

THE DAY

By Henry Chappell.

(The author of this poem is a railway porter at Bath, Eng. He is known to his comrades as the "Bath Railway Poet.")

You boasted the Day, and you toasted the Day,
And now the Day has come.
Blasphemer, braggart, and coward all,
Little you reck of the numbing ball,
The blasting shell, or the "white arm's" fall,
As they speed poor humans home.

You spied for the Day, you lied for the Day,
And woke the Day's red spleen.
Monster! who asked God's aid Divine,
Then strewed His seas with the ghastly mine;
Not all the waters of the Rhine
Can wash thy foul hands clean.

You dreamed for the Day, you schemed for the Day,
Watch how the Day will go.
Slayer of age and youth and prime
(Defenceless slain for never a crime)
Thou art steeped in blood as a hog in slime,
False friend and cowardly foe.

You have sown for the Day, you have grown for the Day;
Yours is the harvest red.
Can you hear the groans and the awful cries?
Can you see the heap of slain that lies,
And, sightless, turned to the flame-split skies
The glassy eyes of the dead?

You have wronged for the Day, you have longed for the Day
That lit the awful flame.
'Tis nothing to you that hill and plain
Yield sheaves of dead men amid the grain;
That widows mourn for their loved ones slain,
And mothers curse thy name.

But after the Day there's a price to pay
For the sleepers under the sod,
And He you have mocked for many a day—
Listen, and hear what He has to say:
"Vengeance is mine—I will repay."
What can you say to God?

SCHUMACHER.

It is stated by Mr. F. W. Schumacher, the owner of the Schumacher mine at Porcupine, that he intends to erect a mill on the property, so encouraged is he by the indications there.

The contractors are the only men who have been allowed to go recently from the property, and they had completed their work. Sinking has been stopped at present, but veins already found above the 300 ft. level will be developed, he states.

Further sinking to the 500 ft. level may be undertaken later.

JUPITER.

The secretary of the Jupiter Mines, Limited, announces that the McKinley-Darragh option, which was to expire on September 18, was extended for a further term of three months.

Development has been more favorable during the past two or three months than in the early part of the option period, but the McKinley-Darragh company did not feel that the results justified the exercising of their option at this time, and accordingly asked for an ex-

tension, which the Jupiter directors considered that in view of existing circumstances the interest of all considered will be best served by granting.

The extension calls for the continuation of operations in substantially the same manner as they have been heretofore carried by the McKinley-Darragh company. The terms of payment in the event of the exercise of the option remain unchanged. These terms include the payment of the existing bonds immediately upon the exercise of the option. The additional interest accruing on the bonds and the additional sum required to carry on the development are the price being paid by the McKinley-Darragh company for the extension. The McKinley-Darragh company has the right to exercise its option before the expiry of the three months if it so desires.

CALGARY OIL FIELD.

According to the Natural Gas and Oil Record interest in the Calgary oil field last week centred around the well of the United Oils Co. Aside from the favorable showings found there, the entire field was very quiet. The well has now reached a depth of 2,650 ft. The gas pressure is increasing, and there is every indication that a producing oil well will be brought in. There have been good showings of oil for the last two hundred feet. O. G. Devenish and other officials of the company who have been spending a great deal of time at the well for the last few days expect to bring in a real oil well.

Tubing in the Calgary Petroleum Products No. 1, the Dingman Discovery well, is being raised in the hope of getting better results. It is possible that the drill will be put back in that well and the immediate territory thoroughly tested. Drilling will be resumed at the No. 2 well of the same company within a few days.

The Acme now has a standard outfit on the way to the United property, where they will put down a well on a royalty basis.

Troubles between the Alberta Drilling Co., the contractors and the Dome Oil Co. have continued during the week, with the result that work on the well is closed down.

Word from Wetaskiwin, in the north, is to effect that the No. 2 well, now drilling, has reached a depth of 1,216 ft., and a heavy flow of gas has been encountered. The Ottawa Petroleum has let the contract for drilling a well on section 7, Township 32, Range 5, and the equipment is now all on the grounds. The Alberta Associated well on Section 7, Township 16, Range 2, has now reached a depth of 220 ft., and all equipment is on the ground for another well in the Rock Mountain House district. All casing is back in the hole at the Federal and they are again drilling and making good progress. Piedmont has awarded a contract and fully expects to be drilling within two weeks. Western Pacific has been under-reaming and putting in casing during the week. There is wet gas in this well. Wet gas has also been encountered in the No. 2 well of the Northwestern Pacific.

The Herron-Elder well (Alberta Petroleum Consolidated No. 2) has been straightened and drilling resumed. The gas flows increased at both the Alberta Petroleum No. 1 and the Prudential during the past week, and good progress has been made in drilling.

Taken all in all the Alberta field looks better to-day than ever before, and news of a real producer on the property of the United can be looked for at any moment.