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The Herald announced yesterday that a fine body of $25 ore had been uncovered in the face of the 240-foot drift from the Ruby incline in the Mercur mine, and that the company felt highly pleased over the fine showing made in this magnificent property.

It seems, however, that a greater surprise was in store for the officers and stockholders of the company, as a letter was received from Superintendent Edwards yesterday in which he stated that the whole face of the drift was now in ore that carried average values of $38.60 in gold to the ton and that from all indications the ore body would increase in size and value as work progressed.

Mr. Edwards also stated that the large daily output from the mine was being taken out exclusively in doing development work only, and that not a single man of all his force was employed in the stopes, which means that large ore bodies are being blocked out which can be drawn upon at a future date.

With such a showing in this mine it is an impossibility to even form an estimate of the amount of ore now blocked out in this great property but it is safe to say that it is good for regular dividends for a great many years to come, especially with such splendid bodies of high-grade ore to draw from.

THE VIRTUE A BONANZA.

The Gold Ridge Mine, Owned By J. E. Bamberger.

The last issue of the Democrat, of Baker City, Ore., contains a glowing account of a wonderfully rich discovery of ore in the Virtue mine near that place, which is but a short distance from the Virginia Consolidated, owned by Messrs. Dave Keith and J. E. Bamberger, of this city. The Democrat speaks of the Gold Ridge mine, the property of Mr. Bamberger, on which a ten-stamp mill is in operation with most satisfactory results. The Democrat says:

The Democrat was informed last evening that the news reached the Flagstaff mine yesterday morning from the Virtue mine that such wealth in gold had been uncovered in the 800-foot level of the Virtue that a genuine sensation relanced in camp. The wealth uncovered is said to be fabulous, and when the miners underground sent the information on top Superintendent Resque went below and at once gave orders to the miners to suspend operations in that level for a time. It is said further that Mr. Grayson, at Oakland, Cal., was immediately notified by wire from this city.

The Democrat does not vouch for the accuracy of the above statement but its informant gave ample assurance of the truth of the report sent out from the Virtue. That such an uncovering of the precious metal has occurred would not be surprising in the least, since many times before gold has been taken out of the depths of the Virtue in candle boxes and sacks.

The Democrat learns from returning prospectors from the old district of Rye Valley, about forty miles southeast of Baker City, that there is a great mining activity manifest in that section, and the camp has a very bright future.

Messrs. Simpson and Mitchell, of Missoula, Mont., who recently purchased the Golden Thread mine from Morris & Co., are putting up a small mill on the property, besides doing extensive development work.

At the old Gold Ridge mine, formerly owned by Captain J. C. Ainsworth, of Oakland, Cal., and recently sold to Jacob Bamberger, a prominent Salt Lake mine owner and capitalist, a large force of miners are employed, probably thirty, and a ten-stamp mill is running night and day with splendid results.

The Cincinnati mine, better known as the Dick Kidd property, has fallen into the hands of persons prominently in touch of capital, and it is said extensive work will soon be going on there. The parties to the deal give assurance that something in a business like way will be done with this property.

THE MINING EXCHANGE.

Activity in Anchor, Geyser, Mammoth, Sunshine and East Golden Gate.

There was active business again on the floor of the mining exchange yesterday, and the market was good, with an upward tendency noticeable. In fact, bidding was indulged in on nearly all of the leading stocks, and in advance was chronicled all along the line, with silver stocks in the lead.

Anchor, which has been so strong in the bidding of late, with no offerings of stock, made sales yesterday at an advance of 2½ cents over the highest bids of the day before and closed very strong at the selling quotations. Geyser also made advances and chronicles transfers at figures 2½ cents higher than the closing bids of the day before. Ajax suffered a slight decline but was strong in the offerings; while there was a good demand for Centennial-Eureka at way-up figures.

East Golden Gate was active and a general favorite, yet it experienced a slight decline over the quotations of the day before. In fact, the bears turned out en masse for the purpose of breaking the stock, and they were partially successful; but if all the reports from the mine are true, this stock will come to the front in spite of the efforts of manipulators to keep it down. Daly and Daly West were inactive but firm at the ruling quotations while nothing was done in Four Aces.

The feature of the call, however, was the way Sunbeam performed the jump act. During Thursday's call this stock changed hands at 25 cents, but it was in good demand yesterday at 33 and 35, and indications go to show that it will go still higher before the month is out.

