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MINING.

In our issue of April 15th last we referred to Mr. Chas. M. Dobson, M.

E., and C. E. of Chicago in most complimentary terms.

He came as we knew to New Brunswick to examine a manganese mine in the interests of Chicago business men of high standing, and he further

in the interests of Chicigo business men of high standing, and he further represented that he had been superintendent of the Coal Hill, Peacock and Eureka mines in Arkansas, and also that he had held a similar position with the Rico Metallurgical Reduction Works, Rico, Colorado.

He here met some very capable mining men, and the way he went about his work proved to them that he was an able mining engineer.

We had never seen etheard of Mr. Dobson previous to his visit here, but from all we could learn about him we felt convinced that he was an influential and prominent member of his profession, and that his very favorable opinion of the mining resources of the country would end in the introduction of considerable capital. introduction of considerable capital.

What then was our surprise to find in the April number of the Canadian Mining Review a very bitter leading article under the title " Head him off" in which Charles M. Dobson was pronounced a swindler and fraud of

the lowest type.

The statement that he had absolutely no mining experience we were repared to combat, but the other statements as to his career in Ontario seemed authentic, and we felt like thanking the Review for its prompt

denunciation of an imposter.

We may state that Mr. Dobson denies the charges in toto and that he will furnish a full defense for publication in The Critic. Till he has been heard from we sha'l make no further comment, beyond the suggestion that the Review in its wild desire to obtain notoriety and to make itself the organ of some one, has allowed its real to run away with its discretion.

Mr. D. Touque has returned from his visit to France and England, where his prolonged stay has resulted in his complete restoration to health. With renewed energies he will now devote himself to his mining business, and we trust meet with his usual success.

The following are the official gold returns so far received at the Mines Office for the month of April:

District.	Mill. Tons C'z. crushed.	Ozs. Gold.
Kemptvi'le	Kempt (Januar:) 20	11
Caribou } Moose River Mine { "	D. Touquoy355	64
do. do	Moose River G. M. Co. 129	5
	J. D. Copelald295	195 1
Malaga	Malaga Mining Co113	199
15 Mile Stream	New Egerton (March). 150	72
do	do. (April)175	52
Stormont	Rockland 67	68
	Withrow 70	53
do	Eastville 24	2603
*Siate and quarts.	•	

secure areas at Upper Seal Harbor, Stormout, Guysboro, some 115 areas having been taken up by W. D. Hewitt, S. R. Giffin, John McMillan and F. S. Andrews. STORMONT.—There was quite a rush at the Mines office this week to

Montague — The sale of the Annand, Rose, British American and Lawson gold mines to a London Syndicate or Company has been virtually completed, and is another feather in the cap of Mr. Alfred Woodhouse, M. E. of London.

The laws relating to Mines and Minerals as consolidated and amended at the last session of the Legislature are now ready for distribution. Every mining man should have a copy.

The summary report of the Geological Survey Department for the year 1891, beginning on page 37, gives the result of Mr. Faribault's work in the Nova Scotia gold districts, and is of such general interest that we quote at

"Mr. Faribault continued and made good progress with the very excellent detailed work he is doing in mapping the structure of the gold-bearing rocks on the Atlantic coast of Nova Scotia, and on which he furnishes the following report and interesting remarks. Personal observa-tion enables me to concur in the opinion he expresses both as rega.'s the correspondence of the Quebec gold-bearing rocks with those of Nova Scotia, and also as regards the position of the rich leads and their relation waxis folds. The latter, if correct, must prove of the greatest practical importance if intelligently applied in the further development of gold mining in Nova Scotia, and also in directing prespecting for veins in the alluvial fields in

Quebec.
On the way to Nova Scotis I took occasion to visit the Little Ditton gold district in the Eastern Townships of Quebe, with the view of comparing the Lower Cambrian rocks there with the auriforous series of Nova Scotis. Like all those who have examined both localities, I have no doubt that these auriforous rocks are of the same age. The Little Ditton rocks like those of Nova Scotis may be divided into two distinct groups, a lower constraint group and an upper or graphitic forruginous slate group. They Prof. Semon has taken great pains in securing the Best Talent obtainable. They are all Specialty Leaders and the Cream of American Vaudeville.

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