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COMMERCIAL

NEW YORK FINANCIAL.

New York, Oct. 22.—Irregularity is likely again today. The sagging tendency seems to us to be more pronounced. Our information indicates that uptown professionals will attempt a raid this morning. There was support extended at the close Friday. It is a question to our mind whether or not the market will be sufficient to withstand a vigorous drive. A hurried short covering would follow effective support. This bearish call is determined to force a slump, however, if possible, judging from what we are able to learn.

Money developments continue to dominate the situation. There have been no really sudden changes in the money market. The connection. We have directed attention for a month to the point that money would control fluctuations soon. The new items coming forward now are merely confirmatory phases. We do not believe the uncertainty will disappear for a few weeks, but the stock market may readjust itself and discount any more adverse money developments. The outlook for the bank statement today is mixed.

More gold exports next week are certain. They will be strong enough to maintain the surplus but it may go much lower with heavy gold shipments. It is said that Englishmen are heavily involved in calls on American securities and are doing all they can money-wise and stock market-wise to depress prices and save themselves.

Press comment is now beginning to see a great light and is no longer bullish for the immediate future. The market continues divided. Conservative neutrality will continue to give daily operators very good results.

MORNING COTTON NOTES.

New York, Oct. 22.—There was selling here late yesterday and the market was a little lower. The New York Cotton Exchange, showing spinners' takings of 306,575 bales for the week against 218,260 last year. Better figures were here late yesterday and the spinners' takings for the week 335,000 against 285,000 last year, and the effect of this more bullish showing was exhibited in the New Orleans market after the local close. We cannot pretend to say which statement is nearer correct and this matter of spinners' takings after all more or less of an approximation.

The fact of the matter is that enormous into-eight figures for the week, and the southern spot markets at about the best prices of the season and whether they be bullish or bearish, the market is in a confusion is obvious that so far the movement has been no pressure on the situation.

Large spot and futures markets of March and May here yesterday, and contributed largely to the support of the market. At the close last night prices were only 17 points below the high of the season. Reactionists have made very little progress and every effort to depress the market has met with strong resistance around 12.75 for May. This has been the case since the conditions which would seem to have entitled the market to a good start back.

Weather in the south has been generally reasonable, receipts heavy.—W. W. Price.

WALL STREET NOTES.

New York, Oct. 22.—President Taft announced in favor of issuing bonds for waterways. Oklahoma state bankers moving for radical reform of deposit guarantee law, and allege corrupt politics in recent banking failure.

President Harding, of St. Paul, expects to see all records for gross earnings broken in present fiscal year.

Dun's Review shows every report of the week ranges from moderate improvement to extraordinary buoyancy.

Bradstreet's says trade and industrial developments are largely favorable.

Gold going to Brazil and Canada, but exchange does not permit direct shipments to London yet.

Newman Erb and associates secure control of C. & L.

Small improvement reported in sales of copper.

Lack Steel Co. has orders which will keep them busy until March, and is refusing contracts for immediate delivery.

Title cars on Oct. 13, 35,777, a decrease of about 22 per cent in a fortnight.

Railroad officers say the demand for cars has about reached its maximum.

Banks gained on weak currency movement \$67,000.

Great Northern surplus in annual report equal to 8.3 per cent on capital.

Evansville and Toronto reports show surplus of 2.8 per cent on common, after 5 per cent paid.

Twelve industrial declines 1.29.

Twenty active railroads declined 1.49.

London, Oct. 22.—Consols 82 1/2, 4 1/2, Apr. 202, 10 11 1/2, Co. 8 1/2, D. 4 1/2, E. 3 1/2, F. 4 1/2, G. 4 1/2, H. 4 1/2, I. 4 1/2, J. 4 1/2, K. 4 1/2, L. 4 1/2, M. 4 1/2, N. 4 1/2, O. 4 1/2, P. 4 1/2, Q. 4 1/2, R. 4 1/2, S. 4 1/2, T. 4 1/2, U. 4 1/2, V. 4 1/2, W. 4 1/2, X. 4 1/2, Y. 4 1/2, Z. 4 1/2.

