, N. S., and Canso. Also in Chedabucto bay between Canso and Guysboro. Some of the fish were unusually large. The steamer passed close to a number of them and the fish seemed quite tame.

With her flag at half mast, the Gloucester fishing schooner Independence, Captain John Cusick, arrived in Canso, N. S., Monday from the Sable Island fishing grounds bringing in the body of Lewis George, one of the crew, who died suddenly of heart disease on board the vessel on Sunday. He was a native of Barbonnear, N. F., and unmarried. The American consul has taken charge of the body and it will be interred there.

ST. JOHN'S, N. F., April 4.— The overdue steamer Jupiter, which should have arrived here two weeks ago, arrived today, grave anxiety had been felt for her safety. When the steamer came in today she bore marks which plainly showed the severe weather she had experienced. She had lost deck gear, her crews were stove, several plates were crushed and her forepeak was filled with water. Fully a week will be required to make repairs.

SALEM, Mass. April 3.—Capt Butler of the schooner Genevieve arrived here today from St John bound for Stamford, Conn., reports that the schooner lost her jibboom and 5,000 laths about two miles of Sequin, Me.

RECENT CHARTERS.

Norwegian bark Heroen, 403 tons. River Hebert to west coast of England, deals 34s. Norwegian bark Cordellera, 635 tons, same.

Norwegian steamer Norden, 1496 tons, St John, N. B., to west coast England, or east coast of Ireland, deals 35s.

British bark Strathisla, 1280 tons from Miramichi, to west coast England, deals 38s, 9d.

British schooner W. N. Zwicker, 398 tons, Montevideo to New York, hides $2,700.

Ship Precursore, at Philadelphia, has been chartered by John E. Moore to load deals here or at Grindstone Island, for United Kingdom at 35 shillings from St John or 36s 3d, from Grindstone Islands.

The following charters are reported:— Stmrs Norden, St. John to W C E or E C I. deals, 35s; Portland do to W C E, deals. 35s; barques, Strathisla, Miramichi to W C E. deals 38s 9d; Hereon, Port L'Herbert to W C E deals 40s, Milton, Brunswick to Laguayra, lumber, $7, and port charges, bark Albatross to load at St John for W C E, deals 37s 6d.

EXPORTS.

Per Stmr LAKE MANITOBA, for Liverpool, 14,301 ft pine boards, 19,692 do deals, 2,446 pkgs chair stock, 50 cases furniture stock, 747 bags acelate lime, 60,008 ft deals, 4,850 ft birch deals, 5 pkgs mdse, 16 pkgs effects, 3 cases, 1 box reports, 2 moose heads, 55 bbls flour, 433 bbls, 700 cases apples, 16,010 bushels wheat, 66 rolls paper, 117 boxes bacon, 15 cases brush backs, 10,523 bales hay, 7,615 maple blocks, 5,363 pcs boards, 9,731 bushels peas, 165 casks extract, 69 pkgs leather, 29 bbls michol, 200 sacks flour, 63 bbls rags, 35 bbls starch, 38 pkgs h h goods, 35 cases organs, 100 tubs butter, 984 bdls staves, 2,468 boxes cheese, 3 pkgs mdse, 1,725 bags acelate lime, 934,057 ft deals, 83,382 ft scantling, 25,507 ft ends, 7 tons birch timber—Canadian goods, value $218,208.

2 boxes photo films, 1 cases clothing, 1 bale furs, 9 cases tobacco, 1 cases plantains. 41 maple logs, 821 pcs elm lumber 1,282 pcs walnut 267 pcs birch, 522 pcs oak, 27 pcs white pine timber, 981 pcs hickory timber, 785 bdls maple flooring, 8,218 maple blocks, 1,069 pkgs handles, 907 bdls doors, 224 bdls sand paper, 131 sacks oatmeal, 2,773 sacks flour, 25,713 bushels corn, 10 bbls pickled tongues, 4,825 pkgs lard, 123 boxes hams, 1,309 boxes meats—Foreign goods; value $181,668. Total, $399,277.

