

ECONOMIC MINERALS OF NOVA SCOTIA.

The following brief descriptive notes have been prepared to accompany a permanent collection of the economic minerals and mineral products of Nova Scotia, made under direction of the Department of Mines for exhibition purposes at Halifax and elsewhere. The collection was brought together in 1903, and has since been added to from time to time.

It is trusted that the series of samples exhibited will show the diversity and general characteristics of most of the better known, and more or less workable mineral deposits of the province. As an indication of the constituents and character of the minerals, analyses accompany most of the descriptions. It must be remembered, however, that analyses are sometimes misleading if they have been made from picked samples, as is not infrequently the case.

To further illustrate the collection, there accompany it photographic views, and geological maps, plans and sections.

It may be mentioned that besides the collection at the Mines Building, Provincial Exhibition, the Provincial Government maintains a large collection of the minerals of Nova Scotia in the Provincial Museum at Halifax, where are shown specimens of all species discovered in the province, whether of economic or scientific interest, and from a very large number of localities. Inquiries regarding the minerals and mining laws of the province may be addressed to the Mines Department or the Provincial Museum, Halifax.