MINES AND MINING.

The Stock Brokers Accomplish Nothing on Change Today.

THAT IS IN THE WAY OF TRADING

Good Quotations, However, the Order of the Day—News from Nearness Sources—Dips and Spurs.

Figuratively speaking the following quotation would apply very well to the work of the brokers on 'change today:

The king of France with thirty thousand men,
Marched up the hill and then marched down again.

So it was with the stock brokers in the pit of the exchange today. They marched into the pit—not 30,000 strong, however—and then marched out again, without recording a single transfer. Superstitious people would say it was a bad omen for the rest of the week, but whether it will be or not, remains yet to be seen.

Notwithstanding the entire absence of transfers, there was a good tone to the market and stocks maintained their rejuvenated strength of last week. Bullion Beck was an offering at $7.25, while the closing and best bid was $6.65. The Dalys also showed a firmness and received good figures, while Mercur was an offering at Bullion-Beck's asking figure and was freely bid for at $6.80. Not much of this stock is on the market just now and judging from them present indications, $7 will be the bid before the closing of the week just commenced. Ontario could have been purchased at $19 a share, but would the buyers would give but $9 for the stock.

The unlisted stocks held their own during the call and registered firm quotations. Swansea came out first and stood as an offering at $2.80; the best bid was $2.60. Santa Swansea recorded a bid of $1.75, but holders demanded $1.85 for the stock. Sunteam dropped to the asking and was thrown on the market at 17 cents with 14 cents bid.

The closing figures were as follows:

LISTED STOCKS.

NAME.	Asked.	Bid.
Anchor	2	1
Alice	30	27½
Alliance		1
Alliance Consolidated	19	
Bullion Beck	7 25	6 65
Centennial-Eureka		5
Dalv	3 40	3 25
Daly West	9 75	9 25
Eureka & Lake	40	
Eureka Golden Gate	1	½
Eagle		1
Four Aces	27	18½
Gemini	1 25	1 00
Hecla	4 00	3 50
Horseshoe	15	
Iron Silver		1
Mercur	7 00	6 80
Mammoth		1
Mammoth	1 50	1 40
Ontario	19 00	18 00
Overland		1
Ophir Consolidated	5 12½	
Silver King		2
Sunbeam	1 50	1 10
Utah	1 40	

UNLISTED STOCKS.

NAME.	Asked.	Bid.
Brighton Copper Co		1
Beaks		1
Buckeye (Tintic)	4½	3½
B. B. Tunnel Co	8½	7
Dalton		1
Emerald		1
Hercules		1
Horseshoe		1
Lime Pitsburg	2	½
Lucky Bill		1
Morgan (Pot Hole)		1
Mt. Nebo L. & I. Co		1
N. A. Nationals		3½
Northern Light	65	55½
Omaha		1
Silver		1
Sun		1
Richmond Anaconda	2	1½
Santa Swansea	1 85	1 75
Sunbeam	17	14
Tacoma	35	30
Swansea	2 80	2 60
Tetro		1
Utah Consolidated		1
Vina		1
Wonder		1
Yankee Girl		1

PARK RECORD'S REPORT.

Ore Values in the Valleys—Water in the Daly No. 3 Shaft.

The Valleys is the only property from which startling surprises may be looked for these days, and to date it furnishes a never ending topic for speculation. The news from it this week is to the effect that it has a seven-foot breast of ore that will yield over $100 per ton. An average sample taken across the breast by a plain, every-day miner not connected with the property, yielding the following results: Silver, 5 ounces; copper, 18 per cent; gold, 5.5 on ore; value of gold, $63.85. Considering the width of the ore body, the average is something wonderful and shows the property to be in a most promising condition. The future of the mine depends on the results attained by the big tunnel. If it cuts the vein on the level at which it is being driven, the future of the property is assured and it will become one of the mines of Park City and add much to the prosperity of the camp. The development at the property are being closely watched by a large number of people who expect and hope to see it prove to be a veritable bonanza. Capitalists are also watching it closely and several leading mining men visited it during the past week.

