Financial and Commercial

CANADIAN SECURITIES

Opportunity for the Profitable Investment of Millions at Home.

Securities listed on the Canadian stock exchanges, whilst showing effects of the money stringency, have, in comparison with American issues, stood the stress exceptionally well. Owing to the absence of purchasing power in the market, business during the last quarter fell away below the volume of transactions in the first quarter of either 1906 or 1905. The declines in stocks have been gradual and sacrifice offerings have been avoided to a remarkable degree. The average decline in the eight most active stocks since January 1 have been six and one-half points, and the extreme losses in every case are in those stocks which are also listed on the New York exchange. The eight most active stocks during the first three months of this year have been MacKay common, Rio, Twin City, Canada Permanent, Sao Paulo, General Electric, Mexican Power, and Nova Scotia Steel, in order named. The first three and five of the eight, are foreign securities, and transactions in the first three were double those in the other five. This is sufficient proof that many Canadian investors still feel none too kindly towards home securities. The reasons for this antipathy are well known, but they are gradually passing away. The country now offers opportunities for the profitable investment of millions of money more than can be supplied, and in going far afield the Canada investor is apt to overlook safer, and in the end more lucrative, openings at home. Total dealings in the stock exchange for the first three months of 1905, 1906 and 1907 compare as follows:

	Shares	Bonds
First quarter 1905	262,975	$178,000
First quarter 1906	224,933	935,300
First quarter 1907	109,112	735,200

In comparison with the decline in trading in shares, business in bonds has been comparatively well maintained. The most active bonds have been those of the Rio Company, which contributed a total of $430,000 out of transactions aggregating $735,200. Rio bonds, however, show the largest decline for the three months, and the bonds of another southern issue, Mexican Electric, stand next.

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THE CANADIAN DRY GOODS TRADE

First Quarter Ends With Business Ahead of Last Year---Delayed Deliveries the Only Source of Anxiety.

(Toronto Globe.)

The first quarter of the year ends with no apparent diminution of the volume of business, and with trade generally in advance of last year's marvellous record. The slackening in the demand for textiles and the cancellation of orders owing to high prices or delayed deliveries predicted in some quarters a few months ago have not come to pass. The spring trade has undoubtedly been the largest in years, and the spring sorting is now daily adding to its volume. All indications point to small stocks throughout the country, mail orders being one of the most prominent features during the past week. Settlements have improved, and the credit men of the large houses express themselves as satisfied with the outlook.

The great drawback to business is still bad deliveries, and this includes the delivery of goods to the warehouse, and from the warehouse to distant points. Shipments to western customers have been more particularly unfortunate in being delayed in transit, and for this reason there has been a good deal of orders duplicated.

THE LATE DELIVERIES.

The stocks in some retailers' hands were so low that the failure of goods to reach them on time meant serious losses. These are minor difficulties, however, beside the one great problem that faces the wholesaler—that of how best to get deliveries of goods from the mill and manufacturers. The situation in this respect has not to any degree improved. Local houses are rearranging shipping instructions to manufacturers for autumn goods, the rearrangement being to the effect that these houses will accept delivery of autumn goods whenever they can get them. If June shipments come in with the goods on order for April there will be no objection, and most houses would accept even autumn shipments today.

CANNOT FILL ORDERS.

Few local houses have been able to entirely fill the placed spring orders, and the repeat orders are to some extent thereby delayed. As it is absolutely necessary to have repeat orders in early with manufacturers these days, in order to have a chance of getting the goods, the situation is thus aggravated. With the consumption of goods increasing, as it undoubtedly is, and the markets at primary points being swept clean of stocks, it is difficult to understand how a considerable shortage is to be avoided, and, in the words of one manufacturer, "Somebody is going to be left."

CONDENSED ADVERTISEMENTS

(Too late for classification.)

"PIANO MOVING." LEAVE YOUR ORder early to ensure attention at THE FLOODS CO. LTD., 31 & 33 King street. 37-4-10.

WANTED

A young man or boy to take care of Automobiles. Apply to J. A. Pugsley, 17 Chipman Hill, City.

WANTED—A MAN WHO HAS WORKED at the Photograph business. Address L. G. R., care Times office. 28-4—3

FOUND — LAST THURSDAY, POCKETbook containing small sum of money, etc. Owner can have same by proving property and paying for this advertisement by applying at 40 PETER STREET. 45-4-4

WANTED—YOUNG MAN TO WORK IN a picture framing factory. Address L. G. R., care Times Office. 28-4—3.

FOR SALE—VALUABLE FREEHOLD properties and business opportunities in the city and on the river Saint John. Immediate possession given. Enquire of ALEX. W. BAIRD, Barrister, etc., Law and Real Estate offices, Pugsley Building. 26-4—9.

