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**Cobalt Mining Man Protests Against Unjust and Unintelligent Attitude of the South.**

The following communication has been received from Mr. W. J. Posner, Cobalt. It explains itself and speaks for itself, very much so. Under the heading, "Mill Stones?" Mr. Posner writes:—

"Granting much that is said about fraudulent stock-selling to be true, and allowing the necessity for curbing operations of 'wild-catting'—theories practised in certain communities—the truth is that much of the 'Blue Sky' mush doled out, by and large, may be discounted and attributed to such-like wisdom as that portrayed in one of our old school books, where the blind men declared as many different descriptions of an elephant.

The trouble is that there are too many tinkering with what may prove to be a Powder Magazine, and some of the ex-dizzy Yool is going to start something to pay without having any pitch hole in its issue of Feb. 17th, when it said that 'no law can be made to cover fools.' But it is a long way off when it proposes that 'development' be all raised and the work properly withheld and placed in trust until the producing stage is reached. Where are you going to set your limits? How much will you take to bring a property to the producing stage? Can you find a basis of a single mining proposition? Will you not compel a young farmer to pay for a salary until he has enough to pay for his farm entirely and a condition sufficient to cover all equipment he requires? How would you like it for interference, or how many would be willing to enter farms for anything else along these lines? Such silly bunk and interference makes a practical man gag. How would you of these interfering gentlemen like to take his valuable watch to a village blacksmith to have it repaired? Impracticality ever emanates from the fresh idealist and these impracticalities are largely responsible for the reflected in the hydrogenic headed monster developing out of the famous timber probe.

Our Ontario Companies Act, which is protection from fraud very pitifully. The Act has made a lot of very fine rules and regulations, which are a credit to the statutes of the country.

... need is a handle. In most...  
 ... can occur. The Provincial...  
 ... with-holds certificate until...  
 ... is complied with. All there...  
 ... to be lacking is the implement...  
 ... application at the time fraud is...  
 ... to any share-holder or party...  
 ... concerned. This should take...  
 ... form of simplicity itself and could...  
 ... made implementary by laying in...  
 ... before any Crown Attor...  
 ... in the province, formally, just the...  
 ... as you would upon anyone found...  
 ... have set fire to the Parliament...  
 ... peddling a bottle of booze...  
 ... tear down one's baras and build...  
 ... to build them over until those...  
 ... things we have become decrepit if...  
 ... keep the old ones unless we oc...  
 ... them?

... the proposed "Blue Sky" inter...  
 ... is dangerous and if present...  
 ... is implemented would prove super...  
 ... Danger lurks in "Blue Sky"...  
 ... intelligent development of the na...  
 ... resources of Northern Ontario...  
 ... therners have long suffered from...  
 ... grant conception and innu...  
 ... evenoming the minds of the out...  
 ... public, as well as southern ex...  
 ... "Blue Sky" interference...  
 ... will prove the wedge that...  
 ... widen the breach already exist...  
 ... between Northern and Southern On...  
 ...

... therners are already pretty well...  
 ... and do not believe sym...  
 ... administration will be theirs...  
 ... until they do their own legislating...  
 ... The continual slaps in the face are...  
 ... trying to have their effect,—some...  
 ... get tired of being told they are...  
 ... shlawags and rascals. Reading it in...  
 ... the daily press, daily now, does not...  
 ... They are tired of be...  
 ... told just what they may and may...  
 ... do or who they may or may not...  
 ... engage.

... therners are real red-blooded...  
 ... they have to be, for they have to dig...  
 ... up a lot of coin to send south, even...  
 ... though their Prime Minister travelled...  
 ... all the way to Iroquois Falls and Co...  
 ... strane last Fall to tell them they were...  
 ... Northerners will develop the...  
 ... north; they will maintain their stride...  
 ... The stride is worthy, while worship at...  
 ... the throne in Queen's Park is second...  
 ...

... The Northern News, of Cobalt...  
 ... says:—"Miss L. McEwen is visiting...  
 ... in Timmins."

... The North Bay Nugget reports the...  
 ... birth of a cat with one body and two...  
 ... heads. Some humans apparently are...  
 ... born without any head at all. No re...  
 ... flections.

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should resume operations. These stocks therefore, should be bought at present market prices.

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