Sinking in the Daly No. 3 shaft had to be again abandoned this week on account of water, and the men laid off in the upper levels when sinking was resumed will probably be put back next week. The bottom of the shaft is still some 400 feet from the drain tunnel and the indications are that the management will have to wait until the drain tunnel is far enough advanced to allow crosscutting to a point directly beneath the shaft, after which connection will be made as it was at Ontario No. 2, by raising. The volume of water encountered in the shaft this week is beyond the capacity of pumps to handle with the facility necessary in sinking. Aside from this feature the mine is in fair usual good condition.

As will be seen by referring to the ore shipments, the bad condition of the roads is a terrible handicap on ore hauling. The Daly West teams have been taken off and no ore is coming from that property.

J. J. Whittaker, who built the Peck concentrator and the Silver King boarding house, has received word from T. R. Jones that the mill will be completed in the near future and for him to remain in Park City to place the machinery—at least so the writer was informed this morning by reliable authority.

Kimball Bros. are busy hauling the zinc tailings from the Anchor concentrator to the Union Pacific depot whence they are being shipped to the Germania smelter in Salt Lake, which is owned and operated by T. R. Jones, who bought the tailings some months ago, ostensibly to run through the Peck mill. Some 800 tons have been shipped to date and the dump is rapidly disappearing. The tailings, it is said, are being worked up in the smelter and made into zinc shavings, for which there is an active market at Mercur.

Following are the ore shipments from the Mollie Gibson sampler for the week: Silver King, 669,480; Daly West, 75,320. Total, 742,800.

Prospecting in the Wah Wah.

W. A. Crawford, H. W. Renhoe's partner, left here last July on a prospecting tour says the Richfield Southern Chief. Until within the last two months, Mr. Crawford has been prospecting in the Slate Line county, but since then he has located in the Wah Wah mountains. The Wah Wah range is located principally in Beaver county, the center of the mineral belt being twenty-five miles west of Frisco.

During the boom days of Frisco as a mining camp there was a great deal of work done in this belt but the miners were bothered by water running in and by the rocks being hard to break with black powder so the field was abandoned. Some two months ago, however, ten or twelve prospectors went into the mountains and began work. Some very good results followed. Just lately Mr. Crawford found some very good-looking rock which he has just sent to Salt Lake to be assayed, and has two claims known as the Bullion and Kalamon. Orson Keeler and James Murray have located a claim that gives some good assays ranging from $3 to $17 in gold and from six ounces in silver, in a picked specimen, 500 ounces. An average of an eight-inch streak was thirty ounces silver and $17 gold. Several other good claims have been located.

The formation in the Wah Wahs is igneous and siliceous, the primary formation quartzite, with some slides and chunks by talc. Talc is a sign of depth. There is also porphyry in many of the dikes, and considerable lime in the younger formations. In the lime the ore is in the main lead carbonate, accompanied by silver, and gold values are noticeable in all assays.

A remarkable thing there is that the leads are traceable so far. One lead on Robert Leroy's claim is traceable for 2,000 feet, while another is very plain for over 1,500 feet. The mineral belt here is fifteen miles long and six miles wide. The good leads and other signs of plenty of mineral together with plenty of good water and grass makes the Wah Wahs a good place for prospectors.

A month ago the prospects got together and organized a mining district known as the Nethalie. To prevent location hogs from staking it a lot more than they could, it was intended to work, they made a law that ten feet at drift or eight feet of shaft work was to be done inside of three months from the time the stake was claimed.

Taken all in all Mr. Crawford thinks that the Nethalie district is a promising one so he and Mr. Renhoe are pleased with their claims, expecting them in the near future to be in good demand.

The Gold Queen Mine.

A. A. Cahoon came home from the Blue Mountains last week on a business trip, says the Mt. Pleasant Pyramid. He reports the Gold Queen mining property in which he and J. H. Erekson are interested with others, to have made good progress and development this fall. About twenty men have been steadily employed building a ten-stamp mill and constructing a 3,200-foot cable and bucket tramway. These are now completed, and the machinery has had an initial operation to "test" it. Everything worked most satisfactorily. A 40-horse power engine is used. The run was made on low grade ore, and no results of the better quality have yet been obtained. The gold will be caught through the operation of plates and a vanner. The ore works easily, and it is expected to put through about twenty tons per day when a regular run begins. It is expected to keep about twelve men steadily operated.

