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ARE THERE CANADIAN DIAMONDS?

There is food for speculation in the following paragraph which appears in an exchange:

"The existence of diamonds in the glacial ice sheet of Wisconsin furnishes an interesting speculative subject. This glacial ice sheet was brought during the glacial period from somewhere in the north, and wherever it came from it is reasonable to expect that there are deposits of diamondiferous rocks. They may be considered analogous to ore which the prospector finds. It is certain that it came from an ore vein or deposit. Where this deposit of diamondiferous rock lies can only be a matter of speculation. Prof. Hobbs, in an article read before the Wisconsin Academy of Sciences, points out two regions in which the geological conditions are such that they may contain the diamonds. They are in the Menominee district, in northwestern Wisconsin, and in the Pigeon river on Lake Superior. In both of these places basic intrusive rocks have cut through carbonaceous shales, as in the diamond regions of South Africa. In Michigan, too, a diamond weighing 10 $\frac{1}{8}$ carats has been found in the glacial drift. In Wisconsin there have been several found. One in Waukeshaw county weighed 15 12-32 carats, and one in Washington county weighed 24 $\frac{1}{4}$ carats. These are the largest yet found. North of Lake Superior, reaching to Hudson's Bay, there is a comparatively unexplored region of country, and it is in this that the original location of the diamonds is expected to be discovered. This country is also known to contain gold and silver."

Today we are only scratching over the mineral deposits of this great Dominion. Decades hence, whether these diamond deposits are discovered or not those who succeed us will begin to realize the extent of the country's natural wealth, and before many more pages have been added to the world's history it will be known to all nations that Canada possesses the greatest deposits of precious minerals on the face of the globe, and we now are on the dawn of an era of great prosperity.

INCREASED COPPER PRODUCTION.

The exportations of copper from the United States during 1896, says an authority, have been unprecedented in the history of American copper production. While the United Kingdom, France and Germany are the greatest buyers of American copper, the other countries of Europe have taken a third of the total exports this year. Consumption of copper throughout Europe has been unprecedented.

The exports of fine copper from the United States during the first nine months of 1896 have been 109,812,480 pounds, as against 109,421,870 pounds during the same period in 1895. Notwithstanding these enormous exports, the visible supply in England and France and afloat thereto, from Chile and Australia is over 18,000 tons less than a year ago.

The average monthly exports from the United States amount to 22,201,386 pounds of copper. To a considerable extent this increase in the production of copper in the United States must be ascribed to the immensely increased output of the gold-copper mines of Trail Creek.

The Zilor syndicate, of which F. Aug. Heinze is a member, has set out to make a mine of this well-known claim, and the result of the work done so far has been most satisfactory. Howland Stevenson is in charge of the work, and it is needless to say that it will be prosecuted in a vigorous manner. Zilor ore is of the same character as that found in the Red Eagle, Mayflower, Silver Bell and other famous south belt properties. The last assays from the Zilor ran \$29.15, \$32.61 and \$40.

Some fine rock was brought in from the Reservation yesterday by Mr. W. H. Harris, of the Joseph-Le Roi company. On the property of the company there is a shaft twenty-three feet deep, in which there is a showing of ore that would gladden the heart of many a Trail Creek prospector could he but see it on his claim. Many Reservation claims, Mr. Harris says, will be worked all winter.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

CAMBRIDGE MINERAL CLAIM.

Situate in the Trail Creek Mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: About 4 miles south east of the town of Rossland, on Violin Creek.

TAKE notice that I, N. F. Townsend, as agent for H. S. Wallace, No. 72,405; John Elliott, No. 75,011, and Ernest Miller, No. 72,357, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

And, further take notice, that action under section 37 must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this 10th day of October, 1896.

N. F. TOWNSEND.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

VICTORY MINERAL CLAIM.

Where located: On Sophie Mountain, in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay, District of British Columbia.

TAKE notice that I, A. R. Macdonald, acting as Secretary of Victory-Triumph Gold Mining Company, Limited Liability, free miner's certificate number 77279, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a certificate of improvements for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

And further take notice, that action under section thirty-seven must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this 1st day of December, 1896.

A. R. MACDONALD.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

TRIUMPH MINERAL CLAIM.

Where located: On Sophie Mountain, in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay District of British Columbia.

TAKE notice that I, A. R. Macdonald, acting as Secretary of Victory-Triumph Gold Mining Company, Limited Liability, free miner's certificate number 77279, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a certificate of improvements for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that action under section thirty-seven must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this first day of December, 1896.

A. R. MACDONALD.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

EMERALD MINERAL CLAIM.

Situate in the Trail Creek Mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: East of and adjoining the town of Rossland.

TAKE notice that I, N. F. Townsend, acting as agent for Hirschel Cohen, free miner's certificate number 72884, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that action, under section thirty-seven, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this 23rd day of November, 1896.

N. F. TOWNSEND