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**VIRTUE STILL CLIMBS—ENTHUSIASM RUNS HIGH ON THE EXCHANGE MARKET, HOWEVER, FAILS TO RESPOND.**

Montreal, March 1st.

The enthusiasm displayed by all loyal subjects was evidenced on the Exchange by the outburst of loyal sentiments amongst the Brokers. This feeling, however, did not reach as far as the trading itself which was, excepting in the case of Virtue, inclined to be dull and lower.

The feature of the market still centres in Virtue transactions, the stock advanced again to-day and sold at the highest price yet, viz.: 83. It closed at the top notch, sellers offering the stock at 84. Between three and four thousand shares changed hands.

Slocan Sovereign was lower, selling at 29 and Decca was inclined to sell off, 1,000 shares selling at 6½ cents. This is at a recession of ½ a point.

Shipments from the North Star have already been commenced. The railway spur has been completed a distance of twenty miles. The ore is first brought from the mine to the bins by an electric tramway and then shipped at the rate of 100 tons per day, the value of which is estimated at \$25 per ton net. The last sale was made at \$1.13.

The Kenneth is said to have over \$300,000 of ore in sight. The company are at present trying to determine the best mode of treatment for the ore.

The demand for Canadian Gold Fields was better, it sold freely at 6½ cents. From what from what we hear we expect the stock will sell higher. 9,000 shares changed hands.

We regret to hear from the general manager of the Britannia, of the general loss suffered by the company by the burning down of the mill of the Gold Hill. In an interview the manager assured us that the damage would be repaired with the utmost speed. A directors meeting was immediately held and the sum of \$5,000 promised to insure the immediate resumption of work. Development work will continue until the new mill is installed. Mr. Sawyer expressed himself as very well pleased with the results so far obtained from the mine. He lately deposited a \$1500 gold brick in the bank.

**MORNING SALES.**

Deer Trail Cons (x d)—5000, 7. 500, 7½.  
Big Three—200, 8.  
Slocan Sov.—500, 29.  
Mon. and Lon.—400, 28.  
Virtue—700, 81½. 1500, 82½. 1000, 83.  
Decca—1000, 6½.  
Ram. Car.—500, 35.  
Can. G. F.—9000, 6½.

**AFTERNOON SALES.**

Big Three—500, 8½.  
Decca—1000, 6½.  
Deer Trail Cons. xd—500, 8.  
Slocan Sov.—500, 29.

**C. F. R. EARNINGS.**

Gross for Jan. 1900.....\$2,152,071.32  
Working Expenses..... 1,460,501.71  
Net profits 1900.....\$ 691,569.61  
" 1899..... 617,533.60  
Increase.....\$ 74,035.75

**GRAND TRUNK EARNINGS.**

Week ending Feb. 21, 1900.....\$425,617  
" Feb. 21, 1900..... 371,599  
Increase.....\$ 54,018

|                               | Feb. 26. | Feb. 27. | Feb. 28. | March 1. |
|-------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| 1.00 Payne.....               | 1.22     | 1.20     | 1.20     | 1.19     |
| 1.00 War Eagle xd.....        | 1.45     | 1.25     | 1.50     | 1.25     |
| 1.00 Republic xd.....         | .90      | .84      | .84      | .83      |
| 1.00 Virtue.....              | .76      | .75      | .76      | .75      |
| .24 Montreal-London xd.....   | .28      | .27      | .28      | .27      |
| 1.00 Big Three.....           | .10      | .09      | .09      | .08      |
| 1.00 Brandon & G'd'n Crown    | .28      | .....    | .27      | .27      |
| 1.00 California.....          | .10      | .09      | .10      | .09      |
| .10 Canada Gold Fields Pyn..  | .00      | .06      | .06      | .06      |
| 5.00 Cariboo Hydraulie.....   | .....    | .....    | .....    | .....    |
| 1.00 Evening Star.....        | .08      | .07      | .08      | .07      |
| .25 Fern.....                 | .06      | .02      | .06      | .06      |
| 1.00 Gold Hills Developing... | .08      | .04      | .08      | .04      |
| 1.00 Iron Colt.....           | .10      | .....    | .12      | .....    |
| 1.00 Knob Hill.....           | .75      | .....    | .65      | .60      |
| 1.00 Monte Christo Con.....   | .04      | .04      | .04      | .03      |
| .25 Montreal Gold Fields....  | .07      | .05      | .07      | .05      |
| 1.00 Noble Five.....          | .10      | .08      | .11      | .07      |
| 1 Novelty.....                | .2       | .1       | .02      | .01      |
| 1.00 Old Ironsides.....       | 1.00     | .....    | .95      | .77      |
| 1.00 Virginia.....            | .05      | .03      | .05      | .03      |
| 1.00 Rambler Cariboo.....     | .....    | .....    | .45      | .35      |
| 1.00 Bullion.....             | .50      | .40      | .50      | .40      |
| 1.00 Decca.....               | .07      | .07      | .07      | .06      |
| 1.00 Morrison.....            | .....    | .....    | .04      | .02      |
| 1.00 Golden Star.....         | .21      | .21      | .21      | .20      |
| 1.00 Slocan Sov.....          | .31      | .30      | .32      | .30      |
| 1.00 Fontenoy G. M. Co.....   | .....    | .....    | .....    | .....    |
| 1.00 Rathmullen.....          | .6       | .4       | .08      | .04      |
| 1.00 Winnipeg.....            | .....    | .....    | .20      | .10      |
| 1.00 Dardanelles.....         | .....    | .....    | .8       | .04      |
| 1.00 Deer Trail Cons.....     | .9       | .8       | .08      | .08      |
| 1.00 North Star.....          | .....    | .....    | 1.12     | .....    |
| 1.00 Kenneth.....             | .....    | .....    | .....    | .....    |

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