

Ritchie claims it to be the largest visible body of ore known. He had scarcely seen it before and had no idea of its extent. He has already given orders to cut a road into it immediately, and to survey for a railway line to be run from Copper Cliff, or a convenient point, on the Algoma branch of the Canadian Pacific Railway. No assays have been made of the ore of this deposit, and we can only say that the indications of an immense deposit were more striking here than at any other point.

This property was acquired by this company in 1886 and 7.

THE DOMINION MINERAL COMPANY.

The Blezard Mine. This, the principal mine of the company, is situated on a branch built by the Canadian Pacific Railway, and owned by it, in the quarter section marked "DuCharmb" on the map, and colored yellow. It is about four and one-half miles north of Sudbury, and it is the northern extreme now worked or known to us to exist. The Canadian Copper Company claim to have had this property at their option for two years, and to have rejected it as not worth acquiring. We have read a report made by this Company by Mr. J. D. Evans, a surveyor and at present the manager of the Canadian Copper Company's works, who appeared a most efficient and trustworthy man, in which he states that he did not consider the property worth working. Three shafts are sunk into the hill vertically, about a hundred feet apart. The main one is sunk about 90 feet, and the chambers worked from this level. They extend for about 200 feet in each direction, and the manager said that since July 15, 1889, 45,000 tons of the ore had been taken out. The rumors in the neighborhood are that the mine had been worked out, but they were from competitive sources. The chambers seem well cleaned from ore, and though lighted by electricity, we could see but few evidences of active mining. Mr. Evans said that the floor of the chamber was rock. The manager claimed a daily product of 180 tons of ore; that it took from 9 to 12 to make 5 of matte and that this averaged from 20 to 30 per cent nickel and from 12 to 15 per cent copper.

The hill which was being worked was about 100 feet high and about 500 feet in diameter. We saw no evidence of other deposits near, and the manager claimed none. The plant is excellent, and copied after that of the Copper Cliff mine in the