Improved Tone in Mining Markets---Hollinger at 14 Dollars

RECORD EARNINGS SHOWN BY C.P.R.

Wall-Street Favored With Optimistic Statement Regarding Great Transcontinental.

The News Bureau, one of the big Wall-st. daily news services sent out the following bulletin on the C. P. R. yesterday morning. It is particularly interesting when viewed in conjunction with the disappointing statement of earnings submitted by the Union and Southern Pacific for November:

Canadian Pacific prosperity has but few, if any, parallels in the history of railroading. Its business is growing by leaps and bounds. In the first four months of the fiscal year to the end of October gross business showed an increase of $3,671,000. We understand that the November statement, to be published in a few days, will show gross earnings of approximately $10,400,000, an increase of $1,5590,00 over a year ago. Preliminary returns indicate that the December statement will be even more favorable and will show an increase of over $2,000,000 in gross for the month, making the total gross increase for the first half approximately $6,800,000, or at the rate of $13,600,000 for the full year.

This expansion in earnings is all the more remarkable when it is considered that business in the fiscal year of 1911 showed a gain of $9,173,000 over 1910 and gross for 1910 showed an increase of $18,600,000 over 1909. It may be argued that the first six months is the most prosperous half of C. P. R. fiscal year, and usually this is true, but this year the movement of the crops has been very late, owing to various causes, and it is fully expected that gross earnings will continue to show good expansion.

C. P. R. is also showing an exceptionally large increase in net earnings. The road has been favored with very mild weather for this season of the year and no difficulty has been experienced in keeping working expenses down to around 60 per cent. of gross.

ON WALL-STREET.

Erickson Perkins & Co. had the following: A selling movement developed in the afternoon, which caused prices to decline 1 to 2 points, with Union Pacific the centre of pressure. Steel, St. Paul and others also became quite weak. Closing up of some long accounts, because near the end of the year and additional short sale offerings stood for most of the selling. The poor reports of Union Pacific and Southern Pacific for November were the immediate cause of the weakness of these two stocks. We think December will have better results all round, and we would now look ahead and not backward. The outlook is excellent; money promises to be easy, and after the turn of the year we should have a better market.

Charles Head & Co. to J. E. Osborne: The stock market to-day, after early dullness, with a comparatively steady tone developed weakness in the course of which declines of from one to three points were scored, the Harriman issues being under a special pressure as a result of the poor November earnings. The selling was to a considerable extent professional, tho probably some liquidation was forced. The reports of greater activity in the iron and steel industry were not effective in stimulating support of steel, which reacted with the general list. Money is expected to be easier after the turn of the year, and for that reason it is not believed that the aggressive operations of the bear party will be especially successful. On any further reaction we would suggest buying discriminately for the turn.

JOINS AMES & CO.

J. E. S. Thorne, Formerly of Porto Rico, Comes to Toronto.

Announcement was made last night that Mr. John E. Sterling Thorpe, until recently superintendent of the Porto Rico Power and Light Company, a subsidiary of the Porto Rico Railway Co., has become associated with the offices of A. E. Ames & Co.

Mr. Thorpe was born in England, studied law at Johns Hopkins University for three years, forsaking law for mechanical electrical engineering, completing his course in this at Cornell University and Baltimore Technical College. After completing his course Mr. Thorne served with the Baltimore Electric Company and the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company for about one year each, going to San Juan, Porto Rico, in 1905, in charge, under J. G. White & Co., engineers, New York, of the mechanical electrical work of the company then known as the Luz Electrica. In 1907 this company was succeed by the Porto Rico Power and Light Company and taken over by the Porto Rico Railways Company.

Mr. Thorpe's special field with A. E. Ames & Co. will be along the line of investigation and assistance in internal organization ow the businesses for which the firm may be asked to place blocks of securities.

THE COLONIAL BANK

Status of Partner in Proposed Merger With Royal Bank.

A London writer on the proposed amalgamation of Royal Bank of Canada and the Colonial Bank, says that the latter bank is par excellence, the old West India Bank respectable, dull, non-progressive, with a highly respected directorate and venerable (in years). The directors do very well in the scheme, which has now to be submitted to the shareholders, and the latter will receive about $45 for each $30 paid-up share.

The negotiations seem to have occupied some more time than was expected, and while, at the present moment, the directors are not in a position to make a final official statement on the matter, it is acknowledged that the arrangements are practically complete.

