

ON THE FLOOR OF THE STOCK EXCHANGE.

Wednesday, p.m., 8th June, 1898.

The upward movement of prices announced in our last week's issue, has been sustained. To-day nearly all stocks show an improvement in value. There are several forces aiding the bull movement and but one adverse power and that is the Spanish-American war. It is true that so far the results of the operations of the war give likelihood of a cessation of hostilities, at no very distant time; but the prudent operator knows very well that while war exists no man may safely foretell its chances—and a serious disaster to American arms might cause a temporary, but serious fall in the stock market. Both here and in New York, the trading continues to be principally in professional hands.

The strength of the local market has been greatly assisted by the reduction of the price of bank loans to 4 1-2 per cent. Some of our Stock Exchange firms have borrowed money in New York on time at 3 per cent., and large amounts have been placed here also on time at 4 per cent. These facts are sufficient proof of our repeated statement that there was no fair reason for the late contraction of loans here.

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War Eagle Mining Stock has been the feature of the week, and sold up to 2 01-100 for the \$1 share. It is said that the treasury stock is all sold and that the price will go much higher.

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Canadian Pacific responds but slowly to the wishes of its friends, and has very gradually risen to 86 1-2. There has been large taking in of profits in this stock both here and in London.

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Duluth, South Shore & Atlantic shows improved earnings, and at last shares the general prosperity of the carrying trade. The price, however, has not changed.

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People's Heat & Light Co. stock has risen five points on reports of the good condition of the company.

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Montreal Gas Co. was strong on a very favourable contract for coal.

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While the general market has been essentially bullish, reactions have been caused by rather determined selling on the part of houses, whose clients are taking profits, and there is a prudent feeling among dealers, that it will not be wise to load up with stocks in view of the summer holidays now near at hand.

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Money is abundant at 4 per cent. to 4 1-2 per cent.

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Bank of England rate 3 per cent.

MONTREAL STOCK EXCHANGE SALES

THURSDAY, 2ND JUNE.

MORNING BOARD.

No. of Shares.	Price.
125 Pacific.....	85 1/2
475 ".....	85 3/4
25 ".....	85 3/4
16 Montreal Street.....	255 1/2
50 ".....	256
25 Halifax Tram.....	129
50 Montreal Gas.....	188 3/4
55 ".....	189
100 ".....	189 1/4
75 Cable.....	181 3/4
25 Bell Telephone.....	170
75 Toronto Street.....	98 1/4
200 ".....	98 1/4
50 St. John Street xld.....	140
25 Royal Electric.....	156
25 ".....	157
100 ".....	159 1/2
60 Richelieu.....	100 1/2
25 Dom. Coal.....	22 3/4
1250 War Eagle.....	190
2 Merchants' Bank.....	170
52 ".....	170 1/4
1 Bank of Montreal.....	241
3 National Bank.....	96
25 Hochelaga Bank.....	157

AFTERNOON BOARD.

100 Bank of Commerce.....	138 1/4
600 Pacific.....	85 3/4
500 ".....	85 1/4
10 ".....	85 1/2
450 ".....	85 1/4
7 Bell Telephone.....	169
80 Halifax Tram.....	129
500 War Eagle.....	190 1/2
105 Montreal Gas.....	189
25 Montreal Street.....	256 1/4
135 ".....	257
50 ".....	257 3/4
25 ".....	257 1/4
150 New Mont. Street.....	254
25 ".....	254 1/4
25 Toronto Street.....	98 1/2
75 ".....	98 1/4
100 ".....	98 1/2

FRIDAY, 3RD JUNE.

MORNING BOARD.

500 Pacific.....	85 1/2
300 ".....	85 1/4
225 ".....	85 1/2
425 Montreal Street.....	257 1/2
8 New Mont. Street.....	254
50 Montreal Gas.....	189
25 Halifax Tram.....	129 1/2
25 ".....	129 1/4
75 Toronto Street.....	98
150 Dominion Coal pfd.....	109 1/2
50 Richelieu.....	100 1/2
3000 War Eagle.....	102 1/2
3 Bank of Montreal.....	241
50 Bank of Commerce.....	138 1/4
20 Jacques Cartier Bk.....	101

AFTERNOON BOARD.

75 Montreal Street.....	257 1/2
25 ".....	257
55 New Mont. Street.....	254
50 Halifax Tram.....	129 1/2
100 Pacific.....	85 1/2
10 Richelieu.....	100
50 ".....	101
25 Cable.....	180
50 Toronto Street.....	97 3/4
100 Dominion Coal pfd.....	109 1/4
100 Dominion Coal.....	24
600 War Eagle.....	200
8500 ".....	199 1/2

MONDAY, 6TH JUNE.

MORNING BOARD.

150 Pacific.....	85 1/2
150 ".....	85 1/4
75 Montreal Street.....	257 1/4
4 ".....	257 1/4

50 Montreal
