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Another Letter on Matachewan Affairs

Review of Some of the Prospects in the New Camp. Evidences of Faith in the Camp and its Mining Possibilities.

Last week The Advance published a despatch from Matachewan sent from that centre by Ross Harkness of the Sudbury Star and dealing with the camp and its prospects, the view being largely based on the active properties of the area. A second despatch from Mr. Harkness published last week deals with the smaller and lesser-known properties and is of special interest. Part of the despatch follows:—

Great Faith in Matachewan
Matachewan, Aug. 1.—"I think I got a mine here."

Everywhere one goes in Matachewan he hears the same story—"I think I got a mine here."

Those who own claims in Matachewan with real showings are a pretty canny lot; not at all like the traditional gold mine owner who goes around boasting about his claims. That is perhaps why so little has been heard of Matachewan while so much has been heard of some other areas.

Saturday I briefly surveyed the mines that are producing, or that soon will be producing. But in addition to these mines there are a number of claims that there is good reason to believe will be mines some day.

Among the most extensive properties

in the area are those controlled by W. J. McNeeley and George Tough, both prominent mining men whose names are borne by more than one likely property in different Canadian mining regions.

Mr. McNeeley has a gang of 10 men stripping and blasting on L. B. United Gold Mines, about 1 1/2 miles north-west of Young-Davidson property, but about 3 1/2 miles from Young-Davidson shaft. Five veins have been located. Numbers 1 and 2 veins are respectively 20 and 15 feet wide and have been traced for about 1,000 feet. Numbers 3, 4 and 5 veins have not been opened yet.

Identical To Beatty
The veins are not spectacular, but in Mr. McNeeley's words, look good. "It is practically identical to the same as the Beatty vein," he said, "and I'm very much mistaken if I haven't got a mine here."

It is believed to be on the same break as Matachewan. Assays had not been made when I was there 10 days ago, but he was sending some beautiful samples of arsenical ore. The L. B. United mines property comprises some 800 acres.

George Tough Sunday morning showed me some fine looking samples taken from York Mines claims, where he has a gang of 12 men surveying and sinking surface pits. Mr. McNeeley is also interested in this property.

About three weeks ago the Woman River Syndicate, north of Matachewan, on the Montreal River, in Baden township, made what they claim were exceptionally good finds. The most recent vein discovery, east of the Matachewan River, is reported to be a foot wide on surface, widening out to three feet, and showing heavy mineralization. The syndicate believes it to be the most promising yet found in Matachewan.

Two veins were previously found, 16 feet wide at the showing, containing free gold. Samples taken from these veins, which did not contain free gold, assayed \$213.15 and \$529.90 per ton, but such showings are extremely rare.

Central Matachewan also reports fine showings, with values ranging from \$8.40 to \$190 a ton. They have done considerable diamond drilling and surface work.

Margo Mines
Margo Mines' 40 claims show a continuation of the Young-Davidson break with red porphyry of a similar type. Development work is under way by Matachewan Pioneer Syndicate; Baden Syndicate is said to have good showings north of Arbade Mine. Prospecting is being done by McCollum Gold Mines near the Ashley Mine.

At the present time close to 1,000 men are working on all the properties in the district, and that number is being constantly increased as financing is arranged. Operation of the Young-Davidson mill, which will possibly commence this month, and construction of the Matachewan Consolidated (Ventures) mill will mean more employment.

There is no need, however, to send out for men, because a sufficient number to meet immediate needs comes in "on spec." Lack of a railway has prevented an influx such as many other Northern Ontario camps experienced, though many have hitch-hiked in.

Without the feverish activity that featured many other mining camps

in their boom days, Matachewan yet radiates a spirit of confidence that is infectious. They discount wild statements that Matachewan will be greater than Porcupine or Kirkland Lake, but at the same time say "it is possible."

Evidence of Faith
For confirmation they point to the confidence of government and industry in the future of the field. The Ontario Hydro-Electric Power Commission spent half a million dollars to make power available for Young-Davidson and Matachewan or any other mines in the area. Consolidated, bringing a line down from Iroquois Falls, the Northern Canada Power Co. built a plant on the Montreal River where they are developing power for Ashley Gold Mines.

They point to the fact that Hollinger, Ventures, Mining Corporation, and other "big shots" in the mining industry are in the field, and comment that it must be more than just a "gamble" when such concerns invest. The Ontario government, they remind, built an excellent highway, at a cost of several thousand dollars, to Matachewan from Elk Lake, giving them direct connection with the Ferguson highway at New Liskeard, and has a staff keeping the road in good condition.