The balance sheet of the Colonial Bank for June 30 last shows a paid-up capital of £00,000, reserve fund £100,000, special reserve for depreciation in investments, £50,000. There deposits amount to £438,041 and the deposits amount to £2,352,041. The net profit for the half year is £29,486. The investment amounts to the comparatively high total of £1,376,268.

LONDON MARKET DORMANT.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—Money was in strong demand to-day. Discount rates were easier despite the poor weekly statement of the Bank of England.

Trading was quiet on the stock exchange and the specialties received the most attention. Underground rails and omnibus stocks advanced sharply and shipping shares and Mexican rails were stronger, but the rest of the market sagged.

Canadian and American securities opened steady and later in the forenoon advanced under the lead of Canadian Pacific. In the afternoon prices dropped under Wall-st. offerings and the market closed dull.

Winnipeg Grain Market.

WINNIPEG, Dec. 28.—There was a fair business done in options in the local market to-day and while December and May (new) opened ¼c to ¼c lower, May (old) advanced ¼c.

In oats there was a sharp advance of ⅝c on December, while May futures remained steady. The cash demand was excellent for low grades and the exporters said that a much heavier business could be done if the handling facilities were what they should be, as more business is now offering than can be handled, owing to the slow movement. December wheat sold off ⅝c and May ¼c for higher grades, but No. 4 wheat for December delivery advanced ¾c, while No. 5, No. 6 and feed advanced ½c each.

Receipts are continuing fairly heavy and while they are greatly in excess of last year at this time, they are much lighter than during last week. There are 250 cars in sight for inspection and the weather forecast is fine, but cold for today and to-morrow. Cash grain:

Wheat—No. 1 northern, 96c; No. 2 northern, 90c; No. 3 northern, 86c; No. 4, 77c; No. 5, 68c; No. 6, 57½c; feed, 53¼c; No. 1 rejected seeds, 83c; No. 2 do., 82½c; No. 3 do., 78c; No. 2 tough, 83c; No. 3 do., 76c; No. 4 do., 68½c; No. 3 red winter, 81c; No. 4 do., 73c.

Oats—No. 3 Canadian western, 32¼c; extra, No. 1 feed, 33c; No. 1 feed, 31¾c; No. 2 feed, 30c.

Barley—No. 4, 50c; rejected, 43c; feed, 42c.

TORONTO LIVE STOCK.

The railways reported 20 car loads of live stock at the City Yards, comprising 269 cattle, 175 hogs, 203 sheep and lambs and 27 calves.

Good cattle were in demand at firm prices, as will be seen by sales given below.

Corbett & Hall sold 4 loads as follows: Butchers, at $5.50 to $6.35; cows, at $4 to $5.25.

George Cameron sold 1 load butchers, 900 lbs. each, at $5.40 per cwt.; 1 load butchers, 1060 lbs., at $6.20; 9 cows, at $4.85.

C. Zeaman & Sons sold 10 butchers, 770 lbs. each, at $4.25 per cwt.; 10 cows, 1025 lbs., at $3.50 to $4.75; 10 canners, at $2.25; 25 rough calves, 280 lbs., at $3.60.

A. B. Quinn sold 4 car loads: Butchers, 35 to $5.90; cows, $3.25 to $4.50; calves, $7; lambs, $6.10; 200 hogs, at $6.20, fed and watered at the market, and $6, f.o.b., cars.

McDonald & Hallican sold: 7 cars live stock, as follows: Good butchers at $5.90 to $6.25; fair butchers, at $5 to $5.50; common to medium, $4.75 to $4.90; good cows, $4.00 to $5; common, $3.50 to $4.40; canners, $2 to $2.70; best bulls, $4.75 to $5.40; butcher bulls, $4 to $4.50; milkers, $50 to $85 each; 250 lambs, $8 to 109 lbs., at $6.70 to $6.50; 50 sheep, 190 to 190 lbs., at $3.50 to $3.90; 18 rams and culls, $2 to $3; 96 veal calves, 110 to 200 lbs., at $6.50 to $8.50.

Dunn & Levack sold 4 loads of cattle at $4.80 to $6.25.

Representative Purchases.

Wesley Dunn bought 44 sheep at $3.60 per cwt.; 100 lambs, at $6.25; 9 calves, at $7, all of which were average quotations.

