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Under the heading of "Waverly District" the *Canadian Mining and Mechanical Review* has the following rather tame apology for a very unjust attack on Supt. Hayward of the *Lake View Mining Company*. "Supt. Hayward, of the *Lake View Mining Co.*, claims that the paragraph in the January number of the *Review* in relation to his mill was inaccurate and unjust. He says that the reason the mill closed down was because the foundry people didn't know how to make a cam." But the following statement in regard to the *Concord Mining and Crushing Co.* will we think prove news to the manager, and if we mistake not call for another apology:—"The *Concord Mining and Crushing Co.*, which began work here in September with a flourish of trumpets, suspended operations in the middle of January for a very indefinite period. Some twenty or thirty tons of rock were mined from the Sterling areas, which gave about \$2 per ton. It is said this rich rock will not pay expenses."

The *Parrsboro Leader* says: "The shareholders of the *Parrsboro Coal* company met in the town hall Wednesday evening. Seventy-four shares were reported sold, and it was decided to sell the remaining shares and proceed to develop the mine. Messrs Jesse Tipling, J. H. Gillespie, White, Edward Gillespie and Wm. Ryan were appointed directors, and Dr. W. D. MacKenzie was appointed secretary and treasurer. The prospects of the mine are said to be most encouraging. A Montreal man wishes to take all the shares now for sale."

CENTRAL RAWDON.—The *Central Rawdon Mining Co.* is again coming to the front, the yield last month being 155 ozs. of gold.

LAKE CATCHA.—The *Oxford Mine* is now being operated with its splendid new plant and machinery, and should soon give a good account of itself, as it is reported work is now being done on a very rich load.

WAVERLEY.—An assessment has been made on the shareholders of the *Lake View Mine*.

Just read the following Menu, which was thoroughly enjoyed by the members of the *Gold Mining Association* and their friends on Tuesday evening last:—Oysters on shell, green turtle and consomme soups, olives, cellery, raddish, salmon, shad, breast of quail, timball of chicken, filet of beef, boiled ham, roast turkey, corned tongue, roast saddle of lamb, asparagus, Roman punch, haunch of venison, blue-winged duck, chicken, tomato and lobster salads, English plum pudding, jellies, custards, pastry ices, coffee, fruits, liqueurs, etc., etc. The dinner was served in Hessein's best style, and the dining hall and tables were handsomely decorated. After the inner man of each individual was amply satisfied, the toast list was taken up, the President proposing the health of Her Majesty and subsequently the health of the President of the United States. To the latter Consul-General Frye made a happy reply, in which he said that he hoped the day was not far distant when the people of Canada and the people of the United States would better understand each other. Premier Fielding made a capital speech in replying to the toast, "The Continued Prosperity of the Province," as did also Prof. MacGregor, in reply to the toast of "Technical Education for Miners." The toast to the "Press" was replied to by a representative of the *Chronicle*, the Editor of the *Mining Review*, and the Editor of *THE CRITIC*, the latter advocating the offer of a Government bonus to the first person who should discover gold below 700 or 800 feet, or in other words, should discover the second pay streak.

In reply to the toast "Our Guests," Attorney General Longley made a characteristic speech, which was thoroughly appreciated by the Association. Several informal toasts were then given, in which the ladies were pleasantly remembered; and one of the jolliest evenings of the winter was brought to a close by the singing of "Auld Lang Syne."

Many miners are, by force of circumstances, obliged to live hermits' lives, but when they gather round a festive board, such as that of Tuesday evening, they enter fully into the spirit of the gathering, and are unquestionably jolly good fellows.

At the meeting of the Association held at the Halifax Hotel in the afternoon, there was a discussion on suggestions regarding amendments to the existing gold mining legislation, with the view of presenting them to the coming session of the Legislature. Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows:—*President*—J. M. Reid, *Oxford Mines*; *Vice-President*—H. T. Harding, *Truro*; *Treasurer*—H. M. Wyld; *Executive Committee*—J. E. Hardman, B. C. Wilson, and Geo. W. Stuart.