WE HAVE AN OPENING FOR TWO ENergetic young men with ability to secure subscriptions for "Collier's Weekly,"—Premiums given free with subscription. P. F. COLLIER & SON, 181 Prince William Street. 44-4-10

JUNIOR OFFICE HAND WANTED—TWO or three years' experience. Apply BROCK & PATERSON, LTD. 42- t. f.

SALESMAN—OF GOOD ADDRESS TO call on business and professional men with our new and attractive line of Standard publications—Experience not necessary. P. F. COLLIER & SON, 181 Prince William Street. 43-4-10

TO LET—ONE SHOP, 109 AND TWO flats, 97 Main street. Two flats 66 Metcalf street. Apply to J. E. COWAN, 99 Main street, Indiantown. 44-t. f.

WANTED—SMALL FLAT BY NEWLY married couple, moderate circumstances. Fifteen minute's walk from Union depot. State rent. Address W. E. D., Times office. 1—6t.

WANTED—GOOD GENERAL GIRL. NO washing. Apply MISS BOWMAN, 111 Princess street.

ANYONE WISHING TO RENT PART OF a store apply to MISS. BOWMAN, 111 Princess street.

N.Y. STOCK MARKET

New York Stock Market and Chicago Market Report and New York Cotton Market. Furnished by D. C. Clinch, Banker and Broker.

	Yesterday's Closing	Today's Opening	Noon.
Amalg Copper	92¾	92	90
Anaconda	63½	61½	61
Am Sugar Rfrs	125½	125½	125½
Am Smelt & Rfg	122⅞	122¾	121⅜
Am Car Foundry	36	36¼	36¼
Atchison	95¼	94¾	93½
Brook Rpd Trst	58⅞	59	58¼
Balt & Ohio	97⅝	97	96½
Chesa & Ohio	40½	40¼	40¼
Canadian Pacific	175	175	171½
Colo F & Iron	35¼	34⅞	34⅞
Erie	25	25	24
Kansas & Texas	35⅞	35¼	35
Louis & Nashville	118¼	118	117⅝
Missouri Pacific	74⅝	74	74
N Y Central	118¼	118¼	118¼
Ont & Western	38⅜	38	38
Peo C & Gas Co.	91	92	92
Reading	105¾	105½	105
Pennsylvania	124⅛	123⅝	123¼
ock Island	21¾	21¾	21¾
St. Paul	134	136½	132
Southern Rly	21⅞	21¼	21⅝
Southern Pacific	78¼	78¾	76⅞
Northern Pacific	131½	130¾	129½
Union Pacific	137⅝	136½	134
U S Steel	36½	36⅛	35⅞
U S Steel, pfd.	98¾	98⅝	97⅞

Total sales in N Y yesterday 1,034,600 shrs.

CHICAGO MARKET REPORT.

May Corn		46	45⅝
May Wheat		77⅞	77⅜
May Oats		42⅞	42⅜
July Corn		46	46
July Wheat		78⅞	78⅞
July Oats		37⅝	37⅝

MONTREAL QUOTAAIONS.

Nova Scotia Steel	70b	70¼	70½
C P R	178	175	175
Twin City	95	94½	94½
Montreal Power	89¼	90	90
Detroit United	72	72¾	72¼
Toledo Rly & Light	25	25	25
Toronto St Rly	107	107	107

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET.

May Cotton	9.39	9.39	9.41
July Cotton	9.44	9.44	9.46
August Cotton	9.48	9.48	9.48
October Cotton	9.74	9.75	9.76

MARKET SITUATION

(N. Y. Commercial.)

At the beginning of the second quarter of the year the New York financial market finds itself settling into relatively quiet conditions after one of the most extraordinary experiences in its history. What is needed beyond everything else is a period of rest and and recuperation; and in the judgment of many competent observers such a period is at hand—subject, however to the renewal from time to time of efforts to depress prices in the interest of the band of brigands largely responsible for the downward movement of the last fortnight. These people would not hesitate to burn the farmer's house in order to roast the pig they have stolen from him.

Apparently the first day of April dawns upon a greater number of reassuring factors than any eye had been able to descry earlier in 1907. Certainly not all of them are April fool jokes. The stability displayed by the American financial community during the long contraction of market values—a gradual effacement of paper wealth estimated at no less than two billions of dollars—is a hard fact, which cannot be over-estimated as testimony to the strength of the American monetary and industrial positions. Thus far there has been but one noteworthy failure, and the exception serves admirably to prove the rule. Europe also has been passing through rough weather; but, save for the troubles in Brussels, where a few small houses have gone under, the foreign financiers have ridden out the storm. Whether the staunchness of our own markets is due to the circumstance that the illfated speculation which began last August with the declaration of the Union Pacific dividend on a ten per cent. basis has been an affair of rich gamblers able to endure their losses, or is to be ascribed to the diminished and diminishing importance of Wall Street in the ensemble of American business agencies—whichever theory may be correct, the lesson, the moral, is the same.