But that road is one of the grievances of Matachewan. They wanted it to go direct to Swastika and Kirkland Lake, which is just 30 miles across country as the crow flies. Instead, for some reason, the Department of Northern Development built the road to Elk Lake, 35 miles, where it is still 30 miles or more from the Ferguson highway.

Thus, instead of being 30 miles from Kirkland Lake, by road, Matachewan is 95 miles. The Matachewan mines get most of their supplies from Kirkland Lake firms, and Kirkland Lake trucks bob in and out of Matachewan daily, but it's a long haul. It also means that freight has to come to Elk Lake, and freight service on the Elk Lake branch of the T. & N. O. has to be experienced to be believed—so they say.

Railway Unnecessary
And speaking of the railway, I asked several mining men if they expected the T. & N. O. would extend into their district. "There is no need for a railway," they answered unanimously. "Our product, gold, goes out in small parcels in a hand bag and anything we have to import can be more cheaply and rapidly brought in by truck." Even the heavy mining equipment for their mills and shafts was brought in by truck.

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Some Special Menus for the Warmer Days

Healthy Folks have Good Appetites Even on the Warm Days. Here are Some Suggestions as to Menus.

Writing to The Advance Barbara B. Brooks, the noted culinary expert, has the following to say about menus for the summer weather:—

Are you one of those who feel just a little embarrassed whenever you sit in on a discussion of failing summer appetites or read about suggestions for light summer meals to tempt those who must be coaxed along until fall frosts bring bigger appetites?

It is a fact that some of us are just starved to death on the very hottest days. We may have a guilty feeling about it, but we are really hungrier in summer than during any other time of the year.

Warm weather is the time for us who live in a four-season climate to get out-of-doors. We go in for sports. We get enthusiastic about games, contests and plans for trips and outings. All of these things take energy and we get energy only from the food we eat.

The menus given below are for the active, healthy people who forget hot weather by keeping busy. The meals abound in summertime fruits and vegetables to regulate and tone up the system. Plenty of energy is stored in them because of the generous use of cereals—the crisp, ready-to-eat kind that nourishes you but keeps you cool. The quart of milk per day that each of us needs is there, part of it tucked away in sauces, desserts, beverages, bread, cheese. The proteins appear in the form of eggs, milk, cheese, meat, fish and vegetables. There is fat to keep you satisfied and happy, but not enough to make the meals over-heating.

Breakfast
Red Raspberries
Corn Flakes
Top Milk
Fried Ham
Whole Wheat Toast
Beverage
Luncheon
String Beans au Gratin
Potato Chips

Nut Bread
Fruit Dessert Salad
Beverage
Dinner
Assorted Cold Meats
Italian Spaghetti
Cheese Sticks
Mixed Green Salad
Butter

Hard Rolls
Frozen Custard
Butterscotch Bran Cookies
Breakfast
Half Cantaloupe
Eggs Goldenrod on
Toasted Whole Wheat Biscuits
Coffee Cake
Beverage
Luncheon
Potato and Ham Salad
Broiled Tomatoes

Bran Muffins
Mocha Float
Dinner
Raw Vegetable Appetizer
Baked Fish, Spencer
Hashed Potatoes in Cream
Steamed Summer Squash
Lettuce, Roquefort Dressing

Bread
Green Apple Pie
Beverage
Baked Fish
(Spencer Method)

Cut fish into pieces for serving. Dip in salted milk, using 1 tablespoon of salt for each cup of milk. Evaporated milk may be used. Dip into finely ground or rolled corn flakes. Arrange on well-oiled baking sheet and sprinkle liberally with oil. Bake in a very hot oven (500° F.) for about ten minutes.

Eggs Goldenrod
6 eggs
2 tablespoons butter
4 tablespoons flour
1-2 teaspoon salt
Dash of pepper
2 cups milk
6 Whole Wheat biscuits

Put the eggs in cold water in covered pan and bring slowly to the boiling point. Remove from heat, keep pan covered, and allow the water to cool. When cool, the eggs will be firm, but tender.

Separate the cooked whites and yolks. Chop whites. Melt butter in double boiler. Add flour, mixed with seasonings and stir to a smooth paste. Add milk gradually, stirring constantly to avoid lumping, and cook until sauce thickens. Add chopped egg whites. Pour over whole wheat biscuits which have been split and buttered. Rub the cooked yolks through a fine sieve and sprinkle over the egg sauce. Serve at once.

