

DEBTS OF FISK & ROBINSON

BOTH PARTNERS HAVE TURNED OVER ALL THEIR PROPERTY.

Assets Put at \$6,700,784 and Liabilities at \$6,000,000—List of Principal Creditors. The Tangle is Too Great Yet for an Offer of Composition.

A meeting of creditors of Fisk & Robinson, bankers and holders of 35 Cedar street, was held yesterday before Stanley W. Dexter, referee in bankruptcy, at 71 Broadway.

When the referee inquired if there was to be an offer of composition the attorneys informed him that there are too many intricate reclamation proceedings pending for any offer at present.

A balance sheet of February 1, the day the bankruptcy petition was filed, gives liabilities at \$6,000,000 and assets \$6,700,784, deficiency \$207,716.

There is an additional secured liability of \$135,000, provided the securities pledged under certain loans realize the valuations placed upon them in the statement of assets.

Among the secured creditors were the Bank of Montreal, \$100,000; Bankers Trust Company, \$200,000; Chase National Bank, \$100,000; Commercial Union Trust Bank, Chicago, \$200,000; Corn Exchange National Bank, Chicago, \$100,000; Francis Bros. & Co., St. Louis, \$100,000; Harvey & Sons, \$100,000; Great Southern Lumber Company, Buffalo, \$400,000; Hanover National Bank, \$100,000; Hibbard Banking Association, Chicago, \$100,000; Irving National Exchange Bank, \$75,000; Knickerbocker Trust Company, \$100,000; Merchants Loan and Trust Company, Chicago, \$100,000; Merchants National Bank, Boston, \$100,000; Metropolitan Trust Company, \$100,000; Muller, \$100,000; A. C. & Co., \$25,000; National Copper Bank, \$150,000; Provident Loan and Trust Company, Philadelphia, \$200,000; Trust Company of America, \$100,000; Trust Company, \$100,000; J. N. Vance, Wheeling, W. Va., \$100,000.

Among the unsecured creditors are the American National Bank, Richmond, Va., \$100,000; C. Childs, Chicago, \$100,000; J. T. Jones, Gulfport, Miss., \$100,000; Kansas City Western Railway Company, \$50,000; Keystone Telephone Company, Philadelphia, \$200,000; Trust Company, \$100,000; J. N. Vance, Wheeling, W. Va., \$100,000.

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GOSSIP OF WALL STREET.

In a market no more active than in the closing days of last week the principal argument for purchases of stocks was the same as that used every Monday for a month.

The Supreme Court had again failed to decide the tobacco case, wherefore it was felt that the market would be a decision became a gain limit end.

Another old argument concerned the advisability of buying stocks of companies on which a bond issue has been announced but remains unmade.

It was considered that the chance of securing stock exchange holidays on Friday and Saturday was improved by the lack of a decision in the tobacco case and the consequent dullness in the market.

Except in a few special issues the trading in the last month has brought about no important change in prices. Up to the opening of the market yesterday there had in this period been a gain of \$1 a share in the average price of the statistical industrial stocks.

The petition for holidays Friday and Saturday is one of the longest ever presented to the government, it covers the names of 650 brokers, that is the names of about all the active members of the exchange.

Pullman stock sold at 2 points, though Chicago dispatches reported that the \$20,000,000 stock bonus authorized some time ago by the directors had been approved at a stockholders' meeting in that city.

Business in the banking houses was much more active than in the closing days of the week. Bankers were greatly interested in the returns from the city bond sale, and the big banking houses were also occupied with arrangements for new financing.

The census of cotton spinning reported showed the cotton crop of 1909 to have been 10,363,740 bales, or 13.32 per cent. over the previous year. The report stands as the final government record of last year's crop and conformed so closely with previous reports that it was followed by unusual stability in the cotton markets.

THE GRAIN MARKETS.

Wheat Higher—Drought Continues in the Southwest—Crop News Very Bullish—Some Favorable Reports, However—Corn and Oats Lower.