The Swanseas were a little weak in the bidding and recorded no sales. Holders held for higher prices, however, and these stocks were very firm.

Lucky Bill was held at somewhere near its value, but buyers were willing to bear it down, which effort failed, as holders were not anxious to part with the stock even at the figures named by them.

The transactions of the day were as follows:

SALES OF STOCK.

100 Anchor at $1.47½.
75 Geyser at $1.30.
1,000 East Golden Gate at 3¼ cents.
1,000 East Golden Gate at 3 cents.
200 Mammoth at $2.05.
500 Sunbeam at 35 cents.
500 Sunbeam at 33 cents.
Total sales, 3,375 shares.

The closing quotations were as follows:

CALL OF LISTED STOCKS.

Name of Stocks.	Highest Bid.....	Lowest Asked.....
Anchor	$ 1 45	$ 1 47½
Ajax	65	75
Bullion-Beck	5 80	6 20
Brick Consolidated	.....	70
Centennial-Eureka	55 00	63 00
Daly	5 30	6 25
Daly West	8 20	8 75
Dalton and Lark	20	45
East Golden Gate	¾	3¼
Galena	1 65	1 80
Geyser	1 12½	1 25
Four Aces	15	25
Horn Silver	.....	2 00
Herschel	.....	15
Malvern	.....	25
Mercur	5 90	6 10
Mammoth	2 02½	2 05
Ontario	9 50	10 25
Sioux Consolidated	.....	1 25
Silver King	14 50	20 00
Utah	1 25	1 60

CALL OF UNLISTED STOCKS.

Name of Stocks.	Highest Bid.....	Lowest Asked.....
Sunbeam	$ 30	$ 35
South Swansea	60½	1 15
Buckeye	4½	7
Emerald	.....	6
Natural Gas	¼	1
Dalton	⅝	¾
Sunset	.....	15
Swansea	2 30	2 55
Lucky Bill	19	30
Little Pittsburg	1	2

THE WAR EAGLE MINE.

A Kootenai Producer, in Which Hon. A. W. McCune is Interested.

For sometime past, Hon. A. W. McCune has been interested in mining enterprises in the Kootnay region in British Columbia, and from all accounts his investments there have been remunerative.

One of these, the War Eagle mine, is paying $30,000 dividends. This property, according to the Anaconda Recorder, is likely to pass into new hands, as a sale is now pending, concerning which the Recorder says:

Mr. W. L. Hoge, who just returned from New York, left this morning for Spokane. It is not generally known, but it is a fact nevertheless, that Mr. Hoge is one of the principal owners of the War Eagle mine, which is paying handsome dividends. A deal is now on for the sale of this property and Mr. Hoge's visit to Spokane is for the purpose of giving the matter his attention.

A. W. McCune is another of the big owners, and H. L. Frank of Butte is another. These gentlemen own the control, and have been receiving regular dividends for some time past. Another dividend of $30,000 has just been declared payable Thursday, October 15, at the office of this property and Mr. Hoge's visit to Spokane is for the purpose of giving the matter his attention.

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This makes the total dividends paid to date by this mine $187,500, or just $12,500 less than the Le Roi. The first dividend was paid in March, 1895, and whether the pending sale goes through or not, the War Eagle mine is now in shape to pay monthly dividends for an indefinite period in the future.

The War Eagle is located near Rossland, B. C., and the Rossland Miner gives the following account of the condition of the mine:

The No. 2 tunnel of the War Eagle has opened up a chute of ore over 200 feet in length and of an average width of not less than five feet. Tunnel No. 2 is 125 feet vertically below the level above, and owing to the dip of the vein the distance between the two levels is about 140 feet. The two levels are connected by an up-raise. In this one chute, therefore, there are 20,000 tons of ore in sight above the No. 2 level of an average value of at least $55 per ton in gold, silver and copper, or considerably over $1,000,000. Besides this, a large body of second-class ore is blocked out in the west chute. The mine is now shipping at the rate of about seventy-five tons per day.

In the event, therefore, that the War Eagle sale goes through, it is apparent that the London market will be treated to a regular series of dividends. No sort of management could prevent this. All the necessary development has been done on the No. 2 level. The mine has been equipped with a splendid twenty-drill compressor plant. A third tunnel has already been driven nearly all the way across the Iron Mask and will soon enter the War Eagle territory, so that a third level at a depth of 500 feet from the surface, or nearly 250 feet below No. 2 tunnel, will shortly be opened up.

