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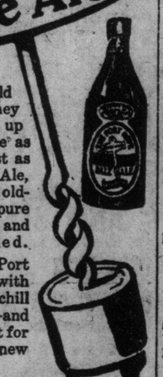

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BACK TO COAL MINES.

Boys' Strike Ended After Public Had Suffered Ten Days.

Springhill, N.S., Dec. 3.—(Special.)—The boys' strike in Springhill Colliery was ended to-night by the unconditional surrender of the youths.

The youths calmly saw coal supplies to the town vanishing, much hardship endured, and many thousands of dollars lost to breadwinners and their families. They yielded at last by pressure brought to bear by the public.

COMPANY GRANTS DEMANDS.

Halifax, N.S., Dec. 3.—(Special.)—Indications to-night point to the trackmen resuming work on the Dominion Atlantic Railway to-morrow. To-day the company was in touch with the men, and it is understood that the men may be called in to-morrow, the company paying the wages asked and thus conceding the fairness of the demands made.

MISTAKEN IDENTITY ?

Government house declines to believe that His Excellency Earl Grey was mixed up in the runaway accident Saturday evening. They knew nothing of the occurrence until it was reported in the papers yesterday. Verral, the livery man, also says it was not the governor-general, while P. C. Umbech is possitive that it was. He was on duty three days guarding Earl Grey at "Glen Stewart" and says, further, that the notable in Saturday's occurrence practically admitted his identity.

Would Compete for Earl's Prize.

Local entries for the Earl Grey competition next month include Col. Septimus Denison and associates in the comedy, "His Excellency the Governor," the Rosedale Dramatic Club and the Margaret Eaton School of Expression, who intend to present "She Stoops to Conquer," or "Pygmalion and Galatea."

The musical competitors include E. W. Schuch's company in "Pirates of Penzance"; Miss Edna McAinsh and associates, and Will J. Francis and associates. One representative company in both sections is to be selected to represent the city at Ottawa.

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NIPISSING MINES

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would not buy Nipissing stock even if it was sure of doubling its money many times. It would not take the chance of a false interpretation being put on its transactions.

The impression gains, however, that an organized attempt to bear the market has been undertaken.

The government, however, is not going to lend itself to any stock-jobbing arrangement by the discussion of the rumors and gossip about any company before the public.

"Every case will be dealt with on its merits," is the principle the government has laid down, and Premier Whitney frequently enunciated. This does not imply that any cases have to be dealt with, but if any persons have any bona-fide enquiry or question, it will be taken up and dealt with when submitted.

Premier Whitney's Statement.

Premier Whitney said to The World last night:

"We gave out a statement to-day with regard to the Nipissing Mine and we have nothing more to say on that head.

"Any suggestion or question in regard to mining claims will be dealt with as brought forward, but it is impossible for us to make any statement about matters not brought to our attention.

"When anything is brought to our attention we will have something to say about it, but we cannot notice the irresponsible gossip of the street."

The question of the stability of the title of Ontario mines has been raised by Americans unfamiliar with our law, and to the man on the street who will not take the pains to secure accurate information at the proper source a belief in such rumors may prove very costly. There appears to be no doubt whatever that the report about an insecure title to the Nipissing property was made out of whole cloth with an object best known to the manufacturer. Other expedients, it is definitely stated, will be resorted to if necessary to reduce the price—which is quite different from the value—of shares in the market.

"You will see Nipissing at $10," said a well informed man last night to The World. "If the people will listen to the stories told them. It will not be long before you will hear a rumor that the big vein has given out. It is easy to work a scheme of that sort. They deflect the cutting a little and turn it into country rock. The vein is reported lost, and the stock goes down. As soon as it is to go up the vein is quickly found again. Nipissing," he concluded, "is worth $50 a share."

To Influence Tenders.

There is a strong impression abroad that it is not only Nipissing shares that are being stalked. The near approach of the date for the reception of tenders by the government for Cobalt Lake raises this reflection. The more confidence is shaken the cheaper the shares can be bought. This reacts on general sentiment and tends to reduce the terms offered for the Cobalt lake bed.