WINNIEPHEE WHEAT QUOTATIONS.

The Ogilvie Flour Mills Co., Limited, supply the following quotations of the Winnipeg wheat market, Oct. 21.—October 97 1/2, December 98 1/2, May 99 1/2.

THE MARKET FOR THANKSGIVING

The weather once again interfered with conditions in the country market this morning, as the rain of yesterday and last night prevented a number of countrymen from coming in with their produce. For this reason, the supply of green goods was not so plentiful as might have been under more favorable conditions. However, the supply was fair, and prices were about the same as last week. Meats of all kinds and poultry were abundant, and many Thanksgiving dinners were ordered in the poultry line. Eggs are still rather scarce, and high, selling from 28 to 35 cents a dozen. Butter sold for from 26 to 31 cents a pound. Other prices were: Lamb, 10 to 12 cts; beef, 10 to 18; veal, 10 and 12; fresh pork, 12; mutton, 18 to 20; venison, 16 and 18 a pound; chickens, 75 to \$1.00 a pair; fowl, \$1.00 a pair; woodcock, 75 cts; wild duck, 75 cts; domestic duck, \$1.25 to \$1.40. Geese are quite plentiful, and sell for \$1.00 to \$1.25 each. Turkeys cost 25 to 30 cents a pound.

Harry W. Lantry, of the Montreal Star, came in on today's train to spend Thanksgiving at his home here.

FIRE AT NAPPAN STATION TODAY

A. C. Berry House Destroyed With All Contents

Amherst, N. S., Oct. 22.—(Special).—At 1:30 this morning a fire broke out in the A. C. Berry house at Nappan station. On arrival it was found that the whole front was in flames and that nothing could be done to save the house or its contents, which were completely destroyed.

The house was built by the late A. C. Berry many years ago, and was occupied by him until his death. The post office was kept there for many years. In the death of Mr. and Mrs. Berry, the property was sold by the executor to Mrs. Maggie O'Neil, of Amherst. It is understood the family were absent at the time of the fire, and the origin of the fire is a little uncertain, as there is no fire insurance on both house and furniture.

CITY CORNET BAND STAND TO BE GIVEN TO CITY MONDAY

The City Cornet Band has everything in readiness for the formal presentation of their band stand in King square to the city Monday afternoon.

Workmen were busy this morning erecting an additional feature to the stand, a gilded globe with ten incandescent lights. On one side of the globe is the inscription: "1874—City Cornet Band—1909," and on another, "F. Neil Brodie, Architect," and on either side of these inscriptions, which are neatly engraved on shields, are five incandescent lights. The whole is suspended beneath the floor of the stand directly over the fountain.

On the top of the stand a cornet has been placed on a spire and adds greatly to the appearance of the stand.

Recent subscriptions to the fund are:

Rev. Charles Collins	10.00
Andre Chabing & Co.	10.00
Christie Wood Working Co.	7.50
D. J. Brown	5.00
William Murdoch	5.00
A. H. Bell	5.00
George Dick	2.00
Allen Rankine	2.00
J. Higgins	2.00
Andrew J. Maher	2.00
Thomas L. Baxter	1.00
P. J. Gorman	1.00
T. E. O'Leary	1.00
J. T. Kelley	1.00
P. Killory	1.00
Robert R. Boyer	1.00
Mrs. M. Corkey	1.00
C. H. Brennan	1.00
Mrs. John Travis	1.00
Thomas Connelley	1.00
W. L. Rothwell	1.00
Wilson L. Dobbin	1.00
John McKelvey	1.00
James Moulson	1.00

Acknowledged previously.....\$177.36
Received, total to date.....1,849.83
Cost of stand.....1,909.71
Balance due.....1,849.86

Rev. I. C. Archibald, who for the past twenty-seven years has been a missionary on the Telegu field in India, will speak tomorrow in German street Baptist church.

Come to the North End store and save money on your fall and winter clothes purchases. C. B. Pidgeon's prices are lower than down town stores.

The Royal Bank has brought 20 young clerks from Scotland.

DEATHS

BUSTIN.—In this city, on October 22, Robert Bustin, in the 78th year of age, leaving two sons and two daughters to mourn their loss.

