# FIVE SYNDICATES BEHIND

## Engineer Thompson, Who Was in the Kootenay.

## HE BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES

### For the Britishers, Who Had Plenty of Capital to Invest.

**An Eastern Commercial Man Talks About British Columbia Trade With Ontario —A Former Toronto Man Named Charles T. Long Sued for $10,000 Damages by the War Eagle Company for Defamatory Libel—General Notes.**

A passing proof of the attention being attracted in England by the Kootenay mines was the visit recently paid to Rossland by Wm. Thompson, C.E., of London, Eng., who has just gone east on his way home. Mr. Thompson, who spent some time in Trail Creek, is an associate member of the Institute of Civil Engineers, a consulting mining engineer, a former Government minerologist at Queensland, Australia, and also president lately of the Coolgardie Chamber of Mines. He went to British Columbia as the special representative of five British syndicates and bought for them a number of claims and 50,000 shares in various companies besides. To a reporter he expressed regret that he had been unable to secure any Le Roi or War Eagle st ck, but at the same time he prophesied that other properties in the camp would turn out equally valuable.

*A MAN FROM NELSON*

**Talks of the Trade Springing Up Between Ontario and the Kootenay.**

Mr. S. J. Mighton, formerly a well-known Toronto commercial man, but for the past year and a half a resident of Nelson B.C., has come home to spend Christmas with his relatives. He conducts a general commission business at Nelson, representing, among other houses, the Hamilton tobacco firm of Tuckett & Sons.

Mr. Mighton says the general trade between Eastern Canada and the Kootenay is improving, especially in the line of groceries, hardware, boots and shoes and ready-made clothing. The British Columbia retailers prefer as a rule to buy in Canada, and the above-named staples can be bought and shipped from Ontario at a lower figure than they would cost if imported from the United States. When the Crow's Nest Railway is constructed the cost of transportation will be so greatly reduced that Toronto and other manufacturers and wholesalers should have a bigger lead than ever over the United Statesers—that is, on condition the Laurier Government does not play the deuce with the existing tariff.

Mr. Mighton says that eastern houses are waking up to the opportunities now afforded them, and that they are endeavoring to cultivate the trade with British Columbia. At first they seemed "leary" of the western merchant, and were afraid to give him credit, but now they are finding the Kootenaian storekeeper as trustworthy as anyone.

Mr. Mighton is, of course, full of the mineral resources of his adopted land, and he says that people are steadily flocking in there. He thinks that the great Salmon River region, and especially the Wild Horse and Hall Creek districts, will forge ahead rapidly.

A piece of advice he offers Easterners is that they would make more money by themselves investing in prospects instead of buying up some of the cheap shares of stock on the market.

*WANT $10,000 DAMAGES.*

**Charles T. Long Sued for This Sum in the West.**

Rossland Miner.

Charles T. Long, who introduced himself to Rossland as the correspondent of The London Standard, was yesterday served with a summons issued by the Supreme Court of the province to appear at Nelson on or before Dec. 18, and make answer to a complaint filed by the War Eagle Gold Mining Company of Rossland asking damages in the sum of $10,000 for defamatory libel. This action on the part of the War Eagle Company arose out of the publication by The Victoria Colonist, in its issue of Oct. 28, of a letter signed by Charles T. Long, which intimated that the War Eagle management had been robbing the Poorman Fraction to swell its shipments and consequent dividends. The Colonist has since made a public retraction of the statements in that letter, alleging that it did not know to whom Mr. Long's letter referred.

*ONE MILE OF CLAIMS.*

**Important Deal for Toronto Men Completed at Rossland.**

D. M. Linnard has brought to a successful conclusion a most important Rossland deal. It was nothing less than the purchase for cash by himself and associates of the last of the many interests in the well-known Gopher mineral claim in the South belt. This property was owned by seven or eight different people who have never been able to agree among themselves and who could never before make a sale for that reason. The price paid aggregated about $41,000 cash.

Mr. Linnard had completed, while in Toronto recently, all arrangements for the organization of a company for the taking over of the Gopher property on the completion of the purchase by him. Those to be associated with him in the new company are S. F. McKinnon, A. D. Benjamin, Thomas Walmsley and R. Millichamp of Toronto, and W. G. Johnson, Judge Spinks, Thomas Gilmour and A. F. Corbin of British Columbia. The gentlemen named are to constitute the first board of directors.

