MINING STOCK BUSINESS

The Bulls and Bears Do Better Work in the Pit of the Exchange Today.

AJAX IS GRADUALLY CLIMBING UP.

Chloride Point Shows an Improvement—Good Demand for Mercur—Dips and Spurs.

Trading was slightly improved in the pit today, stocks selling with greater freedom than on the previous call, and at figures equally as good as those recorded by the brokers yesterday. In some cases the quotations were even better than on the day before, a notable instance being Ajax, which gradually scored a transfer at 46 cents, and had a closing bid of 50, with no further offerings under 55 cents. This stock is rapidly forging to the front, and when pending litigation is settled, brokers look for a resumption of dividends, as the mine's showing in every way justifies such a move.

During the morning call a mild run was made on Geyser-Marion, and the stock succumbed to transfers of 400 shares at from 32½ to 33 cents. Mammoth was warmly applauded with a bid of 42.10, as against offerings at 43.17½, while Mercur presented a firm front by being eagerly sought after at 48.50. Northern Light fell a trifle and took part in the trading at 41 cents, at which figure the stock was dealt in to the extent of 200 shares. Ontario was fairly firm in the bidding, as were also Sacramento, Sunshine, Silver King and Utah.

Swansea took the initiative in the call of unlisted stocks, and had its closing and best bid at 81.32½, with offerings at 83.15. Its neighbor, South Swansea, came next, and was wanted at 81.37½, with no sales, while Omaha was strongly clamored after at 22½ cents, without offerings, and Chloride Point, which did the entire trading in this class, stood up in all boldness and handed out shares at 49 cents, together with 1,000 shares, buyer 60 days, at 54 cents. Gold Dust could have found takers at 9 cents, but there were no offerings.

The closing figures were as follows:

LISTED STOCKS.

Stock.	Bid.	Asked.
Anchor	20	
Ajax	50	55
Bullion-Beck	4 75	5 50
Brick Consolidated		70
Centennial-Eureka	22 00	
Daly	1 00	1 00
Daly-West	2 50	5 50
Dalton & Lark	4	12½
Eagle	1¼	1½
East Golden Gate		½
Four Aces	2½	4½
Geyser-Marion	32½	33½
Gleson	25	40
Horsehead		10
Horn Silver	1 25	
Mammoth	2 10	2 17½
Mercur	4 50	8 00
Northern Light	40	41
Overland	15	
Ontario	3 25	3 70
Sacramento	20	25
Sunshine	26½	35
Silver King	15 25	16 50
Utah	40	75

UNLISTED STOCKS.

Stock.	Bid.	Asked.
Beaconsfield	1 92½	2 15
South Swansea	1 27½	1 37½
Omaha	22½	
Chloride Point	49½	54
Dexter	1 20	1 60
Emerald		2
Richmond Anaconda	1¾	2¼
Dalton	¾	¾
Gold Dust	8	
Grand Central	50	
Dickens	2½	
Little Pittsburg	2¼	2½
Horsetail	¾	
Hunnuah	½	1¼

TRANSFERS OF STOCKS.

One hundred shares of Ajax at 46 cents; per share; 200 Geyser-Marion @ 32 cents, and 200 @ 32½; 300 Northern Light @ 41 cents; 500 Chloride Point @ 49 cents, 100 @ 48, and 1,000, buyer 60 days, @ 54. Total shares sold, 2,600; selling value of stocks, $1,272.50.

Dips and Spurs.

Silver, 56¾; lead, $2.50.

The Horn Silver company will distribute its dividend of $10,000 tomorrow.

The Dauphoud mine at Bingham is said to be showing eighteen inches of ore.

The Chanman mill at Ely, Nev., has resumed operations, and all the men in the camp are now employed.

The Chloride Point will ship 2 cars of high-grade ore this week. The mine is reported in excellent shape.

Regular shipments are reported from properties being worked at Alta, the erstwhile home of dangerous snowslides.

That a concentrator is to be put in at the Bullwyne in the spring, is the decision arrived at yesterday by Messrs. David Keith and Jacob Bamberger, owners of that famous producer, which lies near Baker City, Oregon.

COMMERCIAL.

New York, Dec. 29.—Manhattan occupied almost the exclusive attention of traders at the opening of the stock market, and quickly receded by successive steps 1¼ below last night's close. Changes in the general list were missed, but the tone inclined to depression under the influence of lower quotations from abroad. Tobacco improved almost a point on the continuation of yesterday's buying movement. The general market became steady and before the hour had expired, there was returned weakness. New Jersey Central leading with a fall of 1½. Metropolitan Street Railway lost a point, and the whole market eased off in sympathy.