Notice of funeral hereafter.

TURNER.—At Bozabach, N. B., on the 21st inst., Armina J. Turner, widow of the late D. Turner, of this city, in the 74th year of her age.

Funeral on Saturday at 3 o'clock, from St. Paul's (Valley) church.

CONDENSED ADVERTISEMENTS

(Too late for Classification.)

LOST—BETWEEN KEYS ON THURSDAY evening on Dock street. Finder please leave at this office. 2046-10-25.

WANTED—GIRLS TO SEW BY HAND. Good pay, steady work to experienced hands. Apply at once. KAPLAN SHANE & CO., 71 Gormain street. 2051-10-27.

FOR SALE—HOME PHONOGRAPH, 50 Records, 2 Cases. In perfect order. Apply 514 Spring street.

WANTED—EXPERIENCED GIRL FOR general housework. References. Apply evenings, MRS. FRANK S. WHITE, 30 Prince Wm. street. 2043-10-30.

BOARDING—LARGE SUNNY ROOM with board. Apply 222 Duke street.

WANTED—BOY TO LEARN THE HARDWARE business. EMERSON & FISHER, 204-10-27.

NOTICE OF ASSIGNMENT

TAKE NOTICE, that Charles H. Bonnell, of the City of Saint John, in the County of Saint John, and Province of New Brunswick, and James J. Bonnell, of the same place and occupation, doing business at the City of Saint John, under the name of J. H. Bonnell & Co., has this day pursuant to the provisions of Chapter one hundred and forty-one of the Consolidated Statutes of New Brunswick, and an Act intituled "Respecting Assignments and Preferences by Insolvent Persons," made a general assignment of the benefit of his creditors to the undersigned John A. Sinclair, Barrister, residing and practicing in the said City of Saint John, and also that a meeting of the creditors of the said Charles H. Bonnell and James J. Bonnell will be held at the office of John A. Sinclair, Pussley Building, Princess street, in said City on Wednesday, the third day of November, A. D. 1909, at three o'clock in the afternoon, for the appointment of inspectors and the giving of directions with reference to the disposal of the estate and the transaction of such other business as shall properly come before the meeting.

And take notice that all creditors are required to file their claims duly proven with the undersigned assignee, in his office, Pussley Building, Princess street, in said City within three months from the date hereof unless further time be allowed by a Judge of the Supreme Court, and that all claims not filed within the time limited or such further time, if any, shall be wholly barred or any right to share in the proceeds of the estate and that the assignee shall be at liberty to distribute the proceeds of the estate as if any claim not filed as aforesaid did not exist, but without prejudice to the liability of the debtor therefor.

Dated at the City of Saint John this twenty-second day of October, A. D. 1909.

JOHN A. SINCLAIR,
Assignee.

MACRAE SINCLAIR & MACRAE,
Solicitors.

2047-10-26.

TELEPHONE SUBSCRIBERS.

PLEASE ADD TO YOUR DIRECTORIES. Main 1464—Clark, Mrs. R. H., residence, Main 1464—Humphrey, Col. J. H., residence, Main 2221—41—Vanbushkirk, Walter, G., residence, 291 Charlotte, Main 2221—41—Wilson, J. Eldon, residence, 291 Charlotte.

F. J. NISBET,
Local Manager.

October 23, 1909.

LOCAL NEWS

There will be a temperance meeting at the Every Day Club at 8.30 tomorrow evening.

Ungar's Laundry rests its claims to your support entirely upon the character of its work. Tel. 58.

Registrar John B. Jones reports five marriages and thirty-two births during the past week. Of the children born, eighteen were male and fourteen female.

Several parties were reported to have gone to Shag Rocks this morning to grapple for the body of George Dalton, who was drowned last Thursday night, but as far as can be learned, their quest was fruitless.

George E. Nice, general secretary of the Y. M. C. A. of Stellarton (N. S.), will address the boys' meetings at 10 a.m. and 4.30 p.m. tomorrow in the Y. M. C. A. building. W. M. Kingston's Bible class for men will be at 2.30 o'clock in the reception hall.

