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Items of Interest

Around the Mines

Diamond drilling is being pushed with vigor at North Dome Mines.

It is expected that the new cyanide plant for the Dome Lake Mining Co. will be ready for operation by February, 1916. The tanks are being built in Toronto, having been recently ordered for quick delivery.

The transfer books of the LaRose Consolidated Mining Co. will be closed from December 31st to January 19th, 1916. The quarterly dividend of 1 per cent is payable on January 20th to shareholders of record December 31st.

Homer L. Gibson & Co., stock brokers, removed to their new quarters in the Reed Building on Wednesday, where they will be glad to meet their friends and patrons. Their office in South Porcupine will be opened at the beginning of the year, for the convenience of their customers at that end of the Porcupine camp.

DOMESTIC EXTENSION

The situation in regard to Dome Extension stock remains about the same, or a trifle stronger in the local market. There is a well defined and clearly articulated belief that Big Dome is about to assume control of its neighbor, to the tune of one million shares at 40c., or thereabouts.

VIPOND

Local feeling regarding this stock is favorable as ever, notwithstanding the delay in issuing the report promised early in November. This delay, in some quarters has tended to shake confidence, but the local view is that the default is being made purposely, in order to force a selling stampede. Holders here are sitting tight, however, and refuse to be stampeded.

PORCUPINE-MIRACLE

G. J. Miller, Secretary and General Manager of the Porcupine-Miracle Mining Co., says that the mill, damaged by fire, is about ready for the resumption of operations, also the 150 ton cyanide plant. Fourteen men are at work, and development work underground is proving very satisfactory. He specially denies that his connection with Boston Creek activities will have any bearing on the Miracle Mine, towards ceasing work. It is the purpose of the company to push right ahead with the work.

Firemen's Dance At Schumacher

A very enjoyable dance was given at Schumacher last night in aid of the Firemen's Fund. About seventy-five couples tripped the light fantastic toe until the morning was well advanced. The affair was a big success and should net a tidy sum for the fund intended to be benefited.

Miss M. A. Bouchard Passes Away

We regret to announce the death of Miss M. A. Bouchard, which took place last night. She was well known in Timmins, having been a resident for the past two years. She was about 23 years of age, and leaves a mother and brother to mourn her loss. The funeral will be held on Monday.

Schumacher Gold Mines Stock Offering

NOW IN PRODUCING CLASS—TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS SHIPPED IN NOVEMBER—HOMER L. GIBSON & CO. SAY STOCK WILL BE DEALT IN AS AN UNLISTED SECURITY ON THE EXCHANGE UNTIL LISTING ARRANGEMENTS ARE COMPLETED—GOOD EQUIPMENT.

The Schumacher Gold Mines, Limited, can now properly be classed as a producer, and a small portion of its capital stock is being offered to local buyers, through Homer L. Gibson & Company.

The property consists of 160 acres of patented ground and is situated on the south shore of Pearl Lake in the most productive section of the Porcupine camp, and is surrounded by the properties of the McIntyre, Jupiter, McIntyre Extension, Aeme, Canadian Mining and Finance Company (Timmins-McMartin-Dunlop Syndicate), and the Vipond.

The formation is Keewatin, consisting of porphyry schists, Basalt schists, diorite schists, and other green schists of similar composition. These schists are exactly similar to those on the Hollinger and Aeme, and the different belts can be traced through all three properties as appears from a report on the geology of the property made by J. B. Tyrrell.

The development work has been confined to an area of about ten acres on three levels, though a first class three compartment shaft has been completed to a depth of 600 feet, at

which depth a station has lately been cut. Crosscutting is now under way on the 400 foot level.

Ore reserves, including ore actually blocked out and highly probable ore only, and figuring no ore below 300 feet except in two ore shoots where ore has been proven by diamond drilling for 50 feet below that level, are given by manager Houston in a late report, as 42,810 tons of a gross value of \$409,592.00.

The property is equipped with an adequate mining plant, modern 150 ton mill with cyanide equipment, refinery, assay office, superintendent's house, etc., the cost of such equipment being in excess of \$100,000.00. Bullion is now being produced at a substantial rate, and this production can be materially increased as desired.

The management is reputed to be efficient and economical, and by the end of this year the property, plant and equipment will be fully paid for, and the company will be entirely free of all obligations except current accounts, as enough stock has been contracted for to take care of all outstanding obligations.

M'INTYRE-PORCUPINE INDUSTRIOUSLY DIGS WITH BIG RESULTS

WHEELS OF INDUSTRY HUMMING—NEW BUILDINGS BEING RUSHED TO COMPLETION—McINTYRE NOW IN THE "BIG LEAGUE."

