

MINING, BUSINESS AND STOCKS.

THE WEEK ON THE EXCHANGE.

Volume of Business Shows an Improvement.

DAILY WEST IS RECOVERING

Sold Today at Better Than \$17.00—Dalton and Lark Active—Another Spurt in Value.

TODAY'S METALS:

SILVER 60 1/2 LEAD \$4.20 CASTING COPPER 16

The week's business on the Mining Exchange closes with a marked improvement over the past few weeks. For the sum of \$2,169,814, 84,160 shares were traded in. Daily West, which declined to \$17.00 during the week has partially recovered. It closes the week, however, lower than last Monday's price, which was quoted at \$17.25 bid. The stock sold up to 17.05 today but closed weaker.

Clax opened the week with 54 bid but today 50 only was offered. Bullion-Beck sold to \$2.45, but \$2.15 was bid today. Grand Central stood yesterday around \$5.85. It was offered today at that figure and found no takers. Daily has been active during the week at prices around 18.

Pharmaceutical business was done in Dalton at prices ranging from 1 1/2 to 2 1/4 early in the week, since which time the stock has again been quite active up to 2 cents per share.

Agile and Blue Bell is practically unchanged while Four Aces is materially higher having declined from 5 bid on Monday to 3 1/2 offered today. Bowers Extension was traded in down to 3/4. Lower Mammoth stood at 55 on Monday is much weaker today, while Mammoth is but little changed. Mercury is weaker as is May Day and Petro which was offered at 3 1/2 on Monday, was traded in at 27 today.

Silver King was traded in today at \$49. Sine Consolidated has gained strength owing to new strikes in the property. The stock has advanced to 25 today and bids fair to go still higher. Valeo is much stronger today. As high as 95 was bid on the curb at noon today. Rumors of a strike are current, but no particulars can be learned. Yankee Con. grows weaker, being offered at 9 1/2.

A spurt was made by Dalton and Lark today, the reason for which is not explained. About 6,000 shares were traded on the exchange at prices up to 8 cents per share.

LISTED STOCKS.

Table with columns: Bid, Asked. Lists various stocks like Ajax, Albion, Alley, Antler, Bunker Hill, Bullion-Beck, etc.

TRANSFERS OF STOCKS.

Daily, 100 at \$17.15; 100 at \$17.30. Daily West, 100 at \$17.15; 50 at \$17.05; 50 at \$16.95; 50 at \$16.85. Dalton and Lark, 2,800 at \$5.2,000 at \$17.00 at \$17.00 at \$7.00 at \$22.25. Petro, 200 at \$7.100 at \$8. Star Con. 500 at \$25; 500 at \$20; 500 at \$27.

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BONDING OF THE LION CON.

Details Were to be Arranged This Afternoon.

THE BULLION-BECK MILL.

Operations Not Satisfactory—Cache Valley Ore—At the Dalton—Operations at Bingham.

Details were being arranged this afternoon by which it was proposed to bond the Lion Con. property at Stockton to the Stockton Gold Mining and Milling company. The lease and bond, it is said, will be for two years and will involve a sum nearly \$50,000. It was stated today that the parties to whom the bond was to be given bind themselves to sink the shaft 200 feet deeper and to work the property continuously during the time of their lease. A payment is called for within one year, the balance becoming due before the expiration of the second year. A royalty of 25 per cent is also exacted on all ore sold.

BULLION-BECK MILL.

The Bullion-Beck mill has not yet started up and no money has been paid for the property. It is probable that the mill will be resumed until a change is made in the machinery. The recent run was in the nature of an experiment, but it has demonstrated that the money can be made for the stockholders with present appliances. A new battery must be installed to meet the demands of the hard ore. In addition cheaper power must also be obtained. It is likely that electricity may be used. When asked about the battery Mr. Farnsworth stated that as soon as the needed means is available the company will make the change. Enough ore is in sight, Mr. Farnsworth says, to run a mill for several years, but as the ore contains low values which run principally in carbonate of lead and silver chlorides its profitable treatment is very difficult. If the ore carried from 20 to 30 ounces in silver the profitable amortization of such ore would be an easy matter, but with the low silver values in the Bullion-Beck ore, it is quite a task to profitably mine it. However with a new battery and cheaper power Mr. Farnsworth thinks the mill profits should make a powerful auxiliary aid to the mine.

