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PLACER GOLD ON SHORES OF LOWER LAKE ABITIBI

Prospectors Going Into District From Matheson in Increasing Numbers.

To those unacquainted with the north it seems strange to expect that some day placer gold mining will be an established industry in New Ontario. But miners are now going into the lower Lake Abitibi country to prove the reported existence of placer gold in great and scattered quantities around the shores of that lake.

For many years and long before the T. and N. O. brought the district in closer touch with the outside, stories of gold being found in the sands came out; the mere mention of Abitibi has always enchanted the thoughts of the "gold man's gold."

Harry Holland and Fred Kennen, prospectors, just returned from the lower lake, report that there are half a dozen outfits working on the lake shore now, and they are all hopeful that their prospects will become good dredging propositions in a short time. The parties who are doing the most work are from Haliburton and Buffalo, but miners are now going in at a present average of 15 a day, and their number is daily increasing.

The quickest, safest and most convenient way in is by the steamboat from Matheson. The steamboat company will drop you off anywhere on the lakes, and within close proximity to any desired place.

Mining Development on the Skeena.

Latest advice from the mining camps in the Skeena River, via Prince Rupert, to the Grand Trunk Pacific offices, show that the country is being covered by prospectors attracted by the rich strikes already made.

In the Silver Cup mine, near Hazelton, there are over 12,000 tons of ore blocked out, and at 200 feet depth runs 100,000 and up to the top. On the surface the vein is 12 feet 6 inches wide and at 200 feet depth remains solid ore from wall to wall 8 feet wide and continues to gradually widen as the tunnel goes in and depth is obtained. This ore is steel galena and the values run in gold and silver.

In the Nine Mile Mountain mines where is being prosecuted vigorously and it is expected to lead to a mining boom unparalleled in the history of the province.

McKendrick's mine, in the Babine Range, is only 3 feet 6 inches wide on the surface, but at a depth of 100 feet has widened out to 5 feet 6 inches with over 2 feet 6 inches of solid ore, picked specimens running \$1000 to \$1200 in gold and silver to the ton. On the Cronin property, also on the Babine, the cross-cut tunnel being run to cut the silver lead vein at a depth of 400 feet, cut a blind lead of few weeks ago with over two feet of solid silver lead ore.

It is apparent that in addition to the Grand Trunk Pacific line being constructed thru what is now known as the greatest continuous belt of arable land in British Columbia, it will also open up and benefit by the development of an enormous mineral belt, rich in gold, silver, copper, lead, zinc and other metals, covering a continuous area on the east side of the Coast Range for an indefinite extent.

The mineral country will be reached with the rails, from Prince Rupert during the present year, and the agricultural district will be served to a large extent by construction work from the east end in 1911.

Judgment Reserved.

Judgment was reserved by Justice Trevelyan in the non-jury assize court yesterday in the suit brought by Oliver Hazenwood, a patent medicine manufacturer, against F. W. Merrill, to force the purchase of Richmond street property he bought from Merrill for \$12,000. Merrill's defence was that he was only the leaseholder of the property and he asked that the action be dismissed.

His lordship adjourned the case of the Gowanda Mines, and the American Securities Co., Ltd., against R. Sid. Smith, until May 23. The companies claim \$250,000 money due on shares purchased by the plaintiff, which purchase defendant holds as illegal.

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NO INCENTIVE TO SEND PRICES HIGHER.

World Office.

Thursday Evening, May 5.

There was a slightly better market for domestic securities yesterday, aided presumably by the continuance of the rally in American stocks. Considerable business was transacted at the Toronto market today, but there was no special snap shown in any of the securities, speculative or otherwise. The market at its best could only be said to be holding its own, and present sellers appear to be those who feel confidence in general lower prices in the early future. Money is still difficult to get for stock market purposes, and there is, therefore, no incentive among operators to try and put the market higher.

HERBERT H. BALL.

Rally Is Extended Further In N. Y. Speculative Stocks

With Usual Irregularity Wall Street Continues the Upturn in Prices—No Appreciation Yet Made in Canadian Securities.

World Office.

Thursday Evening, May 5.

The apathetic state of the Toronto market from a speculative standpoint was clearly shown to-day when no real appreciation was made of the movement in the larger New York market. The dealings during the morning session were of a fair volume, but prices failed to respond to the transactions as reported and in very few instances were any higher than they were yesterday. The market as a whole was steady, the only exception being that of Canadian General Electric, which sold down and closed with a transaction at 100, against dealings last week at 114.

The break in this stock can be attributed to nothing else than the putting out of a new block of shares at par. The action of the stock in contrast to the usual stock market movements and in the case of General Electric, a 7 per cent. permanent dividend payer, the present liquidation seems to be altogether at variance with good reasonable judgment.

It is announced semi-officially that the Steel-Steel merger is now practically in full effect, and that the securities for the merger company will shortly be issued. It is presumed, of course, that the stock will be heavily placed in London, but whether the British investor will relieve the present pool of their tremendous holdings is a matter which will be settled at a later date.

Such slight improvements as did occur in the speculative stocks were directly attributable to the speculative sentiment as guided by Wall Street, and in that price failed to rally to any great extent the inference is that there is a difference of opinion in regard to the market for the future. It is certain that some speculators are setting their eyes for a further fall in prices, and the market has therefore been checked against this opposition as well as the antagonism of actual realizing.

