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The gold mining outlook is steadily improving, and there is renewed life in almost every mining district. Properties have been changing hands at good prices, and this has encouraged prospectors to renewed exertions. As a result several new finds are reported, and near Preston a large number of areas have been taken up, there being almost an old-time rush at the Mines Office. During this season our gold mines have been visited and inspected by a number of prominent mining ongineors, representing large capitalists, and as in all cases the orgineers have expressed satisfaction and surprise at what they have seen, their visits will undoubtedly result in important business.

The September quarter'y meeting of the Mining Society of Nova Scotia will be held at Londonderry, N.S., on Wednesday, the 7th day of September next. The following papers have been announced:—R. G. Leckie, subject not given; R. G. E Leckie on "Iron Deposits of Torbrook;" D. McKeen, M. P., "Coal Cutting in Cape Breton;" J. E. Hardman, subject not given.

We are in receipt of a catalogue from the Cincinnati Pure Aluminum Company, 7 Entery Arcade, Cincinnati, Ohio, manufacturers of pure and alloyed aluminum and the latest novelties in aluminum. There is a long list of these under different headings with the prices, embracing harness and saddlery fittings, grocers' and dairymen's supplies, composition sticks and innumerable fancy articles from charms to pocket pin-cushions. Medals and badges from a quarter to a dollar's size are furnished, the two samples sent us being beautiful in design and finish. The metal does not tarnish as easily as silver, and is proof against acids, and is therefore invaluable in the manufacture of knives and other articles brought in contact with acids.

THE RICHARDSON GOLD MINE.—The probabilities are that the Richardson mine, at Isaac's Harbor, will prove to be an immensely valuable property. It extends three thousand feet on the metals, and it is generally supposed that the huge belt of gold-bearing leads on which the company are now operating will extend through the who's property. It is understood that a large portion of this apparently valuable property has passed into the hands of Halifax capitalists, who, to all appearance, have made a profitable investment. It seems that the company are only in a manner getting ready to work their mine, and in doing so they have already raised about three hundred tons of quartz to the surface, which awaits crushing. Some fine lar" specimens of gold are to be seen in the quartz as it comes out of the short.—Chronicle

Mr Alfred Woodhou'e, Mining Engineer of London, who has just successfully negotiated the sale of the Annand, or al., and the Kaye mines at Montague to London Syndicites, arrived in the city on Tuesday evening on business connected with these enterprises.

THE MECHANICAL GOLD EXTRACTOR.—I have received the following letter from Major Johnston, which speaks for itself.

(Sg.) GEORGE MACDUFF.

Agent Crawford Mechanical Gold Extractor. Waverley, N. S.

(Copy.)
Montague Mines, 28th August, 1892. RE " CRAWFORD MILLS."

CAPI. MA DUFF. — Dear Sir, — Since leaving Johannesburg, South Africa, 15 months ago, a mining friend writes me to the effect that the "Crawford Mills" are expected to make a revolution in the treatment of tailings, and

that the demand for them is greater than the supply.

I regret I cannot give you more details, not having his letter by me, but if the above is of any service to you, you are welcome to make use of it.

Yours Truly, (Sgd.) T. Johnston.

Nova Scorians in Montana.—Alfred R. Christie, formerly of Tiure, N. S., and a brother of the conductor R. Y. Christie who was killed on the I. C. I' a few weeks ago, in a letter received by his father a few days the I. C. I a tew works ago, in a letter received by his lather a tow days ago, states that he is mining in Montana, and holding a claim in anticipation of the boom that the building of a railway is expected to bring to that camp. He states that Joe Crowe, son of shoriff Crowe, of Truro, is working in that section at a camp called Henry's Lake. Mr. Christic writes that Cooke is a mining camp on the edge of the Yellowstone National Park, and for its development needs a railroad. This road would require to obtain a right of way across a portion of the Park, but the United States Government are slow to grant ailroad concessions across portions of the national reservations. Cooke is in the best mineral belt of the Rockys, and in the event of a railroad will have a big boom, and claims not worked will become very valuable. In the meantime the "boys" are spending the \$100 per year required by the U.S. mining law to hold the claims good, and are living in hopes of the railroad being built soon. The altitude of Cooke is 11,600 feet above sea level, which gives the camp nine months winter and three months summer. At the time of writing the letter, Aug. 17th, there was deep snow within 50 feet of Christie's Cabin.

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