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You ask me to consider the advisability of boring several shallow wells near the seepages, and if I endorsed the suggestion, to select the sites of such others whilst on the ground. I think the suggestion a good one, for while it is impossible to say that oil can be found at any particular spot, the most characteristic feature of its occurrence being its fitfulness and uncertainty, I consider that the seepages on your property are so strong and indicate so clearly a definite line of fracture in the rocks, that three or four shallow wells should give good results, especially as they can be bored at comparatively little expense. I therefore indicated the location of three holes, and the position is shown on Plan No. 5.

Having considered your enterprise as a whole; having examined the property and inspected the work done, I can only conclude that while all exploration work of this kind is speculative, you have both discovered and developed impressive evidences of the existence of an oil field. While your work has not yet solved the problem of the depth and extent of the oil deposits, it has furnished you with valuable data for future operations and offers a reasonable probability of success, once you can ensure the boring of a well through bed-rock within the zone indicated by the surface seepages and the line of the "fault."

Yours truly,

W. BLAKEMORE.