

come the trustees or directors. Their object—if they are among those to whom conscience is less than gain—is to boom their stock regardless of the appearance or prospects of their property, and for that purpose they employ many artifices, some of which may be here mentioned.

Selected samples of the most valuable contents of a vein are submitted for assay and the results published broadcast, without the slightest indication that such results merely refer to an infinitesimal part of the vein, the balance of which may be utterly barren. Such assays are valueless, except to the swindler.

The exhibition, in some conspicuous place, of rare samples—especially those showing gold—is another favorite method of booming. Most people who are interested in mining or in mining investments will be able to recall samples of this kind that they have seen in certain office windows not many miles from Vancouver, and perhaps they have not forgotten the miserable fiasco—from a miner's point of view—that followed those glittering exhibitions. Beware of this kind of show. Men who have found, or otherwise come into possession of, such good things don't want to part with them—least of all, to the unknown multitude.

The suppression of unfavorable reports from the superintendent is another way of deceiving shareholders and the public. This breach of trust on the part of directors is now punishable by imprisonment. Had it been so earlier many people in British Columbia and elsewhere would now have had what rightly belongs to them, but which unfortunately is in the hands of a few others, who, it is not too much to suppose, will feel they ought to be in prison.

LONDON AND PARIS.

June 2, 1899.

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|---------------------------|---------|
| Bank of England rate..... | 3 |
| Open discount rate | 2½ |
| Paris Rentes..... | 102-22½ |
| French Exchange..... | 25f. 21 |
| Consols, money | 109 xd |
| Canadian Pacific | 102 |
| New York Central..... | 132 |
| St. Paul..... | 125½ |
| Union Pacific..... | 75 |

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| \$2.50 Payne x d..... | 4.00 | 3.85 | 3.98 | 3.87 | 3.82 | 3.75 | 3.86 | 3.80 |
| 1.00 War Eagle x d..... | 4.00 | 3.85 | 3.88 | 3.75 | 3.85 | 3.75 | 3.85 | 3.75 |
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| 1.00 Virtue..... | .71 | .65 | .55 | .47 | .50 | .45 | .51 | .48 |
| .24 Montreal-London x d..... | .66 | .62 | .60 | .57 | .60 | .56 | .60 | .58 |
| 1.00 Big Three..... | .22 | .20 | .20½ | .19 | .19 | .18 | .18 | .16½ |
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| 1.00 California..... | .10 | .08 | .10 | .08 | .10 | .08 | .10 | .08 |
| .10 Canada Gold Fields Syn.. | .10 | .06 | .07 | .06 | .07 | .05 | .07 | .06 |
| 5.00 Cariboo Hydraulic..... | 1.45 | 1.40 | 1.45 | 1.40 | 1.45 | 1.37 | 1.45 | 1.40 |
| 1.00 City of Paris..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | .71 | .63 | .70 | .63 |
| 1.00 Evening Star..... | .12 | .10½ | .12 | .10 | .11 | .10 | .11 | .10 |
| .25 Fern..... | .45 | .30 | .45 | .30 | .45 | .30 | .40 | .30 |
| 1.00 Gold Hills Developing... | .08 | .05½ | .06½ | .04 | .08½ | .04 | .07 | .04½ |
| 1.00 Iron Colt..... | .14 | .11 | .14 | .11 | .13 | .11 | .13 | .11 |
| 1.00 Iron Mask..... | .65 | .60 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 1.00 Knob Hill..... | 1.00 | | 1.00 | .93 | 1.00 | .95 | 1.00 | .94 |
| 1.00 Monte Christo Con..... | .11 | .09 | .11 | .09 | .09 | .08 | .09 | .07½ |
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| 1.00 Noble Five..... | .30 | .26 | .30 | .26 | .30 | .26 | .30 | .26 |
| .10 Novelty..... | .04½ | .02½ | .04½ | .02 | .04½ | .03 | .04½ | .03 |
| 1.00 Old Ironsides..... | 1.20 | 1.00 | 1.18 | 1.08 | 1.15 | 1.09½ | 1.15 | 1.09½ |
| 1.00 Virginia..... | .21 | .18 | .21 | .17 | .21 | .17 | .21 | .17 |
| 1.00 Rambler Cariboo..... | .35½ | .33 | .35 | .34 | .34½ | .33½ | .34½ | .32½ |
| 1.00 Bullion..... | .53 | .20 | .53 | .30 | .53 | .20 | .53 | .22 |
| .10 Summit..... | .04 | .03 | .04 | .02½ | .03½ | .02½ | .04 | .03 |
| 1.00 St. Elmo..... | .08 | .04½ | .08 | .04½ | .08 | .04½ | .08 | .05 |
| 1.00 Barley..... | .19 | .12 | .17½ | .12 | .19 | .12½ | .18 | .13 |
| 1.00 Deccz..... | .35 | .29 | .35 | .31 | .35 | .32½ | .35 | .34 |
| 1.00 Morrison..... | .17 | .15½ | .17 | .15 | .18 | .15 | .16½ | .15 |
| 1.00 Golden Star x d..... | .67 | .64 | .69½ | .65 | .66½ | .66 | .69 | .68 |
| 1.00 Slocan Sov..... | .27 | .21½ | .25½ | .25 | .28½ | ... | .28½ | .23 |

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| Anchoria-Leland | | |
| Battle Mt'n..... | .32½ | .35 |
| Columb-Victor..... | .16½ | .19 |
| Damon..... | .18½ | .18½ |
| Elkton..... | .95 | .95½ |
| Gold Coin..... | ..... | ..... |
| Gold King..... | ..... | ..... |
| Independent T. & M..... | .61 | .61½ |
| Isabella..... | .89½ | .89½ |
| Jack Pot..... | | |
| Matoa..... | .30 | .30½ |
| Moon Anchor..... | 1.02 | 1.06 |
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