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FINANCIAL and COMMERCIAL

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Friday, May 21st, 08.

Consols are 1-8 above last night, 86 5-8 for money and 86 11-16 account. American stocks from 1-8 to 1-2 above parity in London.

London market generally firm with special strength in copper stocks.

London, 12.30 p.m.:— CPR 159. Money on call at 1 1-4 to 1-2 per cent, discount short and three months' bills 2 to 2 1-16 per cent.

Liverpool:—Spot cotton, good business done, prices firm, middlings up 25 points. Futures opened firm at 14 to 20 1-2 advance. At 12.30 p.m.—Firm 15 to 20 1-2 advance from previous closing.

London, 2 p.m.:—Consols 86 5-8, Exchange 487.20, Anc, 42 5-8, C 67 1-4, Atch 83 7-8, BO 89 5-8, CO 45 7-8, GW 6 7-8, CPR 159 1-2, Erie 23 3-4, EF 42 7-8, Ills 140 1-2, KT 30 1-4, LN 110 1-8, N 71 1-4, NP 136, Cen 105 3-4, OW 41, Pa 122 3-4, RG 116, RI 18 1-2, SR 19, SP 88 1-8, St 138 3-4, UP 150 1-2, US 38 1-2, UX 102 5-8, WZ 28 1-4.

London:—Americans showed very general strength from the opening and continued to advance in afternoon, gaining from 1-4 to 3-4 per cent on parity.

Consols were quiet. General market was firm with considerable strength in copper stocks and mining department. Money was easy in London, and is likely to continue so, subject always to the stringent conditions, still obtaining in Germany. There are some indications of relief in this respect. Volume of business in London market has picked up lately, and while trading in American stocks is still narrow, it is considered better than it was a fortnight ago.

Liverpool, 2 p.m.:—Futures firm 15 1-2 to 20 1-2 net advance.

THE CROP OUTLOOK.

Despatches to Dun's Review from leading agricultural districts indicate general outlook for crops very encouraging and ample time to make up for delay in planting through wet weather.

Little Kanawaha and Wabash likely to have new lines to seaboard as result of arrangement between Penna. R. R. Vanderbilt's and Standard Oil interests, providing new outlet from West Virginia coal fields through purchase of Georgia Creek and Cumberland R. R.

Union miners strike in non-union Kentucky counties has been declared off. Mass. Supreme Court transmitted to legislature opinion that a tax on transfers of stock would be unconstitutional.

General cut in wages of all section men and unskilled laborers ordered by railroads west of Chicago.

Congress passed bill creating bureau of mines in the interior department.

LAIDLAW & CO.'S LETTER.

New York, May 22.—The character of the buying in yesterday's sharp rally led to the belief that the interests which have been behind the upward movement of prices had resumed their manipulative tactics and that the recent reaction was a part of the general plan. The decision of the steel interests not to reduce prices will not be unanimously received as a favorable factor. Otherwise, there is an absence of news important enough to seriously affect prices either way. The manner in which prices rallied yesterday has encouraged the belief that the interests in charge will attempt to place the market upon a new high level, and while this will not be accepted without resistance the bull forces still appear to have control.

BACHE'S MORNING LETTER.

The Steel meeting ended as was generally thought it would, in maintenance of prices. The campaign managers have encouraged short interest in market and were fairly successful in their efforts. There is a good quantity of these contracts and a little aggressiveness is expected at opening. The better outlook for an outlet to seaboard for Wabash is mainly the reason for advance in these securities. Union Pacific will no doubt be conspicuous to-day as well as other Harriman stocks. Wabashes are in good demand; not issues both Wab. and Wheeling advanced in last few days.

STOCK MARKET OUTLOOK IS CONSIDERED HOPEFUL

Although Leading Bankers Think the Recent Bulge in Stocks Was Not Quite Justified by the General Conditions of Trade.