It is, of course, possible that the London company, should it assume charge of the War Eagle, might stop shipments entirely until its own smelter was built. This would, of course, postpone the payment of dividends until the smelter got into operation.

The Butte Inter-Mountain, in speaking of the proposed sale, says:

H. L. Frank returned yesterday from Spokane, where he spent the past week. His visit was in connection with the sale of the War Eagle mine at Rossland, in which he is heavily interested. D. C. Corbin held an option on the property for $1,250,000, full payment to be made by December 1. By the terms of the option, the sum of $250,000 was to have been paid last Saturday. The payment was not made, however, nothing having been heard from the London capitalists who contemplated the purchase, and the deal was declared off. Mr. Frank states that no more options will be given on the War Eagle, and the owners will continue to work and develop the mine and pay regular dividends, starting on the 15th of the present month, when a 6 per cent per share dividend will be declared.

TINTIC MINING NEWS.

Items of Interest From the Columns of the Miner.

South Swansea shipped 140 tons of ore Wednesday and the mine continues to look fine.

W. F. Patrick has let a new contract for another 100 feet in the Southern Eureka shaft and work was resumed Wednesday.

Reports from the Buckeye are of an extremely satisfactory nature. The ore bodies are holding out well both in quantity and value. One carload was shipped this week and another will be ready to go out in a day or so.

General Manager G. T. Bridges, of the Annie Consolidated, is preparing to commence work on the company property next week. From the excellent showing made in previous development of the Annie, we look for a good report from the present work.

Another new strike of high grade ore is reported in the Sunbeam on the 250 foot level, this ore being said to show 200 ounces silver, 20 per cent copper and $2 in gold to the ton. From present indications the Sunbeam is going to rival its old record as a bonanza.

A new strike of high grade gold ore is reported to have been on the 100-foot level of the Ajax last Saturday. Assays are said to show values as high as 63 ounces of gold. Under the efficient superintendence of E. E. Stuart the Ajax promises to rival its famous record made when it was known as the Copperopolis.

Joseph S. Crongk, Brig Garfield and George Ellison went down Sunday to look over the Saltpetre claim in Salt Creek canyon. They advise us that they are also preparing for the actual reduction of the product to commence early in the spring.

The Humbug continues to be the wonder of Tintic. They are now sending out over a carload of the high grade ore daily of which the last shipment netted $12 per ton. Several new buildings are being put up on the ground and it is being put up in the best possible condition. The new tunnel being driven to catch the vein at 200 feet greater depth is being pushed rapidly ahead.

The following locations have been filed for record at the office of the recorder of Tintic Mining district:

Washington lode, by Vet Whiting, Nettie Whiting and D. D. Hanks.

Wilson Extension lode, by Phillip Richards and T. H. Sutherland.

Shipments from the district for the week are as follows:

From the Bullion-Beck mine 25 carloads ore, from the Centennial-Eureka 9 carloads ore, from the Humbug 10 carloads ore, from the Utah 5 carloads ore, from the Ajax 7 carloads ore, from the South Swansea 7 carloads ore, from the Sunbeam 1 carload ore, from the Buckeye 1 carload ore, from the Dragon iron mine 1 carload ore daily.

OUTLOOK FOR TINTIC.

Field For Investments—An Option Wanted on South Swansea.

If there is any one in this western country who thinks for one minute that Tintic mining district has fairly more than outgrown its swaddling clothes, that person is clearly off his base and liable to get left if he ignores the mines of this growing and progressive camp; for in the near future Tintic is sure to develop into one of the most magnificent producers of the precious metals to be found in this or any other country.

This statement is not based on the fact that a great many promising properties have been developed in the district within the past few months, properties which are now heavy producers, one of which, at least, has found a place on the dividend-paying list, but because it is well known among some of the best-informed of our mining men that a heavy syndicate has announced its intention of investing $500,000 in the district within the coming year, while there are many capitalists who are making arrangements to make heavy investments there within a short time.

It is an undeniable fact that the mines of the district are now looking better than ever before, and that the developments during the past year, the amounts expended in the erection of hoists and mills, have been enormous; and still, a beginning only has been made in the true growth of the district, notwithstanding the fact that the mines of the camp have already paid at least $10,000,000 in dividends, and recent developments show that the mineral deposits of the camp have hardly been touched as yet.