A still alarm of fire, sent in to No. 2 hook and ladder company, was for a slight fire in Parker Hamm's house in Douglas avenue. The blaze was caused by an exposed wire connected with an electric bell. The damage was slight.

The Board of Health reports the following deaths for the week: Consumption, 3; Infantile pneumonia, angina pectoris, uraemia, two each; asthma, meningitis, enteria, colitis, cardiac failure, premature birth, fetal impaction, cerebral hemorrhage, lobar pneumonia, suppurative appendicitis, one each.

Tonight will be the last chance to see the autumn fair of the Every Day Club, the beauty of which has been the subject of universal praise. The fair will be dismantled on Monday morning. The voting contest will close tonight, and the door prizes will be drawn. There will be something doing every minute. This should be the banner night of the fair.

Between 7 and 8 o'clock last night a telephone wire broke in Main street, near Douglas avenue, and falling across an electric wire, it became charged, giving Duncan Morrison a severe shock. It threw him to the ground, injuring him slightly. The wires were made safe as soon as possible by the street railway and telephone men.

The annual meeting of the Women's Canadian Club, of St. John, will be held at 3 o'clock on Tuesday afternoon in the rooms of the Y. M. C. A. As the election of officers will take place, a large attendance is requested. Any persons desirous of becoming members, will please send their names to the secretary, Mrs. Chisholm, 95 Coburg street, to be voted upon at this meeting.

An interesting event will take place at 294 Prince street, West End, on Wednesday next, when at 4 p.m., Miss Beatrice E. McLean, daughter of Mrs. Addie M. McLean, of Chipman, will be united in marriage to Chester Brown son of J. Harvey Brown, of this city. The ceremony will be performed by Rev. A. A. Graham. There will be no attendants. Mr. and Mrs. Brown will reside at Craigie Lee, the home of the groom's father.

New Freeman.—The Sisters of Charity, a community, whose very name is associated with all that is good and noble in the works of charity in this city, celebrated their fifty-fifth anniversary on last Thursday. The anniversary day was marked by an outward celebration, but it was kept in accordance with the traditions of the community, as a day of thanksgiving to Almighty God for innumerable blessings that He has given the Sisters and their work. Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament was given in the evening by the chaplain, Rev. Father Duke.

CHURCH SERVICES

Queen Square.

Morning, 11, Rev. C. W. Squires; evening, 7, Rev. H. D. Marr.

Centenary.

Morning, 11, Rev. H. D. Flanders; evening, 7, Rev. H. D. Flanders.

Exmouth.

Morning, 11, Rev. J. Heaney; evening, 7, Rev. W. W. Lodge.

Portland.

Morning, 11, Rev. G. A. Ross; evening, 7, Rev. W. W. Lodge.

Carleton.

Morning, 11, Rev. W. W. Lodge; evening, 7, Rev. J. Heaney.

Carmarthen.

Morning, 11, Rev. H. D. Marr; evening, 7, Rev. C. W. Squires.

Zion.

Morning, 11, Rev. T. Spencer Crisp; evening, 7, Rev. T. Spencer Crisp.

Fairville.

Morning, 11, Rev. M. McLaughlin; evening, 7, Rev. G. A. Ross.

Main street Baptist church, Rev. David Hutchison, pastor—Services 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Subject for the evening, "Saturday or Sunday, Which?" Music: morning, "O Lord, Be Glorified in the Lord" (Garnett); evening, anthem, "Sing Unto the Lord" (Svensham), and "So Joyful in the Lord" (Garnett). Thanksgiving day services and offerings.

Calvin Presbyterian church, corner Wellington Row and Carleton street—Services at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Rev. L. A. McLean, pastor. Sabbath school and Bible class, 2.30 p.m.; mid-week prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. Rev. W. M. Fraser, of Halifax, will preach at both services. Morning subject, "A Certain Fishing Experience; evening subject, "The Problem of Unanswered Prayer. United Thanksgiving service Monday at 11 a.m.

