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Great Bear Lake is the New Eldorado

Porcupine Prospectors Concerned in Pioneering Section that is Rousing the Attention of the World.

A couple of weeks ago The Advance had a reference to some of the prospectors concerned in the remarkable mineral discoveries in the Great Bear Lake area. The Advance referred to the "remarkable specimens of radium-bearing ore" brought out by E. C. St. Paul from this new Eldorado, also to samples of gold, silver, and other ore from Great Bear Lake territory. There can be little question as to the wide interest taken in the new mineral field. There are some mining men and other some newspapers concerned with mining that are inclined to belittle the find reported. Other raise other difficulties as to the possibilities of the new field. Last week one of the well-known mining men who helped to pioneer this North proved very conclusively to his own satisfaction, that the matter of transportation alone makes it impossible for the Great Bear Lake to be a success at present. It is always like that. It was the same with Cobalt, Porcupine, Kirkland Lake, Kamiskotia, Red Lake and Matachewan. There is always someone to prove it can't be done, but the prospectors and mining men then go in and do it. There may be some who will say that so far as Red Lake and Kamiskotia are concerned the pessimists seem to be right. This, however, is not the fact. Howey Gold Mines have disproven the knocks against Red Lake. Kamiskotia will yet be heard from again and come into its own. Indeed, the history of mining in Canada would seem to suggest that the pessimists are always wrong. Accordingly, there is a tendency to accept the word of the boosters in such matters as much more likely to be true than any of the unbelievers.

Leslie Macfarlane, who has won much fame as a literary man, a fame that reflects much credit on the North Land which has been and is his home for many years, has an article in a recent issue of MacLean's Magazine in regard to the Great Bear Lake matter. Because so many in this camp are directly or indirectly interested, a condensed review of this article is given herewith:—

Eldorado in Canada
About the middle of May 1930, two prospectors pitched camp on the shore of Echo Bay, on Great Bear Lake. They were E. C. St. Paul and Gilbert LaBine, and they had just completed an arduous six-week trek from the lead waters of the Camself River, which had been preceded by a month's planning and a swift, tremendous swoop by airplane. St. Paul was snowed out by the time that they arrived, but LaBine was ready to start prospecting.

There was something familiar about the tiny island across from the Bay which he explored. LaBine had spent twenty-five years in the Temiskaming country, and he had seen similar rock at Cobalt. It was silver, all right, and a rich find. For a while he examined the rock, and then his excitement over the silver find was replaced by incredulity. A streak of dark greenish-black substance like a narrow ribbon of some deeply colored lava, coursed irregularly down the side of the rock to the ice.

LaBine was alone, so no witness is available to testify that he danced a jig, flung his hat in the air, turned a cartwheel, or performed any of the antics that commonly signify the delirium of joy. But this is what he had discovered:

Two veins of pitchblende, from which comes radium at \$70,000 the gram. There is nothing to compare with the find on this continent, nor anywhere in the world. Incidentally he had made a silver find which promises to eclipse the glories of Cobalt. He had made the first find of a discovery of high-grade silver in better width than any Cobalt occurrences, indications of even greater depths. He had made a silver strike from which samples have since been taken running from 1,000 to 15,000 ounces to the ton. Pure silver runs 30,000,000 ounces to the ton. He had discovered a promontory from which 32 mineral specimens have been taken, specimens which may be roughly classified under the general heading of uranium, gold, silver, copper and iron.

It is not too much to say that the Great Bear Lake discovery may prove the greatest mining find of the decade, perhaps of the generation. It looks as though this year will see the beginning of one of the greatest rushes of all time. At one stroke the northward thrust of civilization through the Northwest Territories to the borders of the Arctic Sea has been given an impetus and an objective. Considering the restrained report of the government technologist who studied the territory last summer, one ventures the statement that the Great Bear discoveries in general and the LaBine find in particular may play a part of the greatest historical importance in the destiny of the Dominion.

This newest mining field in Canada is unique in its importance to Canada. LaBine Point, the first to be discovered is the richest field to date and the most representative of the area's great possibilities. Other finds in the vicinity are those of the Great Bear Lake Syndicate, Ventures, Ltd., Consolidated Smelters, Dominion Explorers and the N.A.M.E. About 600 claims have been staked around Echo Bay. Copper has also been discovered, and drilling is expected to start during the summer.

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Another View on the 'Back-to-Land' Plan
Strange that Movement is on When Farm Prices are Low, Says New Liskeard Speaker in Reference Last Week.

business conditions that made it hard to raise money, slowed down the early development. There was, too, considerable skepticism, until Hugh Spencer, of the Dominion Department of Mines, studied the new finds in August of last year, and made his typically reticent governmental report. The report ran:

"While at present no estimate of the actual available tonnage can be made, the No. 1 and No. 2 veins at LaBine Point may be expected to yield several thousand tons at least of high grade pitchblende as well as a lesser amount of milling ore. Underground exploration upon their extension inland and under the lake, as well as prospecting of other known veins, will probably materially increase these amounts. Beyond any question the pitchblende deposits at LaBine Point constitute a very valuable source of radium. At the present value of radium, ore could easily meet the cost of shipment to rail (\$400 per ton) . . . as regards actual mining, the lie of the ground could hardly be improved upon, and development would be of the simplest character."

The government technologist personally broke "heavy uranium strain from a fourth, as yet unexplored vein lying about one mile beyond No. 3."

No. 2 vein carries rich silver ore associated with the pitchblende. It is likely that veins No. 1 and No. 2 may improve both in size and grade of ore with depth. The fact that pitchblende has recently been found two miles inland from LaBine Point, and on the strike of the veins there, suggests that the vein system may have a very considerable persistence.

