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**MARKET UNUSUALLY QUIET—BIG THREE WORKING HIGHER—GOLDEN STAR FIRMER—VIRTUE QUIET.**

Montreal, February 26th.

The market was exceptionally dull, even for a Monday which is proverbially the dullest day of the week, and yet the news from the mines continues to be good. Two gold-bricks from the Dufforin mine were handed round on 'change valued at over \$4,000, surely a very fair showing for a twelve days run—run only 30 stamps and no nightwork being done, when the extra 30 stamps have been installed and work continues incessantly for the 24 hours we can expect even better things. The stock was being offered at 28—buyers willing to pay 27c.

Good news for the shareholders of Montreal Oregon was received by Mr. A. W. Morris last Saturday for the Managing Director. The Superintendent writes that the ore in the shaft at 445 runs from 2 to 2½ feet wide and assays between \$11 and \$12 per ton. Mr. Morris speaks in most confident terms of the future of the Mine.

The buying of Big Three continues to be good it sold at 10 to-day for a thousand share lot. There are continued bull rumors about this stock, and it will no doubt continue to advance. The latest news from the Mascot is good.

Golen Star likewise is strong on reports from the mine. The ore is said to assay far better average. The stock sold at 22c.

The War Eagle and Centre Star mines have had men all week developing. Important changes in connection with the consolidation of the two mines are spoken of. The War Eagle stock was at 1.30 but buyers were scarce even at this low quotation.

The Republic stocks were benefited to-day by the report of the extension of the railway to the camp. There is, however, 160 miles of railway to be built, which will necessarily take some time. The surveying has, it is said, already been accomplished. There were no sales to-day, the quotations of Republic being 98-95.

Th-Payne is now shipping on an average of 80 tons a day. 1.21½ was freely bid, the stock being offered at 1.22.

Virtue was quiet, selling at 76; buyers were firm at 75. The stock was offered at 76 at the last call. When Mr. Obalski's report is made public in the course of a few days, the showing will open the eyes of the sceptics.

**MORNING SALES.**

Deer Trail, Cons.—500, 9.  
Big Three—500, 9½. 1,000, 10.  
Golden S: —500, 22.  
Virtue—500, 76.

**AFTERNOON SALES.**

Decca—1000, 7½. 1000, 7.  
Republic—500, 96. 300, 97. 1500, 95.  
Can. G. Fields—500, 6½.  
Big Three—5000, 9.  
Virtue—500, 75½.  
Deer Trail, cons.—2000, 8½.

**GRAND TRUNK EARNINGS.**

Week ending Feb. 14, 1900 .. \$360,744  
Week ending Feb. 14, 1899 .. 323,811  
Increase.... .. \$ 45,938

	Asked.	Bid.	Asked.	Bid.	Asked.	Bid.	Asked.	Bid.
	Feb. 22.	Feb. 23.	Feb. 24.	Feb. 25.	Feb. 26.	Feb. 26.	Feb. 26.	Feb. 26.
1.00 Payne .....	1.22	1.20	1.20	1.18	1.10	1.17½	1.22	1.20
1.00 War Eagle xd.....	1.50	1.30	1.46	1.30	1.46	1.30	1.45	1.25
1.00 Republic xd.....	1.01	.97	1.00	.97	.09	.05	98½	.94
1.00 Virtue.....	.75	.74½	.78	.75	.70	.75½	.70	.75
.24 Montreal-London xd.....	.27½	.20½	.28	.20½	.28	.27½	.28	.27
1.00 Big Three .....	.08	.07	.09½	.08½	.10	.09½	.10	.09
1.00 Brandon & G'ld'n Crown .....	....	....	.28	.15	.23	.15	.26	....
1.00 California .....	.11	.8	.10½	.09½	.10	.9½	.10½	.09½
.19 Can. da Gold Fields Syn..	.07½	.08	.07	.08	.06½	.08	.06½	.06
6.00 Ca. 1000 Hydraulics.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
1.00 Evening Star.....	.08½	.08½	.08½	.7	.08½	.08	.08½	.07½
.25 Ferr.....	.05	.02	.08	....	.05	.2	.08	.02
1.00 Gold Hills Developing...	.08	.04	.08	.04½	.08	.04½	.08	.04½
1.00 Iron Colt .....	....	....	.10	....	.10	....	.10	....
1.00 Klob Hill .....	.70	.25	.70	.50	.70	.50	.75	....
1.00 Monte Christo Con.....	.04½	.03½	.04½	.03½	.04½	.03½	.04½	.04
.25 Montreal Gold Fields....	.07	.06	.07	.05	.07	.08	.07	.05
1.00 Noble Five.....	....	....	.10	.08	.10	.8	.10	.08
1 Novelty .....	.03	.01	.2	.1	.2	.1	.2	.1
1.00 Old Ironsides.....	.95	.45	....	....	1.00	.45	1.00	....
1.00 Virginia.....	.05	.02	.6	.2	.05	.02	.05	.02
1.00 Rambler Cariboo.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
1.00 Bullion .....	.50	.43	....	....	.50	.35	.50	.40
1.00 Decca .....	.07½	.07	.8	.7½	.08	.07½	.07½	.07
1.00 Morrison .....	.64	.03½	.4	.3	.04	.03	....	....
1.00 Golden Star .....	.20	.18	.22	....	.22	.20	.21½	.21
1.00 Slocan Sov .....	.32	.31½	.31	.30½	.30½	.30	.31	.30
1.00 Fontenoy G. M. Co.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
1.00 Rathmullen.....	.06	.04½	.06½	.04½	.08	.04½	.6½	.4½
1.00 Winnipeg .....	.21	.18	.22	.10	.21	.15	....	....
1.00 Dardanelles.....	.8	.05½	.6	....	.8½	.5	....	....
1.00 Deer Trail Cons.....	.10	.09½	.09	.09½	.09	.8½	.9	.8
1.00 North Star.....	....	....	....	1.07½	1.20	1.05	....	....
1.00 Kenneth.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....

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