St. John's Presbyterian church, King street, east, Rev. J. H. A. Anderson, pastor—public worship at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; morning subject, "National Thanksgiving," evening, "The Transformation of Character;" the pastor to preach at both services; Sabbath school at 2.30; Christian Endeavor society on Tuesday at 8 p.m. subject, "The New Brunswick Indian." Prayer meeting on Wednesday at 8 p.m. A cordial welcome to all.

FUNERALS

The funeral of Miss Ida McKay was held from her late home, Princess street, this afternoon at 2.30. Service was conducted by Rev. A. B. Colver and interment was in the Church of England burying ground.

The funeral of James Ritchie was held from his late home, St. Paul street, this afternoon at 3 o'clock. Service was conducted by Rev. E. B. Hooper, and interment was in Fernhill.

MR. BARRETT DEAD

Thomas Barrett died in the hospital today. He was picked up in the street on Saturday last, after having fallen down in a fit, and was taken to the hospital. He had remained in a semi-conscious state until death.

Service will be held at First Church of Christ, Scientist, 15 German street, at 11 a.m. Thanksgiving Day. Public invited.

Canada's trade in September totalled \$36,601,753, an increase of 14 per cent.

TWO SCHOONERS GO ASHORE

Stanley Mac Gets Clear But Minnie G. Smith is Still Fast

North Sydney, N. S., Oct. 22.—(Special).—The schooner Stanley Mac, Capt. Whittle, from Charlottetown for this port, with a cargo of oats, went ashore yesterday on Black Rock, at the entrance to Big Bras d'Or. Capt. Whittle came to North Sydney for assistance and secured the tug Gladstone, which pulled the vessel clear at noon and brought her here.

The schooner Minnie G. Smith, from New Brunswick, was also ashore yesterday, but the North Star, while coming up the harbor last night, the tug Iona went to her assistance, but could not render any help last night. An attempt will be made to float her today.

FOR LITTLE HALF TIMERS

Abolition of Custom in Lancashire Whereby Children Get only Half-Day at School May Soon Come

The movement in Lancashire for the abolition of the little "half-timer"—the child who spends half his day in the factory and half in school—has been greatly strengthened by the report of the Inter-Departmental Committee which recommended that partial exemption from school attendance should be discontinued. According to the latest estimate there are 34,300 child workers in factories.

The "half-timer" is a type of child quite distinguishable from the boy who regularly attends school, writes a Lancashire correspondent. Brought up in a strong industrial atmosphere, he, at a very early age, looks forward to the time when he will be able to contribute to the expenses of the household and obtain a little extra money for himself. When he does that he considers he is a little man.

A boy entering the spinning mill at the age of twelve to become a piecer, will start at once to get half a crown a week, but very soon he will be jingling six shillings in his pocket, which he takes home to his mother on "pay" night. That fact, first and foremost, accounts for the eagerness of boys to enter the mill. Of course, there are many parents who, through necessity or the desire to save, press their boys into the mill, and these are the really pathetic cases.

When all considerations have been weighed in the balance, it is difficult to understand the desire of the boy to enter the mill. His struggle through the streets—often for distances of a mile—on cold winter mornings before six o'clock, probably without food or drink, by no means fits him for the arduous day to follow. For his six hours in the mill, cleaning machinery, piecing twist, and carrying bobbins, must, it is urged, prove detrimental to him when he gets to school in the afternoon.

So far is this the case, that "half-timers" sometimes go to sleep at their desks, and with a doubtful lag behind in their lessons. Objection is also taken from the physical and moral point of view. The same results apply to girl "half-timers," whose work is chiefly in the card-room and weaving shed.

"PACIFICATION AND LIBERTY"

An Announcement of Policy by the New Spanish Cabinet

Madrid, Oct. 22.—The cabinet was in session for four hours last night, and following its adjournment an official communication was issued announcing that the cabinet proposed to follow a policy of pacification and liberty.

It is understood that among the specific decisions arrived at was one to submit the religious orders engaged in industries to the operation of the common law.

COST OF THE COAL STRIKE

The Dominion Steel Company has imported about 100,000 tons of coal from Philadelphia as a result of the strike in the Dominion Coal mines.

This coal has been transferred to Sydney by Dominion coal steamers.