George Rowntree bought for the Harris Abattoir Co.: 57 cattle, at $1.50 to $5.40. Mr. Rowntree stated that the best butchers' cattle sold from $6 to $6.35.

C. McCurdy bought 9 butchers, 950 lbs. each, at $5.70 per cwt.

W. J. Neely bought for Park, Blackwell, 23 butchers' cattle, at $5 to $6.25.

A. W. McDonald bought for Gunns, 4 loads of cattle; steers and heifers, $5.50 to $6.15; cows, at $4.30 to $4.85.

W. Etridge bought 9 milkers and springers, at $48 to $61 each and sold 4 canners, at $2.25.

UNION STOCK YARDS.

Receipts of live stock at the Union Stock Yards were 5 car loads, comprising 121 cattle and 1 sheep.

McDonald & Halligan sold on Wednesday: 5 butchers, 762 lbs., at $5.40 per cwt.; 17 butchers, 852 lbs., at $5.25; 4 cows, 1055 lbs., at $4.65; 1 cow, 1120 lbs., at $4.50; 2 cows, 950 lbs., at $3.50; 25 hogs, 194 lbs., at $6.20; 1 hog, 270 lbs., at $5.25; 12 lambs, 121 lbs., at $6; 1 sheep, 170 lbs., at $3.50.

Rice & Whaley sold: 12 butchers, 1160 lbs., at $6.50 per cwt.; 9 butchers, 964 lbs., at $5.85; 5 butchers, 980 lbs., at $5.75; 14, 900 lbs., at $5.65; 7 cows, 1147 lbs., at $4.65; 5 cows, 1066 lbs., at $4.

Dunn & Levack sold 3 car loads of cattle, 900 to 1000 lbs. each, at $5.75 to $6.10.

East Buffalo Markets.

EAST BUFFALO, Dec. 28.—Cattle—Receipts 150. Market barely active, steady. Prime steers, $7.70 to $8; butcher grades, $3 to $6.75.

Calves—Receipts, 150. Market, active, 25c higher. Common to prime, $6 to $10.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 6400. Market active; lambs, 20c higher; sheep, strong. Choice lambs, $6.50 to $6.55; cull to fair, $5 to $6.25; yearlings, $4.50 to $5; sheep, $2 to $4.

Hogs—Receipts, 3400. Market, active and steady. Yorkers, $6.50 to $6.55; pigs, $6 to $6.45; mixed, $6.55 to $6.60; heavy, $6.55 to $6.60; roughs, $5.60 to $5; stags, $5 to $5.50.

Chicago Live Stock.

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—Cattle—Receipts, 9000; market, weak, 10c to 15c lower.

Beeves—$4.75 to $8.65; Texas steers, $4.20 to $5.70; western steers, $4.30 to $6.60; stockers and feeders, $3.15 to $5.75; cows and heifers, $2 to $8.15; calves, $4.75 to $7.50.

Hogs—Receipts, 27,000; market, more active, strong; light, $5.85 to $6.30; mixed, $5.95 to $6.40; heavy, $6.05 to $6.45; rough, $6.05 to $6.20; good to choice hogs, $6.20 to $6.45; pigs, $4.80 to $5.90; bulk of sales, $6.15 to $6.35.

Sheep—Receipts, 15,000; market, steady; native, $2.50 to $4.15; western, $3 to $4.25; yearlings, $4.65 to $5.50; lambs, native, $4.25 to $6.35; western, $4.50 to $6.35.

WHERE DESCENDANTS OF THE ACADIANS DWELL.

Up in the centre of the Gulf of St. Lawrence the small group of Magdalen Islands are populated by three or four thousand lineal descendants of the Acadians under Champlain and De Monts, who were driven out of New France, Nova Scotia, by the English.

Since the first settlement in 1763, states a writer in Rosary Magazine, generations of the same families have raised scanty crops in the valleys and fed sheep and cattle on the high copical hills which constitute a prominent feature of an insular landscape.

Year after year men have gone out on the waters of the gulf in search of the cod, mackerel and lobsters on which a livelihood depends. They are a simple, primitive people, these natives of the Magdalens, laboring all the while under circumstances that are most discouraging.

