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## Canada's Mining Industry

### Copper Found on Flin Flon Property

FROM OUR TORONTO CORRESPONDENT.

In the course of sinking a shaft on the big sulphide ore body at Flin Flon, native copper has been struck, according to word from The Pas, Man. A Crystalline formation of copper in leaf pieces as large as a man's hand and fully as thick, were taken out, in addition to great quantities of smaller chunks. There is some hope that a solid body may be struck as the shaft goes farther down.

According to official advice the mill on the Reeves-Doble mine at Elk Lake is being operated at the rate of approximately twenty hours daily. The mill has a capacity for treating from 25 to 30 tons daily, and the ore being dealt with has an average silver content of around thirty ounces to the ton. It is stated that arrangements are to be made to increase the milling capacity so as to ensure at least fifty tons daily being treated. It is also proposed to re-open the 200-ft. level, work during late years, having been confined chiefly to the horizon above the 100-foot level.

Good progress is being made on the Bidgood property in Lebel Township, where the shaft has reached a depth of 200 feet. Cross-cutting is now under way. The next round of shots is expected to encounter the downward continuation of the 12-foot vein, as found on surface, and subsequently opened up at the 100-foot level. After locating the ore at the 200-foot level, thereby determining the width and dip at that point, the main shaft will be continued to the 300-foot level, at which point it is planned to establish a main development level.

A working option on the old Lucky-Godfrey Mine on which rich shoots of ore were opened up in the early days of Elk Lake, is said to be in course of negotiation by one of the leading Cobalt companies. Up to date only a limited amount of work has been done on the property, but it is now proposed to push development.

A report from the Beaver Consolidated Mine is to the effect that another shoot of high-grade ore has been opened up. This makes a total of six such discoveries made on the Beaver since last fall, and would indicate that the physical condition of the mine has been considerably improved under recent operations.

The Thompson group of claims, situated in the township of Van Hise in the Gowganda district, has been brought into the limelight lately by a rather spectacular discovery of silver. Cobalt mining companies have become sufficiently interested to make an examination, the name of the McKinley-Darragh being among the companies mentioned, and the Temiskaming also evincing a desire to make an examination. Rich samples have recently been brought out.

Word from Cobalt is to the effect that the Kerr Lake Mining Company has entered into a contract with the Dominion Reduction Company to have the latter treat between 75,000 and 100,000 tons of low-grade ore consisting chiefly of ore lying in the dumps. The work of treating the ore is to commence as quickly as possible. It is stated that the Kerr Lake will continue to mine medium and high grade ore, the silver output from the low-grade mill ore being in addition to current production from the mine itself.

Due to shortage of coal the mill at the Peterson Lake mine has closed down and it is declared to be the intention of the management to concentrate effort on development work until such time as the mill may be reopened and operated at full capacity.

The shipments of feldspar from Frontenac are

now double what they have been in past years. The centre of the feldspar mining industry is now at Tichborne. Feldspar is being found at other places in the district but the Frontenac County rock is said to be much better in quality. An American company has been developing an iron pyrites mine at Flower, Ontario, in Frontenac. The material is mostly sent to Hamilton.

According to advices from Kirkland Lake the Tough-Oakes mine will not be reopened under the name of the Tough-Oakes Mining Company, the Canadian company desiring to have the Kirkland Lake Proprietary, 1919, take over all responsibility in connection with the operation. It is stated that Harry Oakes and J. B. Holden of the Canadian Tough-Oakes are agreeable to a scheme to rent the plant at a nominal sum to the new company, the latter thereby taking full responsibility. The Proprietary owns some four-fifths of the shares and is officially stated to be prepared to take over all responsibility. It has some \$90,000 with which to commence work and more available if necessary, with which to put the mine on a profit-earning basis.

A diamond drill campaign is to be carried out for the purpose of exploring the veins at depth of the Carveth Gold Mines Company, owners of mining claims in the township of Thomas, according to the statement of a party of directors who visited the property in South Porcupine a few days ago. Surface showings are said to be very satisfactory.

Approximately 1700 tons of ore daily are being treated by the Hollinger Consolidated in the Porcupine area which is at a rate approximating that of a year ago. Taken together with the fact that tonnage reached 2700 tons earlier in the year, indicates a similar showing to that of 1919 when net profits averaged between nine and ten per cent.

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