Wheat advanced. There was practically no rainfall over the entire southwest and none was predicted. As it is largely a weather market, there was considerable buying for a time, partly by houses with country connections.

Corn declined. Cash prices at the West were again lower with trade dull. Cash interest rates were very low, some fair and some low.

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Chicago, March 21—Prices were as follows: Wheat, No. 1, 1.12 1/2; No. 2, 1.10 1/2; No. 3, 1.08 1/2; No. 4, 1.06 1/2; No. 5, 1.04 1/2; No. 6, 1.02 1/2; No. 7, 1.00 1/2; No. 8, .98 1/2; No. 9, .96 1/2; No. 10, .94 1/2; No. 11, .92 1/2; No. 12, .90 1/2.

Chicago, March 21—Prices were as follows: Corn, No. 1, 60 1/2; No. 2, 59 1/2; No. 3, 58 1/2; No. 4, 57 1/2; No. 5, 56 1/2; No. 6, 55 1/2; No. 7, 54 1/2; No. 8, 53 1/2; No. 9, 52 1/2; No. 10, 51 1/2; No. 11, 50 1/2; No. 12, 49 1/2.

Chicago, March 21—Prices were as follows: Oats, No. 1, 31 1/2; No. 2, 30 1/2; No. 3, 29 1/2; No. 4, 28 1/2; No. 5, 27 1/2; No. 6, 26 1/2; No. 7, 25 1/2; No. 8, 24 1/2; No. 9, 23 1/2; No. 10, 22 1/2; No. 11, 21 1/2; No. 12, 20 1/2.

Chicago, March 21—Prices were as follows: Rye, No. 1, 1.00; No. 2, .98; No. 3, .96; No. 4, .94; No. 5, .92; No. 6, .90; No. 7, .88; No. 8, .86; No. 9, .84; No. 10, .82; No. 11, .80; No. 12, .78.

Chicago, March 21—Prices were as follows: Barley, No. 1, 1.00; No. 2, .98; No. 3, .96; No. 4, .94; No. 5, .92; No. 6, .90; No. 7, .88; No. 8, .86; No. 9, .84; No. 10, .82; No. 11, .80; No. 12, .78.

Jamestown, Franklin & Clearfield Railroad Company

First Mortgage Gold 4s. Due 1959. Guaranteed by endorsement both as to principal and interest by the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern R'y Co.

TAX EXEMPT IN PENNSYLVANIA. First Mortgage on 123.71 miles of railroad and 53.7 miles of track-ages forming a direct connection between the Pennsylvania Division of the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad and the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railway and establishing a new outlet to the Great Lakes and the West for the large coal tonnage mined in the Clearfield District of the State of Pennsylvania.

New York City New 4 1/4s. Due March 1, 1960. Interest March and September. Redeemable on or after March 1st, 1930.

Moffat & White Bankers. 5 Nassau St., New York. The Rookery, Chicago.

\$15,000,000. The Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railway Company. Twenty-five Year Four Per Cent. Gold Bonds of 1906.

First National Bank, National City Bank. Bonds will also be sold by Messrs. DREXEL & CO., Philadelphia.

\$1,000,000 New York City Tax Exempt Gold 4 1/4s (New Issue). Due March 1, 1960. Redeemable on or after March 1, 1930.

Price at market yielding 4.14% if bonds are called in 1930. 4.18% if bonds mature in 1960. WILLIAM SALOMON & Co BANKERS.

25 Broad Street NEW YORK. 181 La Salle Street CHICAGO.

CHIEF CREDITORS MEET. Would Like to See Keene but No One Willing to Start It.

MAINE INTELLIGENCE. MEXICAN INTELLIGENCE. ARRIVED—MONDAY, MARCH 21.

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DEPARTED—WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23. DEPARTED—THURSDAY, MARCH 24.