One of the greatest enterprises underway in Tintic just now is the driving of the great Sioux-Ajax tunnel, which is to cut through the mountain from the Ajax mine, near Mammoth, to the Sioux-Consolidated mine, on the other side of the range. This tunnel is so large that a team and wagon can be driven into it. It will cut under the mountain at a great depth and in its course it is certain to uncover several valuable veins of mineral, and thus develop properties that otherwise would have remained idle because their owners were not able to do this work for themselves. Under the present condition of affairs, however, as soon as the tunnel pierces the ore body, the owners of the lode can resume operations at once, thanks to the enterprise of the originators of the scheme, and begin the extraction of ore, as, at such a depth, the metal values should be of high grade.

Tintic, as a district, is making rapid strides forward and a number of big deals are in contemplation for the camp, some of which are immense in their magnitude. One of these concerns the South Swansea mine, which property, The Herald is reliably informed, is badly wanted by a big mining operator who is well known in this city, and who has made a proposition to the company that he will give a dollar a share for the capital stock of the organization. This offer is to hold good for several days, as one of the officers of the company is now absent from the city.

Whether or not the company will accept this offer remains to be seen. Every one knows that the mine is surely a bonanza, and it may be that some of the stockholders may be unwilling to part with their stock at this figure.

THE BIG SUNFLOWER LODE.

Shows Two Feet of High Grade Gold and Silver on the Surface.

A number of Cedar city boys, who are in the city, and who are interested in properties in the State Line district, state that there is no doubt but that this new camp will develop into one of the greatest producers of the precious metals to be found in the west.

The favorable reports they give have been amply borne out by expert examination, and within another year there is bound to be more or less excitement over the great mineral deposits of that region, especially as development work is being pushed steadily and new finds are being almost daily reported, the latest thing in this line being the discovery of a two-foot ledge on the Big Sunflower lode that carries values of $10 ounces silver and $124.56 in gold to the ton. The ore is free milling and easily handled, so that it is easy to see that the owners have struck a bonanza, and it is their intention to thoroughly prospect the new find and to transform it from a most promising prospect into a heavy producer. They are jubilant over the discovery and feel that they are on the highway to wealth and prosperity.

The float from the Big Sunflower ledge was found some time ago, and it took a month of prospecting before the ledge was discovered, and the find is indeed a rich one, as when the ore is put into a forge or furnace the metal comes to the surface in globules in a pure state, and the owners are now wearing little bars of gold and silver bullion for watch charms which they melted out of the ore with crucible and blow pipes.

The Big Sunflower group of claims is located near the property owned by the Rice brothers and is north of the Drake and Lambert mines, both of which are producing properties. As stated before, the group is owned by residents of Cedar city, thirteen in number, among them being Colonel Andrew Corry, S. A. Higbee, Richard Palmer, Myron Higbee, Ike Higbee, Dan Perkins, O. P. W. Bergstrom and T. D. Roche, and to make an even number, R. T. Burton of this city has an interest in the property.

The advancement of the State Line district means much for Cedar city, as it will bring a large amount of money into Iron county, of which Cedar is the metropolis.

ONTARIO'S BULLION SHIPMENT.

Receipts of Ore at the Park City Sampling Works.

PARK CITY, Oct. 16.—A shipment of 29 bars of bullion containing 22,965.82 ounces of fine silver was made from the Ontario mill yesterday.

A quantity of Rosebud ore was received Thursday from the Autumnal claim.

Receipts at the Park City sampler yesterday were:

Rosebud, 6¾ tons; Silver King, 94; Varcoe, 13¾; Daly West, 28¾; Anchor, 14¾; Flint, 11¼.

Park Patriot Jottings.

Considerable progress was made during the past seven days in retimbering the Ontario tunnel. New sixteen-pound rails are being laid as rapidly as the roadbed is prepared.

Work will be resumed in the Comstock as soon as the water in the tunnel is drained out, which is likely to be in a week or two.

The wonderful rich ore reported last week to have been found in the Snake creek district turns out to be all moonshine. Samples assayed at Salt Lake showed a trace of gold.

President Joe Patch of the Lucky Bill was over from Heber yesterday. He reports the mine looking better than ever, and also that a large block of the stock had changed hands at a fair price.

The talked-of conference between John J. Daly and the special committee of the city council did not take place Saturday, as Mr. Daly had to leave for Chicago on important business. Nobody has any doubts, however, but that the desired permit to construct his overhead tramway over the few streets which it must cross to reach the new Peck concentrator will be granted.

