

**CLAM HARBOR.**—We were shown some very promising quartz taken from a lead now being opened up on a property at Clam Harbor owned by Clarence Barry and Hon. William Ross. The lead is reported as 8 inches in width, and the quartz is well mineralised and shows signs of gold.

**MONTAGUE.**—Official Report for October of the Nova Scotia Gold Mines, Ltd.—Tons crushed, 115, yield, 442 ounces smelted gold. Owing to repairs to boiler and engine the mill only ran 193 hours (8 days). No. 5 or main vertical shaft has been completed 112 feet from deck, the head-gear frame erected, and all rock is now raised to permanent deck and dumped from there. The frame of shed over head-gear has been built and will be covered in during the next few days with 1 in. boards and battens. A trolley tramway 300 ft. long has been built from main shaft within a few feet of Mill House. The mine at lowest depth, i. e., 266 ft., has been levelled from end to end and rails have been laid. The drifts east and west from each end have been started.

**MINING ITEMS.**—One hundred and three ounces of gold was the result of last month's work at the Malaga Co's. mine at Molega. This mine has maintained a steady output of gold in this fashion since its first opening up. Manager Wade has again struck very rich ore from a new lead recently discovered on this mine. The specimens shown are "sticking full of it." The Boston Gold Mine, under the management of Mr. Lallou, is looking very encouraging.

We were pleased to receive a call this week from Mr. G. J. Partington, manager of the Whiteburn Mining Co's. mine, who has been absent in New York for some time. While away Mr. P. visited a gold mine in Georgia, belonging to the Whiteburn Co, and had some alterations made to the mill there. Mr. Partington informs us that operations in their mine at Whiteburn will be carried on more extensively in a short time.—*Gold Hunter.*

**COAL MINING ITEMS FROM THE STELLARTON Journal AND News.**—Joggins Mines.—Work is steady: the pit works day in and day out. The output is off and on 300 tons per day.

The new company takes hold on the 1st. of Nov. No changes of importance are as yet spoken of.

The new engine seat is completed, and the engine house up. In fact everything is ready for the engine to be moved back, which will likely be done the middle of this week.

The mining school under Mr. Thomas Blackwood is making excellent progress. There are eight pupils, and the likelihood is that they will all pass a successful examination. What a boon the local government conferred on the miners in establishing these schools.

**Westville Items.**—The Acadia started the double shift last week.

The Montreal trade is finished for the season. This has been one of the busiest summers ever experienced at the Drummond colliery, and we doubt not that the end of the year will prove it to have been its greatest output, and we expect the largest output of any single colliery in the country. We believe if this colliery was kept going at its full capacity, it could easily supply a demand of from two to two hundred and fifty thousand tons annually.

The Campbell pit has stopped for the season, so has the Scott pit, with the exception of the sinking, which was started with intention of making connections with the tunnel from the old slopes. The double shaft has stopped also in the old slopes and how the surplus men and boys are to be disposed of is a mystery. It is to be hoped, however, that all hands will get a fair share of any work that is going during the dull period of the year.

**Spring Hill Mines.**—Nos. 1 and 3 slopes are working steadily, while No. 2 only works half time.

The tailrope has given better satisfaction during the past week. A number of the cutters were taken out from 7 and 8 balances and the places for the present stopped. With this deduction of boxes it has been able to overtake two thirds of the work, but it has got to improve much before it can accomplish the work awaiting it. We understand that the ropes have been condemned as unsuitable and the engine too near the surface.

Orders have been issued that the riding rakes in some slopes be kept off until 3.30 p.m., a quarter of an hour later, and the afternoon shift be refused a ride down until that time. This seems to be a small matter, but large enough to introduce the eight hour system. If the management are determined to take undue liberties without the voice of "Pioneer," we will be courteous enough to interview them regarding the hour 2.30 p.m. as the appointed time for riding rakes.

**CAPE BRETON NOTES.**—Caledonia Mines.—Work seems to be at a standstill except for the present favorite, the iron man. The work should be fairly shared, if possible.

**Gardner Mines.**—Work is steadier here than at any of the other mines, though the men are not making a fortune.

**IRON.**—Ferrona.—Mr. McIntosh is making very good progress with the coke ovens.

The hoisting engine of furnace broke on Saturday morning, causing the furnace to be idle until evening.

A young man by the name of Hingley got his foot badly burned by stepping into the slag run.

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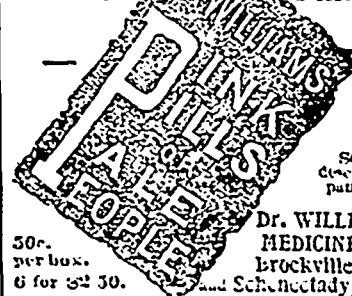
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