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Corrections in Analysis of Mines of the North

In last week's issue of The Advance there was an analysis of the mines of the North, as prepared by The Northern Miner. In the last issue of The Northern Miner there are a couple of corrections noted in regard to this analysis. The first is in reference to the Porcupine United Mines. The Northern Miner in this connection says:—"In reporting Porcupine United Mines as closed The Northern Miner was in error in issue of November 21st. Actually, officials state, 25 tons per day are going through the mill. Figures supplied by Ontario Department of Mines show that for the third quarter of the year the company reported 1,860 tons milled for a recovery of \$17,049, a daily average of 21 tons, with grade indicated at \$9.18 to the ton. Current milling is at a slightly higher rate, with grade well maintained, according to official intimation."

The other correction is in regard to the Conlaunum and in reference to this, The Northern Miner says:—"In following the Ontario Department of Mines' tabulation of gold production for the first nine months of 1929 an error was made in deducting that Conlaunum tonnage had fallen off in the third quarter, and that grade had been arbitrarily raised. The calculation, as it appeared in last week's issue, based on the figures supplied, made it appear that the company had changed its mining and milling policy, and that in the third quarter of the year only 11,467 tons had been milled, for a recovery of \$155,978, showing daily tonnage of 125 and recovery of \$13.60 per ton. Such a radical change in policy naturally caused some comment. Conlaunum officials have corrected the impression created by issuing a statement that production in the third quarter, from July 1st to September 1st, included 24,297 tons milled, for an average of 270 tons a day, with an estimated recovery of \$174,556 an average of \$7.19 per ton. The company adds that, considering the period from August 20th on which date the new company began to function, the production figures from that date to September 30th were as follows:—Ten thousand, four hundred and thirty-two tons milled; daily average, 255 tons per day; estimated production, \$84,977; average, \$3.14 per ton. Bullion sales since the new company took over control were as follows: September 4th, \$43,844; October 7th, \$58,707; November 6th, \$61,433. The original error occurred in reporting by the Department the number of tons of ore mined in the period as 61,584 tons, instead of 74,414 tons, the amount milled."

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DOMINION OF CANADA AND CONSERVATION OF FORESTS

Dominion and Provincial Governments Studying Question of Depletion of Forests and Seeking Ways and Means to Conserve Forest Wealth.

In recent issues of The Advance reference has been made to the statement of Sir George Courthope in regard to Canada being denuded of her forest wealth inside of thirty years. The Advance pointed out that this was more or less the attitude taken by Mr. Barnjum, of Montreal, though the latter was usually so pessimistic that he scarcely set the evil day back as far as thirty years. It scarcely appears that the situation is as serious as suggestions of Sir Geo. Courthope and Mr. Barnjum would suggest. As pointed out before the pessimistic outlook may serve a good purpose in rousing the people to prevent the situation feared but on the other hand it has a tendency to restrain action along certain lines that might have a helpful effect.

However, it does seem to be a fact that discussion and consideration of the matter are needed in the case, and that if general interest is roused this effort will be for the very best so far as the country at large is concerned.

The Advance has been watching the discussion of the remarks of Sir George Courthope, and some very interesting and illuminating discussion in the press has resulted. In The Mail and Empire last week the following editorial reference was made to the question:—"Sir George Courthope, a member of the British House of Commons, who has been associated for a number of years with the British Empire Forestry Conference, lately delivered a speech in which he asserted that "the present shortage of commercial soft wood timber" demanded the serious attention of the Government of Great Britain. Sir George did not refer to an actual scarcity of soft wood timber in the world's markets, but rather to a shortage, having regard to the present rate of consumption of such material, in the supplies of it available in the forests. He dealt with a subject of special interest to Canada, which has been described as the principal source within the Empire of supplies of soft woods. Canada still has immense forest resources, but those resources are being continuously exploited commercially. It must be remembered that new uses of soft wood timber have swelled the demand for such material. Soft woods are still required for purposes for which they have been employed for many years. In addition, certain species of soft wood, particularly spruce, are now used in large quantities as raw material by great modern industries that manufacture artificial silk, newsprint paper and a variety of other commodities and articles composed of wood pulp. Furthermore, use of timber is not the only cause of depletion of forest resources in this country. Large quantities of timber are annually destroyed by forest fire and insect pests. If the heavy consumption and loss of timber continue on their present scale and means of replenishing supplies are not devised and applied, Sir George Courthope calculates Canada's timber resources will be exhausted in about thirty years."

The situation of which Sir George Courthope has spoken has not escaped the notice of Governments here and in

Great Britain. In the latter country the Government, through the National Forestry Commission, has planted 140,000 acres of soft wood forests in the past ten years and proposes to plant 350,000 acres in the next decade in order to provide a domestic supply of soft wood timber. In Canada the Dominion Government and provincial Governments have been spending large sums of money in efforts to protect the forests from damage by fire, to find means to combat insect and fungoid pests that attack the trees and to work out economical methods of lumbering and forest management. In Ontario the Legislative Assembly, on the motion of the Ferguson Government, has enacted this year legislation designed to enable the Government to study methods of promoting regeneration of forests or of reforestation and to work out a policy that will have the effect of perpetuating timber supplies in this province. In some countries in Europe tracts of woodland have long been operated on a crop basis. In Ontario the Government hopes to be able to apply some such system. The speech that Sir George Courthope has delivered in England may help to confirm Canadians in their support of measures that have for their object the replenishment and perpetuation of timber supplies in this country."

