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IMVESTORS' AND TRADERS' INDEX NUMBERS OF SECURITY PRICRS

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1926=100
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"Investcrs" and "Iraders" weighted index numbers of security orices, combuted by the Dcminion Bur eau of Statistics on the base $1925=100$, were as follows for the meek endirg March 22n?.

The "Investors"" index of industrial common stociss was 169.8 for the Heel endirs Manch 22 nd as compared with 163.2 for the orevious week, a rise of 1.6 ncints.

The "Traders"" index f prices of the twenty-five best sellint industrial and nubilc utility common stocks, on the : Pntreal and Prronto exchanges, was 343.9 fer the week endin March 22nd as compared with 335 . for the previcus week, a rise of nver 8 ocints.

The "Investors" indey of domestic utility common stocks was 138.0 for the week endirg March 22 nd as compared with 135.6 fcr the previcus week.

The "Investcrs" index for common stccks of companies lccated abrcad in which Canadians are heavily interested was 143.3 for the week ending March 22nd as compared with 140.4 fcr the nrevious week.

Averase meekly orices were higher for eighteen, lower for six and unchanged for cne of the twenty-five stcoks. Internaticnal Nickel rose from $\$ 31.1$ to $\$ 94.3$, Brazilian "Cld" from $\$ 204.8$ to $\$ 209.2$, Brazilian "New" from \$52. 2 to $\$ 53.0$, Canada Bronze frcm $\$ 87.1$ to $\$ 91.0$, Dcminicn Bridge from $\$ 71.5$ tc $\$ 73.1$, LJall from $\$ 56.7$ to $\$ 60.6$ and North Nexico Power from $\$ 104.0$ to $\$ 107.7$. National Breweries dropned from $\$ 121.4$ to $\$ 118.4$, Wayagamack frcm $\$ 110.6$ to $\$ 97.5$, Canadian Power and Paper from $\$ 39.3$ to $\$ 33.8$ and Dominion Steres from $\$ 119.6$ to \$117.2

Sales were greater for seventeen and lower for eight stocks. Brazilian "New" was un from 15,600 to 34,600, Abitibi from 5,200 to 17 , 160 Consolidated Kining and Smeltinc from 2, 300 to 3,600. W. Mtreal Pomer from 2,900 tc 8,700, Mackay from 33 to 2,700, Canadian Industriai Alcohel "A" from 16,700 tc 20,800 and Bromnton from 2,000 to 6,200. International Nickel fell off from 178,600 tc 97,300, Naticnal Bremeries from 15,000 to 4,000, Winnine Electric from 14,500 to 9,300 and Brazilian "Old" frem 20,100 to 18,600 .


Furpose of 'raders' and Investors' Inder Number
The Investors' index numbers measure the trend of values for the investor who buys a fixed list of stocks and holds them over a long period.

The Traders' index measuresthe trend of gains or losses for an liaveragell trader or the 'fontresi and Ioronto Stoc': exchanges, who buys and solls the leading common stocks in the samo proportion as they are traded in the market as a whole, and who turns over his investments every weck.
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