

the largest salary in the world, the man who has capitalized his proboscis from the Rand to Mexico, and from Siberia to Cobalt, where lies a mine called Nipissing.

MILLING IN COBALT.

That there is excellent milling being carried on in Cobalt is indicated by Mr. A. P. Globe's paper on another page. Mr. Globe is mill superintendent of the McKinley-Darragh. His knowledge is first-hand, and what he writes is keenly interesting.

An extraction of more than 90 per cent. on ore such as is put through the McKinley-Darragh mill is creditable indeed. The extraction of silver from a 43-ounce ore at the McKinley-Darragh is 90.55 per cent. The tailings contain only 4.1 ounces per ton. Costs, also, are kept low. The mill is equipped to treat 60 tons of ore per 24 hours. The milling cost per ton of ore milled is \$1.30. The cost per ounce of silver recovered is three cents.

We note with approval that steps have been taken to install a hand-picking section, with the object of reducing the value of the ore that goes to the stamps.

In the swirl of other mining excitements the steady development of Cobalt has been lost to view. In the staid, progressive Cobalt of to-day it is hard to recognize any trace of the blustering mining camp of four years ago. But nothing is more worth following than the ever growing efficiency of a mining camp that has cut its eye-teeth, and is in the hands of competent technical men. Whilst our metaphors may be mixed, we wish to draw attention to the fact that Cobalt has reason to be proud of her mining and milling practice.

THE INTERNATIONAL GEOLOGICAL CONGRESS

Coal is to be the chief topic of discussion at the twelfth session of the International Geological Congress to be held in Toronto next summer. The Eleventh Congress discussed the iron ore resources of the world, and published the results in monumental volumes. Logical sequence suggests that coal be the next subject of enquiry.

Already there has been distributed a circular outlining the campaign that is under way. Concise reports are being obtained from all mining countries touching both worked and unworked deposits. Actual, probable, and possible reserves are to be estimated, and complete forms are provided to assist in classifying scientifically each particular fuel and in determining its commercial value.

It is most urgently requested that each and every mining official do his best to aid in this world-wide stock-taking. The information thus gained will do much to forward the saner use of our most important mineral commodity.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

French capitalists are putting money into Newfoundland oil lands. Submarine claims between Parson's Pond and St. Paul's Bay have been taken up.

In the volume on Porcupine published by the CANADIAN MINING JOURNAL, acknowledgment was omitted of the courtesy of Mr. A. C. Goudie in supplying tracings of the township maps.

The CANADIAN MINING JOURNAL is always anxious to receive notices of the movements of mining engineers. Brief items will be welcomed. It is good business for engineers to keep the mining public posted as to changes of address and absences from headquarters.

The representatives of the coal miners' unions in New Zealand have been requested by the British Admiralty to undertake to supply the navy at any time required, whether a strike exists or not. The reply of the unions was indefinite. They refused to bind themselves, but agreed to give due consideration to specific applications.

During the calendar year 1910, the Buffalo mine milled 41,484 tons of ore, averaging 36.07 ounces silver, a total of 1,496,255 ounces. The mill recovery was 80.07 per cent. The cyanide plant treated 11,700 tons of slime from the mill, containing 13.06 ounces of silver per ton, or 152,783 ounces in all. The recovery here was 103,321 ounces, or 67.62 per cent. The total recovery by mill and cyanide was 1,301,396 ounces, or 86.98 per cent.

The extraordinary altruism of the larger breed of capitalist was never better demonstrated than by a recent utterance of Mr. Daniel Guggenheim. On leaving New York, Mr. Guggenheim delivered himself of a remarkable statement in which he expressed the fear that copper prices may soon become abnormally high. He dreads a "runaway price," and urges an organized community of copper interests so that prices may be kept at a decently low level. To Mr. Guggenheim we award the prize!

The Rev. Dr. Gordon ("Ralph Connor"), chairman of the Board of Conciliation that is attempting to patch up the dispute between operators and employees in southern Alberta and Crow's Nest Pass, showed singularly little discernment in his request that both sides send in a statement of their grievances and of the concessions that they were willing to make. It is the chairman's business to collect, sift, and weigh the evidence. Then it is his duty to recommend such measures as he sees fit. Dr. Gordon's attitude is weak and puerile.