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FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

N. Y. STOCK MARKET

(J. M. Robinson & Sons, St. John, private wire telegram.)

Amalgamated	87 1/2	87 1/2	86 1/2
Am Car and Foundry	73 1/2	72 1/2	72 1/2
Am Locomotive	62 1/2	61 1/2	61 1/2
American Ice	29 1/2	29 1/2	29 1/2
Am Sugar	119 1/2	121 1/2	121 1/2
Atchafalaya	119 1/2	120 1/2	120 1/2
Am Smelters	98 1/2	99 1/2	98 1/2
Anacostia	49 1/2	49 1/2	49 1/2
Brooklyn R. Transit	80 1/2	80 1/2	80 1/2
Balt and Ohio	116 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2
Can Pac Ry	159 1/2	159 1/2	159 1/2
N.Y. Central	127 1/2	127 1/2	127 1/2
Chic and Great West	20 1/2	19 1/2	19 1/2
Ches and Ohio	88 1/2	88 1/2	88 1/2
Colo E and I	50 1/2	50 1/2	50 1/2
Den and Rio G	49 1/2	50 1/2	50 1/2
Del and H C	183 1/2	183 1/2	183 1/2
Erie	33 1/2	33 1/2	33 1/2
Gen Con	151 1/2	151 1/2	151 1/2
Gen Electric	103 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2
Gr Northern Pk	143 1/2	143 1/2	143 1/2
Kansas and Texas	48 1/2	48 1/2	48 1/2
Louis and Nash	151 1/2	151 1/2	151 1/2
National Lead	88 1/2	88 1/2	88 1/2
Mexican Central	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2
Missouri Pac	71 1/2	71 1/2	71 1/2
Nor Pacific	114 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2
Nor and Western	95 1/2	95 1/2	95 1/2
Ont and Western	46 1/2	46 1/2	46 1/2
Press Steel Car	52 1/2	52 1/2	52 1/2
Pennsylvania	131 1/2	131 1/2	131 1/2
Reading	170 1/2	170 1/2	170 1/2
Rep O L and C	114 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2
Rep I and Steel	46 1/2	46 1/2	46 1/2
Rock Island	40 1/2	40 1/2	40 1/2
Rock Island Pk	88 1/2	88 1/2	88 1/2
U S Rubber	53 1/2	53 1/2	53 1/2
Soo Railway	134 1/2	134 1/2	134 1/2
Southern Pacific	129 1/2	129 1/2	129 1/2
St Paul	155 1/2	155 1/2	155 1/2
Sloss Sheffield	88 1/2	88 1/2	88 1/2
Southern Railway	31 1/2	31 1/2	31 1/2
Twin City	113 1/2	113 1/2	113 1/2
Union Pacific	201 1/2	201 1/2	201 1/2
U S Steel	90 1/2	90 1/2	90 1/2
U S Steel Pk	124 1/2	124 1/2	124 1/2
West Union	77 1/2	77 1/2	77 1/2
Wabash Railway	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2
Wabash Ry Pk	56 1/2	56 1/2	56 1/2
Sales—11 o'clock, 202,000	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET.

January cotton	14.68	14.77	14.68
March cotton	14.97	15.06	14.97
May cotton	15.10	15.20	15.10
July cotton	15.12	15.22	15.12
October cotton	15.13	15.23	15.13
December cotton	14.49	14.60	14.50
Spot cotton	14.85		

CHICAGO MARKET.

Wheat—			
December	105 1/2	106	107 1/2
May	105 1/2	106	107 1/2
July	97 1/2	97 1/2	98 1/2
Corn—			
December	57 1/2	57 1/2	57 1/2
May	61 1/2	61 1/2	61 1/2
July	63 1/2	63 1/2	63 1/2
Oats—			
December	40 1/2	40 1/2	40 1/2
May	42 1/2	42 1/2	42 1/2
Pork—			
May	21.10	20.60	20.60
July	21.73	21.30	21.30

NEW YORK FINANCIAL BUREAU.

New York, Dec. 6.—Bullish specialty operations seem likely today. Reasonable profits on part of holdings should not be refused on bulges because of the professional. Good buying opportunities will be presented upon all recessions in the low and medium priced stocks. Overlooked over Sunday are mostly of a favorable nature. The English situation is reported better.