There is a rumor on the streets that tomorrow will be pay day at the Ontario mine, and that henceforth pay checks will all be on Wells, Fargo & Co. bank of New York city. If this be true New York exchange will be plentiful, but just how it will suit the miners is another problem that time will solve.

The Valeo did not ship ore the past week.

The lathers began work on the Silver King's new boarding-house this week. The plasterers will take up the work next week.

The Ontario tunnel dynamos were placed on a new foundation this week.

The 200-foot station is being cut at the Creole this week. Lumber for building a new office at the Creole was received this week, also.

Motion for a new trial was overruled in the case of Andrew Anderson vs. the Daly mine, in which Mr. Anderson was awarded $15,000 for injuries sustained.

Sunshine Notes.

The Overland is showing up in excellent shape and it seems now to be an assured milling proposition.

Superintendent Raddatz of the Glenco is enjoying a visit from his family.

Sunshine is quiet, but a great deal of work is being done on adjacent properties.

The Old Fred, near the Sunshine, now lying idle, is to be worked again at once. There are now large bodies of low grade ore developed and the owners expect to make a milling proposition out of it in a short time.

Superintendent Campbell of the Sunshine has resigned his position and gone to Bingham. His services were very satisfactory to the company, but he received such a flattering offer to go elsewhere that he felt forced to accept. It is not yet known who his successor will be.

W. G. Adamson and partners will, in a week or two, resume the development of the Pacific group, where in the past small bodies of good milling ore have been encountered. The operators are now satisfied that they have the true vein located and that a few weeks' work will tap the ore. The property is to be equipped with a whim and the work is to be pushed.

Ore and Bullion Receipts.

The ore and bullion receipts yesterday were as follows:

Bamberger & McMillan, ores, $9,848.

Commercial National bank, ores, $6,760.

National Bank of Republic, Ajax ores, $3,500.

T. R. Jones & Co., ores, $6,000; bullion, $5,600.

Wells, Fargo & Co., bullion, $3,895.

McCornick & Co., bullion, $2,500; ores, $10,300; gold bar, $4,400.

Silver and Lead.

Silver and lead quotations yesterday were as follows:

Western Union, bar silver, 65¼ cents; lead, $2.60; casting copper 10¼ cents.

United Press, bar silver 65¼ cents; lead, $2.70@$2.75; lake copper, unchanged.

Bank Clearings.

The clearings of the associated banks yesterday were $183,069. For the same day last year they were $190,438.

Mining Notes and Personals.

The Mackintosh sampler yesterday received 200 tons of Silver King concentrates.

H. M. Ryan, of the Ajax mine, accompanied by his wife, has returned from Chicago.

J. R. Slater and associates have discontinued their mining operations in Little Cottonwood canyon.

The Horn Silver Mining company received yesterday six carloads of concentrates and six carloads of crude ore.

C. E. Hudson, J. R. Slater, R. L. Colburn and W. B. Andrew will go out to the Four Aces mine, at Silver City, tonight.

Broker F. L. Sheets will take a run up to Park City tomorrow for the purpose of posting himself regarding the condition of the mines of the camp.

The Star Consolidated mine of Tintic has a carload of high-grade ore ready for shipment, but it has been decided not to make the consignment until after the election.

The Pan-American Mining company is considering the feasibility of ordering new machinery for its cyanide plant in Mexico in order to facilitate the working of the mill and also to increase its capacity.

Work is being pushed in the development of the New Guinea mine at the head of Government creek, in Tooele county, and it is expected that within a few days the incline shaft will reach the 100-foot level.

J. Schenck, the manager of the Dalton & Lark mine, will go out to Bingham this morning for the purpose of starting work on new ground, and he states that possibly he may begin the exploration of the quartzite ledge that cuts through that region.

Colonel Nick Treweek, who returned home Thursday night from an extended visit to Europe on mining business, reports that he had a very pleasant time while away, but that as to his success in business affairs during his absence, he had nothing to say. The colonel is looking well, and his many friends in this city are glad to welcome him home once again.

Marshall Cushing of Washington, D.C., who is a representative of the Capitol, one of the leading papers of that city, is in Salt Lake on a short vacation, during which he will take in a number of the big mining camps of the state. Mr. Cushing is highly pleased with Utah and states that the country and climate go far above his most sanguine expectations. His wife and family preceded him to Zion, and now, united with his loved ones, he is having a delightful time.

