

their posts. These men will see this thing through, and they deserve the thanks of the nation.

**Sydney.**—The backbone of the Glace Bay strike is broken. The Dominion Coal Co.'s shipments are steadily approaching the normal.

**Halifax.**—A large stamp mill, situated at Caribou, Halifax County, was burned to the ground early in July.

### QUEBEC.

In the case of the Eagle Mining Co. vs. Klipstein et al., judgment was given last week for the plaintiff. Cate, White & Wells, attorneys for plaintiff.

This was a case where defendants, having bought a mining property, making one payment down, defaulted on the deferred payments, and for no visible cause, having made no practical effort to mine (although that is immaterial). Plaintiff claimed that, so long as defendant was solvent, payments must be made as agreed, the defendant having no option to return the property; that the clause in such deeds which so many wrongly so interpret, is solely for the benefit of the vendor in case the buyer is insolvent, when the property reverts to vendor without action. Judgment with costs sustains this.

C. A. French and Dr. Mooney have engaged R. D. Morrison to superintend the erection of buildings for the Marsboro Gold Mining Co. The Mill property has been bought, and stamping machinery is being put in.

The St. Onge Syndicate has bought from N. S. Parker and D. T. P. Shaw an asbestos property near Mansonville, Que., for \$50,000.

Professors Dresser and Bell, of Montreal, inspected the Norton Copper Mine at Suffield, June 21.

A narrow vein of quartz carrying molybdenite was recently found in Southeastern Quebec, between granite walls; not of commercial value, but of interest as an ore rare in the province.

The Goleonda Gold Mining Co. has its boarding-house nearly completed, and work on the property is proceeding favorably. It is probable that the order for machinery will be placed in Sherbrooke.

Mr. J. F. Mackenzie, of Montreal, accompanied by Mr. Wm. Marshall, of Toronto, spent a day on the property of the Compton Gold Dredging Co., in which Mr. Marshall has become interested. The financing of the enterprise is now proceeding favorably, and it is probable that a dredge will be installed this season. Mr. Mackenzie will go to New York next week in this connection. Mr. Marshall left Wednesday afternoon to look over some mining property in Nova Scotia.

### ONTARIO.

**Cobalt.**—A great deal of interest is being displayed in South Lorraine this summer, and throughout the whole of the district there is an air of activity that speaks well for the future of that section. On practically every property within a radius of two miles of Loon Lake work is being done, and as a consequence many discoveries, principally cobalt, have been made. Cobalt appears to be the principal mineral of the district, but in practically every case values in silver can be obtained on the surface. The general direction of the veins is northeast and southwest. The diabase is the best producing formation, but many important discoveries have also been made in the Keewatin, particularly when near a contact. Unlike the Cobalt camp, work up to date in the Huronian conglomerate has shown that formation to contain little of value. During the summer there will be a large increase in the amount of development being done, and if the same success is attained as has followed the work up to date, the district of South Lorraine promises to be one of the best outside of Cobalt. On the Great Northern claim only about 25 per cent. of the surface has been prospected,

and ten veins have been found. Two of these are aplite, with an average width of about three inches, while the rest are calcite, some of them carrying nickel and cobalt. Considerable diamond drilling is also being done. There is one shaft on the property, which is down a distance of fifty feet, and a 3-inch vein is showing in the bottom.

The south half of the Haileybury Silver H. R. 16 claim recently purchased by New York and Buffalo people is now known as the Magna Canadian. At the 70-foot level of the shaft a drift is being driven to the south on a 5-inch vein of calcite carrying small values in silver.

The new plant at the Keeley mine started running about the first of July, and it is working very satisfactorily. It is a suction gas producer of 220 horsepower capacity, and supplies power for the whole plant. The main shaft is now down to a depth of 130 feet, and at that point a station is being cut. On the west side of the property the new No. 3 shaft is down 50 feet on a large vein of cobalt. A force of 30 men is employed.

At the Wettlauffer, the new machinery is also running, and as a consequence development work is being done on a more extensive scale. The shaft is now down over 85 feet, and at the 60-foot level a station has been cut and a drift started on the vein discovered last fall on the surface. Another vein has been cut 30 feet to the south by a cross-cut from the station. In the bottom of the shaft the vein shows 6 inches of high-grade ore. At present there are 40 men employed on the property, but this force will be largely augmented in the near future. New camp buildings to accommodate 100 men are being erected.

The Harris-Lorrain syndicate, whose holdings consist of 20 claims, are getting ready to do a large amount of work. On the property G. F. 12 camps are being put in shape so that development work can be started on six claims in the northern section. On claim H. R. 88 a small 20 horsepower plant has been installed. In order to continue sinking, air will probably be obtained from one of the neighboring mines. The shaft is now down over 30 feet on a calcite and cobalt vein. This company are also developing their properties to the west of Ox Bow Lake, and on one of the claims there a shaft is being sunk.

The shaft on the Currie property is down 100 feet, and from the bottom a drift has been started on the vein. The vein was traced for some distance on the surface, where it had a width of from 2 to 5 inches.

At the Beaver Lake mine the shaft is down 90 feet, and drifts have been run north and south on the vein. There is 25 inches of vein matter, consisting of calcite and cobalt with some silver value.

Since the alteration in the mining laws of the Province of Quebec there has been a great increase in the interest manifested by prospectors, and it is quite apparent, from the number going in, that the country will be well explored. During the month of June fifty prospecting parties passed through Ville Marie. Mr. E. Boisseau, who has a property on Lot 5 of the south range of Favre Township, is putting in a small plant. A shaft will be sunk on a 5-inch vein of cobalt, said to contain good silver values.

The four diamond drills and one churn drill working on the big nickel deposit at mileage 222 of the T. & N. O. Railway, for the International Nickel Company, have been taken off. It is understood that the results attained were very satisfactory.

The diamond drilling has been stopped at the Alexandria Mine. Two calcite veins carrying good silver values were cut by the drill. The shaft will be sunk from the 125 to the 200 foot level, and from the lower level a cross-cut will be started to catch the new leads.

On the property of the Cobalt Leasers at Peterson Lake the diamond drill working there went through the diabase into underlying conglomerate.

The Hydraulic Company at Ragged Chutes have one of the intake shafts completed, and on the other one there is still 100