THE PRESBYTERY

At the quarterly meeting of the St. John Presbytery yesterday, the nineteen articles of faith put forward by a committee as the creed for the union of the Presbyterians, Methodists and Congregationalists, were discussed and endorsed as "giving a brief statement of evangelical truth." Reports from various branches of church work were received and discussed.

Rev. James Ross, Rev. W. W. Rainnie and Rev. A. A. Graham were appointed to strike standing committees and report at the July meeting.

The election of commissioners to the general assembly was held in the afternoon. The following ministers were chosen: Rev. James Ross, Rev. Gordon Dickie, Rev. D. MacOdrum with Rev. J. A. McLean, Rev. W. McDonald, Rev. D. Lang and Rev. J. J. McCaskill as substitutes.

The following are the elders who were elected: Hon, J. G. Forbes, J. A. Moore, Peter Campbell, with W. C. Whittaker, C. S. Everett and Robert Reid substitutes.

W. R. Shanklin, principal of the La Tour school, and Miss Annie Shanklin, of the Aberdeen, drove in yesterday from St. Martins, where they spent the Easter holidays at their home.

Col. J. B. D. F. Mackenzie, Chatham is at the Royal.

THE BOARD OF TRADE WILL TALK TO SIR WILFRID ON A WEST INDIES PREFERENCE

Premier Laurier, When He Reaches St. John, Will Be Interviewed By Board of Trade Representatives --- Stand Taken for a Reciprocal Preference Within the Empire.

At the monthly meeting of the board of trade yesterday afternoon H. B. Schofield, the St. John delegate on the recent tour in the West Indies,made by representatives from the boards of Toronto, Halifax and St. John, read an interesting and exhaustive report on the trade conditions on the islands visited, with special reference to the possibility of extending and furthering closer commercial relations between the West Indies and Canada. Arising from the report a committee was appointed to interview Sir Wilfrid Laurier on his visit here on the subject of Canadian preference with the islands.

The report of the subsidy committee recommended an increase in the subsidy to the D. A. R. to provide for a daily service with Digby. A resolution in favor of reciprocal preferential trade within the empire was passed and ordered sent to the premier, who is receiving similar resolutions from other boards of trade. Eight members were elected. J. H. McRobbie, the president, was in the chair and there was a fair number of members present.

The report of the subsidy committee recommended to the dominion government the renewal of existing subsidies for the transatlantic services from St. John. The $12,500 to the Dominion Atlantic Steamship Company they recommended increased to $15,000 to provide a daily service between St. John and Digby the year round.

The committee also recommended continuance of the subsidies to the Senlac, Grand Manan S. S. Company, May Queen, and Milledgeville ferry. It was suggested that the company running the ferry should be compelled to improve the approach to Milledgeville. Subsidies were also recommended to the Hampton, Springfield, Crystal Stream and St. John S. S. Company.

The report was adopted.

A communication from the Toronto board of trade enclosing a resolution calling attention to the unsatisfactory conditions prevailing in the Canadian civil service was read. The resolution recommended that owing to the existing conditions of appointment being unsound, steps should be taken to place the service on a non-political basis and to make merit and ability the sole test for advancement.

On motion of W. Frank Hatheway, the president appointed J. N. Harvey, E. L. Rising and J. E. Secord to report on the resolution at the May meeting.

A communication from the Montreal board of trade drew attention to the section in the report of the congress of boards of trade of the empire held in London in 1906 which urged the imperial government to grant preferential treatment to the colonies on a reciprocal basis. A resolution from the Montreal board was enclosed and it was suggested in view of the colonial conference and the practical importance of the subject that the St. John board should also take action.

After a short discussion E. L. Rising moved the following resolution:

Whereas, the vast natural resources of the British colonies are rapidly becoming the stay and security of the empire, and whereas in Canada especially ,the increase in railway construction, the enormous agricultural development and the unprecedented immigration since 1900 have assured her commercial future; and

Whereas, the strengthening and maintenance of colonial trade is the keynote of the empire's stability; therefore

Resolved, that this board of trade is of the opinion that Great Britain will best serve the commercial interests of the United Kingdom and of her colonies by establishing a reciprocal preferential trade within the empire ,whereby at all British ports British goods would be admitted at a lower rate of duty than foreign goods.

This action on the part of Great Britain would in the opinion of this board also have the effect of knitting more closely the ties binding the colonies to the motherland, and give increased impetus to that patriotic sentiment within the empire.

