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decided that the day of publi-  
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solicited ourselves of the compar-  
atively inactive season at our  
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The heavy falls of snow which have come one upon the other since the beginning of the year, and the extreme cold weather, have, in a measure, retarded the progress of mining operations in Canada, and more particularly has this been the case where a level has not been reached beyond the influence of these unwelcome elements. The inconveniences they occasion are more felt, probably, among the phosphate miners than by those at any other description of mines in the country, and yet, throughout the Ottawa district, the mines are being vigorously worked and phosphate is coming abundantly to the surface—the mineral is being more carefully handled than formerly, in respect to clobbering, and the price now offered for the output is encouraging producers to invest more capital in equipping their mines with such plant as will enable them to proceed with mining operations to the best advantage. An article in another column will convey some idea of what is going on at the phosphate mines, and will give a fair report of last year's shipments and the probable quantity of mineral that will go forward during the season of navigation of 1884.

Mining in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick has been a profitable industry during the year and has been carried on much more actively than for years before, especially in the gold producing districts of the former province. In the Eastern Townships of the Province of Quebec there has been more than an average production of asbestos and copper ores, but we have received no recent report of progress at the mines. The quantity

of gold raised during the year in Beauce district is over the average, and a fair amount of money has been disbursed on account of prospecting which will not have been in vain, as many promising properties have been opened up. Iron mining in Central Canada never offered better inducements to capitalists, and much foreign capital, American and English, has been invested in the industry which is destined to become one of great importance in the country. Throughout those districts to the north of Kingston and Belleville, and contiguous to a portion of the line of the Kingston and Pembroke Railway, much interest is being manifested in the iron deposits, and an extensive section of country has been carefully prospected—new bodies of ore have been discovered and some of them have been tested with satisfactory results. The Haycock Iron Mine, in the County of Ottawa, has passed into new hands, and it is to be hoped that the property will develop so that the company may realize its most sanguine expectations. A new industry has been quite recently inaugurated in the vicinity of Perth by one of the most energetic and successful miners in this section of Canada who is developing a valuable mica property, which promises to yield an almost unlimited supply of the mineral—very clear and white and hardly inferior to that of New Hampshire or North Carolina. Proceeding further to the west, to that section lying to the north and north-west of Lake Superior, the year's operations at the mines have been attended by successful results, some particulars of which are reported in another column under

the head of "The Mining Industries North of Lake Superior." Since the last report in the REVIEW of progress at the Lake of the Woods gold mines and the mines of Manitoba, little has transpired to chronicle, except in a general way—in the former locality some of the mines continue to be carefully worked, and with success, while at others there has been a temporary suspension of operations pending the forthcoming of more capital which is looked for with the opening of spring. The result of the past summer's prospecting in the Rocky Mountains has been many important discoveries of gold, silver, copper and iron, and some capital has already been subscribed in England, the United States and in Canada for their immediate development. Some of the coal mines of the North West Territories have been vigorously worked during the past year and have supplied a large quantity of good coal to the Canadian Pacific Railway Company and to settlers. A vast amount of money is invested in this important enterprise and much speculation has been indulged in by manipulators who have no intention of entering into active mining, but who may be rewarded by over-credulous capitalists being led away by misrepresentation. It is to be hoped that capital, which is so much needed for the legitimate development of our mineral lands, will not find its way into any unprofitable enterprises, and that wild speculation and intrigue to the mine has been, and to a great extent is now being, carried on, it must