Trading in the second hour was marked by a resumption of liquidation in Consolidated Gas, which broke 3½ points. The list generally became heavy, but steadied at intervals, and towards noon, heavy buying of sugar and tobacco caused a better tone. Sugar rose over a point.

Bonds were quiet and firm.

NEW YORK MARKETS.

MONEY.

New York, December 29.—Money on call, offered at 4 percent.

Prime mercantile paper 5@6½% per cent.

Sterling exchange steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.84@4.84⅝ for demand and 4.81⅝@4.82 for sixty days.

Posted rates $4.83½@4.84 and $4.86@4.86.

Commercial bills 4.80¾.

Silver certificates 58@59¾.

Bar silver 59¾.

Mexican dollars 46.

Government bonds firm; new fours registered, 126; ditto coupons, 128¾; fours registered, 112½; ditto coupons, 114½; fives registered, 118½; ditto coupons, 119½; Pacific sixes of '95, 102½.

Closing—Steady; bid, 59 5-32; exchange, $4.86.

Lead—Steady; bid, $3.30; exchange, $3.45.

CHICAGO MARKETS.

LIVE STOCK.

Chicago, December 29.

HOGS—Estimated receipts today 32,000; official left over 2,247; market steady, but lower than yesterday morning. Light, $3.30@3.45; mixed, $3.30@3.42½; heavy, $3.30@3.50; rough, $3.30@3.40.

CATTLE — Receipts 14,000; good steady, others weak. Beeves, $3.75@5.60; cows and heifers, $1.90@4.20; Texas steers, $3.30@4.30; stockers and feeders, $3.20@4.25.

SHEEP—Receipts 17,000; best grades steady, others weak to lower. Native sheep, $3.90@5.75; western, $3.90@5.40; lambs, $4.25@5.85.

PRODUCE.

WHEAT—May wheat opened at 94½, closly 95@95⅛, and reacted to 94½. December was weak, opening at 88, and closing at 89.

Closing—Wheat—December, 89¼; old, 89¼; January, 89; May, 97½; July, 86½; September, 78.

CORN—December, 32¼; May, 38¾.

OATS—December, 25½; May, 29¾.

PORK—December, $7.80; May, $8.02½@8.05.

LARD—December, $4.45; May, $4.57½.

RIBS—December, $4.40; May, $4.55.

BARLEY—30@34.

RYE—40¾.

FLAX—$1.10.

TIMOTHY—$2.60.

CASH.

Wheat No. 2, red, 93@93½; No. 3 red, 90@94; No. 2 spring, 94@97; No. 3 spring, 86@90; No. 2 hard winter, 89; No. 3 hard winter, 87@89; No. 1 red spring, 96@98.

Corn, No. 2, 27½@28; No. 3, 26@27½.

Oats, No. 2, 25¾; No. 3, 23@25¾.

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SAN FRANCISCO.

PRODUCE

San Francisco, December 29.—Wheat (weak); December, 1.08½; May, 1.11½. Barley—Inactive; May, 91½.

Inspection of the Guard.

Adjutant General Asa Q. Cannon, of the National Guard of Utah, went to Bountiful this afternoon, accompanied by some of his military associates, to make an official inspection of Company K, which is stationed at that place. This company is under the command of Captain Mabey.

The adjutant general will return to this city this evening and inspect the hospital corps at the guard armory. The performance of this duty will consume the inspection of all the local organizations, and only those at Brigham, Ogden and Manti remain to be reviewed on the outside.

UTAH HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

State Organization Effected and Officers Chosen for the Ensuing Year.

List of Charter Members—Objects of the Society—Regular and Special Meetings Hon. F. D. Richards President.

The organization of the State Historical Society of Utah, which has been under way since the semi-centennial jubilee, was effected at a meeting held late yesterday afternoon. The meeting occurred in the counting room of the Deseret National Bank, and assembled in response to a call from the temporary chairman, Mr. Jerreld R. Letcher. The by-laws of the society were adopted and the articles of incorporation signed, after which officers were chosen as follows:

Franklin D. Richards, president.
Isabel Cameron-Brown, vice-president.
Jerreld R. Letcher, recording secretary.
James T. Hammond, corresponding secretary.
Levi A. Hills, treasurer.
Antoinette B. Kinney, librarian.
Executive committee—George W. Thatcher, Logan; James H. Penrose, Salt Lake; Lewis W. Shurtliff, Ogden; Joseph R. Kingsbury, Salt Lake; Elias Bullock, Provo; John T. Caine, Salt Lake; Robert C. Lund, St. George; Charles C. Goodwin, Salt Lake; Henry W. Lawrence, Salt Lake.

