

MONTREAL MINING EXCHANGE.

PRICES HOLD THIS LATE BOOM SATISFACTORILY—PAYNE ENJOYS BETTER DEMAND—DECCA EASIER—VIRTUE STEADY.

Montreal, March 5th.

The boom during all last week culminating in the rapid advance last Saturday was less violent during the opening hours of this week. This rapid advance was created by a legitimate demand. To-day the stock to enjoy the most popularity was Payne, which advanced several points on good buying, the demand being of the best. Other stocks remain dull with little change. The week generally starts in a listless sort of a way and to-day was no great exception to the rule.

Virtue after selling Saturday at 95c. reacted somewhat to-day. No doubt the meeting of to-morrow is one of the causes which creates hesitancy. This is only natural after the rapid advance which the stock has experienced. Stock holders prefer awaiting results before making any further aggressive buying. The stock sold to-day at 94 and 93½.

Decca was a little off. The pressure to sell being more than the market could readily digest. 70000 shares changed hands at 6 cents. Late development work on the Manhattan proves conclusively that the Decca vein runs deeper and wider than at first expected, the ore is said to well maintain its value.

On the 600 foot level of the Iron Colt the shaft is now being sunk. The station lately cut out is complete. The quotations were only nominal to-day. There being no buyers in the market.

Montreal-London showed signs of revival although trading was only accomplished in broken lots. The quotations for the stock being 28½—28.

On the Evening Star, development work is exposing some good sized bodies of ore of a pay grade.

Reports from the North Star are of an encouraging nature. Buyers were bidding \$1.10.

Payne sold as high as \$1.25, closing at that figure. This is at an advantage of five points from the sales of last week. 7,500 shares sold all the way for 1.23, which was the opening price to 1.25.

MORNING SALES.

Decca—7000, 6.
Montreal-London—100, 28.
Payne—1500, 123. 4000, 124. 2000, 125.
Virtue—500, 94. 1000, 93½. 250, 92½.

AFTERNOON SALES.

Montreal-London—6000, 28 ½.
Payne—1000, 126. 1000, 125.
Decca—500, 6½.
Virtue—100, 100. 500, 92. 500, 91.

C. P. R. EARNINGS.

Week ending Feb. 28, 1900.....\$490,000
" Feb. 28, 1899..... 449,100
Increase.....\$ 41,000

GRAND TRUNK EARNINGS.

Week ending Feb. 28, 1900.....\$110,620
" Feb. 28, 1899..... 435,914
Increase.....\$ 25,294

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	Asked. Bld.	Asked. Bld.	Asked. Bld.	Asked. Bld.
	March 1.	March 2.	March 3.	Mar. 5.
1.00 Payne	1.20 1.10	1.19 1.10	1.21 1.19	1.27½ 1.25
1.00 War Eagle xd.....	1.40 1.20	1.35 1.25	1.45 1.32	1.46 1.30
1.00 Republic xd .....	.95 .89	.91 .90	.95½ .93½	1.00 .92
1.00 Virtue.....	.83½ .82	.85 .84	.91 .90	.92 .91½
.24 Montreal-London xd.....	.28½ .27½	.28½ .27	.29½ .27	.30 .29
1.00 Big Three .....	.09 .08½	.09 .08½	.09 .08½	.09 .08½
1.00 Brandon & G'ld'n Crown	.27 .....	.28 .16	.28 .16	.25 .16
1.00 California .....	.10 .9	.09½ .08½	.1 .8	.09½ .09
.10 Canada Gold Fields Syn..	.07 .08	.07 .06	.07 .06	.07 .06
5.00 Cariboo Hydraulic.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1.00 Evening Star.....	.08½ .07	.08½ .07	.08½ .05	.10 .7
.25 Fern .....	.06 .....	.05 .02	.05 .02	.06 .02
1.00 Gold Hills Developing...	.08 .04	.08 .04	.08 .04½	.08 .4
1.00 Iron Colt .....	.....	.12½ .....	.12½ .....	.12½
1.00 Knob Hill .....	.....	.05 .40	.05 .30	.70
1.00 Monte Christo Con.....	.05 .03	.04½ .04	.04½ .04	.04½ .04
.25 Montreal Gold Fields....	.07 .05½	.07 .08	.07 .05	.07 .05
1.00 Noble Five.....	.12 .7	.10 .07	.12 .07	.....
1 Novelty .....	.2 .1	.2 .1	.02 01	.2 .1
1.00 Old Ironsides.....	1.00 .....	.95 .50	.95 .50	1.00
1.00 Virginia.....	.06 .....	.05 .02	.05 .02	.6 .2
1.00 Rambler Cariboo.....	.37 .....	..... .25	.30 .25	.....
1.00 Bullion .....	.50 .35	.50 .35	.50 .35	.50 .35
1.00 Decca.....	.07 .06	.08 .06	.07 .06	.6½ .5
1.00 Morrison .....	.04 .02	.04 .02	.04 .03	.4 .3
1.00 Golden Star .....	.22 .20	.22 .20	.20½ .19½	.22 .19
1.00 Slocan Sov .....	.30 .29	.30 .28	.35 .25	.35 .25
1.00 Fontenoy G. M. Co.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1.00 Rathmullen.....	.08 .04½	.5½ .4	.06 .04	.08 .03
1.00 Winnipeg.....	.....	.21 .16½	.22 .15	.20 .15
1.00 Dardanelles.....	.8½ .....	.09½ .4	.5 .03	.....
1.00 Deer Trail Cons.....	.08 .7½	.8 .7½	.08 .07½	.08½ .07½
1.00 North Star.....	1.14 1.12	1.12½ 1.10	1.15 1.13
1.00 Kenneth

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