It is said on excellent authority that the estimated value of the lake bed is all of $10,000,000. The one to three millions mentioned as likely tenders are therefore none too much. Premier Whitney has pointed out tha tthe government are not bound to accept any tender, and in the meantime they will wait till the 20th inst. before speaking.

This 20th date is in itself a grievance to some who consider the time too short to allow a sufficient sum to be raised to fulfil the conditions. Americans have always plenty of money at command, and the deduction is that the valuable Cobalt Lake will pass out of Canadian ownership.

Canadians are only interested in very rich mines, and are not willing to invest their money in the development of low-grade ore mines. There is low-grade ore enough in Ontario to enable an output outrivaling the Rand in gold in twenty years for now provided capital be encouraged. The question of security of title and the possible handicap of royalties it is urged arises here again to obstruct the entrance of sufficient capital to develop this phase of mining industry which requires very large outlay, expensive machinery, and satisfaction with reasonable profits. In this connection the prophecy of an old mining man some years ago may be recailed, that the country between Temiskaming and Parry Sound is destined to be the richest mining country in the world.

Politics Are Mentioned.

Another street rumor is based on the report that the Ontario opposition purpose to attack the government over the result of the O'Brien litigation. Members of the government who say anything on the matter seem to be pleased at the prospect of meeting the opposition on such a question.

American speculators, however, are making use of these rumors to work the stock market. It is only a short time since a New York firm came to Toronto and declared they were going to attack a certain title and entered an application for a flat. This was extensively telegraphed about the country, but that was all. Nothing more was done. It is practically impossible to save the public from its tendency to stampede, but wise men will buy and sell on knowledge, and not on rumor.

The World asked J. M. Clark, who has written a book on Ontario mining matters, and is familiar with them for twenty years past, for his opinion about the titles question. He thought that the public—and especially the American public, which is unfamiliar with our law—should be made acquainted with the security ensured by the Torrens title.

"While there were some difficulties about mining claims," said Mr. Clark, "after a claim has been converted into a patent and proper steps taken to secure a good title, we can in Ontario by the Torrens title, which is applicable in Algoma, Nipissing, Thunder Bay and Rainy River districts, by taking proper legal precautions, obtain the most perfect title in the world." Mr. Clark has made a study of the mining laws of every state in the union and knows whereof he speaks.

What the Act Says.

The Land Titles Act (chapter 138, R.S.O.), section 145, reads as follows:

"A transfer for valuable consideration of land registered with an absolute title shall, when registered, confer on the transferee an estate in fee simple in the land transferred, together with all rights, privileges, and appurtenances belonging or appurtenant thereto, subject as follows:

"(1) To the encumbrances, if any, entered on the register; and

"(2) To such liabilities, rights and interests, if any, as are by this act declared for the purposes of the act not to be encumbrances (unless the contrary is expressed on the register).

"But free from all other estates and interests whatsoever, including estates and interests of her majesty, her heirs and successors, which are within the legislative jurisdiction of this province."

"There's been a lot of crude legislation which is very unsettling, and great care should be taken in dealing with the Mines Act. It should be made a stable act," was Mr. Clark's remark on recent legislation. He added, with respect to its administration:

Praise for Officials.

"The government are most fortunate in having a number of very able and efficient officials who are energetic, painstaking and industrious. Some of these officials have to do a great deal more work than one man can attend to. Several of them, such as the recorder at Haileybury and the recorder at Cobalt, are paid quite inadequate salaries. So far there has not been a breath of suspicion against the recorders at Haileybury or Cobalt or any other government inspector, but they have exceedingly onerous duties to perform, and the importance of their position should be recognized by better salaries."

An official at the parliament buildings pointed out to The World yesterday that practically all the work done and ore obtained on the Nipissing claims was on the location R.L. 404, forming 200 acres out of 840. The title to this small area upon which the value of the mine is based is absolutely unassailable, the patent having been granted on discovery.

J. F. Whitson returned to the survey branch at the parliament buildings yesterday after a week or two spent on the work of the department on Cobalt and Kerr Lakes, now offered for sale by the government.

