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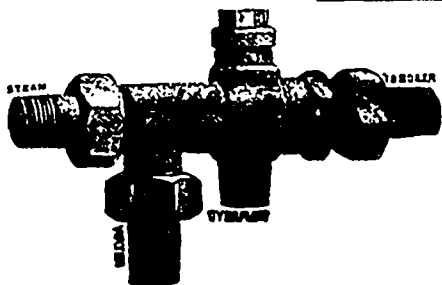
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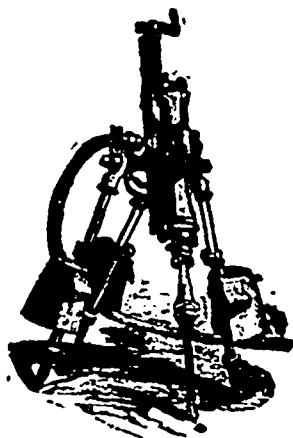
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MINING.

A GREAT MISTAKE.—The maps of the Geological Survey of this Province have all been prepared on the scale of one mile to the inch. It is now proposed by the Dominion Government to publish these maps on the reduced scale of four miles to the inch. This is certainly a great mistake, and the scientific men and members of Parliament in this Province should unite in protesting against it. As the work has all been done on the scale of one mile to the inch, it will cost no small sum to reduce all the original maps to a scale of four miles to the inch, and the expense saved in engraving the reduced maps will be largely eaten up in this way. Besides the value of the maps for reference will be almost destroyed, and a really grand work spoiled by ill-timed parsimony. The matter is one demanding instant attention, and the Gold Miners' Club and the Coal Owners and Miners' Associations would do well to take the question in hand and bring all the influence to bear that they can command to induce the Government not to make the proposed change.

A correspondent of the St. John Gazette has been visiting Annapolis and Queens Counties, and his letters prove that he was delighted with his trip. Of Caledonia he says:—"The village is situated in the centre of some six gold mines, and all that it requires to further its progress is a good railway connection."

We have already advocated in these columns the extending of an invitation to visit this Province to the members of the English Iron and Steel Institute who intend coming to the United States next summer. Our sense of the importance of advertising the natural advantages of our Province must be our excuse for recurring so often to this matter. If it can be shown to the members of such an important branch of commerce as the iron trade that we have such splendid facilities as we really do possess for that manufacture, it will clearly be to their interest to invest capital in developing our coal and iron mines. All the researches into our ore deposits show the greater part of them to be admirably adapted, on account of their freedom from sulphur and phosphorus, to the manufacture of Bessemer pig iron for making Bessemer steel. In fact the new iron company under the management of Mr. Leslie propose making those brands of iron. England is largely dependent on Spain for her Bessemer ores. In 1888 she imported no less than 1,688,489 tons from the Bilbao mines. What an advantage it would be to us could we but convince the iron trade of England that this Province has unlimited deposits of equally good if not better iron. The capital to work them would be at once forthcoming.

The American Institute of Mining Engineers met in Ottawa last week, and were given a grand reception, the Premier and other distinguished men uniting in giving them a cordial welcome. Mr. Gilpin's paper on the geology of Nova Scotia proved of great interest, and several of the engineers expressed a determination to visit and inspect our mines. Mr. Lockie was present and exhibited some gold quartz from the Annand Mine which was greatly admired. He also gave much valuable information in regard to the mineral resources of the Maritime Provinces and of the Eastern Townships of Quebec. That much good will flow from the visit and inspection of the mines of Quebec, Ontario and Nova Scotia by such distinguished engineers goes without saying, and we trust that any of them who may find their way to Nova Scotia will be properly looked after and given full information as to the best localities to visit.

MOLEGA.—The yield of gold from the Molega mine last month was 375 ozs. from 217 tons of quartz, or over one and a half ounces to the ton.

SPRINGHILL.—The collieries continue to work steadily. There is great activity in the coal trade in Parrsboro. The company has facilities for handling and loading 1,000 tons a day there. As many as six schooners clear almost daily.

The following are the official gold returns so far received at the Mines Office for the month of September:—

District.	Mill.	Oz. crushed.	Ozs. Gold.
Salmon River.....	Dufferin.....	550	1451
*Cariboo.....	Lake Lode Co.....	53	304
15 Mile Stream.....	Egerton.....	183	1304
Tangier.....	Brunswick.....	68	171
Montague.....	Annand.....	30	173
*August.....		70	354

MILLISIC.—The fissure lead at Millisic which is being worked by several companies has been traced for about three miles, and it has been opened for upward of two miles, showing well in every shaft.

Mr. Jas. Aulenbach has struck gold in quantities on his claim at Millisic. He and a number of others took up one hundred acres last spring and have been pluckily engaged during the summer prospecting for gold, and we are pleased to learn that their labors have been rewarded with success. The specimens which were brought to town on Saturday last from this property are completely filled with gold, and experts who have examined them pronounce it immensely rich. The lead from which these specimens were taken is a fissure and has been opened for upwards of two miles and in every shaft the precious metal is found in good quantities. The shaft from which these specimens were taken is now down to a depth of 57 ft. and is said to be one of the easiest belts to work in the County.

Mr. N. C. Owen has cut this same lead about one and a half miles from