New York, May 21.—This statement was obtained from an international banker of the first magnitude, and may be said to reflect the actual feelings of responsible finance in New York City: "To understand the true signficance of the remarkable advance in securities, the fact must be fully weighed that the Americans are a mercurial race. The charge that we go to extremes may be true, but it is this very exuberance that has enabled the nation to accomplish feats that have astonished the world. The stock market represents not merely the tactics of a few powerful traders, as some people seem to imagine, but writes down the concentrated wisdom of every man and woman who buys and sells. This rise in stocks may prove to have been too rapid—personally I think it has, but as I thought the same thing when the average prices were ten points lower, I may be again mistaken. Certainly these quotations do not accurately portray existing business conditions, but since Wall street's business is to write economic history in advance no one can say that the writing is misleading. Business conditions a year ago did not justify the extraordinary collapse in market values that occurred, and though business today does not justify this precipitate rise, the recovery may be so rapid as to fully warrant what has taken place. You must remember that the presidential election promises not to beget the commercial demoralization that usually accompanies a campaign, the outlook in this respect is unquestionably very satisfactory, a fact that Wall stret is emphasizing.

"Should stocks be sold? Well, if I were a trader instead of an investor I most certainly would be prepared to secure my profits, as I feel strongly that a reaction should come. But I am not a trader; I am an investor. I naturally hold a considerable quantity of securities, and while I believe that advance is not altogether reasonable—I think it is premature—still, I am certain of one thing, that I shall be able to obtain very much higher prices ultimately. This country has always made good in the past. Our potentialities are almost illimitable. Our people are inveterate optimists and as full of energy as of optimism. There may be another temporary setback, the stock market may have anticipated prematurely the inevitable recovery, and, as I say, I would pocket profits were my business to merely trade in stocks, but in the long run I can get very much higher prices than those now ruling. That this attitude is shared by other responsible investors is demonstrated by the absence of anything resembling extensive liquidation of an impressive character. Were our leading financiers convinced that the future did not contain very great encouragement they would naturally reduce their holdings. But they are not doing so. I myself am not buying anything at this level."

Almost a similar view was expressed by the head of one of New York's leading trust companies. "While I have not followed the stock market's movements today," he said yesterday afternoon, "I have felt for some time that things were being carried too far. To my mind the speculation has been somewhat reckless. Yet, if business could depend upon being left alone by politics—if political harassments could be entirely eliminated—then I should say that the industrial prospect was not antagonistic to a rise in the value of securities. But the stock market's action does not seem natural at this stage of the presidential campaign."



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BIRTHS

KNIGHT—In this city on May 21, to the wife of Boyce Wilton Knight, a son.

DEATHS

DEATH

ELLS.—At St. John West, on Wednesday, May 20, Lydia Ann, beloved wife of Capt. Alfred Ells, in the 56th year of her age, leaving three sons and three daughters to mourn their sad loss.

Funeral at 2.30 p. m. Saturday, from her late residence, 245 St. George street, W. E. Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend.

(Boston and New London papers please copy.)

Funeral on Saturday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock, from her parents' residence, 13 Hospital street.

Funeral service on Saturday at the Presbyterian church, Carleton, at 3.30 p. m.

N. Y. STOCK MARKET.

Thursday, May 21, 1908.

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

NEW YORK STOCK QUOTATIONS.

