

LIBERTY BONDS AT PAR

DOMESTIC WAR ISSUES ARE
FEATURE OF MARKET.Total Sales Largest for Any Day
This Year—Foreign Securities Also Strong.

NEW YORK, April 12.—Liberty issues were the dominant feature of today's bond market, practically all of that series, notably the 4 1/2 per cent, rising to par or better. Final prices for this entire group showed gains and in several instances closing quotations at the day's highest. Total sales of all classes of bonds were \$12,545,000, par value, and this amount, the largest of any day so far this year, almost 30 per cent was contributed by liberty and victory issues.

Strength of foreign exchanges, especially the British rate, exerted a favorable influence upon Liberty issues, and Dominion of Canada issues. The Paris-Lyon-Mediterranean railway, recently floated here, also Cashio-Stokholm and Cuban, South American, Mexican and Japanese bonds, were among the many international issues showing marked strength.

Almost every class of domestic railroads, convertible, refunding and debenture issues, joined in the general strength of the bond list, many gaining 1/2 to 2 points and even more.

The province of Ontario 5 per cent \$15,000,000 bonds offered at a premium. Sales of about 1,000,000 shares constituted a record for the current movement.

Lower money rates were cumulative indications of industrial and commercial betterment, higher quotations for steel and other commodities as the oil, pig iron and finished iron and steel were among the developments which continued to stimulate bullish sentiment and diminish the short interest. The one discordant or pessimistic note was sounded by the coal strike.

Oil shares were dull and rails as a whole contributed only nominally to the day's business. Mexican oils were sold on rumors of a disagreement between that government and American interests regarding export taxes and chain store leases. Woolworths, on the declaration of the extra dividend.

The only sharp reversal of the session came in the final hour, when Mexican Petroleum fell almost 3 points from its early peak and caused a corresponding rise in points. The one striking exception was American Locomotive, which forged steadily ahead, closing at a gain of 1/2 point.

Call loans opened at 4 1/2 per cent, but the light demand at that rate caused a reduction to 4 per cent in the second hour. More time funds were placed at 4 1/2 per cent for 30 and 60 days, but longer dates held around 4 1/2 per cent.

Reversing yesterday's trend, the German rate was the only exception to the higher level registered by a majority of today's foreign exchange quotations. Sterling demand bills were strong at \$4.41 1/2, allied remittances gained 1/2 to 3 points and greater strength was shown by Slovakian bills. The Greek rate was unchanged, but dealings in that remittance were nominal on the unsettled conditions reported from Athens.

CLOSING STOCK QUOTATIONS.
Furnished by the Overbeck & Cooke company of Portland:

Stock	High	Low	Bid
Adams Exp.	2.00	69.5	67.0
Albany	1.00	69.5	67.0
Alb. & C. pfd	1.500	50	49.5
Alb. & C.	1.00	50	49.5
Alb. & C. pfd	1.00	68.5	68.5
Alb. & C.	1.00	17.0	16.5
Alb. & C. Gold	1.000	17.0	16.5
Alb. & C. pfd	1.000	17.0	16.5
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