

YESTERDAY'S STOCK AND BOND QUOTATIONS

MARKET GOSSIP

NEW YORK, N. Y., March 17.—Reports of good news and the actual appearance of at least one item that...

Grain Market

CHICAGO, Ill., March 17.—Selling induced largely by unexpected departure of George S. Milnor for grain...

Winnipeg

WINNIPEG, Man., March 17.—Preceding increase in wheat and Argentine was reflected in slightly lower quotations in the wheat...

Foreign Exchange

MONTREAL, Que., March 17.—(By the Canadian Press) Exchange in relation to the Canadian dollar, as compiled by the Royal Bank of Canada, closed today as follows:

Fish Quotations

BOSTON, Mass., March 17.—Eleven vessels arrived at the fish pier here today.

Wheat

Wheat—May 64 1/2, July 68 1/2-3/4, Oct. 67 1/2.

Cash Prices

Wheat—No 1 hard 64 1/2, No 2 62 1/2, No 3 60 1/2.

Bonded Wheat

NEW YORK, N. Y., March 17.—Bonded wheat closed easier.

Wholesale Quotations

Large cod 6 to 7 cents per pound.

Montreal Stock Market Quotations

Table with columns: Stock, High, Low, Close. Includes Bell Telephone, B. T. Power, C. C. Foundry, etc.

Stock Averages

Table with columns: Today, 10 days, 20 days, 30 days, 60 days, 90 days, 1 year.

What the Stock Market Did

Number of advances... 124. Number of declines... 103. Stocks unchanged... 156.

New York Stock Market Quotations

Table with columns: Stock, High, Low, Close. Includes Alchem, American Can, Am Tel Tel, etc.

Washington, D. C., March 17

Washington, D. C., March 17.—(By the Associated Press) The annual report of the Oils and Greases Commission...

Montreal Market Sidelights

MONTREAL, Que., March 17.—Trading on the local stock exchange in today's market continued to be of a distinctly extremely narrow limits.

PRODUCE

MONTREAL, Que., March 17.—(By the Canadian Press)—Declining egg prices were the feature of the produce market here today.

SUGAR

NEW YORK, N. Y., March 17.—Raw sugar was easier today and after sales the previous day were confirmed at 2 7/8.

COTTON

NEW YORK, N. Y., March 17.—Cotton futures closed steady.

Miscellaneous

MONTREAL, Que., March 17.—Harley, Canadian Western no 3 3/4, oats Canadian western no 3 3/4.

Progress Made In Budget Debate

Government Policies Defended By Mr. Bethune, Hon. G. S. Sharp, And Hon. Dr. McMillan. Mr. Allen Sole Opposition Speaker Yesterday.

Continued progress was made in the Budget debate yesterday afternoon and evening, the speakers being Mr. D. F. Bethune (Second Queen's), Hon. Mr. Sharp, Minister of Agriculture, Mr. L. R. Allen, (Fifth Prince), and Hon. Dr. MacMillan, Minister of Health and Education.

Mr. Bethune had been informed that under the Liberal Government the senior member for West River had hired and fired workmen on his own account.

Two bridges had been built in the District, known as the Warren Bridge and the Jewell Bridge, both being practically the same size.

Reference was noted by Mr. Sharp to expenses incurred under the Liberals last year for a delegation "Re Freight Rates Commission".

The inconsistent attitude of the senior member for West River on the subject of old age pensions was analyzed by Mr. Bethune.

Reference was also made by Mr. Bethune to the Rocky Point Wharf. This wharf had been neglected by the Liberal Government.

The good work of the Hampshire boys' and girls' livestock club was also dealt with.

Mr. Bethune paid a warm tribute to the ability and fairness of the Hon. Dr. MacMillan, Minister of Health and Education.

Marketing prospects for Canadian potatoes in Cuba were reviewed by Mr. Sharp.

The timid attitude of the Mackenzie King Government towards the attitude of the Bennett Government, which had legislated not in fear of Washington but solely in the interests of Canada.

threatening to raise her tariff walls but has adopted a more conciliatory manner towards this country.

Subsidy Claims

Dealing with the subsidy claims question, Mr. Sharp stressed the opportunity the late Provincial Liberal Government had of pressing for subsidy settlement when the claims of the Western Provinces were presented.

