So the gentlemen of the board amused themselves by recounting their holiday experiences and chaffing the gallant member who took part in the invasion of "Maine" on the Fourth.

On Tuesday some of the banks reduced their rate for call loans to 4 per cent., which example will no doubt be generally followed. This, however, had no appreciable effect upon prices. In point of fact, the holiday season has well set in, and apathy reigns on the Stock Exchange.

Montreal Street Railway and Halifax Trams, were the only stocks that were strong and advancing, the former to 266, and the latter to 129. Even the soaring War Eagle has settled down to a more steady flight, and ranged between 265 and 270 on small business.

Montreal Red Mountain, not yet listed, sold at 23 1-2, an advance which is likely to continue, as the public is daily growing more interested in and better informed as to the mining stocks which are on a paying footing.

Mining is one of our great industries; but there has been hitherto, such difficulty in obtaining reliable information as to the condition of the various companies that cautious investors and speculators have avoided their shares. Now that large capital is ready to be put into mining adventures, and to adequately exploit them, we think that our readers may do a profitable business after due enquiry and under proper guidance.

Canadian Pacific has improved but little in spite of the gratifying increase of \$66,000 for the week. Our private advices state that, not only is the amount of the stock held in London comparatively light, but that English holders will be satisfied even if the dividend for the year is not increased above 4 per cent. We have reason to believe also that Sir William Van Horne's recent visit to London has greatly improved the relations between the two great Canadian roads. However, until the rate-war is ended, we do not expect to see any great improvement in the price. It would no doubt be a great inducement to Canadian investors if the transfer books of the Canadian Pacific were re-opened in Montreal, the expense and annoyance of sending scrip to New York to be registered being very great, and throwing a great share of business into the hands of the New York arbitrage houses, the profit of which ought to belong to Montreal firms.

In conclusion, we advise our readers to hold on to the stocks they have, but we can not advise buying more at this dull season.

Money is very plentiful at 4 per cent. Bank of England rate 2 1-2 per cent.

## MONTREAL STOCK EXCHANGE SALES

WEDNESDAY, 29TH JUNE.	
	25 Halifax Tram 123% 25 Montreal Street 265%
MORNING BOARD.	275 " " 266
No. of Price.	75 " 26rk
44 Montreal Street 261	75 Telegraph 179 15 Bell Telephone 170%
25 New Mont. Street 2581/2	50 Dominion Coal pe' 170%
100 New Gas 187	25 Dominion Cotton 914
13 Pacific 82½ 225 " 83⅓	25 " " 04
10 " 831/2	200 Toronto Street 97%
1 Telegraph 185	5000 War Eagle 275 200 " 277
3 Bell Telephone 1713/ 50 West. Loan & Trust 97	1000 " 2"
50 West. Loan & Trust 97 25 Cable 175	500 " 271
4000 War Eagle 265	300 270
500 " 266	1500 " 269
2750 " 267 2 Bank of Montreal 241	2000 Monte Cristo 31
	\$14,000 Cable bonds 1041/2
AFTERNOON BOARD.	AFTERNOON BOARD.
16 Montreal Street 2611/2	50 Pacific 844
50 " " 26214	100 New Mont, Stree 263
200 " " 262 1/2	25 Montreal Street 265%
50 Hochelaga Bank 160	50 " " … 265%
125 Toronto Street 96 50 Cable	450 " " 266
	25 " 2661/4
THURSDAY, 30TH JUNE.	50 " 266); 25 " 266
MORNING BOARD.	50 Halifax Tram 126
100 Montreal Street 264	50 Royal Electric 160
200 " " 264 %	15 Richelieu 1024
50 " " 264½ 75 " " 265	725 Toronto Street 97%
50 " " 264%	300 War Eagle 265
50 " " 2641/2	1000 " 266
30 20478	TUESDAY, 5TH JULY.
25 New Mont. Street 261 100 261 14	MORNING BOARD.
50 Montreal Gas 188	25 Pacific 84%
50 Pacific 831/2	50 " 84%
25 " 8336 25 Royal Electric 1581/2	200 " 844
25 Royal Electric 158/2	125 Montreal Street 2665
100 Richelieu 10214	65 Halifax Tram 126
2000 War Eagle 275	25 Royal Electric 159%
1500 " 276	125 Toronto Street 97%
500 " 275	25 " " 97%
200 Toronto Street 97	2500 War Eagle 266
25 Halifax Tram 123½ 50 " " 123	1500 " 269
2 Bank of Montreal 242	10 Merchants' Bank 174% 20 Hochelaga Bank 160
2 " " 2421/2	to Ville Marie Bank 90
18 Hochelaga Bank 160	2000 Monte Cristo 30
10 Merchants' Bank 174 \$10,000 Cable bonds 1041/4	1000 " " 30
\$500 " " 104	AFTERNOON BOARD.
\$5,000 " " 10414	2500 War Eagle 270
AFTERNOON BOARD.	50 Toronto Street 97%
58 Montreal Street 26436	1000 Monte Cristo 30
200 " " 2641/2	WEDNESDAY, 6TH JULY.
100	MORNING BOARD.
75 " " 264 36	
100 Pacific 831/2	29 Montreal Street 2651
200 Richelieu 102 1	50 New Mont. Street., 262
75 Royal Electric 159 50 Toronto Street 9714	140 Toronto Street 97
50 " " 9736	25 Pacific 84
150 " " 97%	1000 War Eagle 271
25 " " 97%	10 Merchants' Rank 1745
7500 War Eagle 274	Icoo Monte Cristo 30
1000 Monte Cristo 31	AFTERNOON BOARD.
25 Quebec Bank 124	150 Montreal Street 2665
	175 New Mont. Street 262
41 National Bank 94%	20 Halifax Tram 127)
200 Hochelaga Bank 160	27 11 11 128
MONDAY, 4TH JULY.	45
MONDAY, 4TH JULY. MORNING BOARD.	25 " " 128)
MONDAY, 4TH JULY.	25 " " 128)