

STOCKS, BONDS, AND FINANCIAL

MARKET STUMPS AT THE OPENING Every Stock on the List Drops One or More Points.

NEW YORK STOCKS

Quotations furnished by Charles G. Gates & Co., Munsey Building, Members New York Stock Exchange.

Table of stock prices for various companies including Allis-Chalmers, Am. Sugar, Am. Cotton Oil, etc.

NEW YORK, March 23.—The stock market opened at general declines as follows: Smelting 2 1/2, Anaconda 1/2, Great Northern preferred 3/4, Amalgamated 1/2, Brooklyn Rapid Transit 1/2, Pennsylvania and Northwest 1/2, Northern Pacific 2, and Erie 1/2.

10:20.—At the end of fifteen minutes trading the market was very disordered, with all sales marked by slight fractions.

Government bonds unchanged; other bonds irregular. The market closed exceedingly nervous. The expectation of a rather favorable bank statement was fulfilled, but following the publication a rally which was in progress was converted into a decline.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS PLACED ON RECORD 658 L street northeast and 672 Callan street northeast—Ambrose L. Jennings to Lulu B. Jennings, lot 195, square 855, and lot 133, square 856, \$10.

Meridian Mill—Leigh Robinson et ux. to Holmes Conrad, lot 18, block 8, \$5.

STOCK MARKET STUPEFIED DULL

Absence of Prominent Brokers Noticeable in Decreased Trading.

Spring fever was evident at the Washington Stock Exchange today. Numbers of members had had themselves to the country or seashore for an over-summer trip, and those who were on duty were disinclined to do more than answer to their names and keep tab on the figures recorded.

Prices moved sluggishly and in nearly all cases where sales were made there were slight recessions which were particularly noticeable in Washington Railway common that on yesterday gave promise of some improvement both in figures and in volume.

Directors of the Farmers and Mechanics' Bank have declared an extra dividend of \$4 per share, payable April 1. This extra dividend has now been paid continuously for the second year in addition to the regular 8 per cent. annual dividends.

WASHINGTON PRICES Sales of the board, including the after call, amounted to 675 shares of stock and \$1,500 in bonds.

WASHINGTON PRICES (Continued) Washington Gas Co. 104 1/2, Washington Gas Co. 104 1/2, Capital Traction Co. 105 1/2, etc.

COTTON MARKET PRICES OPEN AT SHARP DECLINE NEW YORK, March 23.—The cotton market opened weak on a sharp decline in the cables and bear pressure.

SECRETARY TAFT'S DOOM OPEN IN BUCKEYE STATE

While refusing to make any comment on the interview given out by his brother, Taft declared he was going to leave the country tomorrow for Panama and did not care to discuss politics now.

Taft Leaves Today For Panama, Cuba, And Porto Rico Trip

Secretary of War William H. Taft leaves Washington this afternoon on the longest trip he has made since his memorable romantic junket to the Philippines nearly two years ago.

The War Secretary proposes to be gone from Washington exactly a month, during which time he hopes to make a careful inspection of conditions on the canal zone and see to the reorganization of the new canal commission, and see that it gets started on its duties properly.

IN CUBA he will investigate present conditions in that island, noting the progress of pacification that has been made by the American Government.

DRAFT OF RESOLUTIONS ON MRS. BABSON'S DEATH

The Board of Children's Guardians, at a meeting held at its offices in the Gunton building for the purpose of adopting a memorial to its secretary, Mrs. Eliza A. Babson, who died recently, passed a set of resolutions eulogistic of her life, character, and work in the field of charity and eleemosynary institutions of the city.

TWO MEN AND A WIG

An absent minded man and a barber who did not pay very close attention to details, furnished a very laughable situation the other day.

THE CURB MARKET

Table of commodity prices for various goods like Wheat, Corn, Flour, etc.

INDIANA FARMERS NOT TO SEE WARSHIP

Evansville, Ind., is not to have a visit from a warship after all, as even the gunboat Wasp, a converted yacht of 6,500 tons displacement, cannot get so far up the Ohio river.

8,000 TO CONTROL 150. The Hottentots in arms against the Germans in Southwest Africa number only about 150, but owing to the size and nature of the country, which is mostly bare of supplies, even fodder, the Germans military authorities consider 8,000 troops the smallest force that should be kept in the field, without exposing the settlers to attack.

Financial. ESTABLISHED OCTOBER 19, 1904. Capital and Surplus... \$687,621.80 Deposits More Than \$2,500,000.00

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