

MINING, BUSINESS AND STOCKS

CONSOLIDATION IS STILL A PROBLEM

Nevada-Utah and Ohio-Kentucky Officials Are Fighting Out Troubles.

LONG SESSION HELD TODAY.

Matter is Still Unsettled When the Meeting Adjourned Early This Afternoon.

The consolidation of the Nevada-Utah and the Ohio-Kentucky properties at Pioche is still a problem and although several steps nearer a settlement were taken this morning the matter was not fully decided. At 10 o'clock this morning Co. J. L. Hackett, president of the Ohio-Kentucky, E. L. Godbe and A. H. Godbe, officials of the same company and President George Learned of the Nevada-Utah held a meeting in the office of the Prince Consolidated company. For several hours they discussed the matter pro and con, without reaching the object of their meeting. Although Mr. Learned intends to leave tonight if possible, his presence may be required for another day.

Although no definite information was given out after the meeting it was understood that there is still much to be settled.

The consolidation of the two properties would be one of great benefits to Pioche. It would mean that work would be done at once on the properties and shipping would be but matter of a short time. So closely are the interests allied that it is hard to agree upon the exact terms of settlement. On both sides desire the contract but which can show the best title to it is the question that will have to be decided.

Should the consolidation go through it will mean that within a short time arrangements will be made for the building of a smelter at Pioche by one of the contending interests.

RETURN FROM PIOCHE.

Mr. Learned, Col. Hackett, E. L. and A. H. Godbe, Ed F. Presidential and A. C. Lewis returned from Pioche last night, where they have been inspecting the claims in dispute and the various other properties. Mr. Learned speaks in glowing terms of the recent development at the Day mine owned by the Nevada-Utah. He asserts that just before the party left camp the new ore body was struck in the 800 foot level. This runs from 20 to 40 ounces in silver and 10 to 15 per cent in lead. It is 25 feet drift on the 900 level should also be in it. The Day mine is at present shipping 50 tons of ore a day.

Aside from its activities in the Day mine, the Nevada-Utah has started work in the Onondaga mine, the workings of which are reached through the Day tunnel. In the Onondaga is a series of fissures carrying high grade ore, from which it is expected soon to greatly augment the company's output for the furnaces. It is the intention also to begin at once opening up the Mountain group in the Stamps district, where is a most attractive surface showing.

And, as Mr. Learned is quoted as saying, various other properties owned by Nevada-Utah will be brought into the active list as rapidly as conservative operations will justify. But for some time, perhaps, the big operations will be in the Day mine, where the limits of possible production may not be reached for years to come.

ALL STOCKS GO LOWER.

IRON BLOSSOM Hits the Toboggan—Volume of Business is Better.

In keeping with the unsatisfactory conditions in the east which sent copper stocks down yesterday and caused an unusual market this morning, the local mining exchange had a sagging market this morning. Nearly every stock on the board that was traded in showed a tendency to move to lower levels. There is scarcely any investment buying and it can be plainly seen that most of the stocks are being purchased as a speculation. Until something decisive is done on the tariff question there seems but little possibility of stocks taking any decided upward movement.

While other markets are suffering the local exchange is enjoying a fair volume of business. The number of shares of stock that changed hands this morning was 129,000 and the amount of money paid was \$48,323.45.

Iron Blossom hit the toboggan early in the session and although it revived to some extent, it closed decidedly weak at 17 1/2. It has since recovered and is back at 18 since the strike was made and a body of ore was found.

Pinto Central enjoyed considerable activity, but the stock was weak and on the open board 23,000 shares sold at 15 cents. Prince Consolidated sold as low as \$1.30. Sioux Consolidated sold for \$1.10. In spite of the rumor that dividends this month will be no large or none.

Wabash sold at 5 cents for 21 shares. On the open board it was a little better and 44 shares went for 7 1/2 cents.

Western Nevada was the only stock that showed a desire of going up and it sold strong at the close at a gain of a cent and a half.

On the curb market trading was slower. Bingham Central Standard sold for 20 cents, East Tintle Gold King for a cent and a half, and Tintle Empire at 6 cents. Demarest was offered at 15 cents. Cedar

This Morning's Metals.

SILVER, - 50 1/2
COPPER (cathodes) - 12 1/2
LEAD - 4.00

NEW YORK QUOTATIONS.

LAED, dali., - 3.02 1/2 @ 3.07 1/2
COPPER, dali., - 12 1/2 @ 13 1/2
SILVER, - 50 1/2

FORENOON QUOTATIONS.

Listed Stocks Bid Asked

Ajax 28

Beck Tunnel Con. 69

Big Hill 6

Bingham Amalgamated 16

Black Jack Con. 35

Brooklyn Con. 66

Bullock 68

Colorado Mining 3.12 1/2

Columbus Con. 1.10

Con. Mercer 32

Crown Point 22

Daly Judge 4.50

Dragon 40

East Crown Point 0.45

East Tintle Dev. 15

Emerald 12

East Tintle Con. 0.90

Goldfield Daisy 90

Golden Central 2.95

Great Northern 1.50

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