The latest reports from the Homestake mine, near Silver City, Tintic, are of a most encouraging nature, as the lower workings of the property a nice body of ore is now coming in that carries 30 per cent. in copper besides well in the other metals. The Homestake is located on the Sunbeam ledge, and as the vein is a strong one, the company feels highly elated over the outlook for the property. Hon. Frank Harris, one of the officers of the company, will go out to the mine tonight.

There has been such an advance in Sunbeam stock during the past few days that it seems likely that it will soon become as much of a favorite as Swansea or South Swansea. The mine, from all accounts, is showing up in excellent shape and there is every reason to believe that from now on it will be a regular shipper of high-grade ore. The company still has 65,000 shares of stock in the treasury, which, although it is now in active demand at 35 cents, will be retired. The Sunbeam is all right and will doubtless soon be classed among Utah's dividend payers.

The directors of the Dalton Mining company met yesterday and among other things postponed the sale of delinquent stock for a period of thirty days, in order to give non-resident stockholders more time in which to dig up the needful. The resignation of W. J. Bateman and E. E. Crooks, as directors, were accepted and the vacancies in the board were filled by the election of C. D. Dart and Frank D. Hobbs, who have qualified. O. R. Young, M. E., one of the officers of the company, is now at the mine laying out some new work and it is expected that upon his return that he will bring some good news with him concerning the property.

Work is progressing in the development of the recent Lucky Bill strike at Park City, and the outlook is most encouraging. On the newly discovered ledge the pay streak was but a few inches wide on the surface, but at a depth of twenty feet it widened out to three feet, and the ore body gains in size and value as sinking progresses. At Park City there is more talk concerning the Lucky Bill strike than there is in Salt Lake, and the merchants there are offering to take stock in trade at 50 cents a share and it is changing hands for cash at 30. The company has a thousand-foot shaft, from the bottom of which a drift can easily be run to make connections with the newly discovered ledge at a depth that will enable it to prospect the ore body to good advantage. This is much in its favor and will greatly expedite matters in the operation of the property.

BUSINESS TROUBLES

BAY STATE GAS COMPANY PUT IN THE HANDS OF A RECEIVER.

A Sensational Arrest Follows—Atlanta Bank Closes—Produce Dealers Assign—A Receiver Asked For a Building and Loan Association.

WILMINGTON, Del., Oct. 16.—The Bay State Gas company was today placed in the hands of receivers by the United States court.

Put Under Arrest.

NEW YORK, Oct. 16.—William Buchanan, of New York, who petitioned today in Delaware for a receiver of the Bay State Gas company, was tonight served and cited to appear in a police court on Monday to answer a criminal charge made against him by Camille Widenfeld, of the firm of Lawson & Widenfeld, of Boston and New York. The summons was issued by Judge Wentworth, city magistrate, on depositions which set forth that "the said Buchanan had circulated, contrary to the statutes of the state of New York, false statements, rumors and intelligence in the presence of said Widenfeld and others, concerning the Bay State Gas company of Delaware, stating that it was insolvent, and that the president had diverted millions of dollars of its capital stock to his own use, and said Buchanan threatened that he would ruin the said president if he had to spend $150,000 to accomplish that end; that he had arranged to bring suit against the company and secure a receiver for it, unless he was paid $235,000 for his securities by 12 o'clock Friday, Oct. 16; that if this was paid to him, he would withdraw his suit and stop all operations in the meeting; that unless the payment was made, the suit in Delaware would be pushed, and the whole matter would be published in the evening papers of the day."

With the deposition was filed an affidavit by the treasurer on the Bay State company, setting forth under oath that the company was not insolvent or bankrupt; that on the contrary, during the present year he had paid off all its indebtedness at one time, amounting to over $1,000,000; that at present it had only a small amount of current debt and cash on hand to cover the amount. The secretary further alleges that the president has not stolen any of the capital stock and so far as the new issue is concerned he has not received or owned a single share of it.

Brigid Brennan has been selected as co-receiver in Boston.

A Receiver Wanted.

CHICAGO, Oct. 16.—An application has been made for the appointment of a receiver for the West North Avenue Building Loan and Homestead association. The application is made by two stockholders who charge gross mismanagement and virtual bankruptcy. The nominal assets of the association are $92,000.

A Bank Closes.

ATLANTA, Ga., Oct. 16.—The Merchants' bank closed its doors this morning and posted a notice of assignment. The failure of the bank, which is a state institution, was due to a persistent fight made by outsiders on President J. H. Porter. The president says he has no statement prepared but that depositors will get every dollar back.