J. J. Byrne, manager of the Great Bear Lake Syndicate, visited the district last August. He returned to Halleybury full of enthusiasm.

"The No. 2 vein on LaBine Point," he said, "is undoubtedly the most important discovery yet made in the Northwest, and probably one of the most important in Canada to-day. The Bonanza group of Eldorado consists of 27 claims on which very important silver showings may be seen, and this discovery, to my mind, will develop into one of Canada's most important silver mines."

Substantial evidence of the importance of the find lies in the fact that the Eldorado people shipped out twenty tons of pitchblende last summer, separated by hand-cobbing, much of it running to more than \$5,000 a ton.

These are solid proofs. The Great Bear Lake find has flung open the doors to a tremendous and well-nigh neglected area of the Dominion so great that its extent exceeds that of the four western provinces. Transportation facilities will have to be improved rapidly to meet the new needs. Extension of the railway into the area is a reasonable possibility within the decade. The oil wells of Fort Norman, the lead-zinc deposits at Great Slave Lake, all the found and yet-to-be-found natural resources of the Northwest Territories promise to attain development.

There is a great opening for the real pioneer in this new center of mining activity where daylight is of twenty-four hours' duration in the brief summer months, where winter temperature is as low as 80 degrees below zero has been recorded, where the airplane is the greatest single factor because the 1,400 miles of waterways lie between that inland sea and the fringe of civilization. But the obstacles will be overcome. Canadians discovered this Eldorado of the Northwest and they will develop it.

The new field is of importance both nationally and internationally. It seems certain that the Belgian monopoly, held by virtue of the Congo pitchblende deposits, will be broken and that the price of radium will come down, with greater quantities of the precious substance available for scientific research.

Radium, copper, silver, Gold—no wonder Gilbert LaBine christened his young mining company the Eldorado. And they have only scratched the surface. When summer comes to the Circle the eyes of the world will be upon the mining rush of '32.

Perth Expositor:—He's only a dog, but how often the four-footed, tail-wagging canine can teach humanity a lesson in faithfulness. The story came from Vancouver the other day that a little brown puppy was in an automobile accident with his master, and the master suffered severe injuries that necessitated going to the hospital. The pup was slightly injured, but when they were taking his master away the little chap fought furiously until he was allowed to go along. And until his master recovered he refused to be ejected from the hospital, and sat disconsolately in the adjoining hall with his eyes fixed on the door that concealed the object of his unwavering regard.

the farmer is not the sufferer he appears to be, for none of us know how much it costs the manufacturer to put his products on the market. We can ascertain the prices the farmer gets for his wool and hides, for instance, but we know nothing about the cost of converting the wool and the hides into the finished product.

The Western farmer, we sometimes think, must spend more time in trying to solve his economic farm problems than he does at farm work for he has offered to the world many and varied ideas, which would, according to his opinion, bring relief to the farmers of the West, but the best farmers of the East, and on behalf of whom we are especially interested, do not want to be bothered with problems they know so little about. They would prefer that the Hon. Robert Weir, the capable Minister of Agriculture, would take all these cares from their minds while they continue to bring honor to the farmers of Canada as is being done at every international competition.

Our Provincial Ministers of Agriculture are very active in obtaining for farmers the fullest information in regard to the carrying out of agricultural pursuits in the most scientific manner, and ever county or district has a representative to give advice or instructions, and we believe the Dominion Minister is equally anxious to promote the best interests of the farmers, but of what advantage is it to the farming community if he cannot sell his products? We can well understand the farmer muttering his thanks to the Bachelors of Scientific Agriculture for the advice given them but saying, "What I need most of all is a market."

FAVOURS HONOUR TO WORK OF THE ANGLICAN CHURCH
The New Liskeard Speaker last week says:—
"Under the heading 'Moosonee an Ideal Name for a New Town', the Timmins Advance publishes an explanatory letter from Archdeacon Woodall which calls for a brief explanation from us: When The Nugget announced that the name of Ontario's seaport town was to be changed from 'Moose Harbor' to 'Moosonee,' it did not occur to us that in making the change an honor was being conferred on the Anglican Church. This idea does not seem to have occurred to any except those who are familiar with the work being done by the Church of England in the far north for many years. Had we known the object the Premier and the Chairman of the Commission had in view we would not have objected to the change made."

Chatham News:—A school of 500 porpoises was discovered cavorting in the Connecticut River. With things as they are, they probably didn't want to get into deep water.

MAKING ANOTHER BONER BY CORRECTING A BONER
Last week The Advance published another group of "boners," blunders, errors, "bulls," or whatever you like to call them. The most of these were supposed to be from examination papers where some boys show more crooked memory than straight good judgment. Of course, it is not well to be too hard in criticism of the boys. This is particularly true so far as newspapers are concerned because there is no place where there is so much chance for the occurrence of these breaks and boners than in a newspaper. The setting up of last week's list gave an example of this. One of the breaks read thus:—"The trade of Spain is small, owing to the insolence of the people." In this case the pupil had remembered in part something he had read or heard in the matter, but his twisted version made his answer humorous, though perhaps as true as the original saying. The intelligent compositor, however, set it up, "insolence," instead of "insolence," so the only "boner" was the fact that the intelligent compositor made a "break" by taking the "bull" out of the pen.

Another one that was omitted last week may be given here and now. A boy writing on a history examination in answering one question said:—"Christianity was introduced into Britain by the Romans in 55 B.C."

Christian Science Monitor:—Caterpillars in the snow fields of Norway. Sounds strange, doesn't it? But according to a report from the United States Consul at Oslo, caterpillar bus lines have been organized recently to operate over the snow to the winter resorts, it having been necessary formerly for travellers to use horse-drawn sleighs.

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