The management of the Gopher property is to be amalgamated with that of the Homestake, Maid of Erin, and Robert E. Lee. The four, beginning with the Homestake on the west, and ending with the Lee on the east, occupy just one mile of a single great east and west ledge.

**Smelter for Rossland.**

Robert R. Hedley is in Rossland for the purpose of arranging for the erection of a smelter at or near that town. Mr. Hedley expresses full confidence in his ability to treat successfully with the ordinary blast furnace any Rossland ores containing $10 in gold and copper. It will be his policy to erect his smelter as close to the mines as possible, and he hopes to find a suitable site within a radius of three miles of the town, if not in the town itself.

*SLOCAN DEALS.*

**Several Claims Secured for the Neat Sum of $100,000.**

A. B. Mackenzie and Alexander Dick of Rossland, the latter a recent arrival from Nova Scotia, have just concluded several important deals in the Nelson and Slocan districts. The most important of these was the bonding of the Alpine group, consisting of the Swiss, Berne, Highland Chief and Kootenay Pass, for $60,000. All these claims are situated at the head of Eight Mile Creek, which runs into the west arm or outlet of Kootenay Lake. They are on the divide between the Kootenay Lake country and the Slocan Lake country, three of them being on the Kootenay Lake side. All four claims show a very fine vein of free milling gold ore. They have also bonded for $37,500 a three-quarter interest in the Ocean group, situated at the head of Lemon Creek, running into Slocan Lake. The claims in this group are the Arctic No. 2, Antarctic, Atlantic and Pacific. They carry be gold and silver and have been developed to a limited extent.

The third deal to be made by th gentlemen was the purchase outright of the Comal and Camille, two claims on a branch of the north fork of Lemon Creek, five miles from Slocan City. All these deals were closed up at New Denver and the aggregate sum involved is about $100,000.

*TREAT TRAIL CREEK ORES.*

**Spokane Enterprise Taking Advantage of the Mining Boom.**

An important meeting was held at Spokane Saturday to consider the question of building an extensive smelting works at some point on the line of the Spokane Falls and Northern Railroad. Among those who are understood to have taken part in the meeting are D. C. Corbin, John A. Finch and Oliver Durant. It is very difficult to obtain any definite information as to what was done at the meeting.

It is certain, however, that a site has been selected and that a certain rate on ore has been agreed to by Mr Corbin. The rate, whatever it is, w enable the shipment of ore running as low as $10 a ton. If this is done, an immense impetus will be given to the treatment of Trail Creek ores and most of the mines there will probably hold back their ores until the completion of the proposed smelter, which, it is said, will be by the first of June next.

*BLAIR AND THE RAILWAY.*

**What the Minister Said in Minneapolis About the Crow's Nest Pass.**

To a Minneapolis newspaper man, Hon. A. G. Blair, the Canadian Minister of Railways and Canals, discussing British Columbia schemes, said:

"The proposition is to construct a line of railway from Lethbridge through the Province of Alberta to the east of the Rocky Mountains. The road from Lethbridge to Macleod will pass through the famous Crow's Nest Pass, one of the most desirable passes to be found in the Rockies north of the boundary. From Macleod it will proceed to Nelson and Rossland, in the heart of the rich mining and coal regions. The line will be about 300 miles long.

"A number of branches will be built running into the various mining enterprises. A further extension of the trunk line will also follow in the near future, as there are plans for connecting with Revelstoke, and a point in Northern British Columbia on the Canadian Pacific road by means of the waterways. The undertaking involves an expenditure of about $8,000,000."

Mr. Blair speaks enthusiastically of the opening of the vast coal fields of the Columbia region. The construction of the line, he says, means a revolution in the great smelting works of the Western States, which now obtain coal from New South Wales at a cost of something like $14 a ton. The new road would put the big smelters of Butte, Spokane and other western cities in direct connection with 250,000 acres of the richest coal lands in the world, and cannot fail to produce a remarkable change in all mining operations in the west, developing fields rich in iron ore which have lain idle on account of the high price of coal.

The construction of the line through Crow's Nest Pass will save about 50 miles. It will also do away with steep grades and enable the Canadian Pacific to climb to the summit of the Rocky Mountains, through the lowest pass yet discovered. Its elevation is less than 5000 feet. The lowest place hitherto known in the northwest is Marais Pass, used by the Great Northern line. Crow's Nest Pass was not discovered until later, and it has been the intention of the Canadian Pacific ever since the discovery ultimately to use it. The pass lies close to the international boundary line. The proposed railway will pass near the famous "coal mountain," a vast mass of the richest bituminous and coking coal. This great deposit of coal has been the talk of hunters and trappers for 20 years, but owing to the lack of railway communications not much attention has been paid to it.

