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pect at present of a speedy, or material revival. The want of snow is severely felt, and once there are good winter roads there will we hope be a change for the better, though nothing very extensive is anticipated. Stocks as a rule are heavy and the chronic complaint and general cry is scarcity of money and hard times. What strikes one more particularly is the number of bankrupt stocks advertised for sale. In the village of Kemptville for instance there are no less than three entries into the market of these. We learn one has compromised at 50 or 55c in the dollar, and now offers his stock to the public at cost; in the second, the assignee is trying to rush off a large stock, advertising it at ten per cent. less than first cost; a third is selling off for almost any price he can realize. This state of affairs is very hard upon the solvent shopkeepers of the district concerned. The wholesalers must share some of the blame, for they are by far too lenient in giving settlements, often to the unworthy.

—AGENCIES of the London and Lancashire Life Insurance Company have been opened in St. John and Halifax. The agency of the Provincial Insurance Company at Halifax has been taken from R. R. Andrews and handed over to Farquhar Forrest & Co. bankers. The business of the Acadia Provident Life Co. of the same city will probably be taken over by a Toronto or a Hamilton Life Ins. Co.

—APPLICATIONS for renewal of charters are to be made next session of Parliament by the Nova Scotia and Union Marine Ins., Cos. of Halifax. Some Yarmouth Marine Insurance Company stocks have recently been sold for \$150 per share, nothing paid up.

—At a meeting of the Importers' Association of Halifax, the winter port subject, the fraudulent valuations of invoices, defective clauses in bills of lading, were the matters discussed, and committees were appointed to consider those subjects.

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STOCKS IN MONTREAL.  
4 o'clock, Dec. 20, 1876.

| Stocks.            | Lowest Point in Week. | Highest Point in Week. | Total Transact'ns in Week. | Buyers. | Sellers. |
|--------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|---------|----------|
| Montreal           | 184                   | 186                    | 1567                       | 184     | 184      |
| Ontario            | 102½                  | 103                    | 188                        | 102     | 103      |
| Consolidated       |                       | 98½                    | 40                         | 97      | 98½      |
| Peoples            |                       |                        | 16                         | 94      | 95       |
| Molson's           |                       |                        | 1                          | 111     | 112      |
| Toronto            | 176                   | 177½                   | 50                         | 175     | 176      |
| Jacques Cartier    | 342                   | 364                    | 795                        | 344     | 35       |
| Merchants          |                       | 9                      | 23                         | B.C.    | B.C.     |
| Commerce           |                       | 126                    | 163                        | B.C.    | B.C.     |
| Metropolitan       |                       |                        | 5                          | 50      | 51       |
| Maritime           |                       |                        |                            |         |          |
| Exchange           |                       | 94½                    | 25                         | 94      | 96       |
| Hamilton           |                       |                        | 11                         |         |          |
| Union              |                       |                        |                            | B.C.    | B.C.     |
| Montreal Telegraph | 12½                   | 134½                   | 6715                       | 127½    | 127½     |
| Dominion Telegraph |                       | 93                     | 25                         |         | 95       |
| Gas                | 159                   | 159½                   | 300                        | 158½    | 159      |
| City Pass          |                       | 140                    | 25                         | 135     | 145      |
| R. C. Insurance    |                       |                        |                            | 94      | 95       |
| sterling Exchange  | 108½                  | 108½                   |                            | 108½    | 108½     |
| Gold               | 107½                  | 118                    |                            | 107½    | 107½     |
| Commerce (sd)      | 122                   | 122½                   | 350                        | 122     | 122½     |
| Merchants (sd)     |                       | 90                     | 186                        | 89½     | 89½      |

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