Money is steadily seeking a lower level and the bank statement in view of the gold exports cannot be accepted as otherwise than encouraging. The president's message forecasts are about as reported last week and there seems to be nothing that will upset the street in the document which will probably go to congress tomorrow noon. The market today will give nothing of consequence for adjustment will probably take place soon after. It is said that no trouble need be expected from radicals, as the regulars are in full control with Cannon leading.

Little work will be accomplished until after the turn of the year. There is gossip of a big railroad strike, action on which may be started this week, but it is not likely that the country will be tied up for the roads are disposed to make reasonable compromises. The Herald has a synopsis of great prosperity this morning, and it, with the increase in freight rates that are likely next year, will offset any wage increase due to the higher cost of living. The main thing to remember is that money is easing and investment will reduce the floating supply of securities while the January disbursements are to be discounted by the stock market.

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RODNEY WHARF SUBJECT FOR COUNCIL TODAY

One of the principal matters to be considered at this afternoon's meeting of the common council will be proper protection for Rodney wharf to prevent a recurrence of accidents there. It will be determined whether the city or the street railway should do the work, and some definite action is expected.

An application from the White Candy Co., Ltd., for total tax exemption, and a bonus of \$20,000, or the guaranteeing of the company's bonds to this amount will be considered, but no interest will be referred to the matter by the aldermen, it would seem that they are not very favorable to the proposals.

The resignations of Ald. Scully and Belva from the ferry committee, will be dealt with. It is probable they will be accepted, and successors appointed, if any aldermen can be found to accept the added duties.

A special meeting of the council will be held some time before the 15th, to deal with the appointment of assessors, as they must be appointed before that date.

FIREMEN ATTEND FUNERAL OF THEIR COMRADE

Attended by a large number of the fire department and salvage corps in uniform, the funeral of Joseph Davidson, late driver of No. 3 fire engine, was held at the Church of England Burial Ground this afternoon.

The firemen assembled at No. 3 Engine House at 2 o'clock and with Chief Kerr at their head marched to Mr. Davidson's late residence in Brussels street. Service at the house was conducted by Archdeacon Raymond and Rev. R. A. Armstrong. Members of the fire department were pall bearers. Members of Court Rockwood, and Foresters from sister corps, also walked in the procession.

Among the beautiful floral tributes laid on the casket were: A pillow from his company No. 3, a broken circle from members of the Happy Home Circle in No. 3 engine company, a crescent from the chief and Mrs. Kerr, a wreath from No. 1 fire company, maltese cross from Court Rockwood, I. O. F. and others.

The funeral of Mrs. Julia Fontaine was held from the home of her father, John Walton, this afternoon at 2:30 to St. Peter's church where the burial service was read by Father Holland. Interment was in the New Catholic cemetery.

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OTTAWA FIRE CHIEF IS FOUND DEAD IN BED

Ottawa, Dec. 6.—(Special)—Chief Provost, of the Ottawa fire department, was found dead in his bed this morning. He came to Ottawa from Montreal ten years ago.

The postmaster general has not left England yet and it is not known whether he will conclude his mission in time to be here for New Year's.

CAPTAIN SCORED BY COMMISSIONER

Scathing indictment for stranding of Steamer—Sir Thos. Shaughnessy Away Tonight

Montreal, Dec. 6.—(Special)—Seldom has a more scathing indictment of a seafaring man and his methods been given in a marine court than that of Captain Alex. Brown of the steamer Arcturion, by Captain Demers, in the wreck commissioner's court today. He investigated the stranding of a steamer in Lake Huron in the recent storm. His finding was that the captain displayed striking ignorance of the condition of his compass and his log was kept in a shocking condition. His certificate was suspended for nine months.

The report that Sir Thomas Shaughnessy is going to Europe in connection with the expansion of the company's steamship business was confirmed today. He will sail from New York on Wednesday, leaving Montreal tonight.

Fines of \$300 each were inflicted on Tolman, two girls, Jessie Deane and Rose Lamoreaux, who admitted charges of usury. If they do not pay the fines they will have to stay in jail three months.

DISASTERS TO STEAMERS

Quinhaven, Germany, Dec. 6.—The steamer Helene Deblumfeld badly crippled, made her way into port today and reported having been in collision during the night with the Danish steamer Niobe. The latter was left in a sinking condition, the crew being taken on board the Blumenfeld. The vessels are small coasters.