It is also reported that this section of British Columbia is rich in petroleum fields, and that the Standard Oil Company has already had agents in the territory making extensive inquiries concerning them.

**Mining Notes.**

The second section of the Columbia and Western Railway between Trail and Robson is to cost $600,000.

It is understood that an English syndicate have raised their bid for the Sultana mine to $1,250,000.

**Gold Ring Consolidated Company**

The superintendent of the Gold Ring Consolidated Mining Company, writing under date of the 12th inst., states that the shaft had been sunk sixteen feet during the preceding week, making a depth of about 200 feet at that date. The ledge at the bottom of the shaft is three feet wide, and all in good rich ore. Some very fine quartz, containing a large quantity of coarse gold, was struck the day the superintendent wrote, and he states that the gold is growing coarser and the ore richer as depth is gained. The vein is slowly widening as the shaft goes down, and the superintendent states that even if the vein never grows any larger than it is at the present time the mine will yield sufficient ore to keep a twenty-stamp mill busy. He expects to reach much richer ore very soon.

In the Perry mine, whose shaft is about 135 feet from the shaft of the Gold Ring Consolidated Mining Company's property, another rich ledge of two and one-half feet in width has been struck in making a cross cut. This is in addition to the ledge of five feet in width, in which they are working.

**Ferranti is Dead.**

New York, Dec. 16.—Pietro Ferranti, formerly a celebrated opera singer, died yesterday at the New York Hospital, where he had been taken suffering from the effects of an accident. He was knocked down and run over by a cab on Dec. 4.

**Toronto C. of E. S. S. Association.**

The next regular meeting of this association will be held this evening in Grace Church School House at 8 o'clock. The model lesson will be taught by Mr. C. R. W. Biggar, Q.C., and a lecture on "A Study in the Prophets," will be given by the Rev. Prof. Cody, M.A., of Wycliffe College. All Sunday School teachers and workers are most cordially invited.

**Behring Sea Commission.**

San Francisco, Dec. 16.—The Behring Sea Commission, which has been in session at Victoria for two weeks, is expected to arrive in San Francisco the latter part of this week, when the investigation will be continued.

**They Swore Falsely.**

Newport, Ky., Dec. 16.—William Traste and John Seward, convicted of false swearing in the Pearl Bryan murder case, have been sentenced to one and two years, respectively, in the penitentiary.

# TRAIN OVER THE SPUR LINE

## An Important Railroad Event For Hamilton

## AS WELL AS FOR TORONTO

### Several Railway Magnates of Note Were on the Train.

**Sir William Van Horne Again Dentes the Report of His Resignation of the Presidency of the C. P. R.—Peter Duffy Had to Whack Up $60 for Fracturing the Liquor Law—A Small Burglary—General News Notes From the City of Hamilton.**

Hamilton, Dec. 16.—(Special.)—The connection between the T., H. and B. spur and the Grand Trunk main line has been completed and the first train was run over the Desjardins Canal bridge and onto the tracks of the older road this morning. The completion of the spur connecting the main lines of the T., H. and B. and G. T. R. is in accordance with the conditions of the agreement entered into between the Canadian Pacific, as lessees of the T., H. and B., and the management of the Grand Trunk, and signalizes an important epoch in the railway history of Hamilton.

A number of prominent railroad men were present at this informal opening, among them being the following, who reached this city by special train shortly after 11 o'clock: Sir William Van Horne, President of the C. P. R.; President Ledyard of the Michigan Central Railway, General Superintendent E. VanEtten of the New York Central, R. H. L'Hommedieu, general superintendent of the M. C. R.; Thomas Tait, Assistant General Manager of the C. P. R.; J. W. Leonard, General Superintendent of the C. P. R.; N. Kingsmill, Q. C., Toronto, solicitor for the C. P. R.; O. W. Ruggles, General Passenger Agent of the C. P. R.; Chief Engineer Torey of the M. C. R., Chief Engineer Peterson of the C. P. R., Col. Pope, Boston; H. D. Hyde, Boston, director of the T., H. and B.; H. P. Dwight, Toronto; Senator McInnes, this city, director of the C. P. R.; J. N. Beckley, President of the T., H. and B.; F. S. Upton, J. N. Young, H. Carscallen, Q. C., solicitor of the T., H. and B.; J. G. Shewan, secretary of Thomas Tate, and C. R. Smith.