On the Right of Way mining claim the company, with seven men at work, took out sixty-five bags of ore, being about four tons, and valued at $8000 or $10,000. A wheelbarrow and a few drills and shovels were the sole developing plant used. This ore was taken at a point 40 feet from the centre of the T. & N. O. tracks, on the projection of the Timmins vein.

The new silver tract in the Temagami forest reserve, north of Lady Evelyn Lake, is well reported on, and the cobalt veins are compared with the best.

Peterson Lake has been lowered 15 feet, with the result of clearing fifty acres of water, in addition to the roadway allowance round the lake some fifteen miles in length. A shaft is being sunk on the vein running into the lake from the Nova Scotia mine.

Mr. Whitson stated that the Nipissing development work is going on as usual, and there was nothing in the situation at the mine to affect the price of shares.

The Gillies limit is being rapidly cleared of timber, 1400 men being at work on the northeast corner.

MR. HYMAN'S HEALTH.

Ottawa, Dec. 3.—(Special.)—In reply to a question by R. L. Borden, Sir Wilfrid Laurier stated this afternoon that there was nothing to communicate to the house respecting Mr. Hyman. He was still in the south, and he regretted to say in very poor health.

Good Funeral.

I sent a letter of condolence to ——, who had the misfortune to lose an only daughter. When I met him a week later he looked buoyant. "It was hard, hard, to lose her," he whispered, "but there is always consolation and comfort for all the trials of life and death. I don't mind telling you that we had one of the finest funerals ever known in the ward. There were 47 carriages, and two filled with beautiful flowers." Were congratulations in order? —New York Press.

J. B. Laing, the municipal auditor, goes to-day to examine the books of the municipalities of Cobalt and Haileybury.

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BIG DEAL IN ABITIBI AND COBALT.

It is reported on good authority that Senator Ulrey of Indiana, representing English capitalists, has taken under option, or has actually secured, a large interest in the Abitibi & Cobalt Mining Company, controlling the second or third largest acreage in the Cobalt district, the object being to add to the present large holdings of the company certain well-known properties, and of making a market for the stock in London, England. Mr. H. C. Barber of the Canada Mines, 45 Adelaide-street, is known to be considerably interested in the Abitibi & Cobalt Company, and when interviewed yesterday admitted that Senator Ulrey spent considerable time with him on the 27th ult., when the deal is supposed to have been made, but refused to either deny or affirm the report referred to. It is said that there has lately been quiet but strong buying of Abitibi & Cobalt stock, and that, despite efforts to keep the quotations down, it has just lately been quite active and strong on the Toronto curb. The company is developing twelve claims in Coleman Township, two in Lorraine and one in Harris, and has about fifty men at work. Steam machinery is in operation, and several of the claims are said to be very valuable. There is no doubt that such a proposition would bulk big on the London market, which is now awakening to the possibilities of Cobalt.

Setback For Right-of Way.

Ottawa, Dec. 3.—(Special.)—Right of Way stock has got a big setback. Plenty of it could be got here to-day for $5, but there was not a single taker. The status of the individual holder, outside the pool, is the question anxiously asked. It is a fact that on a very considerable portion of the stock there is an option on the basis of $12 per share, and in the meantime the block of scrip is on deposit in one of the city banks. It might be said that the manner in which this stock has been boosted is causing considerable comment and something very like suspicion.

An experienced mining man from Cobalt, who is in the city on a brief business trip, was asked this morning what they think of Right of Way up there. "It is looked upon in Cobalt as a good proposition," he replied, "but is not nearly so favorably viewed there as in Ottawa. We are not paying any $12 a share for it."

NOT SETTLED YET.

Montreal, Dec. 3.—(Special.)—Negotiations which have been going on all day between the coal and steel companies will be resumed to-morrow at Ottawa. J. H. Plummer left this afternoon for the capital, and will be joined to-morrow in that city by President Ross of the Coal Company and J. Reid Wilson.

W. D. Earngey leaves this morning for Brantford to attend the executive committee of the Canadian Order of Foresters on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Mr. Earngey was last night elected secretary of the Central Conservative Association.

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