Per Stmr SALACIA, for Glasgow — 25,713 bushels corn, 750 sacks flour, 12 maples logs, 38 boxes hams, 50 trcs lard 10 trcs beef castings, 20 boxes meats, 134 cattle, 3,500 jute bags, 1 box melting—Foreign goods, value $37,680.

300 bags oatmeal, 10 pcs pine timber, 33,000 ft deals, 8,400 bushels peas, 2 boxes maple sugar, 116 pkgs lawn mowers, 240 sacks flour, 1,487 bales hat, 45 bales straw, 474 bags meal, 77 bags corn, 554 cattle, 600 boxes herring, 370,887 ft deals, 3,404 ft ends, 460 sacks flour, 1 case leather, 53 cases chewing gum—Canadian goods; value $61,377. Total, $99,057.

For Lubec Me.m per schr Fred and Norman, 32,500 herring box shooks.

For City Island for orders per schr Eric. 168,156 ft spruce deals, also schr. Greta, 156,895 ft spruce deals, 51,519 ft spruce plank.

For New York, per schr Ida May, 118,242 ft spruce plank, 35,576 ft spruce scantling.

For Manchester via Philadelphia, per stmr Manchester Corporation, 765,012 ft spruce deals, 14,816 ft birch plank. Value $10,229 Also stmr Manchester Merchant (same) 135,628 ft deals. Value $1,597.

SHIPPING NOTES.

Furness line steamer Jupiter arrived at St. Johns, N. F., yesterday 27 days out from Liverpool.

The steamer Briardene, en route to Liverpool, from Halifax, with a cargo of lumber, will go direct from that place to Bermuda and other West India ports under charter with Pickford and Black.

The P. and B. liner Orinoco left Bermuda at 3 p. m., Saturday for Halifax direct The Baines Hawkins from Halifax arrived at Bermuda Saturday morning and left Sunday morning at 7 for the south.

The Furness liner London City, from Liverpool, is about due at St John's Nfld.

The Furness liner Gulf of Ancud, sailed Sunday morning for Landon. Her cargo included 11,815 bbls apples.

Wm Thomson & Co., St. John, have word that the London Salvage Association, on behalf of the underwriters, are making a contract for the floating of the Battle liner Pharsalia, now ashore at the Philipines, for £5,000. No cure no pay.

Parrsboro, N. S., April 3.—This port is again open for navigation after having been closed since February 19 and the following fleet arrived Sunday, all from St. John, the steamers Hilda, Kilkeel, Springhill and Flushing and barges No. 4 and 7. The Springhill returned again light to St. John to bring up more barges and when they are loaded she and the Flushing will tow them to St. John. The fleet encountered some ice on the way up, but Sunday's moderate north east gale rapidly cleared this shore and there should be no further trouble with the ice this spring.

The Kilkeel and barges 4 and 7 brought large quantities of freight, which was much needed in these parts.

The Hilda loads coal for Portland and the Kilkeel for a provincial port.

The opening of navigation here is a fine thing for the country in general especially Springhill Mines, as with the railroads working full time and this port of shipment open, business at that place should go on with old time vigor.

The government steamer Lady Laurier is to set out two combination bell and gas buoys immediately at Halifax. One will replace the inner automatic, another will be placed off Thrum Cap and the two buoys now there one bell and the other light taken up.

Submarine signal bells are to be stationed off Sambro and off Egg Island.

Eunice—"There was a very dirty lady in the car, mamma, and she was very much intoxicated."

Mamma—"What did they do with the creature?"

Eunice—"A beautifully dressed woman spoke to the conductor, and he and another gentleman, the motorman, I believe, took the lady out and laid her on the sidewalk."

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TO LET—FROM MAY 1st FLAT NO. 31 Metcalf street. Enquire of M. COWAN, 18 Cedar street. 4-4 tf

TO LET—BRICK DWELLING, No. 95 Hazen street at present occupied by Rev. W. O. Raymond. May be seen Tuesday and Friday afternoons 3 to 5. W. M. JARVIS. 4-1 6i.

TO LET—TWO COTTAGES AT TORRYBURN, within two or three minutes walk of station. Inquire of W. E. NEWCOMBE. or Tel. 84E. 3-30 tf.

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