Chauncey M. Depew, President of the New York Central, had been expected to be present, but he found it impossible to tear himself away from the cares of business.

The party went over the spur line to the G. T. R. connection and seemed thoroughly pleased with the appearance of all they saw. They declined to state, however, when the regular running of trains to Toronto would begin, further than that the details would all be shortly arranged at New York city.

The distinguished gentlemen did not remain beyond half an hour in the city, and proceeded immediately on their journey to Waterford, where at 3.30 o'clock several of the party relaxed to New York, where they will arrange the details of the transfer of the T., H. and B. Railway to the Michigan Central and Canadian Pacific Companies. While in the city Sir William Van Horne took occasion to pronounce his reported resignation from the presidency of the C. P. R. as entirely groundless.

COSTLY TRIFLING.

It has cost Peter Duffy just $60 for trifling with the liquor law. Mr. Duffy is the keeper of a hotel at the corner of Merrick and Macnab-streets and once before found himself in trouble in consequence of his lack of regard for the law framed and passed to govern just such establishments as his own. In the present instance Inspector Walter had had his suspicions aroused that the Duffy bar was not always free from visitors during prohibited hours, and a couple of unexpected visits to the hotel last Saturday night confirmed these suspicions and satisfied Magistrate Jelfs that Duffy had been trifling with the law. A fine was imposed as stated above and promptly paid.

RAISED A RUCTION.

John Mulholland, 155 Young-street, was accused of raising a disturbance at the house of a namesake and found guilty. A fine of $2 was imposed, but John wanted until Saturday to raise the money. The magistrate was willing, but demanded simple interest at the rate of 100 per cent. per day for the three days.

NOT WORTH THE TROUBLE.

The whip factory of Ald. J. E. Brown, at the corner of Sanford-avenue and Main-street, was visited by burglars last night and the office safe blown open. A small sum of money, between $3 and $5, was all that was missing when the employes entered the building this morning. The police were notified and Chief Smith, accompanied by several detectives, visited the premises, but have not as yet succeeded in obtaining any clue to the identity of the daring burglars. It is believed the job was the work of the gang who wrecked the safe at the Clappison factory on Alanson-street some months ago, and who have succeeded in eluding arrest.

MINOR MATTERS.

Mrs. Harvey, 106 Ferguson-avenue south, has been taken to the City Hospital suffering with inflammation.

The Barton Township Council has extended a free right of way to the Hamilton, Chedoke and Ancaster Electric Street Railway for twenty years over the public highways on that portion of the township through which the company desires to run its lines. At the expiration of the twenty years the company is to pay $100 per mile per year.

James A. McInerney got judgment to-day in the Division Court against the city for $30 for the flooding of his cellar. Miss Annie Murphy seeks to recover $60 from the same defendant for injuries alleged to have been received through a defective sidewalk.

Dr. Lyall has decided that the placing of manure in front of dwellings is liable to spread disease and is specially dangerous if children happen to reside in the vicinity, and he has, therefore, lodged a protest against the practice with the proper authorities.

The seventh annual show of the Hamilton Poultry, Pigeon and Pet Stock Association opened at the old postoffice building to-night and will continue throughout the week. The exhibition is large and fine and fully up to the standard of previous years.

**Exit the Free Dental Hospital.**

Dr. J. G. Adams called at The World office last evening, a much discouraged man. For 25 years he has been possessed with the idea that he had a mission. This was to cure for children's teeth. He had a free dental hospital at 1½ Elm-street. There were beautiful rooms and five empty chairs. He appealed to the City Council, Ministerial Association, School Boards and citizens generally, but when he piped unto them they did not dance. So he pulled down his sign last night and will go on a missionary tour to other Canadian towns and the cities of the United States, telling of the awful sufferings of the little ones with bad teeth and advocating the establishment of free dental hospitals. He shakes the dust of Toronto from his feet, and says the Bible is true that a prophet has no honor in his own country.

*YOUTHFUL HEROES*

**Receive Royal Canadian Humane Society's Medals—Attack on and Defence of Rugby Football.**

The presentation of bronze medals awarded by the Royal Canadian Humane Society to Masters George Strathy and Herbert Kingstoa took place at a special meeting of the Toronto Humane Society, held in Assembly Hall of the Normal School Building yesterday afternoon.

A large crowd was present to witness the ceremony, noticeable among them being a great number of children. Miss Dell, secretary of the Toronto Humane Society, read communications from the society, after which the president, Mr. W. R. Brock, made a brief opening address, explaining the aims of the society, and stating that it was no respecter of persons, but endeavored to have cruelty in every form brought to punishment whenever found.

