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Montreal Stock Market.

**NO AGGRESSIVENESS IN THE MARKET
—A FEW STOCKS DECLINE — MO-
NEY LOCALLY SAID TO BE SCARCE
AND HARD TO GET.**

Montreal, April 19.

If there was a little weakness in the morning session of the stock market, this went along with a by no means very small business and with a steady firmness in several of the values that while showing no aggressiveness guarantees the absence of all panic.

Pacific, for instance, traded in to the amount of 175 shares, was at yesterday's price and in fact was $\frac{3}{8}$ above yesterday's close.

On sales of shares totalling 225 Richelieu and Ontario also held to the previous mark.

Electric perhaps declined a little, though the closing price 203 for a broken lot showed an advance, and the following stocks, Rich. new, Gas, Montreal Cotton, were certainly not much dealt in, but they were not put down in price on this small business.

The loss of $\frac{1}{2}$ must be registered in the case of Twin City, which on the changing of hands of 100 shares secured only 64 $\frac{1}{2}$. The same loss was made by Cable on a 25 share sale.

Street Rights at 75 were sold at the recession of 1 point.

Street Railway stock itself took position to-day 3 points lower.

At 104 Republic went at 4 points lower and Virtue at 106 $\frac{1}{2}$ declined 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ points.

The most of the activity this session was in Virtue. Six good-sized transactions in it were put through this forenoon and each successive offering of stock brought out lower and still lower prices. These beginning at 110, which was yesterday's price, retreated by half and by whole points till the final sale in which 500 shares were transferred, descended to 106 $\frac{1}{2}$.

Markets everywhere were dull. Many speculators, it is being said, have within the last few days lost heavily and so keep very much aloof. Wall Street speculation has nipped several in Montreal.

With these money is scarce at present. Some banks besides have called loans.

MORNING SALES.

Can. Pac.—175, 97.
R. & O.—225, 112.
Roy. Elec.—75, 202 $\frac{1}{2}$. 4, 203.
Twin City—100, 63 $\frac{1}{2}$.
Mont. St.—25, 261 $\frac{1}{2}$.
R. & O. new—20, 110.
Virtue—1500, 110. 3000, 109. 1000,
108 $\frac{1}{2}$. 1500, 108. 3000, 107. 500, 106 $\frac{1}{2}$.
Republic—500, 105. 500, 104.
Cable—25, 169 $\frac{1}{2}$.
Mo. Gas—50, 183 $\frac{1}{2}$.
Mont. St. Rts—38, 76. 31. 75.
Mont. Cotton—20, 141.

AFTERNOON SALES.

Can. Pac.—25, 97.
R. & O.—50, 112. 75, 112 $\frac{1}{2}$.
R. & O. new—30, 110.
Roy. Elec—50, 202.
Payne—1000, 118.
Republic—1500, 106.
Virtue—500, 106 $\frac{1}{2}$. 3500, 107. 500. 108.
Mont. St.—25, 262 $\frac{1}{2}$. 25, 263. 50, 262 $\frac{1}{2}$.
Dom. Cotton—75, 101.
B. of Montreal—11, 261.

THE IRON ASK.

Prosecution of the crosscut west of the big dyke on the 400-foot level has made it practically certain that the faulted ledge has been retained, and is in place under the upper levels of the mine. Superintendent Hall says that the face of the crosscut is looking very well, and that he is quite satisfied. This is in confirmation of the expectations raised by the break in the vein recorded in the "Miner" on Sunday morning as having taken place the previous day.

EVENING STAR.

The development work is being steadily pushed under the direction of Manager Chamberlain. The hauling of ore to the railroad has been recommenced, and three cars are being loaded at the siding. The ore is being stoped from the upraise between No. 2 and No. 1 level. Here the richest ore in the mine is found; in fact, the ore here is as rich as any found in the camp. The Evening Star is being rapidly developed into a valuable mine.

LONDON AND PARIS.

April 19, 1900.

Bank of England rate	4
Open discount rate.....	3 $\frac{1}{2}$
Paris Rentes	101-40
French Exchange.....	25f. 20 $\frac{1}{2}$
Consols, money	101 $\frac{1}{2}$
Canadian Pacific.....	99 $\frac{1}{2}$
New York Central.....	138 $\frac{1}{2}$
St. Paul.....	124 $\frac{1}{2}$
Union Pacific.....	59 $\frac{1}{2}$

LONDON CABLE.

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

Grand Trunk, guaranteed 4 p.c.....	92 $\frac{1}{2}$
" 1st preference. xd.....	92 $\frac{1}{2}$
" 2nd "
" 3rd "
G. T. R. Com.....	..
O. P. R xd.....	99 $\frac{1}{2}$

MONTREAL STREET EARNINGS.

Month of Mar.....	\$127,212.18	Inc.	\$3,458.07
April 10, 4,411.33	Dec.
" 11, 4,319.42	Inc.	..	175.04
" 12, 4,356.73	"	..	52.68
" 13, 3,339.05	Dec.	..	985.50
" 14, 5,188.83	Inc.	..	478.15
" 15, 4,057.85	"	..	445.73
" 16, 4,956.33	"	..	509.49
" 17, 4,836.26	"	..	483.74

TORONTO STREET EARNINGS.

Month of Mar.....	\$117,631.21	Inc.	\$14,396.23
April 8, 1,577.56	Inc.	..	262.09
" 10, 3,546.78	"	..	112.86
" 11, 3,506.31	"	..	178.38
" 12, 4,386.47	"	..	1021.67
" 13, 3,619.45	"	..	53.39
" 14, 4,814.61	"	..	740.25
" 15, 1,990.02	"	..	605.07
" 16, 4,447.42	"	..	1403.27
" 17, 4,366.45	"	..	1,280.60

HALIFAX ELECTRIC TRAMWAY.

For week ending	Compared with previous year.		
April 7.....	2,176.10	Inc.	154.77
" 14.....	2,259.76	"	316.87