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INVESTORS' AND TRADERS' INDEX NUMBERS OF SECURITY PRICES

1926 = 100

"Investors'" and "Traders'" weighted index numbers of security prices. computed by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics on the base 1926 = 100, were as follows for the week ending March 22nd.

The "Investors'" index of industrial common stocks was 169.8 for the week ending March 22nd as compared with 168.2 for the previous week, a rise of 1.6 points.

The "Traders!" index of prices of the twenty-five best selling industrial and public utility common stocks, on the Montreal and Toronto exchanges, was 343.9 for the week ending March 22nd as compared with 335.7 for the **previ**cus week, a rise of over 8 points.

The "Investors'" index of domestic utility common stocks was 138.0 for the week ending March 22nd as compared with 135.6 for the previous week.

The "Investors'" index for common stocks of companies located abroad in which Canadians are heavily interested was 143.3 for the week ending March 22nd as compared with 140.4 for the previous week.

Average weekly prices were higher for eighteen, lower for six and unchanged for one of the twenty-five stocks. International Nickel rose from \$91.1 to \$94.3, Brazilian "Old" from \$204.8 to \$209.2, Brazilian "New" from \$52.2 to \$53.0, Canada Bronze from \$87.1 to \$91.0, Dominion Bridge from \$71.5 to \$73.1, Lyall from \$56.7 to \$60.6 and North Mexico Power from \$104.0 to \$107.7. National Breweries dropped from \$121.4 to \$118.4, Wayagamack from \$110.6 to \$97.5, Canadian Power and Paper from \$39.3 to \$33.8 and Dominion Stores from \$119.6 to \$117.2.

Sales were greater for seventeen and lower for eight stocks. Brazilian "New" was up from 15,600 to 34,600, Abitibi from 5,200 to 17,400. Consolidated Mining and Smelting from 1,300 to 3,600. Montreal Power from 2,900 to 8,700, Mackay from 33 to 2,700, Canadian Industrial Alcohol "A" from 16,700 to 20,800 and Brompton from 2,000 to 6,200. International Nickel fell off from 178,600 to 97,300, National Breweries from 15,000 to 4,000, Winning Electric from 14,500 to 9,300 and Brazilian "Old" from 20,100 to 18,600.

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	:- Inv	restors! I	ndex Numb	er of	; Trader	s! Index Number				
	:	Common astrial, 2	Stocks	: Traders' Index Number : of the twenty-five						
	:Compani	les Locate	d: Com-	: Dest s	selling Industrial ablic Utility					
	: <u>in (</u>	: <u>In Canada</u> : panies :				: Common Stocks				
	:dustria	: In- :Public : Located: All :dustrial:Utility : Abroad :				:Index : Index of Total : of : Value of all				
1926	: 100	:	: 100		:Price :	Stocks Traded				
January, 1927				100	100	100				
	108.9	108.1	101.9	107.0	111.7	101.5				
February	114.1	115.0	106.6	112.8	123.0	114.6				
March	117.1	117.9	105.4	114.8	132.3	126.3				
April	121.1	120.4	107.2	117.8	146.2	149.6				
May	124,6	122.3	106.1	119.6	161.0	167.8				
June	121.5	120.3	109.7	118.5	177.3	234.2				
July	120.6	121.6	111.0	118.9	174.0	116.0				
August	130.7	125.6	117.6	125.8	187.8	118.5				
September	146.1	127.1	124.6	134.1	211.3	232.6				
October	154.5	129.8	125.1	138.5	236.4	285.1				
November	158.2	130.3	130.9	141.4	251.7	211.2				
December	161.6	135.8	138.0	146.5	281.4	294.0				
January, 1928	172.5	136.2	143.3	152.2	317.2	358.4				
February	167.6	135.1	140.2	148.0	313.2	271.0				
Week ending Feb. 2nd, 1928	175.5	135.1	143.1	152.9	335.6	293.9				
" " 9th "	172.3	134.4	142.3	151.2	332.4	281.5				
" " " 16th "	170.7	134.8	141.0	150.4	333.8	205.9				
" " " 23rd "	163.3	134.1	136.2	146.1	314.5	275.1				
" March 1st "	162.9	133.6	137.2	146.1	307.3	158.8				
" " " 8th "	166.3	134.8	138.5	148.1	321.0	132.9				
" " 15th "	163.2	135.6	140.4	149.5	335.7	252.7				
" " " 22nd "	169.8	138.0	143.3	151.7	343.9	209.4				

Furpose of Traders' and Investors' Index 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 measures the trend of gains or losses for an "average" trader on the Montreal and Toronto Stock exchanges, who buys and sells the leading common stocks in the same proportion as they are traded in the market as a whole, and who turns over his investments every week.

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Note. - The investors' index measures the trend of values for the investor who buys a fixed list of stocks and holds them over a long period.

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No. cf Securities	Total	Ircn and Steel	Pulp and Faper	kill- ing	0115	Tex- tiles and Cloth-	Food and Allied Products	Bever- ages	Miscell- aneous	Tctal	Trans- port tation	phone Tele-	Power and Trac- ticn	Tctal		Utility	Grand Total
	79	9	9	Ę.	3	ing 9	21	7	16	16	2	2	12	8	1	4	103
<u>1926</u> 1927	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
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