Produce Dealer Assigns.

LITTLE FALLS, N. Y., Oct. 16.—Freeman Ives & Co., produce dealers, have assigned. The firm's capital is rated at from $150,000 to $300,000; assets and liabilities unknown.

Withdraws From Business.

TACOMA, Wash., Oct. 16—The branch of the Bank of British Columbia published a notice today of its withdrawal from business here. The reason given is the unsafe condition of business. It is reported that the branch at Seattle will also be withdrawn.

THE GEORGIA SITUATION.

ATLANTA, Ga., Oct. 16.—Georgia Populists have given the Democrats an ultimatum which will probably not be accepted. It is now alleged that the ultimatum was a surface play. They expect its rejection, and will withdraw their electors and leave the Populists to vote for McKinley. In return they expect the Republicans to support the Populist candidates for congress.

DISTINGUISHED BOTANIST DEAD.

PARIS, Oct. 16.—M. Auguste Adolphe Lucien Trecul, the distinguished botanist and member of the institute of France, died in this city yesterday.

UNION VETERANS' LEGION.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16.—At this morning's session of the Union Veteran legion resolutions were passed advocating the election of McKinley and Hobart. While the utmost reticence about discussing the matter is exhibited by the delegates to the encampment, it is said that there was little debate on the subject, and the resolutions were adopted practically without opposition. It is understood that the pension policy of the present administration is condemned.

Purify your blood with Hood's Sarsaparilla, which will give you an appetite, tone your stomach and strengthen your nerves.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Charles Heckner et ux. to Hans Jensen, part of lot 2, block 3, plat B.; 1 acre 300

John L. Gressman to Mary Lane, part of section 13, township 1 south, range 1 west 300

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THE KELSEY HEARING

Commenced Before the City Council Last Night.

THE CONTRACTOR'S CASE

WHILE INTERESTING THERE WERE NO SENSATIONAL DEVELOPMENTS

The Testimony Principally on the Construction of the Fifth South Street Sewer—Wilkerson Admitted Having Violated the Contract, and the Engineer's Instructions—The City Engineer Slow in Rendering Estimates and Testimony Introduced to Show His General Incompetency—Hearing to Be Resumed.

The hearing of the charges against City Engineer Kelsey was commenced before the council sitting as a committee of the whole last night, with Councilman Diehl in the chair. Parley L. Williams represented Contractor Wilkerson and Attorneys Straup and John M. Zane appeared for the city engineer.

The prosecution so far has presented a rather weak case. Mr. Kelsey, as charged, may have some animosity toward Mr. Wilkerson, but as to the other charges nothing developed except to show that the city engineer had followed out the letter of all contracts in superintending the work. As to the charge that the city engineer had used improper influence with the board of public works in the awarding of contracts, nothing was brought out even by Mr. Wilkerson himself to substantiate.

After considerable debate as to the manner of procedure, a motion by Dale to eliminate portions of the charges which referred to the letting of contracts, a matter with which the council and board of public works only can be held responsible, was defeated, and Mr. Wilkerson's testimony was taken.

Wilkerson went on to state that his first bid on the Fifth South street sewer was $8,195.63. Mr. Kelsey had told him the bid was too high and would recommend to the board that it be rejected. The city engineer, he said, showed much feeling in the matter. A short time afterwards Mr. Wilkerson made a second bid for $5,480.18, and was awarded the contract. The city engineer made no estimate in the first place, and the whole thing showed the engineer's incompetency.

When the work finally was commenced Mr. Kelsey was instrumental in delaying it. The stakes would be pulled out by the inspectors, who were acting under the instructions of the city engineer, and on several occasions he had to suspend work for several days. Water was constantly present in the sewer trench, necessitating delay of work several days at times and keeping pumps going day and night. The greatest amount of water was between Second and Third East. On one occasion the water raised almost over the pipe. The contractor could have had the water pumped out in a few hours, "but when I was ready to go on with the work," witness went on, "I discovered that the man Mr. Kelsey employed as private detective, spy and inspector, had stolen the stakes and we were unable to go on with the work. The delay cost me $300."

Mr. Wilkerson said that while the monthly estimates were to be made at the end of each month, he often had to wait for two months, and then they were only rendered for 60 per cent of the work done. The estimate for May was rendered August 20, and those for June and July were rendered August 24. Out of the July estimate, Mr. Kelsey deducted $889.28 for pipe, which was to be paid for out of the final estimate. He told Chairman Dorenius about it, and he said it was a breach of contract.