During the months of October and November 1915, the McIntyre milled 17,398 tons of ore, with a gross value of \$128,692, less \$6,143.00, or 4,773 per cent loss in recovery, equalling an actual production value of \$122,549, or \$7,044 per ton. Operating costs amounted to \$70,285, or \$4,039 per ton, leaving an operating profit of \$52,264, or \$3,005 per ton.

Good Investment.

This mine, combined with McIntyre Extension and Jupiter, is one of the prime favorites in the local mind. The new addition to the mill and other surface activities are practically completed, and these visible signs of progress, coupled with news that seeps out, notwithstanding efforts at secrecy, regarding discoveries underground, confirm the stock of the company as a good buy for investment, with prospect of substantial gains at no very distant date. The following report of development work, as of date November 30th, shows the progress being made, and work has been going on uninterruptedly since that date, with rumors of additional strikes of a more or less sensational kind.

No. 5 Shaft—600 foot level—Development on south drifts, total length 71 feet; average width 5 ft. 2 in.; average value \$11.17. Diamond drill hole No. 64, 120 ft. at an angle of 35, cut ore body 6 ft. wide, assaying \$10.70.

700 foot level—Diamond drill hole No. 65, total length, 139 feet, flat hole cut two stringers, one 6 inches wide assaying 40 cents at about 90 feet; another 9 inches wide, assaying \$6.40 at about 125 feet. Diamond drill hole No. 66, at an angle of 37, cut vein 3 feet 5 inches wide; assay value \$5.20. Drifts from south crosscut, total about 30 ft., assays very erratic running from \$10.40 down to 40c.

No. 4 Shaft—West end of No. 211 stope, opening up a body of 4 ft. 6 in. of ore; assay of a round of shots on 8th inst. on 400 ft. level, \$16, over 4 1/2 feet.

McIntyre Extension—Shaft down 885 feet. Progress in November, 91 feet. Serious delay by defective fuses. Started one stoping drill on ore on 400 foot level below the raise running to 300 foot level. No results to report as yet. Electric pump to be installed at 600-foot level arrived and will be in operation shortly, saving expense in pumping by air.

Jupiter—Unwatered down to floor of 200 foot level. Expect to finish unwatering about 15th inst. No. 1B shaft appears to have been sunk in quartz porphyry. Deliveries of timber for head frame and sampling works beginning to arrive.

Firemen's Benefit At Empire Theatre

The proprietors of the Empire Theatre have set aside Monday, December 20th, as Firemen's Benefit Night. The regular price of admission will obtain on this occasion, so that the ten cents out of the price of each ticket sold will be a real gift to the Firemen's Fund.

The program on Monday, and also on Tuesday, will be headed by "Mrs. Plum's Pudding" in which Marie Tempest stars, and Lee Moran plays the part of detective. This is a five-reel side-splitting farce comedy, full of droll and ludicrous situations which will keep the audience in an uproar of mirth without interruption. If you want to get rid of the blues to laugh and be merry, don't fail to partake of "Mrs. Plum's Pudding." It will cure dyspepsia and aid digestion.

TIMMINS HOCKEY PLAYERS TO HOLD MEETING TONIGHT

A meeting has been called for tonight at 8 o'clock, at the Goldfields Hotel, to consider the question of Hockey for the present season. This move has been initiated by Mr. C. G. Williams, of the Hollinger Mines, and all who are interested in the healthful sport are requested to attend the meeting. It will be remembered that last year the game was favored by semi-professionalism, and was not a marked success. It is hoped that local players will do something towards the organization of amateur teams.

HAYDEN GOLD MINES DEVELOPING WELL BRIGHT FUTURE

SHAFT DOWN 109 FEET—VEIN OVER HALF A MILE LONG AND 21 FEET WIDE—\$12 PER TON OR BETTER—AGGRESSIVE POLICY FOR 1916.

In conversation with the President of the Hayden Gold Mines Co., Limited, the Advance learns that work on the property is progressing rapidly. Eleven men are now at work, cross-cutting and sinking the shaft now being down to 109 feet. In running No. A cross-cut to the north from the shaft, at 100 feet depth, at a distance of forty feet, the vein was struck. This cross-cut has been driven into the vein a distance of 21 feet, with ore still in the heading.

Surface Indications.

The surface indications lead the company to believe that the vein extends east and west through the property three-eighths of a mile east of the shaft, and fully one-eighth of a mile west of the shaft, where the oxidized surface blends so completely with surrounding surface conditions as to render impossible any further tracing. Values in the vein lead the company to believe that the ore so far uncovered is of exceptionally good commercial value. Roughly speaking, it is safe to say that for the entire length of 21 feet, the values per ton would go \$12 per ton or better.