Important Idaho Strike.

A strike of extraordinary richness has been made in the Star mine, which is located near Hailey.

Something like two years ago the owners of the Star, among them David Falk and John Lemp of Boise, bonded the property to eastern parties for a large sum. The men who took the mine have been unable to make the payments, and the original owners were taking steps to again secure control of the property when the rich strike was made. The proposed foreclosure will be held in abeyance pending further development of the strike, which was quite a surprise to the men who have the mine. It is possible they will now be able to make the payments.

Bingham Bullette Notes.

Superintendent Gebhardt reports the outlook of the Phoenix group as of a very satisfactory nature, and there is no doubt that the strike lately made in the Carmandel mine is important. A carload of second class ore is being shipped for a test, and it is thought will average about $20. The 600 tunnel from the Carr fork side, through which the group will be ultimately worked and which has been run 1,500 feet, is expected to tap the main vein in about 200 feet.

Quite an increase in ore movements is noticeable this week. Among shippers are several of the Niagara company's mines, including the Live Fine (two leases), Utah and Indiana; also, the Northern Chief, 100 tons, and a lot from one of the Paragon group. During four days the shipments from the Old Telegraph averaged about 50 tons per day.

George Wilt and Frank Whippold are starting up their Greiner lease, which they shut down about two months ago. They have some fine ore in sight.

The Abe Lincoln company is doing development work on the Abe Lincoln group, adjoining the Keystone mine.

Monroe Salisbury has transferred his interest in the Mayflower 10 Chicago parties.

Dips and Spurs.

Judge Sherman of the Sunshine company has gone East for a week or ten days.

The Mercur stock is very strong and almost out of the market. Brokers look for its touching the $7 mark before very long. The mine was never in better shape than at the present time.

Tooele Transcript: Teams are now hauling a shipment of fifteen tons of first-class ore from the Chicago mine, of Dry Canyon, and a thirty-to lot from the Bonkers of Ophir.

Colonel George W. E. Dorsey of the Overland mine returned home his home in Nebraska a couple of days ago. He says that before the close of politics was the all-absorbing issue out there, but that since the battle the advance agent of prosperity has made his appearance and that all is now joy and happiness. The colonel made a big boom in Utah and says it will be here before long. He goes out to Mercur tomorrow.

Boise Statesman: A number of specimens of gold quartz were received at the Mining Exchange yesterday from the Warrens district. One came from the Reserve mine, which was recently purchased by a Boston company. The ore assays $40 in gold to the ton. A sample from the Iola mine, which contains a 4-foot vein, assays $20 in gold. The ore from this property is now being run through an arrastra. A specimen was also received from the King Solomon, which assays $60 in gold to the ton.

Manti Messenger: A few days ago Alfred Ahner went into the mountains to get a load of fire wood. On arriving home with his load he unloaded the wood in a pile, and in the roots of one of the stumps he found a rock which attracted his notice, and upon breaking it with an ax discovered it to be as pretty a piece of galena ore as you ever laid eyes on. Naturally it has excited some curiosity, as undoubtedly it will assay very high. At one on been much in evidence for several days and no doubt he is out hunting for the spot on which the dead stump stood.

Development work has been progressing rapidly in the North Star on Shaws mountain, says the Boise Statesman, and a tunnel has been driven that taps the ledge at a depth of 300 feet. The vein is five feet wide with a 14-inch pay streak. Assays of the rock taken from this depth run $65.38 in gold and 6 ounces of silver to the ton. The mine is under the management of H. W. Purdum and it is the intention of the owners to place a 5-stamp mill on the property. The mill is now being built in this city and it will be transported to the mine in a short time. The shaft on the mine are being constructed with a view of putting on five additional stamps at a future date.

NOTICE TO SALT LAKE STAKE.

In view of the first Sunday of each month having been set apart as a day of fasting and prayer among the Saints throughout Zion, the Salt Lake Stake conference will not convene until the second Saturday of December (December 12, 1896) at 10 o'clock a. m. Meetings will be held also at 2 p. m. of said day, and at 10 a. m. and 2 p. m. on Sunday. Meetings will be held in the several wards throughout the city as usual.