Mr. Hatheway, in seconding the resolution, referred to a recent speech of James Bryce, the ambassador to the United States, in which he suggested that an expression of opinion on the lines of the resolution should come from the colonies. Mr. Hatheway said he regarded the suggestion as important as being the first of the kind made by a minister of the British cabinet. He went on to discuss the high duties on tea and tobacco levied in Great Britain and expressed surprise that they had been continued so long. He argued that by removing the duty from these articles and distributing it on meats, butter, cheese, wheat and wool there would be an obvious advantage to the colonies without increasing taxation.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

The following were elected members of the board: A. E. Hamilton, Page Wire Fence Company; A. O. Skinner, P. Nase & Son, C. B. Lockhart, Dr. A. D. Smith, N. S. Springer and Vail Bros.

Mr. Schofield then read the report of the commission to the West Indies. He mentioned that the report had been divided into heads for the sake of conciseness and that arrangements for its publication had been left with the Halifax board of trade. The commission, he said, consisted of James D. Allan, of Toronto; A. E. Jones, of Halifax, and himself, J. J. McGill, the representative appointed from the Montreal board, being unable to make the trip.

After reference to the offer of Pickford & Black to the boards of trade to take representatives to the West Indies and to the sailing of the delegation on the Olenda on Feb. 15, the report mentioned that meetings had been held in Bermuda, Demerara, Trinidad, Grenada, Barbados, St. Lucia, Dominica, Monserrat, Antigua, Nevis and St. Kitts. At these places representative business men were met and gave every information and showed they were desirous of giving Canada the fullest possible share of their trade.

The report then went on to deal with different branches of trade under separate heads.

Corn.—From information secured it appeared the use of Canadian flour was becoming more universal but owing to all goods being shipped via New York the quantity of Canadian flour imported could not be ascertained. A large proportion of the consumption was "super" grade and a whiter flour than that shipped from Canada was preferred. Some difficulty was experienced in keeping high grade Canadian flours. Canadian flour, however, was making decided progress.

Oats, etc.—The whole trade in oats, split peas and Canada peas was supplied by the dominion, although mostly going via New York.

Cheese.—Canadian cheese was holding its own fairly well in West India markets. Its chief opponents were the Gouda, made in Holland, and the United States Unadilla.

Butter.—Canadian exports showed fair results in the better grades but the trade called largely for a quality sold at a price with which Canada could not compete. It was stated in Demerara that Canadian butter would not keep as well as French after being opened. In the other islands oleomargarine from the United States filled the demand for a cheap butter. "Bluenose" butter from Nova Scotia was, however, well liked.

Bran and hay.—There were no importations of bran from Canada but the bulk of hay shipped from United States ports was of Canadian origin.

Confectionery.—Very little was sold coming from Canada. It was suggested that some of this trade could be secured.

Bacon, ham, beef and pork.—Consumption was mostly confined to United States products.

Dry and pickled fish.—The trade in these lines was monopolized by Canada and Newfoundland.

Condensed milk.—Only a small quantity came from Canada and complaints as to its keeping qualities were made.

Oil meal and oil cake.—The quantity sent from Canada was trifling and there seemed a chance to push this trade.

Carriages.—There seemed to be an opening for more of Canadian manufacture.

Cordage.—Canada had the greatest share of the trade, due apparently to it being pushed with energy.

Boots and shoes.—Canadian manufacturers did not appear to have paid much attention to this trade. The demand was for low grade goods.

Manures.—The Canadian article was satisfactory and the amount might be increased. England supplied most of the demand.

Paints and oils.—There was every possibility for Canadian manufacturers to sell more goods. The trade was considerable.

Paper.—There was a good opening for Canadian fine writings and news. Canadian wrapping paper was securing a portion of the trade.

Soap.—This seemed to be a line worth looking after. Canadian soap secured a hold some years ago but was replaced by an English soap. In Antigua, Canada had the bulk of the trade.

Refined sugar.—With equal prices, buyers were prepared to bring their supplies from Canada instead of the United States.

Lumber.—Canada supplied nearly all the demand. An article to replace red oak used for staves for molasses puncheons was needed.

Dry goods.—The business with Canada was small. Umbrellas and tweeds of light weight were well spoken of.

The report referred in detail to cocoa, sugar, molasses and fruits. Under the head of "miscellaneous" a number of products, such as balata, Cassava starch, cocoanut oil and rice, were dealt with.

In the general remarks at the close of the report it was recommended that Canadian manufacturers and exporters should more systematically place their goods before West Indian buyers. Canadian goods were only spasmodically placed before them, while United States and English salesmen made a regular canvas. Drafts, it was pointed out, should be marked "hold for arrival of goods." The high postal rates from Canada, it was urged, should be investigated by the board of trade.