The archipelago contains twelve or thirteen distinct islands, including several grim rocks which are not inhabited and never will be. But the remarkable feature about the physical formation of the whole group is the way in which one island is in some instances connected with another by a long stretch of sandy beach, enabling a person, if he desires to do so, to go for a score of miles or more along the most barren shore in the world, one there is uninhabited and unrelieved by vegetation of any kind, and the only animal life being the thousands of gulls, terns, gannets and other sea fowl which are extremely numerous in all this region.

The Toronto General Hospital

Pursuant to the provisions of the Toronto General Hospital Act, 1906, a meeting of the subscribers will be held at the Toronto General Hospital for the purpose of electing the Trustees to be elected by them under the provisions of the said Act at 3 o'clock in the afternoon on Tuesday, the 9th day of January, 1912.

Dated 26th of December, 1911.

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Hollinger Once More in Lead And Scores a Sharp Advance

Buoyancy in Big Porcupine Reflected Thru Whole Mining List—Rea Up 14 Points—Beaver Continues Its Advance.

World Office,
Thursday Evening, Dec. 28.

Hollinger resumed the leadership in the mining markets to-day, the big issue moving up to the front in the trading, and scoring a sharp advance under a sustained buying demand, presumably from the short interests, but clearly augmented by actual purchases from the outside following.

At to-day's quotations Hollinger showed an advance of 60 points for the session, and a gain of over a dollar from the low price reached on the recent decline. The movement was an orderly one, the appreciation being made with little ostentation, but the market was swept pretty bare of stock, and the spurt was by no means sluggish in any particular. The shares closed at $13.75, bid, 35 points up from last night.

Reflected the Advance.

The upward swing in the big security gave a decided fillip to the whole Porcupine list, and a distinctly improved undertone was evolved. Rea was an especial strong spot, the shares selling up to $1.78, a gain of 14 points, but the close was below that figure, profit-taking coming into play on the advance.

In the cheaper issues, buoyancy was the general indication. Dome Extension sold up over a point to 63½, but closed lower; Vipond was up 1 to 58; and Crown Chartered gained a fraction under a sustained demand. American Goldfields was an active spot, and showed a firm undertone, with a slight advance at the close. The others were unchanged to a fraction higher.

Sentiment Improving.

There was not much doing in the Cobalts, and outside of a further advance of a point in Beaver, which sold as high as 45, no features were displayed.

The market has brightened up materially during the last few days, and considering the existent holiday apathy, is giving a decidedly good account of itself. Sentiment underlying partakes of a bullish character, and it is felt that the recent declines will be fully wiped out when trading regains its former swing.

A FINE SHOWING

Exhibit of High-class Ore at South Porcupine Hostelry.

PORCUPINE, Dec. 28.—(From Our Man Up North.)—The King George Hotel at South Porcupine has on view an exhibit of high-class ore taken from the following mines: McIntyre, quartz with wire gold run all thru the rock; Scottish-Ontario, several chunks of quartz marked with the dark fracture lines every inch across the width (indicating depth according to Prof. Burrows) with free gold hanging out in nugget form; Porcupine East Lake Mines (Watson Syndicate), several pieces of quartz with gold in the fractures; Little Pet, large chunk of quartz prophyry with plaster of gold the size of a fifty-cent pieces in the end of the rock; Dobie, highclass ball of quartz with gold all thru it.

Chas. Fox.

GOLDEN CITY WAS SAVED AFTER HARD BATTLE

Flames Were Confined to West Side of King-Street—Loss About $80,000.

GOLDEN CITY, Dec. 28.—(Special.)—Thanks to the herculean efforts of every man in the neighborhood, and the use of dynamite, another devastating fire was prevented. The Mulligan House had a close call, and was only saved by wrecking an adjoining store and use of wet blankets.

The fire was caused by a defective electric light insulation in the upper floor of Joe Romaine's saloon, and was discovered by a little girl, who ran down stairs and told her mother about the smoke, and by the time she could investigate, the whole roof was ablaze.

The Losses.

The total loss will probably exceed $80,000. The individual losses cannot at present be ascertained, but the following are burnt out: Saul Taub, confectioner; J. M. Forbes, J. P. Crawford, attorneys; T. E. Godson, magistrate; Carter & Wright, druggists; Evans & Co., gents' furnishings; Joe Romaine's saloon, where the fire started; Carteau's fancy goods store, Chinese laundry, Strathcona Hotel, Lang Supply Co., the heaviest losers; barber shop, Chinese restaurant, Imperial bakery, and old Lyric Theatre.

