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Money is plentiful and stocks are high, so that under ordinary circumstances there should be a better demand for real estate investments in Montreal. Investors do not quite know what will be the result of the annual borrowing to meet the current expenses of the city. The imposition of an equitable special tax (reaching every voter) to meet the deficiency, would be understood. and would tend to restore confidence in our business methods, but this everlasting borrowing has an unsettling effect that does not help the realty market. The citizens of Montreal will have an opportunity on 1st February next of electing aldermen who will give us an honest and intelligent city government, and it is earnestly to be hoped that they will take advantage of the opportunity. It must not be forgotten that the responsibility for the present state of affairs rests upon the good citizens who have hitherto shirked their duties.

Every man who wishes to have better civic government in this city can do something towards that end by joining at once the Municipal Association of which Herbert B. Ames is the Hon. Secretary. The civic elections are only about six weeks off, and as the aldermen we elect then will likely be the city charter makers of the next decade of years, it is especially important that the right men be elected.

The sales recorded in Maisonneuve, DeLorimier, Mile End. Montreal Annex, Outremont, Cote des Neiges, Notre Dame de Grace, St. Henry and St. Cunegonde, amount to about \$140,000, of which Montreal Annex contributed \$39,000, and St Henry \$35,000.

There were 163 real estate transfers in the City Wards and Town of Westmount recorded at the registry office during the month of November the particulars of which are given in other columns, amounting to \$733,372.28

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