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Montreal Stock Market.

Absence of London Quotations and Ease of New York Market Affects Pacific.

CABLE STRONG—BALANCE OF MARKET SOFT.

BOARD ADJOURNS FOR THE
AFTERNOON.

In judging of our market the fact that, with few exceptions, stocks are at high prices, must not be lost sight of. For investors the chief point is, what will the stock yield; with the operator, what will it cost to buy and sell, and for int rest. The former, buying to hold for a long time, has rather an advantage in taking high-priced stocks, the latter loses by choosing them.

The interest charges on Montreal Gas, Street Ry. and Cable, are serious items with operators, more especially if their brokers, who are obliged to charge 6 p.c.; carry them. In the case of War Eagle, the dividends about take care of the interest charges, but with the others interest is a drag on the account. In the case of Street Ry., the stock if sold in six months at same price as that at which it was bought, would show a loss of nearly $3\frac{1}{2}$ p.c. which is quite a handicap.

It is therefore, advantageous for speculators to deal in such stocks as Pacific, Toronto Rails, Richelieu, and such like, as the interest charges do not run up into such large figures, besides which they are not liable to break so much, having less of a distance to fall, in case of any unlooked for slump.

The war news to-day is again of a sensational character, so far as outward appearances go, as there is no market in London, we have not got the price of Consols to guide us. New York stocks, however, reflect the uneasy feeling which reports almost warrant, but with them there are other than war rumors to affect prices, one or two railroad exports not being quite up to expectations.

CANADIAN PACIFIC.

It is within the range of possibilities that Pacific might go to 75 in the event of any liquidation, but for this stock to break 80, very disquieting news will have to obtain. If this surmise is correct the stock should be a good purchase around present figures. Over 500 shares sold, which, except for an irregular lot, brought \$13.

CABLE

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An attempt to buy a few shares of this stock caused it to advance to 181. The floating shares of this company must now be small.

WAR EAGLE

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Eagle was not so strong to-day, but small lots brought from 288 to 289. The stock closes weaker at 287 to ^{287 1/2}

SUNDRIES

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Of general shares, business in which was scattered, the strength of Dominion Coal pfd. was the only one worthy of mention. This security sold at 113 $\frac{1}{4}$, and was held firm for 114 at close. Colored Cotton Bonds sold at 98, and other shares at late prevailing prices.

MONTREAL STOCK EXCHANGE

Hours of Board—10.45 to 12.30 ; 2.15 to 3. Saturdays—10.30 to 12 noon.

3 p.m., November 1, 1898

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 ||B of Nova Scotia, \$1,500,000. ||Mer. B. of Halifax, \$1,500,000 paid up. ||B. of Ville Marie, \$479,620 paid up.
 ¶Monthly.