

John McGuire, of Halifax, and W. I. Smart, of Boston, have been in the city for several days past endeavoring to work up a scheme for the development of the mineral resources of the province. The first named gentleman has been very successful in Nova Scotia, and he has been prospecting in Kings county. He is satisfied from what he has seen that the mineral resources of New Brunswick are equal, if not superior, to those of Nova Scotia, although they are in a different formation. While in St. John Messrs. McGuire and Smart saw a number of prominent business men, with a view of inducing them to take an interest in the scheme. If they are given the assistance they expect to receive, they say they are prepared to go on with the scheme. Messrs. McGuire and Smart left last night for Boston, but will return to St. John very soon.—*St. John Sun.*

**MANGANESE.**—The Stephens Manganese mine at Tenby Cape, although only worked for part of the year, produced in 1890 upwards of eighty tons of ore.

The Quebec Government has imposed a large additional tax on mines, and as a result the leading copper mines have been closed up.

Mr. Frank Wyatt, prospector, of Brookfield, has returned from a third prospecting tour in Shelburne County, and seems much pleased with the outlook. He has visited Sable River, Ragged Island, Lewis Head, Green Harbor, and other places. At Green Harbor Mr. Wyatt found some specimens of drift from a five foot lead, which show well in coarse gold, and Mr. W., with Messrs. Rathburn, Aug. Shaw, and others, have taken up a number of areas. Messrs. Charles Freeman, L. Demoletoir, D. Ryan, W. Williams, and others, have also taken up areas adjoining.

At Lewis Head Mr. W. got some nice specimens of gold, which were taken from an angular discovered by a female prospector in that locality. The Company have located fifty mining areas. Several persons from the neighborhood, and from Shelburne, have caught on to the craze and have taken up a number of areas. Prospecting will be commenced early in the spring. Our informant thinks that Shelburne Co. will soon shine out as a flourishing district.

There is an Indian named Peter, who claims to hold all the minerals in the country. He has placed a stake wherever a lead is known with what he calls his blood-mark, which is a red cross. Good for Peter!—*Gold Hunter.*

The day sheet for the mines of the New Vancouver Coal Company for November reached \$100,000. When the Wellington trouble is ended it is believed that close upon \$200,000 per month will be paid out to miners in and about Nanaimo, equal to at least six (!) millions a year in wages alone. Who will say that the Black Diamond City is not a rich one, with such an enormous sum circulating through the business channels of that city?

The will of the late James Crossen, Cobourg car works, was lately read. The estate is worth \$475,000. There is not a dollar of indebtedness on the car property, and the business is to be carried on by Mr. Crossen's two sons for the benefit of the family. Each of five daughters are to have \$1,000 yearly, and Mrs. Crossen \$2,500 yearly out of the estate. Mr. Crossen held a one-seventh interest in a coal mine at Cumberland, N. S., valued at \$3,000,000.

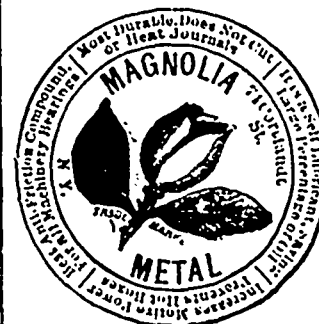
**THE TARIFF ON MINING MACHINERY.**—The following Order-in-Council, under date of 26th ult., should simplify entries of machinery not manufactured in Canada, and it is hoped will obviate entirely the tedious and vexatious delays that have been characteristic of recent interpretations of the meaning of the Act:—"His Excellency, under the authority of Section 252 of the Customs Act, and by and with the advice of the Queen's Privy Council for Canada, is pleased to order that there be required, in addition to such other evidence in each case as may be deemed necessary by the Minister of Customs, a special oath to be subscribed to by the importer before a Collector or other proper officer of Customs, whenever any free entry is rendered of Mining Machinery under item 291 of Sec. 11 of the Act 53, Vic., Chap. 20, such oath to be in the following terms:—"I, ....., the undersigned importer of the machinery mentioned in this entry, do solemnly swear that it is Mining Machinery within the true meaning of the word, and that at the time of its importation was of a class and kind not manufactured in Canada, and that it is imported for use in ..... mining only. at the ..... mine, situated ..... in the Province of ..... and will be used for no other purpose whatever."

**How to Treat A Cold.**—Don't stuff a cold as the old adage advises, if you do you will have a fever to starve. A genuine cold is a shock received by the many million nerves which approach near the surface of a human body, and which control the nearly seven million pores of the skin. This shock closes the pores of the skin, is transmitted to the nerve centers and back to the mucous membranes forcing a great amount of blood to those membranes creating more or less irritation and consequent fever, inflammation, dryness then watery discharge and catarrh. The shock may have its cause from a chill, from improper eating, a nervous fright and various other causes which irritate the nerves of the skin and mucous membranes of the nose, throat and bronchial tubes. Excess of food in the stomach still more clogs the system and pores of the skin so that effete matter which should be carried off by the natural courses is retarded; which is ample reason for not stuffing a cold. Experimenting with a severe cold is a dangerous custom, as most persons try one remedy only until some friend suggests another "sure cure." When slight looseness or tightening of the nasal membranes warns one of a skin exposure or chill from whatever cause, act promptly; delays are dangerous, with children it may mean croup and strangulation; with adults, catarrh, bronchitis, perhaps pneumonia. If neglected nothing can prevent the sneezing, red nose, and woe become look of a person with a cold. Scores of mothers would as soon go to bed without matches in the house, as without that old, fashioned remedy, Johnson's Anodyne Liniment near at hand for colds and croupy children. Used with a mild laxative, as described on the wrappers or in a pamphlet which I. S. Johnson & Co., Boston, Mass., will send free to any one, Johnson's Anodyne Liniment will cure a cold quicker than any known remedy. A mild nutritious diet, a gentle physic to open the secretions, and a bottle of that old Anodyne from your druggist, will conquer any cold.

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