

we shall, no doubt, be able to deduce important lessons from the statistics it furnishes. The prompt collection and publication of these valuable statistics is highly creditable to Mr. E. O. Leach, the Director of the Mint. —*Engineering and Mining Journal.*

"WILL WONDERS EVER CEASE?"—A New Wiswell Gold Mill For Whiteburn.—Messrs. J. E. and Geo. H. Gammon, of Boston, are at the Caledonia House. Mr. J. E. Gammon informs us that he and a number of Boston capitalists have purchased the Parker & Douglas property at Whiteburn, and intend erecting a new Wiswell mill on that property immediately. They already have a number of men at work prospecting and getting out quartz. The mill will be in operation about the first of August.

Mr. Edward Whiddon is now engaged bailing out the West Mine at Whiteburn. That means business.—*Gold Hunter.*

THE OTHER MINE.—This mine is on concession thro' in the township of Galbraith, about eighteen miles north of Thessalon, and 15 miles north of Bruce, and within half a mile of the government road. The vein runs east and west along the top of a mountain bordering on McPhee's valley and can be traced for miles. Its width about 35 feet, carries gold across the full width, and is known as a true fissure vein, being separated from the solid rock on either side by four or five inches of decomposed matter. The quartz is defined as being of a fine granular quality, and of the best free milling ore. The rock composing north or foot wall is of the gneiss formation, the south wall being of the diorite series. Several test holes have been sunk in different sections of the vein of a depth of five feet, displaying in every case free gold exceedingly rich both in quality and quantity. Assays made by Professor Hays, of Toronto, of some of the specimens run as high as \$14,000 to the ton. This mine is considered of far greater importance than the Ver million mine, of Sudbury, which attracted so much attention a year or two ago, because of the immense size of the vein and quantity of ore.

BEAVER.—There is a rumour floating around that a very rich strike has been made in the north bluff, a spot that Capt Hooper has been expecting great things from, as it is where a side vein was supposed to join the main vein. If this proves to be true we suppose that the captain will put up his extra 20 stamps at once. We have not heard that he has started the mill yet, but passers by say that they could occasionally hear the propeller whistle of the mill.

THE STAR MINE.—Capt. Roberts of the Star mine, north of Whitefish Lake is in town, they are badly bothered with water and just now are only keeping it clear, as a visit is expected from the owners. The Capt. reports splendid ore.

MCGREGOR IRON.—Local parties are busy at work on an iron deposit of large extent just back of the town a few miles. It is siderite ore and assays about 47 per cent. For shipping purposes it may be of no great value, but for manufacturing here no better class of ore could be got.

MURILLO.—Mr. Winder's brother is out from England and we expect to hear that preparations are being made to get better pumping machinery at once.—*Algoma Miner.*

TEMPERED COPPER.—That copper was hardened or tempered by the ancients, no one can doubt, as samples of edged tools and relics of all kinds have been found composed of pure copper, and are on exhibition in all collections. It is interesting, therefore, to learn that the Eureka Tempered Copper Company, of North East, Pa., claims to have discovered this process and to be able to supply the trade with any and all kinds of copper cast solid, tempered to any gauge that the work expected of them demands.

The *Irish Times* says that a rich gold mine has been discovered at Dunmode, in the western part of County Cork, and that a company is being formed to work it.

METALS SYMBOLIC OF THE PLANETS.—The ancients designated the seven metals by the name of the planets, because each were supposed to have some hidden relation, each being denoted by a particular symbol, representing both the planet and metal. Gold was the sun; silver, the moon; mercury, Mercury; copper, Venus; iron, Mars; tin, Jupiter; lead, Saturn.

SOME MINING DIVIDENDS.—The Pacific Borax, Salt and Soda Company have declared a monthly dividend of one dollar per share, payable May 10th.

The Aspen M. & S. Company, of Colorado, will pay, April 15th, dividend No. 12 of ten cents a share, aggregating \$20,000, making \$60,000 paid this year.

The Calliope M. Company of Colorado will pay April 10th, dividend No. 10, of one cent a share, aggregating \$10,000, making \$50,000 paid this year.

The Idaho G. M. Company of Grass Valley, California, will pay dividend No. 244 (for May) of two dollars and fifty cents per share.—*The Financial and Mining Record.*

Last year's report of the territorial Geologist says the deposits of soda in Wyoming will measure fifty-two million tons, and all that has to be done is to dig it out and dry it and it is the salt cake of commerce awaiting transportation.

The world produces annually in silver \$117,500,000, of which China and British India absorb \$63,250,000, the arts and sciences \$21,000,000, leaving only \$33,500,000 for coinage per annum.

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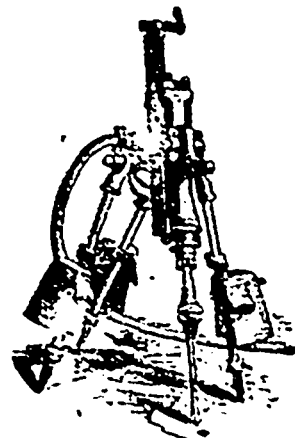
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