The objects for which the society is organized are "the encouragement of historical research and inquiry, by the exploration and investigation of aboriginal monuments and remains; the collection of such material as may serve to illustrate the growth, development and resources of Utah and the intermountain region; the preservation of manuscripts, papers, documents and tracts of value, especially narratives of the adventures of early explorers and pioneers; the establishment and maintenance of a public library and museum; the cultivation of science, literature and the liberal arts; the holding of meetings at stated intervals for the interchange of views and criticisms."

The society has the following for its charter members:

Charles Adams, Parowan; Caleb P. Barratt, Robert N. Baskin, Charles W. Bennett, Alexander C. Bishop, Nat M. Brigham, Isabel Cameron-Brown, Salt Lake; Electa Bullock, Provo; John T. Caine, Angus M. Cannon, John Q. Cannon, Spencer Clawson, Edward F. Colton, George Q. Cony, Benjamin F. Cummings Jr., Chris Diehl, John E. Dooly, Mrs. Ida Dooly, Ferguson, Salt Lake; James N. Ferguson, Helper; Charles C. Goodwin, Joseph Geoghegan, Heber J. Grant, Salt Lake; James T. Hammond, Logan; Harry C. Hill, Tidella Marie Belcher Hamilton, Levi A. Hills, Salt Lake; John Horton, American Fork; William Howard, Huntington; Hadley D. Johnson, Andrew Jenson, Joseph T. Kingsbury, Antoinette B. Kinney, Cleone S. Kinney, Eurithe K. La Barthe, Henry Lawrence, Salt Lake; William A. Lee, Ogden; Jerreld R. Letcher, Salt Lake; Robert C. Lund, St. George; John T. Lynch, Thomas Marshall, Salt Lake; Jacob F. Miller, Farmington; Elias Morris, William S. McCornick, Salt Lake; Harry F. McCune, Nephi; Emma J. McVicker, Salt Lake; Agatha Nebeker, Lehi; John Parry, Cedar; Orlando W. Powers, Charles W. Penrose, Arthur Pratt, Salt Lake; Franklin D. Richards, Ogden; Franklin S. Richards, Morris L. Ritchie, Charles R. Savage, Salt Lake; Lewis W. Shurtliff, Ogden; Elias A. Smith, Grant H. Smith, John Henry Smith, Salt Lake; Joseph F. Smith, Logan; Abraham O. Smoot, Provo; George W. Thatcher, Logan; Mat Thomas, Farmington; Ellerslie B. Wells, Salt Lake; Barry Wride, Provo; Heber M. Wells, Horace G. Whitney, Orson F. Whitney, Everett W. Wilson, Parley N. Williams, John R. Winder, Alfales Young, Richard W. Young, Charles S. Zane, Salt Lake.

Following is a list of the incorporators:

Franklin D. Richards, Orlando W. Powers, C. H. Savage, B. F. Cummings, Jr., Heber J. Grant, Lucas J. Mc-Vicker, Alice Young, Jerreld R. Letcher, Christopher Diehl, Henry W. Lawrence, E. W. Wilson, Charles R. Zane, Caleb P. Barratt, Grant H. Smith, Horace G. Whitney, William S. McCornick, Charles W. Penrose, Ellen E. Ferguson, F. D. Richards, J. Levi A. Williams, A. C. Bishop, J. T. Hammond, John Henry Smith, John R. Dooly, Rina A. Smith, Hester M. Wells, Arthur Pratt, Elias Morris, James Geoghegan, John Q. Cannon, Antoinette Brown Kinney, Tidella M. B. Hamilton, Richard W. Young, Lewis S. Hills, John R. Winder, Cleone S. Kinney, C. C. Goodwin, Isabel Cameron-Brown, Andrew Jenson, John T. Caine, Angus M. Cannon, Jerreld R. Letcher.

The by-laws are signed by the president and secretary. Regarding membership they provide:

Section 1. Any person of good moral character who is interested in the work of this society may be eligible to membership upon complying with the conditions prescribed in these by-laws.

Section 2. Active members shall consist of residents of the State of Utah. Life members shall consist of such residents of the State as may contribute not less than $25 to the endowment fund of the society. Corresponding members shall consist of non-residents of the State, of literary and historical attainments. Honorary members may consist of explorers and Pioneers, or persons distinguished for literary or scientific work, especially in the line of American history, who are non-residents of the State.