The strike has probably cost the Dominion Steel Company about \$125,000.

PERSONALS

Mrs. N. R. Colter was a passenger to the city to today's Boston train at noon. R. Ritchie came in on today's Boston train.

F. J. G. Knowlton was a passenger to the city to today's Boston train at noon. R. Ritchie came in on today's Boston train.

Wm. Downie, general superintendent of the C. P. R., left last evening for Megantic, where he will join the general manager of the road in connection with the Moosehead and Brunswick sections.

Mrs. Robert H. Murray (nee Price) will receive her friends at 254 Brittain street, Wednesday and Thursday afternoon and evenings, Oct. 27 and 28.

Mrs. H. W. Cuniffe, Port Kent, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. J. McCaskill, 311 Babel street.

Miss Mantel L. Mitchell of Esport is spending a few days in the city, a guest of Mrs. F. L. Potts.

J. F. Gleeson left for Chatham last evening.

WEDDINGS

At the residence of Counsellor George A. Perley, Manchester, on Wednesday last, his eldest daughter, Miss Mary Harper, was united in marriage to Charles E. Moore, of Claresham, Alberta, by Rev. Mr. Losely. Only close friends and relatives witnessed the ceremony. The bride couple left for their future home in the west.

THIS EVENING

Close of the Autumn Fair of Every Day Club, Waterloo street; grand auction.

Moving pictures and special features at the Nickel.

Moving pictures and special features at the Star.

Colonial Stock Company at Opera House in The War of Wealth.

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WILL HAVE TO PAY HIGHER FOR BROOMS

Finished Product Jumps From \$2.50 a Dozen for Standard Brand in 1905 to \$4.25 at Present Time

New York, Oct. 23.—With election time approaching, when new brooms are supposed to sweep clean, it looks as though the reformers who may be elected will have to either use the old house-cleaning utensil or pay a big price for the traditional "new broom," for there is a broom manufactured article are soaring skyward every few days and are now at nearly a record point. Crop failures in the leading raising districts is given as the reason for the recent sharp advance.

"The prices on brooms this year are considerably higher than last year, which was rather higher than the average. Take one of our standard brands from our catalogue of 1905 and you will see them quoted at \$2.50 a dozen. The same goods, and he showed his catalogue of the present time, "it would be hard for us to replace them at a figure which would allow us any margin."

"Hot winds in Oklahoma destroyed two-thirds of the crop. There was a small acreage in Illinois, with a light yield. This makes a possible tonnage in the United States of 15,000 to 16,000 tons. The normal consumption is 45,000 to 50,000 tons; 16,000 tons of broom corn will produce 17,280,000 brooms; 15,000,000 families consume brooms. The 1909 crop will give each family one and one-seventh brooms each. Where the railroads, steamboats, lines, stores and factories will supply their needs is a problem that we cannot answer."

"The 1909 crop is practically all sold, bought standing in the field, subject to weather conditions. Many manufacturers who would not believe the conditions are without stock. In short, it is a question of getting broom corn rather than price at the present time."

"I have been informed that some of the manufacturers have sent buyers abroad to purchase necessary supplies and are paying higher prices for the stock than at the last time it was necessary to look abroad to get the raw material. The foreign broom corn is not to be compared with that which is raised in this country, so it can't be seen that those who will need the higher grades of brooms will have to pay a pretty stiff price for them. Another feature of the situation is that the present supply of broom corn will not last the factories, running at their usual capacity, longer than July 1, which is several months before the new crop is available."

"There is a flood of orders for brooms since the price started up, but they are in smaller quantities, showing that the buyers hope that time will bring lower quotations, but from a statistical standpoint I cannot see how such will be the case."

MINIATURE ALMANAC.

1909	Rises	Sets	Tide
October	6.54	8.22	6.97
22 Sat	6.54	8.22	6.97
23 Sun	6.54	8.22	6.97

VESSLS BOUND TO ST. JOHN.

STEAMERS.

Hestia, sld Glasgow, Oct. 10.

Ocampo, sld Bermuda, Oct. 19.

PORT OF ST. JOHN.