The Bishoprie of wards and Presidency of quorums and leading authorities of associations throughout the Stake will please take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

Angus M. Cannon,
Joseph E. Taylor,
Charles W. Penrose,
Presidency of the Salt Lake Stake of Zion.

THE LOWER GILA VALLEY.

Glowing Account of Its Prospects—Good Land Cheap—Colonists Wanted.

Mesa, Arizona, Nov. 17, 1896.

To the Editor:

Extending westward from the juncture of the Gila, with the Salt and Agua Fria rivers, about twenty-two miles west of the city of Phoenix, and about forty miles from Mesa City, Maricopa county, Arizona—a large and prosperous colony of Latter-day Saints—for nearly two hundred miles is probably what will one day be the most productive agricultural area on the American continent. For hundreds of miles, broken here and there with a short isolated mountain range or an occasional peak of fantastic design, the valley stretches away with the levelness of almost a tableing. The soil, a light sandy loam, at first deceives one, as to its richness, for upon it with water and its fertility and productiveness cannot be surpassed. Here and there great groves of mesquite and ironwood bear witness to the richness of soil and mildness of climate that the initiated at once recognize.

Like many other portions of Arizona, the valley throughout its entire length bears evidence in the form of prehistoric ruins of a dense population that it once supported. Here the ruins of an old canal that can be traced for miles. There are the mounds of ruined pueblos, while the traces of a thoroughly-planned irrigation system bear testimony to the skill of the ancient people.

Through the length of the valley on the south of the Gila runs the South Pacific railroad, while north of that stream has been surveyed and located a line of railroad from Phoenix, the capital of Arizona, to San Diego. Of this road thirty miles were built when the panic of 1893 put a quietus on its further construction. And since that time, though the valley has steadily grown in development, and the advantage of such a line of communication has become more manifest, its early extension is looked forward to.

In variety of products the valley of the Lower Gila cannot be surpassed—wheat, barley, alfalfa, and all the cereals and fruits of the temperate zone growing equally well with the lemon, orange, fig, grape and other fruits of the semi-tropical regions. The climate, while warm in summer, is almost perfection in winter, snow never being seen; while even excessive rains are unknown. The rainfall throughout the year is light, and irrigation must be relied on by the farmer to insure crops.

Several canal companies have been taken out along the valley and under each are to be found prosperous settlements in which the chief distinguishing feature are "land poor" proprietors, whose chief idea of farming is to grow rich waiting for a rise in values that will enable them to unload their hundreds of acres for fortunes. Many of this class, though, have felt the stress of the last few years of panic, and realize that it will be only by offering every inducement like low prices that they can induce immigrants to turn in their direction. Through this means that we have had of from $30 to $35 per acre five years ago are now to purchase at from $12 to $15 per acre, with perpetual water rights; while in many instances large landowners can be found who will give the use of their land, for years rent free, as well as a portion of it in recompensation of having the whole cultivated. In addition, under some of the canals can be found large bodies of government land awaiting entry by the setler, although the same character of land in California, with water would readily sell at from $75 to $100 per acre unimproved.

Under the wisest and best of the canals in the valley—the Buckeye—the head of which is twenty-two miles due west of Phoenix, land is offered for five years with an abundance of water, the cultivator to have all the ground during that period and to receive one-fourth of whatever amount he cultivates during that time and plants in alfalfa; the land in question being planted and already possessing the best of cultivation. The canal in question has always been noted for its water supply, while the area covered by it is about twenty thousand acres. It has several flourishing communities about it with good facilities. There are several thousand acres of adjacent land which can be had by entry in addition to the specific settlers and homesteads the opportunity offered to the pioneer is extensive and well worth investigating. The unparalleled advantages possessed by the entire valley for the cultivation of such fruits as the fig, orange, olive, etc., must naturally result in time in the creation of small holdings ranging from ten to twenty acres in size each, and subject to the same careful supervision now displayed around such pleasant Riverside, California. When this is done, no finer agricultural community will probably be found on earth than that along the Gila river from Phoenix westward to the Colorado.

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