## INVESTORS I 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 May 4 th.

The "Investors'" index of industrial common stocks was 68.8 for the week ending May 4 th, as compared with 64.9 for the previous week.

The "Traders"" index of prices of the twenty-five best selling industrial and public utility common stocks on the Montreal and Toronto Exchanges was 486.3 for the week ending May 4 th, as compared with 447.9 for the previous weck.

The "Investorsl" index of domestic utility cormon stocks was 39.0 for the week ending May 4 th, as compared with 35.9 for the previous week.

The "Investorsl" index of common stocks of companies located abroad in which Canadians are heavily interested was 52.7 for the week ending May 4 th, as compared with 50.0 for the previous week.

The "Investors'" index for all three groups of common stocks combined was 54.3 for the week ending May 4th, as compared with 50.9 for the previous week.

Average weekly prices were higher for twenty-three and lower for two of the twenty-five stocks included in the Traders' Index. Brazilian rose from $\$ 9.7$ to $\$ 11.0$, Consolidated Mining and Smelting from $\$ 85.9$ to $\$ 93.0$, Intemational Nickel from $\$ 14.7$ to $\$ 15.6,0 . P . R$. from $\$ 12.7$ to $\$ 14.8$, Montreal Light, Heat and Power from $\$ 29.1$ to $\$ 31.6$, Canadian Industrial Alcohol "A" from $\$ 2.0$ to $\$ 2.8$, Dominion Bridge from $\$ 17.1$ to $\$ 19.2$, Walkers from $\$ 6.0$ to $\$ 6.7$, National Breweries from $\$ 17.6$ to $\$ 19.1$, Dominion Textile from $\$ 42.8$ to $\$ 48.0$ and Dominion Glass from $\$ 52.4$ to $\$ 64.8$.

Sales were higher for nineteen and lower for six stocks. Brazilian mounted from 31,500 to 95,300 , Montreal Light, Heat and Power from 9,100 to 20,400 , C.P.R. from 30,600 to 38,500 , Walkers from 3,600 to 16,400 , Dominion Textile from 600 to 1,900 , Dominion Bridge from 4,600 to 6,700, Canadian Industrial Alcohol "All from 1,100 to 18,700, Ford "A" from 3,900 to 7,100 and Power Corporation from 1,300 to 4,400. International \$ickel declined from 138,700 to 96,600 , Hollinger from 24,200 to 16,000 , National Breweries from 10,200 to 7,100 and Steel of Canada from 8,300 to 4,800.


## Purpose of Traders' and Investors' Index Numbers

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 a trader on the Montreal and Toronto Exchangos, who buys and sells the leading common stocks in the same proportion as they are traded in the market as a whole at the mathematical average price of the week and who turns over his investments every week. $x$ Revised index figures. $\quad$ Teekly figures.

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