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Market for Municipal Bonds.

The good demand existing for municipal issues continues to be one of the strong features of the bond market situation. This demand has undergone a steady development since about the beginning of March, when it first began to attract the attention of the bond houses. It now it is about as satisfactory as has been in evidence for a year or a half or two years.

The improved conditions in this department of the bond market may be clearly indicated by comparing results of some of the more important of the recent municipal offerings with results obtained during 1907. The relative ease with which the city of New York has succeeded in disposing of approximately \$40,000,000 revenue bonds on a basis of from 3% per cent to 3 1/2 per cent, whereas last year it was compelled to issue the same class of securities at 6 per cent, stands out rather conspicuously in this connection. While the peculiar character of these securities has to be taken into consideration in using them as an index of general conditions, the market is nevertheless strongly influenced by the demand of both institutional and individual investors

for municipals as a class. The results of the Philadelphia and Pittsburgh offerings, both of which occurred within the last ten days, are particularly illuminative of the point in question. Philadelphia obtained for its 4 per cent bonds 104.299, a price representing about 3.76 per cent basis, whereas a year ago it was able to obtain but 100.27, a price representing a basis of 3.985 per cent. Last May Pittsburgh sold its bonds also at 100.27 but a recent offering brought prices which ran well above 104, the best received in several years.

It is natural, in view of the present situation, that the number of municipal bond offerings now being made is much larger than usual at this time of the year. Municipalities all over the country are taking advantage of the change in attitude of the investing public to supply themselves with funds for the improvements which were held up during 1907 because bonds could not be sold on any but the most expensive basis.

Bond men explain the present conditions in the municipal market by the fact that, as pointed out a few days ago in these columns, investors are now looking more to the quality of the securities which they buy than to the income which the securities yield.—Wass-street Journal.

Toy Trade Needs Prosperity.

Consul H. W. Harris advises that a Nuremberg journal recently printed an article on the effect which the prevailing business condition is having on the German toy industry.

It is stated that of a total product of German toys in 1907, estimated worth \$25,000,000, about \$19,000,000 worth were exported. Of this trade the United States and England took more than half. Financial stringency in both countries, it is stated, has already caused a marked falling off in shipments to them, showing that this branch of German trade is in a marked sense dependent upon prosperity abroad.

In January, 1908, the exports of toys from Germany to the United States amounted to 560 tons, as against 904 tons in January, 1907. The export to England for January, 1908, were 387 tons, as against 625 tons in the corresponding month of last year, or a total decrease in the two countries of 582 tons. A somewhat similar decrease is also noted in toy shipments to Belgium, British India, the Argentine Republic, Brazil and Canada, while exports to France, Austria-Hungary, Russia and Switzerland show increases.

It is stated that, as a result of trade conditions, there has been a reduction of hours of labor in some

of the toy factories and in the number of those employed in others. House industry is said to suffer especially as a result of these conditions, and difficulties appear in carrying out a proposed increase of from 10 to 15 per cent in the price of German toys. The immediate outlook for the industry as a whole is pronounced not altogether favorable.

Power Transmitted by Steel Belts.

Consul Frank S. Hannah of Magdeburg writes that in a recent issue of a German technical paper the use of steel belts to take the place of leather belting for the transmission of power is stated to have proved practicable after repeated tests by a firm in Charlottenburg. Its advantages being given as follows:

The points of superiority claimed for this new method for the transmission of power are the following: On account of its solidity a much narrower band can be used, one-sixth of the width of the usual leather band being sufficient; as a result of this the steel band is not so heavy as the leather band, as, as it can be very tightly adjusted, the distance between the engine and the machine is not a matter of importance, as is the case with the leather belting, where the transmission of power is dependent upon the weight of the hanging belt; by a unique contact the slipping is much reduced, experiments having shown that this does not exceed one-tenth of 1 per cent. Careful and repeated experiments have shown that the entire loss of power is very small, and as far as can be ascertained will not exceed 1 per cent. Further, owing to the lightness of weight of the steel belting, it is claimed, the influence of the centrifugal force is not so great and allows of a much increased velocity.

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Supreme Court Decision.
State v. R. D. Hume, appealed from Curry county, affirmed; opinion by Justice Moore.
State v. Luper, appealed from Marion county, affirmed; opinion by Justice Eakin.
Hough and seven others, v. Porter and 45 others, appealed from Lake county, affirmed and part continued for argument; opinion by Commissioner King.

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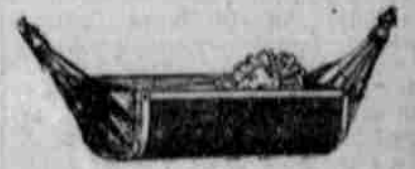
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