Location and Equipment.

The property consists of 130 1/2 acres, and is situated 3 1/2 miles a little east of due south of Timmins, the boundary between DeLora and Ogden Townships passing through the centre of the Company's east claims.

The mine is equipped with a plant of sufficient capacity to carry development down to the 500 foot level. It is the intention of the directors, after some slight drifting development has been accomplished to sink a winze and follow immediately with shaft sinking to the 200 foot level, where a station will be cut and preparations made for more extensive operations.

Financial and Management.

The company is organized under the laws of Ontario, with an authorized capital of \$2,000,000, in shares of \$1 par value. The officers and directors are: W. H. Hayden, Timmins, president and general manager, H. M. Witbeck, Lockport, N.Y., 1st vice-president; W. H. Higgs, Lockport, N.Y., 2nd vice-president; Willis M. Spaulding, Buffalo, N.Y., secretary-treasurer; Joseph Montgomery, Toronto, director; A. T. Simons, Fitchburg, Mass., director; Mr. Shore of Toronto, director.

The company is financially equipped for a year's aggressive development from January 1st, 1916.

A BRIEF SKETCH OF C. G. WILLIAMS AND LIEUT. THORNE

MR. WILLIAMS IS CHAIRMAN OF PORCUPINE BRANCH AND LIEUT. THORNE OF COBALT BRANCH OF THE CANADIAN MINING INSTITUTE.

Upon the reorganization of the Porcupine Branch during the past summer, Mr. C. G. Williams was unanimously chosen to fill the office of chairman. The wisdom of the choice is attested by the activity displayed by the Branch since its rehabilitation. Mr. Williams, whose birthplace was London, Ontario, entered Toronto University in 1900 and graduated with honors in mining engineering five years later. In his fourth year he became a Fellow in chemistry. After leaving the University he was employed as chemist at the works of the Canada Paper Co., at Windsor Mines, Que., and subsequently was engaged by the Max Erfurt Co., to instal special sizing machinery in paper mills. Coming to Cobalt in 1907, he spent some time at prospecting, and then became shift boss at the Buffalo Mill. Two years later he was appointed superintendent for the Otisse Mining Company. In 1910 he acted as field engineer for a syndicate comprising the directors of the Buffalo Mine, and concurrently was in charge of the Moneta Mine, in Porcupine. During 1912 he was superintendent of the Nova Scotia Mine at Cobalt, but re-year became manager of the Deister Machine Co., at Fort Wayne. In 1913 he joined the engineering staff of the Hollinger, and is at present in charge of development operations of the Canadian Mining and Finance Co. at the Millerton, Gillies and Central shafts.

Mr., or as he has since become,

Miller-Independence Mines Limited at Work

NEW CLOSE CORPORATION UNDER THE LAWS OF ONTARIO COMMENCE OPERATIONS IN BOSTON CREEK—CAPITAL OF HALF A MILLION IS OVER-SUBSCRIBED—GENERAL MANAGER OF THE MIRACLE MINING COMPANY IS THE PRESIDENT OF NEW CORPORATION.

The Miller-Independence Mines, Limited, of Boston Creek, have recently received their charter from the Ontario Government, with an authorized capital of \$500,000. The stock has been fully subscribed, and is held closely by the officers and their friends. George J. Miller is President and General Manager, Major John Read of Dayton, Ohio, is Vice-President, F. J. Miller of Dayton, Ohio, is Secretary, Dr. W. H. Delscamp of Toledo, is Treasurer, and Henry J. Moore, of Toledo, Ohio, completes the directorate.

Location and Character.

The property of the Company is a veteran claim of 160 acres, and is situated in Catharine Township, about one and a half miles east of Mindoea mileage 151. A good road has been cut out to Boston Creek. The principal vein thus far discovered is half a mile in length, averaging two feet in width, and a number of engineers who have visited the property proclaim it to be the largest continuous outcropping of free gold yet discovered in Ontario. Assays

taken across the vein have shown exceptionally high values. The claims are in greenstone formation, and the quartz vein carries remarkable showings of free gold and tellurides.

Plant and Work.

A new ten-ton Nissen stamp mill was unloaded at Boston Creek on Tuesday last, and will be installed forthwith. During the winter months it is intended that plans be prepared for a cyanide plant suitable to the company's needs. Eleven men are now at work, and the new camps are approaching completion, when a start will be made on the shaft.

The company claims that the showings from one end to the other warrant the statement that five carloads of high grade ore can be bagged without a shot. The first car is expected to be shipped to the American Smelting and Refining Co. within 30 days.

Mr. Frank Horne, formerly of the Big Dome Mines, will have charge of the milling operations, and William Adams, of the Dome, will also be connected with the property.