Dealing with the question of preference it was stated that the commission learned that the legislature of the Leeward Islands had unanimously adopted a resolution in favor of Canadian preference. It was recommended that this and other facts on the same subject should be placed before Sir Wilfrid Laurier and that he be urged to draw attention to them at the conference. The question of transportation was exhaustively dealt with and a weekly service recommended. A number of useful hints to Canadian shippers were also given. The report closed with a tribute to the courtesies shown the commissioners in the islands and to the kindness of Messrs. Pickford & Black in extending the invitation and to the attention tendered them by Charles S. Pickford from St. Kitts to Demerara.

It was decided to hand the report to a committee of West India merchants to report at the May meeting. The president appointed J. Sealy, L. G. Crosby, Geo. E. Barbour, A. Malcolm and F. B. Schofield on the committee.

On motion of Mr. Hatheway, the president, the vice-president and Mr. Schofield were delegated to wait on Sir Wilfrid Laurier and place before him a recommendation with reference to intercolonial preference. The meeting then adjourned.

THE THEATRES

UNCLE JOSH SPRUCEBY

There was a good attendance at the Opera House last evening when Uncle Josh Spruceby was the bill presented. It will be given its final production this evening.

THE VAUDEVILLE THEATRE

The management are to be congratulated upon the splendid collection of talent provided for patrons this week. There is not a weak number. The bill opens with a series of bioscope pictures followed by Howard and Colby in a travesty sketch entitled Buster Brown, in which there is both good singing and clean dialogue. The Brand Sisters are easily the best lady dancers seen at the local house, whilst the Todesca-Keating Trio are first rate acrobats and bicycle riders.

Walter Stead, the English coster impersonater, it would be correct to say completely captivates the audience. Cummings and Knight have a good act and meet with conspicuous success. The Howards have something entirely new in illustrated songs and meet with great receptions, Arrah Wanna being perhaps the favorite song.

The Delmar Bros. and the dog "Trouble" furnish high class fare, their barrel jumping being unusually good. The bioscope completes the entertainment with two series of views, one showing some remarkable pictures of the Ozer Rapids in Japan and the other entitled the Horse Stealers. No one can make a mistake in visiting the vaudeville this week.

LYCEUM STOCK COMPANY

The Lyceum Stock Company will commence a spring engagement at the Opera House commencing on Monday, April 8th, and continuing indefinitely. Theatre goers of St. John will now have an opportunity of witnessing magnificent revivals of Broadway successes by one of the best stock companies ever organized, and at popular prices. The Lyceum Stock Company has been organized especially for this engagement and the members have been carefully selected from the season's best successes. Frank Powell will be seen in leading roles and Miss Eleanor Hicks will play the leads. N. J. Jelenko, a favorite in this city, will be seen to advantage in the heavy roles and Miss Grace Goodall, Jeanne Holhs, Margaret Lee, Juliette Atkinson, Harry G. Hockey, John Steppling, Walter D. Nealand,H. A. Aiken, Thomas G. Emory, and others are included in the meritorious cast. Seldom has any stock company employed such a high salaried cast of players. During the engagement in this city two bills a week will be presented, the programme being changed every Monday and Thursday night. There will be matinees on Wednesday and Saturday afternoons. Each production will be splendidly staged, with magnificent costly scenery, constructed especially for each play, and staged with regard to detail. Ladies attending the Wednesday matinees will be given souvenirs and a reception will be held on the stage every Saturday. Book your seats at once.

WALL STREET

NEW YORK, April 3—Except for a few inactive issues prices of stocks started lower than last night. The active speculative favorites were sharply depressed.

DEATHS

HOWARD—At Gaspereaux Station, Queens County, on April 2nd. Alice G. eldest daughter of Capt. J. K. and Margaret Howard. Funeral from late residence Thursday at 2 p. m.

PURE WOOL HEWSON AMHERST TWEEDS

Practically all makers of good clothes in Canada use Hewson Tweeds. Look for the tag that guarantees PURE WOOL.

SHIPPING

MINIATURE ALMANAC.

1907 April	Sun Rises	Sun Sets	Tide High	Tide Low
3 Wed	6.06	6.48	3.01	9.44
4 Thurs	6.04	6.50	3.57	10.43
5 Fri	6.02	6.51	4.58	11.48
6 Sat.	6.00	6.55	6.04	0.28

The time used is Atlantic Standard.

VESSELS BOUND FOR ST JOHN.

Steamers—

Bengore Head, Port Talbot, March 23.
Cassandra, Glasgow, March 23.
Lake Champlain, Liverpool March 27.
Manchester Importer, Manchester, Mar 16.
Manchester Trader, Manchester, March 29.
Montfort, Bristol, March 24.
Montezuma, Antwerp, March 20.
Mount Temple, London, March 28
Pomeranian, London, March 28.
Pretorian, Glasgow, March 23.
Salacia, Glasgow, March 31.
St. John City, London, March 14.

PORT OF ST. JOHN.

Arrived to day.

