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The big mining news of the week has been the “merger of equals” announced between **Kirkland Lake Gold** and **Agnico Eagle Mines**, creating a US\$24 billion gold mining company with 48 million ounces of gold in reserves and resources.

I do wonder whether this might prompt other M & A activity, given the current lower price of gold? I have a feeling we may see more bids coming whilst precious metal prices remain depressed

This week also saw two Chinese companies bidding against each other for an Australian lithium company, with **CATL** pipping **Ganfeng Lithium**, who refused to become involved in a bidding war.

Moving on to the companies on our watchlist, **Colonial Coal** ended the week very positively, at C\$1.43, a gain of around 38% in a week. This was due of course in part to the rising price of coking coal, and also some market commentators feeling a bid for the company may be forthcoming.

With an in ground resource value of just 30 Canadian cents per tonne, an FOB price of around C\$140 per ton, and a market price of over C\$400 per tonne, it's easy to see the attraction.....

Tinka Resources increased their zinc resource at Ayawilca in

Peru by 58%, and the share price fell! Given that zinc is trading at a very high price currently, that fall is hard to fathom.

All watchlist stocks in the news this week

Colonial Coal Jumped on Coal price and bid rumours

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American Creek Treaty Creek Drilling at Goldstorm

Tinka Resources Increased their Zinc Resources at Ayawilca in Peru by 68%

Bardoc Gold Initiate a Strategic Review

Uranium Energy Corporation CEO Amir Adnani Interviewed on Fox Business

Market Data

Precious metals

Gold	1760	+1%
Silver	22.51	0%
Palladium	1852	-6%
Platinum	972	-1%
Rhodium	13400	-6%

Gold and silver recovered a little on Friday to end the week respectfully, after being under pressure due to the higher US dollar and 10 Year Treasury yield rising.

Platinum group metals all suffered as a result of lower car production due to the chip shortage and other supply chain

issues.

Base metals

Copper	4.1	-2%
Nickel	8.25	-5%
Zinc	1.37	-1%
Tin	16.6	0%

The Chinese government's release of strategic reserves of key industrial metals seems to be having the desired effect, although **copper** stocks in Shanghai are quite low.

Tin suffered a 'fat finger' moment this week, but has returned to normal trading now.

Energy Metals

Cobalt	24.03	0%
Manganese	2.88	-1%
Lithium	26533	+16%
Uranium	43	-14%

Lithium powers on as companies seek to secure supply. **Uranium** had a sharp reverse of around 16% in a single day after the recent Sprott inspired rally.

Bulk commodities

Iron Ore	116	+13%
Coking Coal	356.1	-1%

Iron ore bounced back after recent falls due to the Chinese government restricting steel production for the rest of the year. **Coking coal** consolidated after recent gains, although prices being quoted in China are much higher than the figure quoted here for Australian FOB.

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