Renfrew Mercury:—It is generally known that police dogs have the blood of wolves in their veins, and that there is a striking similarity between these dogs and wolves is known to many. So much does this form of canine and Lupus look alike that a Wyoming hunter who appeared recently at a sheriff's office in that State to claim a wolf bounty learned that he had not shot a wolf at all; it was the sheriff's own police dog!



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Since Reformer:—A contemporary recommends to his readers that every car owner when starting his car should be sure that the garage doors are open. This is particularly sane advice at this time of year when the cold morning air might have a tendency to make one leave the doors closed. There is deadly danger in starting a car with the doors shut, due to the risk of carbon monoxide poisoning. More than one man has paid the penalty of forgetfulness in this respect.

Northern News:—It is interesting to note that of the fifteen Lord Mayors elected in England on the traditional Ninth of November, four, or a fraction over 25 per cent, were men more or less intimately connected with the printing business. We claim no credit for any slight reflection of this glory, but draw attention to the fact as evidence that printers as a whole are not quite as slow as some people holding official positions would like to assume they are.

STAKER OF THE HOLLINGER DIED AT PEMBROKE IN 1919

Ben Hollinger Expired at Breakfast Table at his Home Ten Years Ago. Was Only Thirty-Four Years of Age at Time of Death.

In looking through the files of The Advance for material for the column "Ten Years Ago in Timmins," the report was found this week of the death of Ben Hollinger, who, with Alex Gillies, staked the property now world-famous as the Hollinger Mine. The article in The Advance of Dec. 3rd, 1919, reads as follows:—"Innumerable old-timers who knew and liked the man, heard with sincere regret the news of the death last week of Ben Hollinger, the staker of the Hollinger Mine at Timmins. According to the despatches the late Mr. Hollinger expired while setting at the breakfast table at his home in Pembroke. He had been apparently in the best of health, but suddenly his head dropped down upon the table and it was found that he was unconscious. When physicians were summoned it was found that this well-known prospector of the Porcupine and other camps of the North Lands had gone on his last prospecting trip. The late Ben Hollinger was only 34 years of age at the time of his death, the cause of which is given as heart trouble. He was born at Chalk River, Ont., and after going through college he became a prospector in this North Land. At first he met with rather poor success until his lucky strike in staking the Hollinger, a property that had been viewed and passed by many prospectors previous to that. He was only 24 years of age when he sold the Hollinger for a sum usually quoted as a quarter million dollars, but sometimes said to be one hundred thousand dollars more than that. Since that time the Hollinger Mine has produced about thirty million dollars' worth of gold, and there are forty millions more in sight, with untold further wealth to be uncovered in the property. His friends say, however, that Benny Hollinger refused persistently to accept any interest in the property as part payment for the claims. He said he wanted the cash outright. One of the first uses he is said to have made of his fortune was to build a beautiful home for his people at Pembroke. Much of the rest of the money was tied up in mining and other investments, but this did not much discourage Ben Hollinger. He went out again on the prospecting trail and in the mining game. In recent years he gave much of his time and interest to the Patricia Mine at Boston Creek. Pleasant, cheerful, loyal and a gentleman always; this is the verdict of his fellow prospectors in the North Land! A widow and three children survive and to these the sympathy of all in North Land is extended in this sudden bereavement."

COBALT CAMP PICTURED SOME TWENTY YEARS AGO

(From Toronto Mail and Empire)

"Pictorial Cobalt," one of the first journalistic efforts of the now-defunct Cobalt Nugget, is a record of an epic of the past.

Published some 20 years ago, the booklet reproduces many pictorial sketches of what it termed "The Greatest Silver Mining Camp in the World." Including in the miscellany of "sights" are 27 photographic records of 27 reasons why the town of Cobalt sprang from a mushroom almost overnight, or more exact, within three years, to a full-fledged townsite.

The 27 reasons are pictures of mining properties in the hey-day of their existence, shaft heads, concentrator and storage bins all newly erected, but nearly all of which are now merely memories in the imagination of "old-timers." Of the 27 prosperous, dynamic silver producers of 1908, only four names are at all familiar to the average person interested in the industry today—Nipissing, Coniagas, Kerr Lake and O'Brien—and of these probably only the first-named may be designated as a full producer.

Among other mines finding space in the booklet were: Silver Queen, Shamrock, Buffalo, Temiskaming, Crown Reserve, Nancy Helen, Cobalt Lake, Drummond, Silver Cross, Beaver and Silver Leaf—all of which may be termed as the ancient history of Canada's silver mining development.

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