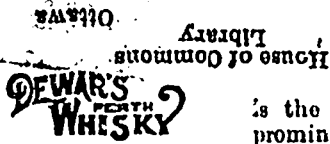


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Montreal Stock Market.

TRADING DULL AND WITHOUT CHARACTER—ON GOOD ANNUAL STATEMENT GAS GAINED 1½ — INTER. COAL (COM.) BROKE 8 POINTS — GENERAL CONDITIONS FAVORABLE.

Montreal, March
Montreal, March 28.

The annual financial statement of Montreal Gas Company was in the hands of stockholders and others today. It shows several increases as compared with last year in particulars which are considered important. The \$12,000 increase from sales of tar, etc., being a successful departure in a new direction is a very agreeable disappointment to those shareholders who had looked on this as unremunerative. On the strength of the favorable statement the stock advanced 1½. It closed at 192¾ and perhaps it will be in more request when the statement has had time to be considered. If the market could be said to have any features at all the advance in Gas might be looked on as one of them.

The great break of 8 points in Inter. Coal (Com.) was another. The last time this stock was taken, it sold at 38 while this forenoon it sold at 30, on parcel of 50 shares. Trading in this stock is infrequent.

The mines all were at previous prices and in no great quantities.

Pacific was down ½ in its reaction from yesterday. This parallels its movement in London where for the day at least Berlin buying had ceased.

Montreal Street started with ½ over yesterday's close, declined 1 whole point from this and closed ½ lower at 303, while the bid and asked prices were indicative of further recession.

The close of Royal Electric at 195½ was the same as yesterday's close. It made no higher than that this forenoon.

Duluth pfd. was ¼ higher.

Twin City was sold ¼ lower.

At 172 Cable had 2 points of advance.

Decline of two points was made by Dominion Cotton at 101.

Hochelaga Bank at 140 secured old price.

Quebec Bank advanced ½ to 126½.

Some little general buying has begun in the central markets and in the local market. It will require much increase ere it can cause such a general bull movement as is sometimes considered to be likely. Medium priced Railway stocks seem to be the favorites. They are, however, advancing only fractionally each day. Other markets are fairly active but not very much more than is the local. It is possible that were professional manipulation removed, these markets would be uninteresting and like the local market this forenoon of which one broker said it was as dull as ditch water.

MORNING SALES.

Can. Pac.—300, 97½.
R. & O. New—15, 107½.
Mont. St. Ry.—150, 304; 37, 303.
Royal Electric x-d.—75, 195; 25, 195½.
50, 195½; 25, 195½.
Republic—500, 106½; 2,000, 106.
Virtue—3,500, 95.
Mont. Gas—50, 192; 50, 192¾.
Mont.—Lon.—500, 29.
Dul. pfd.—75, 16½.
Twin City—25, 65¼.
Cable Co.—25, 172.
Dom. Cot.—5, 101.
Hoch. Bnk.—9, 140.
Quebec Bnk.—10, 126½.
Inter. Coal Com.—50, 30.

AFTERNOON SALES.

Can. Pac.—125, 97½; 10, 97¾; 50, 97½.
Mont. St. Ry.—1, 303.
Twin City—25, 65¼.
Mont. Gas—50, 192¾.
Royal Electric—50, 195¼.
Mont. Lon.—500, 29.
Mchts. Cot.—25, 133.

DIRECTORS OF MONTREAL STREET ISSUE NEW STOCK.

The Board of Directors of the Street Railway met on Monday and issued the increase of a million dollars of stock recently sanctioned by the shareholders of the Company for purposes of extension, etc. It was decided to allot the new stock, one share for every five held

by each shareholder on record on the books of the company at 4 p.m. on April 12th next. The stock is issued at par and the board yesterday decided to make five calls of 20 cent. each, payable on the first days of May, June, July, August and September. The calls for the remaining fifty cent. will be made later.

THE MONTREAL GAS COMPANY.

BALANCE SHEET FROM 28th FEBRUARY
1899, TO 28th FEBRUARY, 1900.

LIABILITIES.

Capital Stock	\$2,998,640 00
Bonds	880,074 21
Interest on Bonds (Unclaimed)	77 76
Dividend Unclaimed	13,640 51
Dividend Payable 17th April	149,932 00
Accounts Payable	84,891 24
Consumers' Deposits	16,830 00
Contingent and Insurance Account	10,000 00
Balance Profit and Loss Account	322,910 25
Total	\$4,476,705 00

ASSETS.

Gas Works, Mains and Lands occupied by Works	\$3,997,941 00
Coal on hand	30,413 77
Oil on hand	2,117 04
Coke, Tar and Ammoniacal Liquor on hand	8,804 86
Iron Pipe, Tubing, etc., on hand	11,776 24
Meters in use and on hand	218,719 26
Retort Account, Bricks, etc., on hand	29,062 83
Tools in use and on hand	2,440 00
Lamp Account	28,489 86
Oxide of Iron on hand	1,000 00
Gas Stoves, etc.	21,473 10
Accounts receivable	100,875 93
Horses, Vehicles, etc.	2,695 83
Methylated Spirits	310 00
Cash on hand and in Bank	12,076 32
Total	\$4,476,705 00

TWIN CITY RAPID TRANSIT CO

Total for Feb \$187,365 75 Inc. \$26,252 00
For week ending Compared with last year
Mar. 7, 45,908 80 Inc. \$ 6,137 90
" 14, 53,718 20 " 12,663 65