Telluride Mine to be Re-opened Near Englehart

Recent despatches from Toronto make the following reference to the re-opening of the Telluride Mines near Englehart:—

"Resumption of operations at the Telluride mine of Smelters Corporation is announced in a statement from Kirkland Lake and engineers of the staff of the mine management are at the mine now."

"The new, or main, shaft, which was being raised from the 250-foot level by the old Telluride management will be hurried to completion. Extension to 1,000 feet will immediately follow."

"Upon receipt of the engineers' report Smelters Corporation directors will proceed with the rebuilding of the mill, which, it is reported, will include the cyanidation of the ore. During the short time the destroyed mill was in operation, a gold-copper concentrate only was produced and shipped to the smelter. Tests have shown that flotation will remove sufficient of the copper, carrying with it but a very small percentage of the gold to permit of a satisfactory recovery of gold."

Sudbury's Board of Trade Urging Road

Will Ask Member for Legislature to Sponsor Plan of Road Connecting Timmins and Sudbury.

Sudbury board of trade is active again in urging the building of a road to connect Sudbury and Porcupine mining camps. The air service between Porcupine and Sudbury camps has shown the value of the proposed roadway, not only to the two camps but also to the country in general. The Sudbury Star on Wednesday of last week published the following account of a board of trade meeting in Sudbury:—

Backs Timmins Road Project
The campaign for construction of a highway north from Sudbury to Timmins was revived by the Sudbury board of trade yesterday afternoon.

The president, E. Riley Youngs, was instructed at a special session of the board's executive council to communicate with E. A. Lapierre, sitting member of the Ontario Legislature, and ascertain from him the government's attitude on the subject, also to urge early action.

President Youngs reported action had been urged by W. E. Mason. "Personally, I think it is a good idea," he observed. "We know what the advantages of the road would be to Sudbury. And Mr. Mason flew over the area recently and reports it as flat and level and suitable for the construction of a highway."

B. S. Leak, reminded: "Mr. Lapierre, I understand, promised us the road to Timmins before the election." S. B. Brotherton moved the president write to Mr. Lapierre, requesting him to take action as speedily as circumstances will allow.

No Time Like Present
"Yes, and tell him definitely," added Mr. Leak, "that he promised us the road and there is no time like the present. The hunger strikers say they want work and here would be an opportunity to give them work."

Alderman J. H. Simpson supported the resolution. He also believed the time opportune for an appeal to the government.

President Youngs said Mr. Lapierre since the election had put himself on record favourable to the proposed Sudbury-Timmins route, but he did not know he had committed himself to a pre-election promise.

"I believe it would be a wonderful move providing it does not embarrass the government," said Mr. Leak.

"The board of trade does not want to embarrass the governments in these times," concurred President Youngs. "Boards of trade and chambers of commerce throughout Canada have urged economy in governments unless something has to be done. But the local board interested itself in this project last year when asked for a report by the National Construction Association."

Study Tourist Prospects
The board, at the instance of Mr. Brotherton will study the district tourist situation, and a committee will visit the lakes and other summer resorts of the immediate vicinity.

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Mr. Brotherton contended the various resorts of this region are not properly advertised, are not known to the tourists and frequently to the citizens themselves.

"I was here five years before I knew where Long Lake was," he cited, "and Sunday there were 500 persons there. There are many lakes in the district which the people do not know very much about."

Mr. Leak said the members should visit these lakes and resorts. They must know the situation before they can talk about them. The situation will be surveyed and, perhaps the information will be placed in printed form.

Sudbury Star:—A young man often stays up nights to learn things that cause an old man insomnia because of his inability to forget them.

Toronto Mail and Empire:—Marie Dressler made her greatest fame when it seemed that her career was over. Thus her life work ought to be an inspiration to millions of discouraged people.

PONY DID NOT WAIT FOR THE DRAW IN THIS CASE

The Northern News last week says: "A pony which will be given away in a coming 'draw' was being kept at Kenogami Lake until such time as its owner was decided. The other day he disappeared, and though search parties went out after him, and the country was fairly well covered, the animal was nowhere to be seen. It began to look as if a new one would have to be ordered, or some other prize substituted. Almost a day later, word was received from Kirkland Lake that a pony answering the description of the lost one had been seen wandering around Main street. Its owner could not be located here and it was finally recognized as the 'draw' pony. As far as it is known the animal had never been to Kirkland Lake before, but he must have been city bred, for he must have straight for the bright lights and seemed quite content to be roaming the streets."

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