Lieut. S. M. Thorne, was elected chairman of the Cobalt Branch in September. He graduated from the School of Practical Science, Toronto, in 1900, and a year later having taken a post-graduate course received his B.A.Sc. degree. Before engaging in mining he associated himself with other branches of engineering, serving for one year with the Hamilton Iron & Steel Co. as chemist and blast furnace worker, and was subsequently for three years with the Ontario Power Co., on construction of the power plant at Niagara Falls. His first mining experience was gained in Arizona, where he spent a year and a half, being for the greater part of that time in the employ of the Arizona Copper Co. He then went to Mexico and for two years was engaged in gold mining in the State of Oaxaca. During the past seven years he has been engaged in mining in the Cobalt and Porcupine districts, being at present manager for the Trethewey Silver Cobalt Mine, Limited, Cobalt.

Knights of Columbus Euchre Party

The Knights of Columbus gave a very successful Euchre Party at the Finlanders' Hall, on Thursday evening. Over two hundred guests were present, fifty-two tables being in operation.

The first prize for men was won by Mr. John Dalton, and the second by Mr. Tom Durack. The lucky ladies were—first, Miss VanTucky, and second, Mrs. Timothy McGrath. The wrist watch drawing was won by Mr. Matt Bovin, who generously gave it back to be drawn for again, the winner being Miss Anna Moncrien, who, needless to say, retained it. The gross receipts were \$350.00, and altogether a very enjoyable evening was spent.

NOTICE

Next week's Advance will be the last for this year, and will be issued on Thursday, December 23rd. Advertisers are requested to arrange their copy not later than Tuesday night.

PORCUPINE ADVANCE.

Adjourned Meeting of Town Council

SORT OF CLEAN-UP MEETING PREPARATORY TO THE FINAL MEETING OF YEAR ON THE 20th—WATER WORKS DEBENTURES DUE ON 15th, AMOUNTING TO \$11,426.72 AFTER ORDERED PAID—BY-LAW No. 54, REGULATING THE SALE OF MILK, HAS BEEN PASSED.

The Town Council met on Monday afternoon, December 13th, at four o'clock, on adjournment from the regular meeting held on December 6th. The Mayor presided, and Councillors Globe, Moore, McCoy and Dalton were in attendance.

On the motion of Councillors McCoy and Moore, the pay roll for November, passed on December 6th as \$1,022.16, was amended to \$1,082.16, due to a clerical error.

Accounts of Dalton Bros., \$4.00, and Jas. R. Todd, \$8.50, were passed for payment, on the motion of Councillors Moore and McCoy.

Refunds on water accounts were made, \$1.53 to C. Staaf, and \$1.70 to A. N. Ewart, on motion of Councillor Globe and Moore.

A motion was carried, Globe and Moore being the movers, that the applications of H. M. Steven and V. Emery be referred to the Town Solicitor for opinion.

Moved by Councillor McCoy, seconded by Councillor Moore, the Treasurer was authorized to issue a check on December 15th for \$11,426.72, in payment of the Waterworks debentures falling due on that date.

Moved by Councillor McCoy, seconded by Councillor Moore, that the Clerk write C. E. Hammond & Co., North Bay, asking that they have an auditor come up immediately after the 15th instant, to have the audit for the year 1915 completed.

Moved by McCoy, seconded by Moore, that the clerk again take up the question of the return of the

cheque for \$500.00 issued by the town on account of the clearing of lots adjacent to the town, with the Department of Lands, Forests and Mines, and at the same time ask for the return of the guarantees put up by citizens of the town.

On the motion of Councillors McCoy and Globe, it was ordered that the taxes amounting to \$28.00 for 1912 in the name of O. Belanger, having been paid by Bucovetsky Bros., be removed from the roll, and that he be rebated \$19.22 on account of 1913 taxes due to his property having been burned about October 1st, 1913.

Councillor McCoy moved, seconded by Councillor Moore, that the Clerk having read a by-law to amend By-law No. 52, a first time, it be passed and given its second reading immediately. Second reading was given, and the third reading moved by Councillors Globe and Moore, after which, on motion of Councillor Dalton and McCoy, the by-law was ordered inscribed in the by-law book, to be known as By-Law No. 54.

On the motion of Councillors McCoy and Moore it was ordered that the Clerk be authorized to return all the notes returned by the Imperial Bank of Canada to-day, which had been given by the citizens of the Town as a guarantee for the construction of the cement sidewalks.

On the motion of Councillors Moore and Globe, the Treasurer was authorized to pay December Pay-Roll on December 23rd.

The meeting then adjourned at the call of the Mayor.