

occupy a prominent place on the main avenue of the Mines Building. The exhibit contains as its chief ornament a massive lump of nickel ore, weighing 12,000 pounds, surrounded by smaller pieces. These form the largest and most complete showing of nickel ore at the fair, most of the specimens being from the mines of the Canadian Copper Company. There is also a large ingot of pure nickel, weighing two and a quarter tons, valued at \$2,250. This exhibit is of special interest to Americans for the nickel in the nickel-steel

lead, galena and copper are well represented from various localities, and there are over 100 samples of iron of all varieties. Mica and asbestos, two valuable products, are well represented, and there is no finer lot of phosphates, raw and manufactured, shown by any country. The increasing importance attached to chemical manures must render Ontario's phosphate deposits a source of great wealth in the near future. Petroleum can be seen in every shape in the handsome pyramid erected by the Imperial Oil Company, of



ONTARIO'S FLORAL EXHIBIT.

armour plates near the battle ship came from the Sudbury mines. Many other nickel mine owners have also added fine specimens to the collection.

The gold region of Ontario is situated for the most part in the eastern and extreme western portions of the province. The County of Hastings sends numerous specimens of ores, nickel mostly, some quite rich. The Belmont Mining Co., of Hastings Co. make a fine exhibit of gold ore. There are also some good samples from the vicinity of Rat Portage, the Ophir Mine Company sending about half a ton of ore, which assays \$300 per ton. Silver

Petrolia, from the crude fluid as it flows out of the earth to the finest illuminating oil, and the numerous solid substances into which it is manufactured. Chief among these is paraffine, out of which substance Hamilton McCarthy has carved a life size replica of a bust of Sir John A. Macdonald, shortly to be erected in Toronto. It is a speaking likeness and thousands of visitors daily stop to take a look at the familiar features of Canada's late political leader.

Marbles and granites beautifully polished, the latter equal in the opinion of experts to the best Scotch, occupy a