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Specular iron ore has been discovered near Battery Hill Siding, Pictou, which is said to contain 90 per cent. pure iron.

THE coal shipments from the Port of Pictou for week ending Nov. 1st, 1881, were Halifax Co. 693; Acadia Co., 790; Intercolonial Co., 1858; Vale Co., 1311; total, 4652 tons.

THE Halifax Herald understands that the General Mining Association are about opening a new colliery in the vicinity of the Victoria Mines, North Sydney.

THE Yarmouth ship "Geerge H. Bell," was insured in Yarmouth office as follows: Commercial \$10,000 on vessel, \$1,500 on freight: Oriental, \$10,000 on vessel, and \$4,000 on freight: Marine, \$8,000 on vessel.

THE exports at St. John, Que., for October were \$26,000 greater in value than in October 1880, the figures showing \$117,918 against \$90,-

Some recent changes in the firm of Cant, Gourlay & Co., of Galt, are announced. Mr. Robert Macgregor, of Guelph, has purchased the interest of Mr. James Patterson and Mr. William Laidlaw. Mr. Patterson will shortly retire.

WE notice in many an esteemed contemporacy's column an article entitled; " Bank Directors' Duties." says the Detroit Free Press and continues; We should say, contrary to our general free trade principles, that these duties should be not "for revenue only," but for "protection" as well.