In the investment market, however, the market business was limited, and except in the case of Bank of Commerce shares prices were more on the soft side.

Wall Street Pointers.

Bank of England rate unchanged.

N. Y. C. advances wages of firemen 7 per cent.

Morgan partners sail for Europe to complete Chinese loan.

Canada issues \$25,000,000 3 1/2 per cent refunding bonds in London at 99 1/2.

Further blowing out of pig iron furnaces expected.

N. Y. C. considering advances in passenger rates.

Electrolytic copper now selling at lowest figure since February, 1904, except in October period of 1907.

Some appearance of small investment buying in stocks reported in past two days.

The American Smelting and Refining Co.

Has reduced the price of lead from \$4.50 to \$4.45 per 100 pounds.

Wm. Rockefeller says re St. Paul bonds: Negotiations for sale in Paris of \$50,000,000 of St. Paul debentures are completed and only formal signing of papers remains to complete the transaction.

Boston special: The directors of both B. R. T. and C. & O. are believed to have arranged that their dividends advance this month from a four to a five per cent. basis.

Joseph says: Those who buy Coppers at this level will not have to wait profits long. The three best bets in the market are C. P. R., Lehigh Valley and St. Paul.

Something more is likely to be heard of the possible letting of steel in Paris. Mr. Morgan is believed to still consider this proposition feasible, and so expects that it will be brought about successfully. He is reported to be in London.

Additional facts regarding The Maple Leaf Milling Company's new issue of stock have not come to light. The capitalization of the company is \$1,000,000, of which half is common and half preferred. Cawthra Mulock & Co., Toronto, are offering for sale \$2,000,000 of 7 per cent. cumulative preferred stock at par value of \$100 per share. Each share of preferred stock carries with it a bonus of 25 shares of common stock. This preferred stock takes precedence over all other classes of stock and has no bonds ahead of it. The stock is redeemable at the option of the company.

As The Maple Leaf Milling Company will have an output and earnings about equal to the other large milling companies, latter and the latter's common stock is selling around \$140 per share, it is evident that the offer which The Maple Leaf Milling Company is making is a most attractive one.

W. E. Watt having resigned from the G. T. R. to accept a position elsewhere, the office of assistant treasurer.

IMPERIAL BANK OF CANADA

Notice is hereby given that the

ANNUAL MEETING

of the Shareholders will be held at the

Head Office of the Bank on

WEDNESDAY, THE 28TH OF MAY NEXT.

The Chair to be taken at noon.

By order of the Board.

D. R. WILKIE,

General Manager.

Toronto, 23rd March, 1910.

master at Richmond, Que., has been

abolished.

Transactions in London.

Playfair, Martens & Co. reported the

following prices on the London market

yesterday:

Sao Paulo 144 1/2

Rio 132 1/2

Mexican Railway 125 1/2

British Consols.

Consols, money 104 1/2

Consols, account (June) 81 1/2

May 5, 1910

Money Markets.

Bank of England discount rate, 4 per

cent. London call rate, 3 1/2 to 4 per

cent. Three months' bill, 3 1/2 to 4 per

cent. New York call money, highest 4 per

cent. Demand, 3 1/2 to 4 per cent.

Cable transfer, 3 1/2 to 4 per cent.

—Rates in New York.

Sterling, 60 days sight, 48 1/2

Sterling, demand, 48 1/2

—Decrease.

Local Bank Clearings.

This week \$22,000,000

Week ago \$21,833,333

Two years ago \$21,977,777

Two years ago \$21,977,777

Toronto Stocks.

May 5, 1910

Anal. Asbestos 21 1/2

do. preferred 21 1/2

Back Lake 21 1/2

do. preferred 21 1/2

B. C. preferred 21 1/2

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Can. Gen. Elec. 112 1/2

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C. P. R. 112 1/2

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Notice is hereby given that a dividend

of one and one-quarter per cent.

(1 1/4 per cent.), for the quarter ending

30th April instant (being at the

rate of five per cent. (5 per cent.)

per annum, on the paid-up capital

stock of this bank, has been declared

and that the same will be payable at

the Head Office and Branches of the

Bank on and after the 18th day of

May next. The transfer books will

be closed from the 18th April to the

30th April, both days inclusive.

The annual general meeting of the

shareholders will be held at the Head

Office (corner of King and Bay

Streets) on Tuesday, May 17th, 1910,

the chair to be taken at 11 a.m.

By order of the Board.

F. W. BROUGHAL,

General Manager.

Toronto, April 12th, 1910.

Penn., rd., 1114, 1224, 1314, 1324, 20, 20

Pitts. Coal, 1 1/2, 1 1/2, 1 1/2, 1 1/2, 500

Pitts. Steel, 28, 28, 28, 28, 300

Reading, 1074, 1084, 1084, 1084, 1200

Rock Island, 44 1/2, 44 1/2, 44 1/2, 44 1/2, 15,500

do. pref., 51, 51, 51, 51, 1,300

St. L. & S. P., 46, 46, 46, 46, 1,000

St. L. & S. P., 46, 46, 46, 46, 1,000

St. Paul, 1284, 1284, 1284, 1284, 12,000

Sugar, 1284, 1284, 1284, 1284, 12,000

Tenn. Coal, 28, 28, 28, 28, 300

Union, 1074, 1074, 1074, 1074, 12,000

do. pref., 51, 51, 51, 51, 1,300

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