London, Dec. 6.—The British steamer St. Patrick, from New York, November 11 for Manila, is reported grounded in the Suez Canal. She will be obliged to discharge her cargo, which is understood to be United States government supplies for the Philippines.

Portland Newspapers Merge.

Portland, Me., Dec. 4.—The sale of the Evening Advertiser by the State Publishing Company to the Evening Express Publishing Company was announced tonight in the last issue of the Advertiser, after a career which covers more than 100 years and entitles it to a place among the oldest and most respected newspapers. The Advertiser will not go out of existence, but its name will be preserved as a part of the title of the paper with which it is to be combined. There is no other evening newspaper in the city.

AEROPLANE EXPLODES ONE-THIRD OF A MILE IN THE AIR

Nice, France, Dec. 6.—M. Fernandez, the French aviator, was instantly killed today following the explosion of the motor when his aeroplane was being manoeuvred at an estimated height of 1,050 feet. The machine crumpled, and with its pilot dropped to the earth.

LINER SHORT OF COAL

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 5.—(Special)—The French liner Mexico, bound from New Orleans for home put into port today short of coal. She will proceed tomorrow.

PROPOSES TO START A NEW MISSION HALL

Mr. Currie Submits Proposal to Evangelical Alliance—Meeting This Morning

The Evangelical Alliance met this morning in monthly session, with a good attendance. Those present were—Revs. Messrs. Crisp, Lang, Lodge, Bishop, Nobles, Cobbe, McLean, Anderson, Hays, Appel, Hutchinson, MacKaskill, Camp, Raymond, Dickie, Wentworth, Ford, Robinson and Milberry.

The report of the committees regarding the week of prayer were received. The committee from North End has made arrangements to hold theirs; the West End had their in preparation and it had not been decided on in the city proper. The week in the North End will be held in January.

The committee was appointed to see the governors of the Boys' Industrial Home and the upon them the desirability of the boys in the institution attending church service in the city on Sundays and to urge that the office of chaplain in the institution be made permanent. Rev. J. C. R. Appel is supplying at present and the alliance is desirous that he be retained for the next six months.

Mr. Currie submitted a proposition in regard to missionary work, saying that he would open a mission in Prince William street in a building which he would purchase or erect there. A committee consisting of Revs. Messrs. Cobbe, Robinson, Anderson and Crisp was appointed to investigate the matter and report.

Rev. Gordon Dickie announced the funeral services of Rev. Dr. MacLachlan, and Archdeacon Raymond were appointed to frame a resolution of condolence regarding the death of the minister, who had been a valued member of the alliance.

Rev. A. B. Cobbe read an interesting paper on "The Canadianizing of Foreigners." The paper was discussed at length by a number of those present, and a unanimous vote of thanks to the speaker was passed.

Revs. Messrs. Ford, Wentworth and Milberry were introduced to the meeting and received a hearty welcome.

EASTERN FARMERS' NOT MAKING MOST OF OPPORTUNITIES

(Continued from page 1.)

It is very attractive, very good prices being offered and there is no good reason to believe that the increase in home needs, the quantity for export should not keep pace.

"Hon. Mr. Fisher said that he accounted for a large measure for the increase in the home consumption by the fact that people were living better now and were eating more and a better class of food."

The Naval Bill

Asked with reference to the naval bill, the minister said: "The bill, I am sure, be found, when brought down, to be a safe and moderate one. Hon. Mr. Brodeur, who is working it out, will have found naval officers of the British admiralty to help in the organization of the force. The plan is the only proper scheme. Canada is growing into nationhood and a navy is one of the foundations of a nation. There is, however, no reason why Canada could not have half a dozen Dreadnoughts to the mother country in the time of a crisis, and men, too."

"But I don't think Canadians want to be bound down to any conditions to do so. It would not be the right spirit. We should feel like the officers of the British admiralty, that it is one of our duties. Outside of the constitutional question in the voting of money for something over which we have no control, I think the matter was as well put by Hon. Mr. Foster himself, when he said that the contribution direct, was like hiring mercenaries to do our fighting."

