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## Montreal Stock Market.

**DULUTH ADVANCED THIS SESSION — VIRTUE KEPT TO PREVIOUS VALUE — ALL OTHER STOCKS HAD RECESSIONS OF NO SIGNIFICANCE — CONSOLS UP 1/8.**

Montreal, Feb. 19.

If not a very pronounced characteristic of the forenoon session, Duluth stocks both common and preferred in their advance, the one 1/2 the other 3/4, were at least a feature more prominent than any other. There was considerable activity, there being 1025 shares of this stock which changed hands to-day. The closing was steady.

With the lowered London quotation of 101 cabled, the local price of Pacific could not be expected to advance. It declined 1/4 and at 98 3/4 is pretty close to the local equivalent for London. The closing demand and offer showed steadiness and no more. All-American stock was steady on the London market till late in the day, when additional favorable war news was reported. This was said to have carried up prices of American stock somewhat and may in later sessions affect C. P. R. values here.

Small recessions of 1/2 each marked the trading in Gas, Dominion Cotton, Richelieu and Ontario and Bank of Montreal. About these there is nothing significant as a dull market tends to lower values. There was perhaps no more significance in the decline of 1 point in Montreal London, and of 3 points in War Eagle. The War Eagle mine, however, having no development work ready, is in no position yet for getting its stock price advanced. Selling down to-day was on no grounds traceable to anything else than the general depression of the market.

Closing at 68 Virtue kept up its previous price. Shares to the number of nearly 8,000 were put through this forenoon, no prices falling below 67.

Dominion Coal Bonds at 111 made no new mark, but sold at previous value, and the broken lots of Cable (old) and (new) were 2 and 3 points above the lowest prices of the year.

The prosperity of the country is being claimed both by Liberals and Conservatives as due to them. There is no doubt about the prosperity and the market operations fairly represent them, though some of our stocks would bear advancement.

### MORNING SALES.

Can. Pac.—25, 98 3/4. 1, 99 3/4. 150, 98 1/2, 50, 98 3/4.  
Dul. Com.—100, 5 1/4. 700, 5 7/8.  
Mont. Gas—100, 191.  
Dul. pfd—225, 15 3/4.  
R. & O.—75, 113. 50, 118 1/4.  
War Eagle—750, 157. 4500, 156. 1000, 155.  
Virtue—7500, 68. 400, 67. 50, 70.  
Dom. Cotton—225, 10 1/2. 5, 108 3/4. 10, 103 1/2.  
Montreal London—1000, 26.  
Com. Cable (new)—21, 168 1/2.  
Com. Cable (old)—6, 169 3/4.  
Dom. Coal Bonds—\$2000, 111.  
B. of Mont.—2, 25 1/4.

### AFTERNOON SALES.

Can. Pac.—50, 98 1/2. 75, 98 1/4. 625, 99.  
R. & O.—50, 118 1/4. 25, 113.  
Com. Cable (new)—20, 168.  
Dom. Cotton rd—10, 104.  
Virtue—1000, 68 1/2. 1000, 69 3/4. 6500, 70. 5850, 68.  
Payne—250, 117. 250, 119. 6500, 121.  
War Eagle—500, 154.

### STRAWS.

Condition of rates east of Chicago is very bad. Officers of the road are meeting to consider several serious violations of rate agreements. Packing house products and grain are being given the heaviest concessions.

### HALIFAX ELECTRIC TRAMWAY

For week ending	Compared with previous year.
Jan. 7.....	2,133.81.....Inc. 60.36
" 14.....	2,277.08....." 325.39
" 21.....	3,033.52....." 1,055.25
" 28.....	2,018.91....." 1,026.52
Total for month.....	\$11,474.26.....Inc. \$2,861.16
Feb. 4.....	2,377.47.....Inc. 507.09
" 11.....	2,247.64....." 323.10

### LONDON AND PARIS

Feb. 19, 1900.

Bank of England rate .....	4
Open discount rate.....	3 1/2
Paris Rentas .....	100-75
French Exchange .....	25f. 20
Consols, money .....	100 1/2
Canadian Pacific .....	100 1/2
New York Central.....	137
St. Paul.....	126
Union Pacific.....	73

### LONDON CABLE.

O. Meredith & Co.'s Cable gives the following London quotations:

Grand Trunk, guaranteed 4 p.c.....	94
" 1st preference .....	91 1/2
" 2nd " .....	8 1/2
" 3rd " .....	25 1/2
G. T. R. Com.....	
O. P. R .....	100 1/2

### MONTREAL STREET EARNINGS.

Month of Jan.....	\$136,086.33	Inc. \$10,810.29
Feb. 10, 4,698.32 .....		Inc. 341.96
" 11, 3,810.32.....		" 476.33
" 12, 4,722.59.....		" 573.91
" 13, 4,321.97.....		" 141.70
" 14, 4,624.24 .....		" 653.32
" 15, 4,748.87.....		" 447.86
" 16, 4,384.54.....		" 486.68
" 17, 4,752.78.....		" 215.99
" 18, 2,679.77.....		" 313.44

### TORONTO STREET EARNINGS.

Feb. 8, 4,116.13 .....	Inc. 822.80
" 9, 4,000.18 .....	" 405.23
" 10, 4,379.21 .....	" 421.31
" 11, 1,657.62 .....	" 439.97
" 12, 3,798.91 .....	" 323.18
" 13, 3,941.39.....	" 324.63
" 14, 3,8.....	" 439.15
" 15, 4,017.8.....	" 507.57

### TWIN CITY RAPID TRANSIT CO.

Total for Jan..	\$217,252.45	Inc. \$29,816.76
For week ending		Compared with last year
Feb. 7, \$49,845.10.....	Inc., \$ 7,353.80	