By the liberal use of dynamite, the fire was held in check at the bank saloon. The fire was confined to the west side of King-st., and takes in four hundred feet of frontage.

S. Alfred Jones, a well-konw lawyer of this city, has just come down from Porcupine, and to-day gave The World the information that the Porcupine fire was not as disastrous as was at first recorded. Mr. Jones says that the only really good building in the burned block was the Lang Supply Co. The Lyric Theatre had to be dynamited, but the new building was saved, as was also the Mulligan House. Mr. Jones stated that if the fire had to occur, it could not have picked out a better section of the town.

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PRICE OF SILVER.

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New York Curb.

Chas. Head & Co. (J. E. Osborne) report the following prices:

Buffalo, closed 1¼ to 1½. Kerr Lake, 2¾ to 2⅞. La Rose, 3 15-16 to 4. McKinley, 1⅝ to 1¾. Nipissing, 6⅞ to 7; 300 sold at 7. Dome Mines, 35¾ to 36. Dobie, ⅞ to $1. Dome Ex., 63 to 65, high 64, low 63; 1000. Foley, 7-16 to ½. Por. Central, 3⅝ to 2½. Por. Northern, ⅝ to ¾. Vipond, 57 to 59. Por. Townsite, 45 to 50. Preston, 11 to 13; 100 sold at 12. Rea, 1 15-16 to 1 13-16; 100 sold at 1¾. West Dome, ⅝ to $1.

Toronto Stock Exchange Curb.

	Op.	High.	Low.	Cl.	Sales.
Mines:—					
Beaver	44½	...	...	...	1,500
Chartered	51½	51¾	51½	51¾	8,300
Dome Ext	66	66	63	64	2,500
Moneta	12	...	...	...	500
Swastika	21½	...	...	...	500
Industrials—					
S. R. Pulp	3900	...	...	...	4
do. pref	8800	...	...	...	25
Bread	3000	...	...	...	10
Car. Crume	4100	...	...	...	6

Dominion Exchange.

	Op.	High.	Low.	Cl.	Sales.
Cobalts:—					
City of Cobalt	9	9	8	8	700
Gould	3¼	...	...	...	3,000
Hargrave	6	...	...	...	500
Bailey	3	...	...	...	500
Beaver	45	...	...	...	600
Gt. North	9⅞	9⅞	9½	9½	1,000
Columbus	3¼	...	...	...	500
Gifford	2	...	...	...	500
Tim.skaming	61	...	...	...	400
Trethewey	68	...	...	...	100
U. P. Cobalt	1	...	...	...	300
Ophir	7	7½	7	7½	1,000
Peterson Lk.	6⅝	7	6⅝	7	2,000
Treth. b 60	72	...	...	...	5,000
Porcupines—					
Crown Chart.	51½	51¾	51½	51¾	6,300
Apex	9	...	...	...	500
Dome Ex	65	65	63	63½	3,000
do. b 60	67	65	63	63	3,000
do. b 30	65	65	63	63	1,000
Foley	49	49½	49	49½	300
Hollinger	1350	1395	1350	1380	1,400
Jupiter	50¼	...	...	...	500
Imperial	4¾	...	...	...	500
Moneta	10	...	...	...	500
Pearl Lk., b 60	40	...	...	...	1,500
Preston	12¼	12¼	12	12	4,500
do. b 60	12¾	12¾	12⅝	12⅝	4,000
do. b 30	12	...	...	...	1,000
Rea	167	180	167	173¾	6,100
Swastika	22½	22½	21½	22	8,500
Vipond	58	58½	57¾	57⅞	4,500
W. Dome	90	...	...	...	100
United	2¾	...	...	...	1,000

Standard Stock Exchange.