No More "Bungling"

As soon as conditions warrant, the Province may be assured that the present Premier will press our claims in this connection.

The Province received last summer \$125,000 from Ottawa for unemployment relief.

Despite the stringent financial situation Agriculture will receive the same consideration as it has in the past.

Mr. Sharp showed clearly that imported gravel under the Liberal regime cost this Province \$4.00 per ton, and all our people received of this expenditure was for the actual transfer of the gravel from the railway cars to the point of laying down on the roads.

Pressure, however, had been brought to bear on the Liberal Minister of Public Works and a different system was adopted.

Mr. Sharp cited an instance of a detective having been brought here from Montreal to investigate a fire, and the manner in which the information of this detective against prohibition offenders was suppressed.

This was the situation when the Conservatives took office. They decided the most economical way was to purchase the gravel pits outright.

The Government is endeavoring to make revenue and expenditure meet, and strict economy will be necessary.

Curialment will have to be made in the Public Works Department and there will be a smaller appropriation for that purpose.

During the four years of Liberal regime the Province had gone behind about \$1,000,000.

In this work, no thought was given to political affiliation. At West Devon Mr. Sharp was informed that all the truck drivers were Liberals.

"We are not ashamed to stand up in this House or on any platform and justify our actions in this respect," Mr. Sharp declared.

The member for First Prince (Mr. Thane A. Campbell) seemed quite peeved at the manner in which he had been turned down by the banner Liberal district of Second Prince.

Last year the House voted \$50,000 for road gravelling, \$57,668 was actually expended.

tion. Actually, of the \$2,000,000 total bond issue for which authority is sought, all but \$650,000 has already been expended.

The Provincial Sanatorium, Mr. Sharp continued, was built through the Sanatorium Committee working in co-operation with the Women's Institutes and other organizations.

The satisfactory manner in which the Infirmary patients are housed was referred to.

Grave Condition

Referring to the alarming nature of the report on conditions at Falconwood, Mr. Sharp declared that someone was undoubtedly to blame.

The Government had been criticized for "making haste" in appointing a Minister of Health and Education.

Mr. Sharp did not care to discuss on the floor of the House some of the conditions discovered by the examining doctors.

Improvements have been made and the Government hopes to continue its supervision until we have an institution that will be creditable to the province and will give assurance to relatives and friends that those unfortunate and mentally deficient patients are being looked after carefully and well under the supervision of our Minister of Education.

"We believe," said Mr. Sharp in conclusion, "that with strict attention to agriculture, public works, public health, etc. we shall emerge from this era of depression in a way that will make us one of the foremost Provinces in Canada when conditions come back to normal, as they believe they are certain to do."

MR. L. R. ALLEN

Compliments to the Speaker were tendered by Mr. L. R. Allen, who also referred regretfully to the death of the late Hon. Leonard MacNeill and the late Hon. P. A. Scully, a member of the late Liberal Government.

He regretted being under the necessity of taking up a personal matter. In his absence last night the member from Egmont Bay was reported as "having mentioned the member from Summerside as not having paid his poll tax."

Mr. Arsenault said he had been referring to the difficulty of collecting the poll tax and had mentioned a member as having admitted on one occasion he had not paid tax for a certain year up to that time.

Mr. Allen said he resented being singled out. The first year the tax was imposed it was not collected until 1921 and Mr. Allen would table his receipt which was eleven years old.

The poll tax, Mr. Allen claimed was one of the most just taxes ever levied on the people of this Province.

He suggested that this tax should be put back on the statute books by the present Government and make voting conditional upon the payment of this tax as is the case in Charlottetown.

Criticism of the purchase of Ministers' cars was made by Mr. Allen on the ground of extravagance.

Had the Premier in handing in the old car called it a "department car" instead of a "minister's car" he could have saved money under the agricultural grant.

"We may be under Prohibition but I believe the Provincial Police are under Government Control, none the less" he said.

Continuing the debate at the evening session, Mr. Allen discussed prohibition conditions in Summerside. Only the shortage of money, he averred prevented the bootleg traffic from becoming a worse men-