Stmr Cassandra, 4726, Mitchell from Glasgow, R. Reford Co. pass and mdse.
Stmr Montezuma, 5358, Birchman from London and Antwerp, C. P. R. Co.

Coastwise:—

Stmr Granville, 49, Collins, Annapolis and cleared.

Arrived Yesterday.

Stmr Calvin Austin, 2,853, Pike, from Boston via Maine ports, W G Lee, pass and mdse
Sch James Barber, 80, Tufts, from St. Martins for Math, with lumber (in for harbor, and cleared)

Cleared to day.

Stmr Inishowen Head, 1968, Pickford for Dublin and Belfast Wm. Thomson & Co. general cargo.

Coastwise:—

Schr Pansy, Pike, Point Wolfe.
Schr Jessie Pearl, Glaspey, St. Martin.
Schr Packet, Moore, Bridgetown.
Schr Dorothy, Gesner, Bridgetown.
Schr Pandora, Carter, Waterside, N. B.
Schr Irene, Belleveau, St. Martins.

Sailed to day.

Stmr Calvin Austin, 2853, Pike for Boston via Eastport, W G Lee, pass and mdse.

DOMINION PORTS

Vancouver, April 2—Ard stmr Empress of Japan from Hong Kong, etc.

Canso, April 1—March 29, Ard, schrs Lila B. Hirtle, Lunnenburg; Arcadia do; Henry L Montague, do; Ambition, do; Parana, do; April 1st Stmr Malcolm Cann, Mulgrave.

Passed April 1—Stmr Bridgewater, Guysboro for Halifax.

Sailed April 1—Schr Arcadia, Banks.

Kingsport, April 1—Cld schr Abbie Vera, Antle, Parrsboro.

BRITISH PORTS.

Bermuda, April 2—Sld stmr Oruro, Seeley, St. John.

Malin Head, April 1—Passed, stmr Lord Lansdowne, Baltimore for Belfast.

Gibraltar, April 1—Sld steamer Prinzess Irene (from Genoa) New York.

Glasgow, March 31—Ard stmr Caledonia, New York via Moville.

Sailed—31 st stmr Selacia, Halifax and St. John.

Havre, March 30—Sld stmr Touraine, New York.

Inistrahull, April 1—Passed steamer Mongolian, Portland for Glasgow.

Liverpool March 30—Ard stmr Cameron, Pensacola via St. Nazaire; Templemore, Baltimore for Liverpool; 31st Ida, Pensacola; Victorian, New York; Yucantan, Galveston; April 1 Canada, Portland.

March 31—Steamers Santanderino, Havana; Rowanmore, Baltimore; Telesfora, do.

Lizard, April 1—Passed, stmr Sloterdyk, Newport News and Norfolk for Amsterdam and Rotterdam.

FOREIGN PORTS.

Vineyard Haven April 1—Ard. and sailed, sch Charlotte W. Miller, Stonington, Me., for New York.

Ard. brig Lady Napier, Elizabethport for St. John; Norombega, New York for do; Bessie and Leila, St. George, SI, for Edgartown; Lizzie J Call, do for Danversport; R Bowers, South Amboy for Kittery Point; Penobscot, St. George, SI for Portsmouth; Winnit Lawry, South Amboy for Rockland; G. M. Porter, do for Eastport; Perry C. Elizabethport, for St. John; Calabria, New York for do; Frank and Ira, New Bedford for do.

Sld—Tug Lehigh, towing barges Bluster, Brait and Banter (from Boston), Perth Amboy.

Passed—Schrs Belle Halliday, Port Reading for Hyannis; J Frank Seavey do for Salem.

Havana, March 26—Ard, sch Delta, Baxter, from Pascagoula.

Bridgeport, March 31—Sld, sch Tay, for St John.

Newport News, March 30—Cld, str Usher, Perry, for St Thomas.

Reedy Island, March 30—Passed, bark Nora Wiggins, from Philadelphia for Bridgewater (N S.)

Delaware Breakwater, March 31—Passed up, str Tanagra, from St Lucia for Philadelphia.

City Island, April 2—Bound south, schs Earl Grey, St John; Centennial, Lubec.

Boston, April 2—Ard, str Othello, Louisburg (C B.)

Sld—Str Boston, Yarmouth.

Cld—Sch Wellfleet, Bridgewater (N S.)

New York, April 2—Cld, str Teutonic, Liverpool; sch Elma, Halifax.

Havre, April 1—Sld, str Pomeranian, from London for St John.

Salem, April 2—Ard, schs F G French, Calais for New York; R D Spear, St John for Elizabethport.

RECENT CHARTERS.

Schr Eva Stewart, Apple River for Boston lumber $4.

Schr Corinto, Port Greville for New Haven lumber $4.60.