	Op.	High.	Low.	Cl.	Sales.
Cobalts:—					
Beaver	45	45	44	45	1,375
Cobalt Lake	25½	25½	25	25½	964
Coniagas	700	700	690	690	280
Foster	2	...	...	...	300
Gould	3¼	3¼	3¼	3¼	4,500
Gt. North, b 60	10½	...	...	...	1,000
La Rose	400	405	398	398	410
McKin.-Dar.	169½	169½	169	169	1,300
Nipissing	705	705	700	700	405
Otisse	1	...	...	...	500
Ophir	6	...	...	...	500
Peterson L.	6½	...	...	...	100
Silver Leaf	½	...	...	...	700
Rt. of Way	6½	6⅝	6	6	4,000
Silver Leaf	3	3¼	3	3	2,970
Timiskam	31	31	30½	30½	500
Wetlauffer	90	...	...	...	100
Am. Goldfields	110	110	107	108	1,675
Achilles	33	...	...	...	2,500
Apex	9¼	...	...	...	500
N. O. Explora	250	...	...	...	100
Cwn. Char	51¼	51¾	51	51	10,700
Dome Exten.	64	64½	63	63	6,500
Hollinger	1355	1400	1355	1390	2,070
do. b 60	1400	...	...	...	200
Porcupines—					
Jupiter	50	...	...	...	3,000
Moneta	12	...	...	...	300
La Palma	50½	51	50	51	2,200
P. Central	335	340	335	340	3,000
P. Imperial	5	5½	5	5½	6,500
P. Northern	67	67	66	66	9,000
P. Southern	59	61	59	60	9,000
Preston	12¼	12¼	12	12½	2,700
Rea	170	178	169	175	2,550
Standard	12	...	...	...	1,000
Swastika	22	22	21½	22	2,800
Vipond	58	...	...	...	4,700
do. b 60	60⅝	...	...	...	1,000

Mining Quotations.

	—Stand— Ask.	Bid.	—Dom'n.— Ask.	Bid.
Cobalts:—				
Bailey	2½	2	2½	2
Beaver	45	44¾	45	44½
Buffalo	165	140	170	145
C. Ferland	11½	10¾	11	10
City of Cobalt	...	...	10	...
Cobalt Lake	...	...	25¼	24½
Coniagas	700	680	690	675
Crown Reserve	300	290	305	...
Foster	...	...	3	2
Gifford	2½	1¾	2	1⅝
Great Northern	12	9¾	10¼	9¾
Green - Meehan	2½	1¼	1¾	1½
Gould	3½	3	3½	2¾
Hargraves	6¾	4½	3½	2¾
Hudson Bay	...	...	$100	$85
K. Lake	200	...	...	...
La Rose	405	398	405	395
Little Nipissing	1½	1	1¼	¾
McKinley	169	168	170	168
Nipissing	705	687½	715	700
Nova Scotia	...	5	7	5
Ophir	...	6	7½	7
Otisse	1½	1	1½	1
Peterson Lake	7½	6½	7	6½
Rochester	2½	2¼	2⅜	2¼
Right of Way	7	6	6⅝	6⅛
Silver Leaf	3¼	2	4	3
Tim'skaming	32	31	31	30
Trethewey	75	69½	72	70
Union Pacific	...	...	1¼	1
Wetlauffer	89	87	...	...
Porcupines:—				
Big Dome	...	...	3625	2515
Canada	...	...	100	85
Apex	...	...	10	9¼
Central	...	...	340	335
Coronation	1¼	1	...	...
Crown Chartered	51¾	51½	51½	50½
Dobie	...	...	100	85
Dome Ex	67½	62½	64	63
Eldorado	10	9	11½	10
Foley	50	48	50	47
Gold Reef	8	5	...	...
Hollinger	1388	1390	1385	1375
Imperial	4¾	4	5½	5
Jupiter	53	50	52	50½
Moneta	...	12	...	12½
Northern	...	...	66	65
North. Expl	...	...	280	250
Pearl Lake	42	35	40	35
Porc. South	...	...	60	58
Preston	12¼	...	12¼	12
Rea	175	173	175	172
Standard	13	10¾	12¼	11¾
Swastika	22	21½	22½	21¾
Tisdale	4	3	3	2½
United Porcupine	3	2¾	3	2¾
Vipond	58	57¾	59	58
West Dome	...	80	100	90
Island Smelter	6	5	...	...

HALF BEING FILTERED.

More than half the city's daily water supply, about 25,000,000 gallons, is now coming thru the filtration plant. The last analysis taken on Dec. 22 and 23, showed a considerable improvement in the quality of the water.

NO LET UP IN MINING AT DOME EXTENSION

Station Cutting Takes Precedence in Development — No. 1 Shaft Down 222 Feet.

