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INDEX NUMBERS OF SECURITY PRICES May, 1926.

Common Stocks.

The Dominion Bureau of Statistics index number for 31 industrial common stocks (weighted according to the quantity of stock outstanding, 1913 = 100) was 182.6 in May as compared with 186.7 in April, a fall of about four points. The decline was almost general but some groups fell more than others. Pulp and Paper stocks were 177.6 in May as compared with 192.7 in April. Milling stocks were 215.4 and 209.6 respectively in April and May. Food and allied product stocks rose from 187.2 to 195.7, due chiefly to the influence of Canada Bread stocks.

Nine bank stocks declined from 106.4 to 106.2. Dominion, Hochelaga, Imperial, Nova Scotia, Royal, Standard and Toronto were all lower, while Commerce and Montreal were higher.

Ten public utility stocks rose from 85.4 in April to 86.1 in May. The rise was due mainly to the influence of transportation stocks, C.P.R. being 157.7 as compared with 155.1 in April, and Steamships 18.5 as compared with 16.2.

The combined index for 50 common stocks fell from 128.9 to 127.7.

Preferred Stocks.

The index number for 23 preferred industrial stocks declined from 98.2 to 95.5. All groups registered a decline, that for iron and steel stocks, which fell from 61.7 to 56.1, being the greatest. Dominion Iron and Steel and B. E. Steel showed drastic declines, and the index for Spanish-River. Pulp and Paper fell from 152.3 to 147.4. The index for Ogilvie was 236.4 as compared with 246.0 in April.

Bonds.

The index number for eighteen industrial and public service bonds was 107.0 in May and 106.9 in April.

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