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TOGETHER WITH

A GLOSSARY OF TERMS IN COMMON USE

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INTRODUCTION

It would be idle to pretend that a handbook for investors can afford all that is necessary in the way of information. The investor must keep his eyes open, consult his broker as before, and make use of the wits with which Nature has furnished him. The only objects of this book are to point out to him certain guiding principles, without attention to which he is running serious risks, and furnish most of the information as to details of business and mere generalities as to stocks and shares which the Man in the Street should know, but very often does not. The wealthy investor may know the facts, but there are many small investors who are strangely ignorant, as anybody who has had practical experi-

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ence of their needs can testify. If this book should help them to understand the main details of financial business, and indicate the principles that guide the movements of prices on the Stock Exchange, its objects will be satisfied.

May 25, 1901.

C. H. T.

GLOSSARY OF TERMS

IN USE ON THE STOCK EXCHANGE AND IN CONNECTION WITH STOCK EXCHANGE INVESTMENTS AND THE WORK OF THE COMPANIES CONCERNED¹

Ad valorem (stamps, etc.). According to the market value of the security.

Ailsa. Glasgow and South-Western Railway Deferred stock.

Ales. S. Allsopp and Co.'s Ordinary stock.

À L'escompte. A French method whereby a seller for the account delivers on demand *under discount*.

Amalgam (mining). A combination of metals with mercury.

Amortisation. The drawing and repayment of a bond.

Anglos. Anglo-American Telegraph issues, e.g. Anglo "B," the Preference, and Anglo "A," Deferred stock.

Apes. New York, Pennsylvania, and Ohio First Mortgage Bonds.

Asked. A quotation is "asked" when a seller will part with stock at the figure named. See *Bid*.

Assessment-work (mining). In United States the annual work necessary on a mining claim until full ownership.

Atlantic. The New York, Pennsylvania, and Ohio R.R. Co.

Ayrshire. (1) Glasgow and South-Western Railway. (2) The Ordinary stock of that railway.

Backs (mining). Ore from the back of a lode.

Bags. Buenos Ayres Great Southern Railway Ordinary stock.

¹ Only such terms are included in the Glossary as are not mentioned in the Index, and to which reference is not made therein to the text.

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- Balance Certificate.* When we sell only a part of our holding, and send our original certificate in to the company for transfer purposes, we receive a *balance certificate* for the holding remaining to us in the company.
- Ballymena.* Belfast and Northern Counties Railway.
- Bandon.* Cork, Bandon, and South Coast Railway.
- Barrel Amalgamation* (mining). Where the silver is amalgamated with quicksilver by revolving the ore in barrels.
- Bays.* Hudson Bay Company shares.
- Becks.* Bechuanaland Exploration shares.
- Beefs.* Eastman Company's Ordinary shares.
- Belly* (mining). Where the ore body bulges out.
- Berthas.* London, Brighton, and South Coast Deferred Ordinary stock. Also called Brighton "A."
- Berwicks.* North-Eastern Railway, or "Berwick," Consolidated Ordinary stock.
- Bid.* Applied to a quotation (thus, 116 bid) means that a buyer in the market is willing to give the price for stock.
- Blasting powder* (mining). An explosive powder used for breaking up hard ground in mines.
- Blind lode* (mining). A lode that does not show on the surface.
- Blow-out* (mining). An outcrop of the lode, of a misleading kind as regards value beneath.
- Blue-ground* (mining). In diamond-mining, the ground in which the stones are usually found.
- Bolsa* (Spanish). Bourse.
- Bonanza* (mining). A rich deposit of ore.
- Bones.* Wickens, Pease, and Co.'s shares.
- Bonus.* An extra dividend, usually distributed under this name when directors do not expect to be able to maintain the increase in the total distributed.
- Borsa* (Italian). Bourse.
- Bosh.* Wabash Railroad Preference shares.
- Bottles.* Barret's Brewing and Bottle Company's shares.
- Branch* (mining). A small vein off the lode.
- Breads.* Aerated Bread Company's shares.
- Breaderumbs.* Split shares of the Aerated Bread Company.
- Brighton "A."* See *Berthas*.

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- British.* (1) North British Railway; (2) its Ordinary stock.
- Broken Hill Props.* Broken Hill Proprietary shares.
- Brums.* The Ordinary stock of the "Brum," or L. and N.W. Railway.
- Buddle* (mining). A contrivance for concentrating ore.
- Buffels.* Buffelsdoorn G.M. Company's shares.
- Bulkhead.* A dividing partition in a mine.
- Bullion.* Gold, silver, etc. in lump form.
- Bullocks.* Buluwayo Exploration Company's shares.
- Bunch* (mining). A small mass of rich ore.
- Butty* (mining). A contractor in a coal-mine.
- Caley.* Caledonian Railway Ordinary stock.
- Caliche* (mining). In connection with nitrate companies is the valuable matter on the companies' properties.
- Calicos.* Calico Printers' Association shares.
- Call.* (1) The right to obtain shares, etc. at a certain price within a given time; (2) the demand by a company for an instalment due on shares or stock.
- Canpacs.* Canadian Pacific Railroad shares.
- Cap* (mining). Where the vein or lode becomes worthless.
- Captain* (mining). The mining term for the working manager.
- Cashel.* Great Southern and Western (Ireland) Railway.
- Cave* (mining). Where workings fall in.
- Centrals.* New York Central Railroad shares.
- Champion lode* (mining). The chief lode itself.
- Chartered.* The shares of the British South Africa Company.
- Chatham.* The London, Chatham, and Dover Railway.
- Chats.* The Ordinary stock of the Chatham.
- Childers.* The 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ per cent Consolidated Stock of the British Government, redeemable 1905.
- Chinas.* Eastern Extension Telegraph shares.
- Chlorides* (mining). The ores containing chloride of silver.
- Chute* (mining). A vein of ore which goes downwards.
- Claras.* Caledonian Railway Deferred Ordinary No. 1 stock.
- Clarettes.* Caledonian Railway Deferred Ordinary No. 2 stock.
- Clean-up* (mining). The collection of all the metal for the different parts of the mill or plates.