"You might just as well say that Welshmen should contribute a lump sum for a Dreadnought to the empire. In case of danger, however, Welshmen, like Canadians, would be found offering themselves to the mother country. We have done it before and we should do it again."

"An attempt was made to get Mr. Fisher's views on the British elections, but the minister declined to express any opinion. He said: 'As a cabinet minister I think that it is something in which we have no business to interfere.'"

"In British politics," said Mr. Fisher, "my sympathies are with the Liberal party. The two great questions involved are the constitutional and economical questions. Constitutionally the control of the purse strings has always been in the hands of the Liberal party. Do this and the other side. The budget, too, has affected them. The labor party as a whole will, I should say, be with the Liberals."

"The labor element has come much to the front of late years in England and must be reckoned with. Their strength this time will to some extent offset the influence of the former will be able to control the unintelligent class who make much of their glass of beer."

When Hon. Mr. Fisher was reminded of Lord Charles Bessford's picture of the fall of the empire if the Liberals should win, he said: "Well, it is easy to understand why he should feel so. Being a member of the admiralty he is somewhat of an autocrat and it is hard for him to understand why the people should have so much of a voice in such matters. The admiralty are so accustomed, as the Bible has said, to say to the men 'Do this and that' that they are not likely to be otherwise difficult of comprehension. In England the Tory party is made up of the nobility or autocratic class while the democratic class are of the Liberal party."

BRIBBERY TRIAL OPENS

San Francisco, Dec. 6.—The second trial of Patrick Calhoun, president of the United Railroads of this city on the charge of offering former supervisor John J. Furey a bribe of \$4,000 began this morning with the examination of witnesses by District Attorney London.

DR. SMITH ON CANCER

London, Dec. 6.—Dr. Lanthorn Smith of Montreal is here trying to convert his English brethren to the belief that cancer is wholly contagious and not hereditary.

DIXIE SAILS

Philadelphia, Dec. 6.—The transport equipment transferred from the stranded Prairie, passed out to sea early today on her way to Central America.

WESTERN SHIPPERS FEEL EFFECT OF SWITCHMEN'S STRIKE

Pullmans Discharge Canadians and Put Americans in Their Places

Winnipeg, Sask., Dec. 6.—(Special)—Shippers and wholesalers are suffering severely as the result of the switchmen's strike in Northern States, which has effected the freight business on the Soo Line. Much of Western Canada Christmas trade depends on the United States houses, and is seriously affected.

Toronto, Dec. 6.—Archibald McDonald, Canadian Pacific controller, left from a Queen street car on Saturday evening and his skull was fractured.

Some excitement prevails in local railway circles over a move by the Pullman Company in dismissing a number of Canadians in its offices in Montreal. It is understood this is only the start, and that the Pullman Company intends to replace Canadians all along the line on this side with men from the States. The dismissed men, it is stated, will take the matter before the dominion government with a view to having the alien labor law invoked.

OTHER CITIES TRY TO CUT ST. JOHN OUT

American Consul Moorhead is in receipt of two letters, one from Hamilton and the other from Welland, (Ont.) regarding the matter of the establishment of a saw factory in Canada by an American house. Mr. Moorhead some time ago received a communication from the states asking for information concerning St. John and he forwarded this information to the writer of the letter. The matter was published in the local papers and it is thought that this means the cities mentioned above heard of it and sent to the consul their claims. He referred the letter from Hamilton to the American consul at that place and the one from Welland to the official at Erie. Mr. Moorhead said today that he had no further word from the person who first wrote the letter of inquiry to him.

LOCAL NEWS

The Times has for sale an oak counter suitable for an office, which can be had at a very reasonable figure.

The W. C. T. U. will meet at 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon in the Germain street rooms.

Only three weeks until Xmas. Those wishing to have photographs taken, had better arrange for sitting at an early date. See our free offer. The Conlon Studio.

With the advent of cold weather, social functions long up. Send your party gowns to Ungar's for dry cleaning. Tel. 58.

The biggest bargain event of the season will open Wednesday, Dec. 8, at 9 a. m. This is the opening day of C. B. Pidgeon's early winter clearance sale, which will last 10 days only.

Only a few days until Christmas. If you wish photographs finished for then, it would be well to arrange for sittings immediately. See our free offer. The Conlon Studio, King street.

