

# OUR MINERAL WEALTH.

## THE CHAUDIERE GOLD FIELDS.

### ARTICLE I.

From all the information we have been able to glean on the subject, we think we are warranted in assuming that the prospects of gold mining, as a regular and systematic industry in this Province, adding annually to its wealth and importance and affording a means of useful employment to considerable numbers of its population, were never better than they are at present. Indeed, there is much reason to conclude that, with proper encouragement and facilities at so favorable a moment, the working of our gold, like that of our phosphate, deposits, might as a business be powerfully impelled into an altogether new departure, which promises well for the country at large and which therefore calls for more than passing notice from the journalistic pen. That there has been a marked re-awakening of late on the part of both home and foreign capital to the reproductive value of investments in the auriferous lands as well of this Province, as of the sister Provinces of Nova Scotia and Ontario, there can be no manner of doubt. Recent purchases of mining properties on a large scale and at handsome prices in all three Provinces are there to attest this noteworthy and gratifying fact; which is further established by the actual presence, in Quebec at this moment, of Mr. Gordon, an eminent Mining Engineer, who has had vast experience in all parts of the world, and who has been specially sent out by English capital to examine and report