	Friday, Closing	May 22, 1908. Opening	Noon
Amalg. Copper	67	66¾	65¼
Anaconda	42¾	42½	42
Am. Sugar Rfrs.	128½	130	128½
Am. Smelt. & Rfg.	73⅛	74	71⅞
Atchison	82¾	83½	81⅝
Am. Locomotive	50¼	49½	49
Brook. Rpd. Trst.	51½	51½	50½
Balt. & Ohio	89½	89¾	88¾
Chesa. & Ohio	45¾	46	44⅜
Canadian Pacific	159¼	160¼	160¼
Chi. & G. West.	6¾	7⅛	7⅛
Colo. F. & Iron	30⅜	30⅝	29
Great Northern, pfd.	131¼	131½	130⅛
Erie	22¾	23¼	22½
Erie, First pfd.	42¼	43	41⅝
Erie, Second pfd.	28⅞	29¾	29¾
Kansas & Texas	30⅛	29½	29½
Louis. & Nashville	108¼	109½	109½
Missouri Pacific	62½	63	62
Nor. & Western	71	71	71
N. Y. Central	106	105⅞	105
North West	154½	153½	153½
Ont. & Western	40¾	41	40¾
Pacific Mail		30⅛	31
Reading	115¾	116	114¾
Republic Steel	18⅜	18	18
Pennsylvania	122⅝	122⅝	121½
Rock Island	18½	18	18½
St. Paul	138⅞	138¾	136½
Southern Ry.	19	18⅞	18½
Southern Pacific	87⅝	87¾	86⅝
Northern Pacific	136	136⅛	135⅞
National Lead	63¼	63¾	63
Texas Pacific	25⅛	25¼	25
Union Pacific	149¾	150¼	148⅞
U. S. Rubber	26	26	26
U. S. Steel	38⅝	38⅞	38¼
U. S. Steel, pfd.	102½	102⅞	102¼
Wabash	14⅛	14¼	14
Wabash, pfd.	28½	28⅞	27⅝

Total sales in New York yesterday, 1,117,600 shares.

CHICAGO MARKET REPORT.

July corn	66¼	66¼	65⅞
July wheat	90⅝	90⅜	90½
July oats	46⅞	46⅞	46⅞
Sept. corn	64⅛	64¼	64⅛
Sept. wheat	86⅞	86⅜	86⅞
Sept. oats	37¼	37	37⅜

MONTREAL QUOTATIONS.

	Yesterday's Closing	To-day's Opening	Noon
Dom. Coal	54¼	54	54
Dom. Iron & Steel	17⅝	17½	17½
Nova Scotia Steel		51½	51½
C. P. R.	159	160⅛	160⅛
Ills. Tract., pfd.	87½	87¼	87¼
Mackay Co.	65¼	65	65
Toronto St. Ry.	99½	99¾	99¾

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET.

July	9.81	9.90	9.85
October	9.31	9.37	9.32
December	9.18	9.18	9.20
January	9.13	9.13	9.16

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Kanawha, sld. London, May 20.

Barks.

Anello, sld Trapani, Apr 21.
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ARRIVED TO-DAY.

Stmr. Prince Rupert, Keaney, from Halifax, D. A. R., ballast.

Schr. Earl Grey, 379, Salter, Sabine, Texas, J. W. Smith, 750 tons sulphur, orders, 2 days.

Schr. J. L. Colwell, 98, Branscombe, New York, N. C. Scott, 186 tons, sand, for Jas. Fleming.

Coastwise.—Stmr. Westport III, 49, Powell, Westport and cld.; schrs. Little Annie, Powell, Sandy Cove and cld.; James Barber, 80, St. Martins; Ruby, 15, O'Donnell 15, fishing; Jessie, 17, Spicer, Harborville and cld.; Haines Bros., 46, Freeport; Nellie D., 32, Paul, Beaver Harbor and cld.; Bay Queen, 31, Trahan, Belleveau Cove and cld.; May Bell, 76, Black, Alma; Nellie Myrtle, 10, Toner, fishing and cld.

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Schr. Genevieve, 124, Butler, New York, A. W. Adams, with 224 tons hard coal for R. P. & W. F. Starr.

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Schr. Annie A. Booth (Am.), 165, Alcorn, for Vineyard Haven for orders, Stetson, Cutler & Co., 157,643 ft. spruce scantling.

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Schr. Jennie Palmer, 77, Copp, Salem, for order, Stetson, Cutler & Co., 82,341 ft. spruce plank, etc.

DOMINION PORTS.

Quebec, May 20.—Ard., stmr. Montrose, Antwerp; Parthenia, Glasgow.