CACHE VALLEY ORE.

Mr. P. A. Nelson's Shipment is Now at the Sampler.

What is said to be the first car of ore from Cache Valley has reached the Taylor-Brunton sampler of this valley. It consists of twelve tons of ore which is said to run well in silver, lead and copper. The ore was taken from Blacksmith Fork canyon, near Logan. Assays taken at the mine are said to show 70 per cent lead, 9 per cent copper and 20 ounces silver. The property is said likely to produce quite extensively in the near future, and Mr. Nielson has the best wishes of the mining fraternity that his work will bring its own reward in the shape of a good paying mine.

AT THE DALTON.

Manager O. R. Young Returns from this Marysville Property.

Manager O. R. Young of the Dalton property at Marysville returned from the mine last night and reports work going along very nicely at that promising property. Two forces of men are busily engaged in running the Comet tunnel and sinking the incline shaft. The former is now in about 315 feet and the latter is down about 110 feet. In both places an improvement is noticeable in the character of rock being encountered. The Primrose Company, which is in both places, Mr. Young says there is a general slight improvement noticeable, but nothing to cause any change in the stock. With regard to the rumor that a vein of good galena had been intercepted, there is said to be nothing in it. About twelve men are at present employed.

LITIGATION SETTLED.

Primrose Company Increases its Capital Stock for That Purpose.

A meeting was held on Thursday night at which the directors of the Silver Queen, Luzern and Primrose properties at Tintic for the past eighteen months has now been settled. The trouble in the first place arose over questions as to title and property in the State of Arizona. They expected to be away about two weeks. The shipment from the Northern Light was settled for yesterday afternoon on a basis of 15 ounces silver, 6.7 per cent lead and \$5.80 in gold. It realized about \$4,800.

RETURNS FROM STATELINE.

M. L. Effinger Says Everything at Ophir Mine is Ready for Machinery.

M. L. Effinger returned today from a visit to State line district. While away Mr. Effinger visited the Ophir mine, at which development work has ceased pending the installation of the new hoisting plant which is now on the way. The retrimming of the shaft is moving along nicely. About 50 feet has now been done, which leaves about 220 feet still to be retrimmed. Everything is in readiness for the 50 horse power gasoline hoist and compressor and as soon as they arrive and the shaft is timbered, development will go on on a much larger scale than heretofore. Mr. Effinger reports a great deal of prospecting in the district and says a boom for that country is not far away.

OPERATIONS AT BINGHAM.

Work at the Red Wing Mill—Shawmut Mill—Ore Shipment.

A carload of Arroyo concentrates were shipped from Dewey mill yesterday. Two new and first class mills will soon be grinding—the Fortune and Shawmut. Superintendent Earnshaw of the Shawmut is expected home from Nevada Sunday. Highland Boy shipments are now averaging about five cars daily, of fifty to fifty-five tons each. Small consignments of ore and concentrates are now aggregating from three to four cars a day. Three cars concentrates, United States leasers' ore, came from Rogers' mill the fore part of the week. Four carloads of concentrates from Rogers' lease ore (Mayberg tunnel of

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WEEKLY BANK STATEMENT.

New York, May 19.—The weekly bank statement shows the following changes: Surplus reserve, increased, \$1,225,500; loans, increased, \$743,300; specie, increased, \$1,138,400; legal tenders, increased, \$427,600; deposits, increased, \$1,374,000; circulation, increased, \$388,900. The banks now hold \$116,670,000 in excess of the requirements of the 25 per cent rule.

ST. LOUIS WOOL MARKET.

St. Louis, May 19.—Wool firm; western and territory medium 17 to 20; fine 13 to 17; coarse 14 to 16.

LONDON WOOL AUCTION.

London, May 18.—Wool sales were continued today with a good attendance; buyers were rather slow at the opening, and there were some withdrawals, but later the demand became more active, with good grosses mostly sought for, and largely taken by the home trade. The continent and America purchased a fair share, and sometimes paid slight advances over the ruling price for goods suitable for their wants, especially medium merino and medium merino crossbreds. Punita Arenas wool sold slowly at 7 1/2 per cent below the March sales. The offerings today numbered 14,124 bales.

DAIRY AND POULTRY.

Chicago, May 19.—On