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INVESTORS' AND TRADERS' INDEX NUIBERS OF SECURITY PRICES
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"Investors'" and "Traders'" weighted index numbers of security prices combuted by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics on the base $1926=100$, were as follows for the week ending July 26 th.

The "Investors'" index of industrial common stocks was 169.1 for the week ending July 26 th as compared with 169.8 for the previous week.

The "Traders'" index of prices of the twenty-five best selling industrial and Jublic utility common stocks, on the Montreal and Toronto Exchanges, was 386.2 for the week ending July 26 th as compared with 384.7 for the nrevious week.

The "Investors'" index of domestic utility common stocks was 139.0 for the week ending July 26 th as compared with 138.9 for the orevious week.

The "Investors'" index for common stocks of companies located abroad in which Canadians are heavily interested was 148.0 for the week ending July 26 th as compared with 149.4 for the nrevious week.

The "Investors'" index for all three grouns of common stocks combined was 155.0 for the meek ending July 26 th as commared with 155.5 for the orevious week.

Average weekly prices were higher for five, lower for nineteen and unchanged for one of the twenty five stocks. International Nickel rose from $\$ 90.6$ to $\$ 92.9$ and Canada Power and Paper from $\$ 33.8$ to $\$ 35.4$. Brazilian declined from $\$ 55.8$ to $\$ 55.4$, Shawinigan from $\$ 91.9$ to $\$ 90.2$, Winnipeg Electric from $\$ 113.5$ to $\$ 110.7$, Dominion Bridge from $\$ 84.4$ to $\$ 82.2$, Lyall from $\$ 69.6$ to $\$ 65.5$, National Breweries from $\$ 125.7$ to $\$ 124.3$. Porer Corporation from $\$ 72.1$ to $\$ 71.1$ and Consolidated Mining and Smelting from $\$ 251.5$ to $\$ 250.7$.

Sales were greater for eight and lower for seventeen stocks. Brazilian fell from 38,700 to 20,700, Consolidated Mining and Smelting from 3,400 to 1,100, National Breweries from 4,500 to 1,100 . Winnineg Electric from 4,000 to 1,600 Montreal Power from 2,800 to 1,200 and Canadian Industrial Alcohol "A" from 4,400 to 2, 300. Canada Power and Paper went un from 1,700 to 14,900 and Shawinigan Irom 4,700 to 8,600 .


## Purpose of Tradors' and Investors' Index Number

The investors' index numbers raeasure the trend of values for the investor who ouys a fixed list of stocks and holds them over a lons period.

The traders' index measures the trend of gains or losses for an "averace" trader on the diontreal and Toronto Stocl Exahanges, who buys and sells the loading common stocks in whe same proportion as they are traded in the market as a whole, and who turns over his investrants every reol.
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$1926=100$
Note: The investors' index measures the trend of values for the investor who buys a itixed list of stocks and holds them over a long period