Watch the List-Interest daily growing in the competition of St. John's Fire Insurance representatives for the handsome trophy, on exhibition in M. R. A.'s window, at Hazen Ave., Temple Fair, Monday night.

A meeting of the S. A. veterans will be held in the Board of Trade rooms tonight for the purpose of assisting the Central Association in securing an extension of time regarding the settling of matters in connection with the land grants.

The regular convocation of Riverside Council T. of H. will be held tonight in Temple Hall. The installation of officers will take place and the degree of Tried Templar will be conferred on several members.

The public schools will close for the Christmas holidays on Friday, December 24, and will remain closed for a fortnight. As yet nothing further has been done regarding the opening of a night school in the city and only one application to attend has been received.

FLORAL FAIR.

On Thursday and Friday evening of this week the ladies of Calvin church will hold their floral fair and tea. Useful and fancy articles suitable for Xmas will be on sale and a good programme will be carried out as well.

Deputy Chief Jenkins and Detective Killen about 1:30 o'clock, arrested Noah Talk, aged 23 years, a native of Newfoundland, for alleged neglect of his wife and not providing for his family. The arrest was made in consequence of a telegram received from Chief of Police Rudland, of Halifax.

PERSONALS

Mrs. G. F. Seovi will receive for the first time since her marriage, at 330 City Line, St. John, West, on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons, Dec. 8 and 9, and afterwards will be at home on the second and third Mondays in each month.

C. F. Atkinson, of Dorchester, is at the Royal.

Miss Miller, of St. John, H. W. Palmer, of Dorchester, and Mr. and Mrs. Fisher, of Halifax, were passengers on the S.S. Grampian for Liverpool.

Prof. Adam Shortt and M. G. LaRoche, of the civil service commission, who have been in the city since Friday, went to Yarmouth this morning.

Mrs. P. J. McGinn, left last week for Boston, where she will reside in future with her daughter Mrs. P. Walsh, Roxbury. Her many friends will wish her happiness in her new home.

Mrs. W. S. Carter, of Fredericton, is the guest of Mrs. R. G. Murray, Crown street, for a few days.

A. S. Donald, resident engineer on the N. T. C. Railway at Chipman, was in the city on Saturday.

W. A. Mott, of Campbellton, was at the Royal on Saturday.

Col. H. M. McLean, M. P., left for Ottawa last evening.

Edward C. Hickson, accountant with Messrs. Hanington & Hanington, is ill in the Montreal hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Sinclair have returned after a three months' trip to the Pacific coast. They visited many points of interest in the Northwest.

J. E. Stocker, of Oromocto, passed through the city today on his way to the winter fair in Amherst.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Rising were passing through Fredericton on noon.

WOULD NOT GIVE NAME TO DOCTOR

Brantford Hospital Board Censure Alderman For Statements—Fighting for Macdonald's Life

Brantford, Ont., Dec. 6.—(Special)—At a hospital board meeting held on Saturday, Ald. Ward, who recently stated that a local doctor had told him there was "unnecessary butchery" at the hospital, and that there was no other reason on the part of the doctors than a pecuniary one, was asked to make specific charges and give the name of his informant in order that an investigation might be held.

This he declined to do. The board passed resolutions regretting that the doctors and hospital had been slandered without evidence.

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 6.—(Special)—William Ames, a worker among Macedonians in this city, and spiritual adviser of Pavlo Staffoff, under sentence to be hanged on December 23 for the murder of Vani Simoff, a fellow Macedonian in this city, says he has located a Canadian Northern section foreman, William Irving, who is prepared to swear that the condemned man applied to him for work at Rosedale section on the day of the murder, and that the time the crime was committed.

Amos firmly believes in the innocence of the condemned man, and will make every effort to secure a new trial for him.

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 6.—The West End Toronto relay race record on Saturday by five minutes, twenty and two-fifths seconds. The distance being covered in 3:46.40. The West End team was made up of Boulton, Tait, Holden, Pratt, Neilson, Parks, Sellers and Blackwell.

ORDAINED TO THE MINISTRY.

Ceremony in Douglas Avenue Christian Church Last Evening.

An interesting ceremony was performed in Douglas Avenue Christian church last night, when Rev. Charles E. Armstrong was received into the ministry. The officiating clergymen were Rev. J. C. B.