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MARKET QUITE ACTIVE — PERIOD OF DULNESS SAID TO BE OVER—LITTLE CHANGE IN PRICES.

Montreal, Jan. 5.

Business assumed far greater proportions to-day, although prices cannot be said to have profited much by the greater activity. No less than nine different issues were dealt in and shares to the amount of 25,000 were traded in. After the long period of inactivity and intense dulness, this is encouraging. To-day closes the work of the week, as there will be no heard to-morrow, Saturday.

Deer Trail was weaker, selling at 11 and 10 cents, 3000 shares came under the hammer, it closes with a weak undertone and looks as if it might go lower. The late arrangement re the new management is said to be the difficulty and to be the cause of the weakness.

Three thousand shares of Big Three sold at 9 and 8½ cents. It sold during last week at 8 cents, 8½ was however bid at the close; buyers seem to be plentiful round this figure.

Canadian Gold Fields acted better and will go higher. We advise the purchase of this stock. The directorate is being formed of some of our leading men, and their names and influence should be beneficial and a guarantee of success. The stock sold to-day at 7 cents with the same price being bid at the close; 1000 shares were sold.

California and Montreal Gold Fields both remain unchanged, the former selling at 12 cents and the latter at 6. 5000 shares being sold of the latter.

Virtue was under pressure, 5,500 shares being sold. It sold as low as 53; after having sold at 54. It was offered at the close at the same figure, with buyers offering 53.

There were sales in broken lots of Slo-can Sov. at 32½, 200 shares being sold, and of Montreal London at 34. 100 shares changing hands.

Payne was a little weaker selling at 102½, 2200 shares being sold.

There is a report of a new strike on the Dufferin, which should be welcome news to its many shareholders, the ore is said to run \$18 to the ton.

The demand for Golden Star continues strong. The development work on the Golden Star has proved the mine to be as rich as ever it was thought to be. There is a pay streak in the Golden Star which will not run less than \$100 to the ton. The 10 additional stamps, making 20 in all, will be in operation not later than March 1st. We can then expect great things from the mine. The vein still continues to hold its present width of 5½ feet, and sinking is still in operation. No sales, however, were effected to-day in this security.

MORNING SALES.

Deer Trail No. 2—1500, 11. 1500, 10.
Payne—200, 102. 2000, 102½.
Big Three—1500, 9. 1500, 8½.
Can. G. F.—1000, 7.
California—500, 12.
Mont. G. F.—5000, 6.
Virtue—1000, 54. 4000, 53. 500, 53½.
Slo-can Sov.—200, 32½.
Mont.-London—100, 34.

AFTERNOON SALES.

Payne—1000, 102½.
Republic—200, 105.
Virtue—1000, 53.
Montreal-London—500, 33½. 200, 33.
Granby Sued: r—1000, 40

| | Asked | Bid. | Asked. | Bid. | Asked. | Bid. | Asked. | Bid. |
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| | Jan. 2. | Jan. 3. | Jan. 4. | Jan. 5. | Jan. 2. | Jan. 3. | Jan. 4. | Jan. 5. |
| 1.00 Payne | 1.04 | 1.02½ | 1.03½ | 1.00 | 1.05 | 1.03 | 1.03 | 1.01 |
| 1.00 War Eagle xd..... | 2.60 | 2.65 | 2.65 | 2.45 | 2.62½ | 2.70 | 2.64 | 2.60 |
| 1.00 Republic xd | 1.00½ | 1.03 | 1.07 | 1.04 | 1.08 | 1.05 | 1.07 | 1.05 |
| 1.00 Virtue..... | .57 | .52½ | .60 | .64 | .55 | .54 | .56 | .52½ |
| .24 Montreal-London xd..... | .31 | .33 | .35 | .33 | .35 | .33½ | .34 | .32 |
| 1.00 Big Three..... | .10 | .09 | .10 | .08½ | .09½ | .08½ | .09 | .08½ |
| 1.00 Brandon & G'ld'n Crown | .20 | .20 | .20 | .20 | .20 | .20 | .20 | .20 |
| 1.00 California..... | .12½ | .12 | .13 | .12 | .12 | .11½ | .13 | .11½ |
| .10 Canada Gold Fields Syn.. | .07½ | .06 | .07½ | .06 | .07½ | .07 | .07½ | .07 |
| 6.00 Cariboo Hydraulic..... | 1.00 | .. | 1.00 | .. | 1.00 | .. | .88 | .. |
| 1.00 Evening Star..... | .08½ | .05 | .08½ | .05 | .08½ | .05 | .08½ | .05 |
| .25 Fern..... | .06 | .02½ | .06 | .02½ | .06 | .03 | .05½ | .03 |
| 1.00 Gold Hills Developing... | .06 | .03 | .06 | .03 | .06 | .03 | .06 | .02 |
| 1.00 Iron Colt | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| 1.00 Knob Hill | .81 | .05 | .52 | .06 | .31 | .61 | .77½ | .51 |
| 1.00 Monte Christo Con..... | .08 | .06 | .07 | .05½ | .07 | .05½ | .07 | .05 |
| .25 Montreal Gold Fields..... | .08 | .05 | .08 | .05½ | .08 | .05 | .08½ | .05½ |
| 1.00 Noble Five..... | .19 | .08 | .18 | .10 | .15 | .11 | .16 | .. |
| .10 Novelty..... | .02½ | .01 | .02½ | .01 | .02½ | .01 | .02½ | .01 |
| 1.00 Old Ironsides..... | 1.01 | .. | 1.01 | .. | 1.00 | .80 | 1.00 | .75 |
| 1.00 Virginia..... | .09 | .05 | .08 | .05 | .08 | .05 | .08½ | .05 |
| 1.00 Rambler Cariboo..... | .. | .. | .. | .. | .57 | .53 | .50½ | .52 |
| 1.00 Bullion | .50 | .20 | .50 | .. | .50 | .20 | .50 | .. |
| 1.00 Decca..... | .13 | .12½ | .. | .. | .0 | .14½ | .18 | .14 |
| 1.00 Morrison | .09 | .04½ | .05½ | .04 | .08 | .04 | .09 | .04½ |
| 1.00 Golden Star | .84 | .30 | .35 | .31 | .35 | .32 | .35 | .32 |
| 1.00 Slo-can Sov | .34 | .33 | .34 | .33½ | .35 | .32½ | .35 | .31 |
| 1.00 Fontenoy G. M. Co. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .17 | .. | .17 | .. |
| 1.00 Rathmullen..... | .07 | .06 | .07 | .04 | .07 | .04 | .07 | .05 |
| 1.00 Winnipeg..... | .30 | .20 | .30 | .15 | .30 | .25 | .25½ | .17 |
| 1.00 Dardanelles..... | .12½ | .16 | .12 | .. | .12 | .19 | .12 | .09 |
| 1.00 Deer Trail No. 2 | .14 | .13 | .11 | .12½ | .11½ | .11 | .10½ | .07½ |
| 1.00 N rth Star..... | 1.04 | .. | 1.04 | .. | 1.04 | .. | 1.04 | .90 |
| 1.00 Kenneth | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |

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