

ONTARIO'S MINING POLICY.
Manager McConnell Says He Has a New Idea

TO PRESENT TO MR. HARDY
 The Government, He Thinks, Should Keep Control of the Titles.

Then Valuable Properties Could Not be Held for the Purpose of Speculation Only—Col. Ray of Port Arthur Explains the Difference Between Trail Creek and Ontario Mines—More Gold Bricks Brought in From the Wealthy Salween—General Topics of Interest Regarding the Boom.

Manager McConnell of the Crystal Gold mine, in the Wahnapitae district, who is in town, thinks he can give the Ontario Government the pointers they ask for in connection with the drafting of a new and improved mining policy. He holds the very universal opinion that the development of the mineral resources of this province is greatly retarded by the existing mining laws, which allow a man to hold any number of properties without imposing upon him any obligation to do any work upon them, and he points out, as The World has done many times, that this state of affairs results in the tying up of immense tracts of mineralized land for speculative purposes, and that if every claim holder were compelled to develop his holding to a certain extent each year there would be twenty operating mines where there is only one.

Mr. McConnell's proposition (which he intends embodying in a letter to Premier Hardy) is that claims on Government mining lands should be given over free of charge to the person who will undertake to develop them, the conditions being that the title shall remain in the name of the Government, and that in case the said person at any time ceases operations any other person may step in and develop the reverted properties. Under this scheme possession would be given out of the department's hands, and finally, the most important clause of the proposed arrangement is that when a claim turns out to be a paying mine the Government shall enjoy a handsome royalty from it.

The World publishes Mr. McConnell's views, but does not endorse his plan, for, at an ordinary glance, it does not look practicable. And, besides, the royalty system has already proved detrimental to the mining interests of this province.

Whatever Mr. McConnell's success or failure as an adviser of the Government may be, he is nevertheless, from all accounts, a most successful mining superintendent. The Crystal mine, in which Messrs. J. R. Booth of Ottawa and W. K. White of Pembroke are interested, is making fine showing. Six hundred feet of tunnelling and drifting have already been done upon it, and a recent shipment of 1998 lbs. of ore from the property, recently sent to the Kingston Mining School, is understood to have given up 332 of pure gold. He says that the mineral body upon which the mine rests extends from Lake Frenchieville clear to Chelmsford.

KOOTENAY F. ALGOMA.
 Comparison of the Two—Splendid Outlook for Both Regions.

Col. S. W. Ray of Port Arthur is at the Queen's Hotel. As he is familiar with the mining regions of Ontario and has just returned from a prolonged sojourn in Trail Creek and the Slokan, Kootenay and Algoma districts.

The two regions are very different, was the reply. "The ore ledges in Trail Creek are very large, but the ore is refractory, and has to be treated by smelters. In Algoma, on the other hand, the gold ores are free-milling, and, therefore, more cheaply handled. In Trail Creek, anything under \$15 in value is not of much use except as a transport weight."

Col. Ray says he was immensely pleased with the Kootenay, but comes back just as satisfied with the possibilities of our mining country nearer home.

"The Slokan," he continued, "is a wonderful country. Silver, of course, is not fashionable in the Kootenay, but the Slokan is making rapid progress. The district has only this year come to the front, the majority of the claims having been heretofore held by Americans, who, because of the distance, were unable to develop their properties. The ore is so easily brought to the surface, that the district is bound to go ahead. It does not matter whether the product is gold or silver so long as it yields lots of dollars and cents, and this is the Slokan mines do."

The Colonel is interested in properties in Trail Creek and in the Slokan, as well as in the Lake of the Woods region, in which one of the original owners of the now famous Porcupine mine. He is here for the purpose of placing on the market a certain property, in which Lieut. Governor Dewdney of Ontario has an interest. Sir C. H. Tupper are interested.

Col. Ray insists on the importance of the construction of the Kootenay River Railway, not only for the purpose of developing the gold deposits of the country, but so that the Met. Iron, Atik-Okan and Bad Vermilion iron ores may be got at. And, besides this, the railway would open up vast tracts of excellent timber, which, when cut up into lumber, would furnish the best amount of freight to the railroads. Then there is also to be found hemlock and spruce, which would supply any number of pulp mills that might spring up in the district, and raw materials.

Mr. McBean Back.
 Mr. William McBean, the well-known grain man of Winnipeg and Toronto, is in town at present, in connection with the Ontario Government. He is in the region adjacent to Rat Portage. He says that capitalists and mining men are flocking into that district.

Iron in the Manitou.
 T. J. Patten has located a mineral claim for Mr. George Baynes of the Manitou wood in May Township in the Manitou district. The lode is of hematite iron, about 8 feet wide and assayed to contain 40 per cent iron. It is said to be richer than any developed. A company will be formed to finance the development of the lode.

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