CHICAGO MARKET.

EARLY ADVANCE FAIRLY WELL MAINTAINED — CORN STRONG—DAMAGE TO GROWING CROP.

Chicago, March 18.

The market opened at an advance of a point and three-eighths Corn and provisions were equally strong. The market had a general appearance of being over-

During the early dealings wheat was firm on further taking of profits by recent short sellers; it railied also on the moderate Argentine wheat shipments and further cold weather in the North-West.

There is a general expectation of an average decrease in Monday's visible.

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Taking into consideration the late Government report on corn, it is not only at variance in its estimate of reserves with the estimates of all large cash handlers and crop experts but carries its own condemnation on its face. On the lasis of the Government's own figures we used and exported from March first, '96, to March first, '97, 270 millions more corn, and from March first, '97 to March first '98, 460 millions more corn than we did in the twelve months from March first, '98 to March first, '99. When we consider that our last year's exports were the largest on record, that the last year's feeling has nover been equalled, and that every corn using industry has been running to fall capacity as never before, we may be pardoned in claiming that the Government figures on corn reserves are not entitled to serious consideration, and that instead of being only one hundred and twenty-five million short in oursupplies, as the Government figures would indicate, we are at least short two or three times that amount.

But even the Government report when examined by States makes a decidedly different showing than the mere totals would indicate. In the seven surplus States, from which all commercial supplies must come, the total new reported in the farm reserves is only 451,000,000 against 515 000,000 reported in the same States last year. This shortage of 64,000,000 bushels or 12½ per cent is offset by a reported increase in the farm holdings in such states as Texas and the South generally.

Thus then even on the basis of the Government figures, the surplus cornstates from which we must draw all commercial supplies are short on the farms 64,000,000 bushels in addition to the 125 million shortage in the cribbed stocks. This situation taking into consideration the enormous consumption now in progress cannot fai to result in depleted stocks, and a higher range of values in the not distant future.

HALIFAX ELECTRIC TRAMWAY.

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Receipts for week ending Alarch 6 Frevious week	\$1,897.45 1,855.75
Increased receipts	\$31.70
Receipts to date: Mar. '99—passengers, 28,751 '98—'' 27,670 Receipts for Feb. '99	\$1,280.45 1,386.12 7,580.70 6 982 45

OHICAGO MARKET-March 18, 1899.

FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

	CLOSING PRIORS MAR. 13:0 17.			TO-DAY'S PRIORS.					
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MINING STOCKS.

Quotations for active British Columbia Mining Stocks furnished by R. Meredith & Co., Mining Brokers, 51 St. Francois Xavier Street.

March 18, 1899.

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			Asked.
\$1.00	Baltimore Gold Mining.		\$.(8
1.00	Big Three	.29}	`.30}
1.00	Brandon & G'ld'n Crown	.29	.32
1.00	Uaitiofilia	.05	.06
.10	Canada Gold Fields Syn	087	.09
5.00	Cariboo Hydraulic	1.20	1.30
1.00	Cariboo McKinny	1.60	1.62
1.00	Oity of Paris	.65	••••
1.00	Deer Park	.07	.10
1.00	Evi ning Star	.10	.11
.25	Fern	••••	.55
1.00	Gold Hills Developing	.05	.10
1.00	Giant	.031	.05
1.00	Iron Colt	.18	.20
1.00	Iron Mask	.70	.80
1.00	Jumbo	••••	.47
1.00	Knob Hill	.92	.95
1.00	Monte Christo Con	.10	.11}
.24	•Montreal & London		.80
.25	Montreal Gold Fields	.30	.31
1.00	Noble Five	.30	,38
.10	Novelty	.05}	.06
1.00	eld Ironsides	1.00	1.08
.05	Qkanagan Free Gold	••••	.15
1.00	Sinuggler	.04	.06
1.00	Silverine	••••	.05
.::5	Tin Horn	****	.12
.25	Two Friends	• • • •	•
1.00	Virginia	.47	.53
1.00	War Eagle Con	3.48	3.52
.25	Winchester	••••	.09
1.00	White Bear	041	.05}
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MONTREAL STREET EARNINGS.

Mar. 1.	\$4,393,77		.Inc .	\$609.57
" 2,	4,249.39			359.27
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" 14,	4 979 94	***************************************	"	420.61
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" 16,	4,202.40	***************************************	•	OU. 84
	1899-9.	1897-8.	j	Inc.
Oct.	\$133,419.6	3 \$116.093.09	\$17	7,326.54
Nov.	125,125.0			428.11
Dec.	127,568.			1.648.67
				320.03
Jan.	125,038 8			
Feb.	113,838.0	<i>1</i> 2 102,425.99	11	,412.03

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March 17, 1899.

	Bld.	Askea.
Anchoria-Leland	.95	.91
Columbine	• • • •	••••
Elkton	.96	.97
Findley	.193	.197
Gold Coin		1.92
Gold King	.92	.94
Isabella	.81	.81 1
Independent T. & M	.62	.624
Jack Pot	.354	.35
Matoa	.37	.394
Moon Anchor		1.02
Portland	1.73	1.75
Work		191

Montreal-London Gold and Silver Development Company, (Limited.)

Notice is hereby given to the shareholders of this Company that a Dividend of one cent per share has this day been declared on the Capital Strok, payable on Saturday, the st of April, 1893, to Stockholders on record on the evening of the 15th March, 1899.

The transfer books will be closed on the 15th March, 1899, and 'emain closed until Saturday, the 1st April, 1839, to propage for the payment of the dividend.

By order of the Eoard of Directors.

T JAMES CLAXTON,
Secretary.

Montreal, February 22nd, 1899.

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A. W. MORRIS.

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