The following charters are announced: Br str Pontiac, 2,672 tons, St John to Manchester, deals, 36s. May. Br str Micmac, 1,600 tons, West Bay to W. Britain or E. Ireland, deals, 37s. 6d. April. Nor bark Bannochburn, 2,000 tons, Campbellton to Melbourne, deals, 62s. 6d. June. Br bark Nora Wiggins, 470 tons, Bridgewater to Buenos Ayres, lumber, at or about $10. Russ ship Loch Linnhe, 1,268 tons, Bridgewater (N S) to Buenos Ayres, lumber, $9.50. Br sch Cartagena, 199 tons, New York to Cayenne, general cargo, p t. Br str Platea, 2,044 tons, West India trade, one round trip, £900. April Br sch Mersey ,190 tons, Azua to New York, sugar, p t. Br bark Sirdar, 498 tons, San Domingo to New York, sugar, $3.25 and port charges. Br sch A K McLean, 176 tons, Barbados to Halifax, molasses, $2.60. Chartered in Barbados. Br sch Edyth, 197 tons, same to St John, $2.50. Br sch Montrose, 198 tons, same. Br sch Laura C, 249 tons, same, $2.75, option Boston. Br sch Gladys E Whidden, 197 tons, same. Br sch Wanola, 272 tons (corrected), Trinidad or Baracoa to New York or Philadelphia, cocoanuts, at or about $1,200. Br bark Grenada, 635 tons, Buenos Ayres to Stamford (Conn), quebracho wood, $3.40.

REPORTS DISASTERS, ETC.

New York, April 1—Tug John D Bailey was sunk early this morning by a Hoboken ferryboat. The mate of the tug is missing.

VESSELS IN PORT

Not Cleared.
(With their Tonnage and Consignee.)

Steamers.

Empress of Britain, 8024, C P R Co.
Inishowen Head, 1988, Wm Thomson & Co
Kastalia, 2562, R Reford Co.
Melville, 2872 ,Wm Thomson Co
Parisian, 3385, Wm. Thomson & Co.

Schooners.

Aldine, 131, A W Adams.
Alice Maud, 119, N C Scott.
Almeda Willey, 493, J E Moore.
Arthur M Gibson, 296, J W Smith.
Comrade, 7, J M Driscoll.
D W B, 120, D J Purdy.
Earl Grey ,329, Master.
Eric, 119, N C Scott.
F and E Givan, 99, F Tufts & Co.
Fanny, 91, F Tufts & Co.
Flora M, 152, Master.
Georgia, 291, J W Smith.
Grace Darling, 97, J W Smith.
Greta, 149, Master.
Harry Miller, 246. A W Adams
Ida M Barton, 102, J W McAlary.
Isaiah K Stetson, 271. J W Smith.
J Arthur Lord, 189, F C Beatteay.
Lotas, 98, A W Adams.
Lois V. Chaples, 192, Master.
Manuel R Cruz, 258, McIntyre.
Myrtle Leaf, 336; A W Adams.
Otis Miller, 98, J W Smith
Pansy, 76, Master.
Priscilla, 101, A W Adams.
Preference, 242, G R Purdy.
Ravola, 130, J W Smith
R Carson, 99, C M Kerrison.
Romeo, 111, P McIntyre.
Perry C, 287, Master.
Walter Miller, 118, N C Scott.
Wandrian, 311, J A Likely.
Witch Hazel, 235, F C Beatteay.
Wm. L. Elkin, 229, J W Smith.

DO YOU GET UP WITH A LAME BACK?

Have You Rheumatism, Kidney, Liver or Bladder Trouble?

To Prove what Swamp-Root, the Great Kidney, Liver and Bladder Remedy, will do for YOU, all our Readers May Have a Sample Bottle Sent Free by Mail.

Pain or dull ache in the back is unmistakable evidence of kidney trouble. It is Nature's timely warning to show you that the track of health is not clear.

If these danger signals are unheeded, more serious results are often sure to follow; Bright's disease, which is the worst form of kidney trouble, may steal upon you.

The mild and immediate effect of Swamp-Root the great kidney and bladder remedy is soon realized. It stands the highest because its remarkable curative power has been proven in thousands of the most distressing cases. If you need a medicine, you should have the best. A thorough trial will convince any one.

LAME BACK.

Lame back is only one of many symptoms of kidney trouble. Other symptoms showing that you need Swamp-Root are, being obliged to pass water often during the day and to get up many times during the night, inability to hold your urine, smarting or irritation in passing, brick-dust or sediment in the urine, catarrh of the bladder, uric acid, occasional headache, dizziness, poor digestion, sleeplessness, nervousness, sometimes the heart acts badly, rheumatism, bloating, irritability, wornout feeling, lack of ambition, loss of flesh, sallow complexion.

If your water when allowed to remain undisturbed in a glass or bottle for twenty-four hours, forms a sediment or settling, or has a cloudy appearance, it is also evidence that your kidneys and bladder need immediate attention.