Halifax, May 21—Sld, stmr Badenia (Ger), New York.

St. Stephen, May 21—Ard, schr George R Alston, Bridgetown, Barbados.

North Sydney, May 21—Ard, stmr Empress of Ireland, Liverpool for Quebec, and proceeded.

BRITISH PORTS.

London, May 20.—Sld., stmr. Kanawha (Br.), Kellman, Halifax and St. John, N. B.

Manchester, May 19.—Sld., stmr. Nancy Lee, Murchie, Chicoutimi.

Southampton, May 20—Ard, stmr Teutonic, New York.

Queenstown, May 21—Sld, Oceanic, New York.

Blyth, May 19—Sld, stmr Vladimira Reitz, Campbellton.

FOREIGN PORTS.

New York, May 21.—Ard., schr. James Davidson, Gillman, St. John.

Rotterdam, May 18.—Ard., stmr. Albuera (Br.), Lockhart, Huelva.

Havana, May 13.—Ard., schr. Laconia, Langellui, Annapolis.

Philadelphia, May 20.—Ard., schr. Ronald, Wagner, Trinidad.

New York, May 21—Cld, stmr Ernesto Ilardi, Miramichi; schr Merriam, St. John.

Calais, May 21—Ard, schr C M Porter, Vineyard Haven.

Sld—Schr Madeleine, Hantsport.

Boston, May 21—Ard, stmr Boston, Yarmouth; schr John J Perry, Rockport.

Cld—Schr With Hazel, St John.

Portland, May 21—Ard, stmr Calvin Austin, St John for Boston, and sld; barks Snowdon, Barbados; W W McLauchlan, do.

Sld—Schrs Laura C Hall, St John for Salem; Eric, Parrsboro, for Boston; Sam Slick, do.

City Island, May 21—Bound south, schr Wandrian, Sackville.

Antwerp, May 20—Sld, stmr Lake Michigan, Montreal.

Reedy Island, May 21—Passed down, barkentine Shawmut, Philadelphia for Calais.

SPOKEN.

Bark Abyssinia (Nor.), from Punta Arenas for Falmouth, 184 days out, May 6, lat. 18 N., lon. 39 W.; all well.

Bark Snowdon (Br.), from Rosario via Barbados for Portland, May 19, lat. 40 N., lon. 68 W.

Bark Eclipse (Br.), Jeffrey, New York for Whampoa, April 30, lat. 30, lon. 45.

DANGERS TO NAVIGATION.

New York, May 20.—Stmr. Dalmore (Br.), from Barry, reports May 15, lat. 45 35, lon. 45 33, passed an iceberg.

Boston, May 20.—Fishing schr. Aloha, at Gloucester yesterday, reports May 18, Cape Cod light bearing WNW., distant 22 miles, saw a large red painted whistling buoy adrift.

Father Point, May 17.—Stmr. Grampian (Br.), from Glasgow for Montreal, reports sighted seven icebergs between lat. 48 40 and lon. 48 30, and lat. 48 02, lon. 49 35.

REPORTS AND DISASTERS.

Fire Island, May 20.—The fire on ship Peter Rickmers (Ger.), before reported, is burning her whole length. Her masts fell during the night.

Quebec, May 20.—Stmr. Montrose, Moore, from London via Antwerp for Montreal, collided with and badly damaged the dock here. Steamer received slight damage.

London, May 20.—Buenos Ayres cables that stmr. Madrid (Arg.), and bark Malwa (Br.), have been in collision. The former vessel is slightly damaged; extent of injury sustained by the latter not known.

Montreal, May 18.—Commander Spain, of the Wreck Commissioners' Court, to-day handed down judgment in the case of the collision between the C. P. R. stmr. Milwaukee and the Dominion government stmr. Montcalm, at Quebec a short time ago, finding Captain Berlanger, of the Montcalm, at fault, and suspending his certificate for a year.

CHARTERS.

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