PORCUPINE, Dec. 26.—(From Our Man Up North.)—Station cutting is taking precedence over everything else at the Dome Extension, with the shaft down to the 200 foot level, and a 22 foot sump cut. As considerable rock is to be removed at the 200 foot level so as to make plenty of room to hoist from the crosscut, the station-cutting will take a week's time or more. The blasting takes out the temporary platform, inserted as a stage on which the drillers work, and each round of holes makes it necessary to reinsert the staging.

From the shaft to the vein, if the dip is no stronger than the mine management has figured on, the distance is 32 feet. There is no possible hope that the vein will be reached till after the first of the new year.

Shafts are down as follows: No. 1, 222 feet; No. 2, 60 feet; No 3, 35 feet, and No. 4, 50 feet.

Gideon Harkness is in charge during the holiday absence of Capt. Anchor.

Chas. Fox.

SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH-WEST LAND REGULATIONS.

ANY person who is the sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years old, may homestead a quarter section of available Dominion land in Manitoba, Saskatchewan or Alberta. The applicant must appear in person at the Dominion Land Agency or Sub-Agency for the District. Entry by proxy may be made at any agency on certain conditions, by father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister of intending homesteader.

Duties.—Six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each of three years. A homesteader may live within nine miles of his homestead on a farm of at least 80 acres, solely owned and occupied by him or by his father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister.

In certain districts a homesteader in good standing may pre-empt a quarter-section alongside his homestead. Price $3.00 per acre. Duties—Must reside upon the homestead or pre-emption six months in each of six years from date of homestead entry (including the time required to earn homestead patent) and cultivate fifty acres extra.

A homesteader who has exhausted his homestead right and cannot obtain a pre-emption may enter for a purchased homestead in certain districts. Price $3.00 per acre. Duties—Must reside six months in each of three years, cultivate fifty acres and erect a house worth $300.00.

W. W. CORY,
Deputy of the Minister of the Interior.

N. B.—Unauthorized publication of this advertisement will not be paid for. ed

ESTATE NOTICES.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS—IN THE Matter of the Estate of Charlotte Ann Ferguson, Late of the City of Toronto, Widow, Deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that all persons having claims against the late Charlotte Ann Ferguson, who died on or about the 24th day of October, 1911, at the City of Toronto, are required on or before the 31st day of January, 1912, to send by post, prepaid, or to deliver to the undersigned, solicitors for William A. Baird, administrator of the property of the said deceased, their names and addresses, with full particulars in writing of their claims and a statement of their accounts, and the nature of the security, if any, held by them. And take notice that on and after the 31st day of January, 1912, the said administrator will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which they shall then have had notice, and the said administrator will not be liable for the said assets, or any part thereof, to any person or persons of whose claims he shall not then have received notice.

Dated this 27th day of December, 1911.
WM. MORTIMER CLARK, GRAY & BAIRD,
425 Confederation Life Building, Toronto, Solicitors for Wm. A. Baird, Administrator aforesaid.

Dec. 29, Jan. 19.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS—IN THE Matter of the Estate of Frederick Mate, Late of the City of Toronto, Bricklayer, Deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that all persons having claims against the late Frederick Mate, who died on or about the 21st day of March, 1911, at the City of Toronto, are required on or before the 31st day of January, 1912, to send by post, prepaid, or to deliver to the undersigned, solicitors for the Toronto General Trusts Corporation, Administrators of the property of the said deceased, their names and addresses, with full particulars, in writing, of their claims and a statement of their accounts, and the nature of the security, if any, held by them. And take notice that on and after the 31st day of January, 1912, the said administrators will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which they shall then have had notice, and the said administrators will not be liable for such assets, or any part thereof, to any person or persons of whose claims they shall not then have received notice.

Dated this 27th day of December, 1911.
WM. MORTIMER CLARK, GRAY & BAIRD,
425 Confederation Life Building, Toronto, Solicitors for The Toronto General Trusts Corporation, Administrators aforesaid. 5565

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to I George V., Cap. 26, Sect. 65, that all persons having any claims against the estate of James Swift, late of the City of Toronto, deceased, who died on the 23rd day of November, 1911, are required to send by post, prepaid, or deliver to the undersigned solicitors for Annie Swift and Frederick B. Robins, the executors, under the will of the deceased, on or before the 26th day of January, 1912, their names and addresses with full particulars in writing of their claims duly verified and that after said date the said executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which they shall have notice, and the said executors shall not be liable for the said assets or any part thereof to any person of whose claim they shall not then have had notice.

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