In taking Swamp-Root you afford natural help to Nature, for Swamp-Root is the most perfect healer and gentle aid to the kidneys that has yet been discovered.

If you are already convinced that Swamp-Root is what you need, you can purchase the regular 75c. and $1.25 size bottles at drug stores in Canada. Don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Swamp-Root, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton, N. Y., on every bottle.

EDITORIAL NOTE—In order to prove the wonderful merits of Swamp-Root you may have a sample bottle and a book of valuable information, both sent absolutely free by mail. The book contains many of the thousands upon thousands of testimonial letters received from men and women who found Swamp-Root to be just the remedy they needed. The value and success of Swamp-Root are so well known that our readers are advised to send for a sample bottle. In sending your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., be sure to say you read this generous offer in the St. John Evening Times. The genuineness of this offer is guaranteed.

MARINE NOTES

C. P. R. steamer Empress of Japan, arrived at Vancouver yesterday from Hong Kong.

West India steamer Oruro, Captain sailed yestreday from Bermuda for this port.

Steamship Inishowen Head, Captain Pickford will go to sea tomorrow, bound for Dublin and Belfast, Ireland, with a general cargo including a large amount of wheat.

Steamer Calvin Austin, Captain Pike, arrived last night from Boston with 60 passengers and sailed this morning on her return trip.

IMPORTS

From London and Antwerp ex Stmr Montezuma, 77 casks 30 cases mdse H; 502 cases tea T J L; 1 bale clothing, H Horton & Son; 8 bales mdse S M A; 4 bdls mdse O M; 10 cases dry goods, M R A; 4 cs effects, J O Smith; 2 cs B Co; 5 cs C F F Co; 15 cases, 2 casks mdse B & C; 100 cs paris green W H T; 8 hhds mdse, A; 1 hhd mdse C; 50 wheel discs,O; 169 cases glass, T L Co; 25 cs glass A G R Co; 200 csks cement S P; 10 casks sheet zinc W H T Co. 87 pkgs bottles; 10 cases capsules, Pollock Bros. 122 pkgs mdse H C Olive. 13 cases glassware W H Co; 9 pkgs mdse D J Seeley & Son; 2 cases Strausly Co; 14 pkgs E N Abbott; 2 cs soap R F Downing; 16 horses, G Lane.

For Petitcodiam—43 cases glass J E H.

For Moncton—6 casks zinc sheet, 117 cs glass G A G; 366 channels Drummond, McC Co.

For Fredericton—135 kegs paint J S Neill.

For Shediac—81 cases glass O M M C.

For Sussex 216 cases glass, S Mc; 56 cases glass H H D.

For Woodstock—165 cs glass W F D S; 25 cases do, H E B 66 cases W W W.

For St. Stephen—108 cs glass D B; 43 cs glass A A L; 125 cs glass D H S.

Also goods for the west and other points.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Typewriting Bureau, 20 Canterbury St.

The Ungar method of laundering has for years been the most careful and reliable. Have you tried it?

A MASTER STROKE.

Henderson & Hunt, the modern merchandisers of St. John, have made themselves famous with an enterprise heretofore unknown in this city. This progressive concern will offer the public over $50,000 worth of hand-tailored clothing at less than half its actual value.

The large double-page ad. in this issue gives full deails of the above remarkable transaction. Henderson & Hunt have been in business in St John for 6 years. During this brief periol they have built an enviable reputation for miles and miles around for their straightforwardness in business and fair dealing with their customers.

To the Times man they stated that they value their reputation too highly to publish anything but facts over their signature. We suggest that our readers visit their store during their great ten days' sale, as they guarantee that all the bargains advertised will be on sale at the advertised prices.

To mark and re-arrange this tremendous stock it will be necessary for Henderson & Hunt to close their store for two days —Monday and Tuesday next.

BARGAIN SILKS AT M. R. A'S.

Tomorrow one-price bargain sale of Louisine and Tamaline silks at M. R. A's, is going to be a very lively shopping event, for in the spring and summer seasons these are highly popular materials. The silks are all new and in good colors.

Zion church Easter sale continued tonight. Doors open at 7 p. m. No admission.

There will be no band at the Queen's Rollaway tonight, owing to the 62nd band having a previous engagement. There will be a polo practice after the skating, to which all who attend can remain.

Geo. McArthur left by the Montreal express last night for Toronto.

PURITY FLOUR

Sturdy Boys and Bonnie Girls with lots of sound bone and muscle, full of animal life and pluck, are raised on wholesome, nutritious Bread.

You can Bake that Kind of Bread with

PURITY FLOUR

It is produced solely from the choicest Western Canada Hard Wheat, by the latest improved methods in the most modern mills in the world.

Goes farther than any other—rich in nutriment and wholesome.

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