Section 3. Applications for membership shall be endorsed by not less than three active members in good standing and presented to the board of control, and in the case of active and life members, must be accompanied by the initiation fee.

Section 4. Life corresponding and honorary members shall be exempt from the payment of dues and assessments.

Section 5. Members shall be chosen by a majority vote of the board of control—except honorary members—who shall be elected at the annual meetings of the society.

Section 6. Any member may be expelled for cause by the board of control, upon charges duly preferred and after a hearing, subject to the right of appeal to the society at the next ensuing annual meeting; provided, that a failure to pay any dues or assessments for six months shall work a forfeiture of membership.

The by-laws provide for committees to be appointed each year by the president, and during the summer of every year there will be a field day of the society.

The initial and annual membership fees are each $2, and the board of control are given authority to levy assessments not to exceed $1, and to be made not more frequent than once a year.

The regular meeting of the board of control will be held the first week in January, April, July and October of each year, and the president or board are authorized to call special meetings. The regular meetings of the society for the transaction of general business are to be held on the third Monday in January of each year.

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A Child's Christmas Drink of Chloroform at Meadow.

Fillmore, Dec. 28th, 1897.

To the Editor:

It was not a "Merry Christmas" at the home of Mr. William Hunt in the quiet town of Meadow, Millard county, Dec. 25th, 1897. Joseph Hunt, his wife and infant son came over from Kanosh, where the gentleman is principal in the district school, to spend the day with his father's family. In one of the rooms of the home lay unconscious of the world and his varied surroundings, Joseph Nuild, the aged father of Mrs. Hunt and also Mrs. Ben Goddard of Salt Lake City. For two days past he had ceased to recognize the hands that ministered to his slowly ebbing life. A numerous family of children would watch and report to me, from time to time the condition of grandpa, as she anxiously worked to place the most delicate meal of the year upon the board before her loved ones, and just as the word was about to be given, "Come to dinner," little Clesie, the sixteen-months-old son of Joseph Hunt, who had been threading his way about amongst the table legs and chairs, was discovered at his grandpa's dental palace. This he had opened, and discovering a number of bottles, the little fellow selected one, and like many of his elders, drew the cork and took a "nip." The result was almost fatal; the little boy scalawag chloroform, and fight, sorrow and confusion reigned where appetite and peace had waited on a bountiful feast. Little Clesie became the target of loving attention. He was violently kissed, hugged, caressed, tickled, and twirled, plunged into warm water, then sprinkled with salt, but his limp little body made no response to look or application. His father's silent prayer, nor his young mother's convulsive tears were of any avail with the child of life. This scene continued for nearly four hours before little Clesie, like a resurrected one, came forth to the world in love and life again. Then there was joy in that house, greater than the anticipated feasting of a well-filled stomach. The soul rested in thankfulness for the kind interposition of Providence and all that the family could spare's sickle from the last of hope, and laid him wait but briefly for ripe harvests. In our Sabbath days a journey we dropped in, and saw Joseph Nuild lay-ing there upon the bed unconscious, old and worn out, in body and mind, what friends waiting and watching for the last beat of the pulse, when will pass the train of his mortal life. We also saw little Clesie, and like many an older, and wiser (?) teacher of the bottle on Christmas day, he looked a sorry relic of a festive time. He jerked, and twitched his limbs, as he nervously rolled his well formed head upon his mother's breast, and when we caught his eye we detected that would-be-hidden look of shame were there upon that face of one who was ashamed of the festive "jag." But we hope little Clesie will live it down, and as the years come round prove worthy of that fond embrace which lapped the robe more closely about her first-born, as he listened to the story of his first ventures with the bottle.

The oldest inhabitant declares this to be the most severe winter known here before Christmas—it below zero has been reached. A deep snow has fallen upon the ground for weeks. Mr. John Burley informs us that we have had eight inches of water since the first of December. This beats the record of the last five years.

A. BIRD.

A Chinese Entertainment.

A Chinese Christmas entertainment was given by the Mongolian Sunday school scholars of the First Congregational church, in the chapel of that society last evening. The affair was as interesting as it was unique and drew forth the plaudits of the fair audience that was present. The hall was ornamented with divers kinds of oriental creations until it presented a very pretty and picturesque scene. The entire program was carried out by the Chinese themselves. A goodly portion of it fell to the execution of the children, and right interesting did the little folks do the work allotted to them. The exercises consisted mainly of vocal and instrumental music and at times was weirdly funny. Chinese costumes were worn and added much to the novelty of the occasion.

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