The city engineer compelled him to lay short pipe and lay it dry. The proper way was to put in the mortar first, but the engineer would not permit this, but insisted it should be laid dry.

As to the other items he had embodied in the charges, Mr. Wilkerson knew nothing of his own knowledge, but said he would be able to present sufficient proof.

Concluding, he said he had finished the Fifth South street sewer strictly according to specifications. There was now but one and a half inches of clear water running through the sewer, and this was an advantage rather than a detriment. The water was constantly receding, and if sewage had been turned in, it would have stopped all leakage. The city engineer, he said, did not know enough about practical sewer work to permit the work being done properly. Had the mortar been put into the work first the sewer would have been water tight.

On cross-examination by Mr. Zane, Mr. Wilkerson admitted that he did several things in direct violation of the letter of the contract, because it would save him some money. He did not consider the contract violated because he did the work better than if the suggestions of the city engineer or the contract had been followed out. The city pipe he used from Sixth to Tenth East, and the leaks were between Sixth and Seventh East. The contract specifically provided that the pipe should be laid dry; the witness knew about it, but insisted it should be done otherwise. The contract provided that in all controversies arising concerning the work the city engineer's decision should be taken as final. The reason his second bid on the Fifth South street sewer was so much lower was because thirteen manholes and three blocks of pipe were excluded from the advertisement for the second bid.

As to water clogging up the pumps, Mr. Wilkerson stated it was caused by pebbles.

"Yes," rejoined Mr. Zane, "this water which you said was so clear and pure clogged up your pumps?"

"Well, pebbles don't make water dirty," replied Wilkerson.

"Now, Mr. Wilkerson, why did you order one of your men to stop up the pumps?"

"Why, you must take me for a fool."

"No, I don't think you are a fool."

"Well, then, you must think I am a knave or a rascal," replied the contractor somewhat heatedly.

"Well, as to the last, there might be two constructions."

Mr. Wilkerson said the contract provided that the sewer should be made water tight, but in failing to make it water tight he did not consider the contract violated. No sewer could be made perfectly water tight.

As to the deduction from the July estimate for pipe, he stated that the contract expired on July 1. The inference from this was that the city engineer did the proper thing regarding the deduction of the amount.

After A. H. Snow had testified, Contractor A. L. Hobson was placed on the stand, and said he was familiar with the contract, and had inspected the work during its progress at the instigation of John E. Dooly, one of Wilkerson's sureties. He said to lay such pipe dry was not proper, and all specifications had since been changed. The proper way was to place cement first in the gasket at the bottom, then put the joints together and press in the cement on the outside. To lay such a pipe dry was contrary to custom, and it was entirely impossible to lay the pipe in that manner and make it water tight. Heretofore it had always been permissible to run clear water through the pipe when the work was not in progress. Mr. Hobson said he had ascertained that all the leaks were from the under side of the sewer. When inspecting the sewer Mr. Hobson found that the sewer had been dammed up with sand and gravel, evidently intentionally. After the sewer had been flushed there was but a little over one inch of water in it, instead of five and a half inches as the records in the engineer's office showed. All cement joining would leak more or less.

Cross-examined, Mr. Hobson said he examined the work while the pipe was being laid. He found it was being done according to specifications, but they were wrong.

At this point the committee arose to resume the hearing at some future date to be fixed by the council.

SOCIALIST CONGRESS.

Frau Zeetkin Makes a Strong Appeal to the Members on Behalf of the Women.

GOTHA, Oct. 16.—At today's sitting of the socialist congress at Sieblichen, Frau Zeetkin, the woman's rights delegate to the congress, delivered a speech in which she declared that the women were not against the men, but were heart and soul with them in opposing the aristocratic and middle class capitalists. The work of first importance, she said, was to organize the workingwomen, because in Germany the women were forbidden to join men's unions, and she proposed the establishment of a propaganda by means of leaflets and not through papers published for circulation among women.

Miss Loewenhurz, another of the female delegates, offered the suggestion that the socialist women join hands with those of the bourgeoisie class in their movements, but the proposition was met with almost universal opposition on the part of the other female delegates.

A FORGER NABBED.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Oct. 16.—Detective Goodman returned from Lakeview near Riverdale yesterday with George T. Quinn, wanted in New York for forgery. Quinn raised a $44 check to $744 and left the east. He has been in hiding since his arrival in California.

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