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DEPARTED—THURSDAY, MARCH 31. DEPARTED—FRIDAY, APRIL 1.

DEPARTED—SATURDAY, APRIL 2. DEPARTED—SUNDAY, APRIL 3.

DEPARTED—MONDAY, APRIL 4. DEPARTED—TUESDAY, APRIL 5.

Guaranty Trust Company of New York. 26 Nassau St., New York. 33 Lombard St., London, E. C. Capital \$5,000,000. Surplus and Undivided Profits \$21,013,024.

New York, March 18, 1910. TO THE HOLDERS OF REPUBLIC IRON & STEEL CO. First Mortgage Five Per Cent. Bonds.

The Republic Iron & Steel Company has authorized an issue of \$25,000,000 10-30 Year Five Per Cent. Sinking Fund Mortgage Gold Bonds.

The earnings of the Company for the past four and one-half years have averaged nearly six times the amount of the annual interest on the \$10,000,000 bonds.

The bonds carry a minimum Sinking Fund, payable in cash or bonds at par, of 2 1/2 per cent. per annum on \$10,000,000 bonds.

The Republic Iron & Steel Company hereby offers to the holders of its First Mortgage Bonds to purchase their bonds at 105 and accrued interest in cash.

Referring to the above notice of the Republic Iron & Steel Company, the undersigned give notice that they are prepared to receive Republic Iron & Steel Company First Mortgage Five Per Cent. Bonds.

HALLGARTEN & CO., J. & W. SELIGMAN & CO., 25 Nassau Street, New York. No. 1 William Street, New York.

WILL GOLDFIELD COME BACK? The Board of Directors of EMPHIRE TRUST COMPANY has this day declared a quarterly dividend of 2 1/2 per cent. on the capital stock of the company.

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WANT TUNNEL PLANS CHANGED

Petition for Another Express Station in Fourth Avenue Subway. A delegation of about one hundred business men and property owners who live along the route of the new Fourth Avenue subway in Brooklyn called yesterday on the Public Service Commission, asking a petition signed by 11,000 names asking that an express station should be provided for in the new tunnel at Ninth street.

MONTEZUMA MINES

Company to Operate in Bankruptcy Its President Chief Creditor. James W. Johnson, as a creditor for \$1,000 of the Montezuma Mines and three other creditors whose claims are \$750, filed yesterday a petition in bankruptcy against the company, and Judge Hough appointed Lindsay Russell receiver, directing him to continue and enlarge the business. There are only \$200 liabilities outside the claims of the petitioners.

THE COTTON CROP

Census Report Shows 10,363,740 Bales for 1909. WASHINGTON, March 21. The census cotton report shows the crop of 1909 to be 10,363,740 bales, counting round as half bales and including linters, compared with 13,432,131 for 1908. Included in the statistics for 1909 are: Linters, 314,587 bales; Sea Island cotton, 45,500 bales; round, 150,000 bales. The average weight of the bales is 485.5 pounds for 1909, compared with 465.8 for 1908. Expressed in equivalent 500 pound bales the 1909 crop is 10,700,395, compared with 13,432,131 for 1908. Cotton estimated by spinners and delinters remaining to be ginned and included in the statistics for 1909 is 49,148 bales.

FINANCIAL NOTES

A special meeting of shareholders of the Western Maryland to be held on March 30 to approve a plan of the directors to sell \$25,000,000 of 5 per cent. bonds. William C. Cox, secretary of the Standard Trust Company, was yesterday elected vice-president and Charles W. Bluff was chosen to succeed him as secretary. Shareholders of the Pullman company have authorized the directors to issue \$25,000,000 of 5 per cent. convertible bonds and voted to increase the dividend to 5 per cent. on the common stock in order to provide for conversion of the bonds. The directors of the corporation of United States declared yesterday a quarterly dividend of \$1 a share regular and 50 cents in stock. The regular dividend is \$1.50 and the stock dividend is \$1.50. The books close April 1.