Right Rev. Dr. Sullivan, rector of St. James' Cathedral, expressed high approval of the work being done by the society in this city.

Mrs. S. C. Wood presented the medals to the youthful heroes of the occasion, at the same time telling the story of the heroic rescue of little Miss Muriel Strathy from drowning in Lake Rosseau on Aug. 8, 1896. The story was given dramatic effect by the appearance on the platform at the proper moment of Miss Muriel.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

An address followed from Dr. G. Sterling Ryerson, M.L.A., president of St. John Ambulance Association, who, in connection with the subject of furthering manly courage among young men, condemned Rugby football under its present system of regulations. Though himself an admirer of the game, he maintained that the rules should be modified.

Chancellor Wallace of McMaster University, who has proved himself a valuable friend to the society in every way, congratulated warmly the recipients of the medals, and, in reference to Dr. Ryerson's remarks, declared that he himself stood before the audience as "an exhibition of the awful wreck football makes," stating at the same time that he had for years been an enthusiastic follower of the grand old game of Rugby, and though he condemned brutality in all its forms, he approved of so-called roughness in certain lines. He also expressed the opinion that if we are to have a manly, courageous race of men we must be willing to have them take risks in their sports.

He referred to the Toronto Humane Society as an example of what people can do if they stand by their principles, and praised the good work which is being done by "a mere handful of people."

MANY SYMPATHIZERS.

Mr. O. A. Howland, M.L.A., gave the concluding address, and letters were read from Hon. G. W. Ross, Mr. Adam Brown, President of the Royal Canadian Humane Society; Dr. Parkin, Principal of Upper Canada College; Provost Welch of Trinity College; Chief Justice Hagarty and Mr. Merton, Secretary of the Humane Society of Hamilton, all expressing deep sympathy with the society, and regret at their inability to be present at the meeting.

Master Herbert Kingston, a son of Mr. F. W. Kingston of this city, is a pupil at the Normal School, and Master George Strathy, a son of the late J. S. Strathy of Barrie, is attending Upper Canada College. The boys are cousins of each other and nephews of Mrs. Charles B. Grasett.

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**Sons of Scotland.**

The following officers were elected by Robert de Bruce Camp No. 2, S. O. S., for the year 1897: Chief, F. S. Mearns (acc.); past chief, A. M. Oliphant; chieftain, F. Crowe; chaplain, F. Cockburn; recording secretary, Allan Ker; financial secretary, James Smeall; treasurer, A. J. Cockburn; Marshal, Peter Wilson; standard-bearer, George Stewart; inside guard, James Doughty; outside guard, Allan Farquhar; physician, Dr. A. Eadie; trustees, L. McCorkindale, Dr. Rose and James Barrie; piper, George Murray; pianist, Bro. Dickson; delegates to Grand Camp, Chief F. S. Mearns and L. McCorkindale; alternates, A. M. Campbell and Capt. Ross.

**Order of Chosen Friends.**

A civil service council of the Order of Chosen Friends was organized at the Parliament buildings yesterday by Chief Organizer A. W. Campbell, C.E. The charter members of the new Queen's Park council, No. 352, number 25, and the officers elected were as follows: W J Vale, past councillor; S K Cameron, chief councillor; D B Wylie, vice-councillor; W H Clarke, recorder; E S Williamson, treasurer; J W Smuck, M.D., medical examiner; O Davidson, prelate; F X Korman, marshal; S Dunnar, warden; J A Robertson, guard; C F Bulmer, secretary; T Southworth, T W Gibson, L V Percival, trustees.

**Ada Wants Damages.**

Miss Ada Shuttle, who is said to be as sweet as the candy she used to sell in a Yonge-street confectionery, is suing P.C. George Burleigh of No. 2 Division for $2500 for breach of promise. She claims that while riding the seductive bike in company with George, he proposed to her. Although Ada had only known him for two short, sweet months, she accepted him. Latterly George has been doing a sort of refrigerator act, and she is determined to bring him to time.

Mr. Burleigh denies that he proposed marriage to the lady, or that he ever said anything that could be construed as such.

**The Technical School.**

On Monday evening next there will be a meeting of the Technical School Special Committee appointed to prepare a petition to be presented to the City Council in reference to a new school building. The petition is to outline the position of the Education Department on the matter.

**Alleged Swindlers Arrested.**

New York, Dec. 16.—Ger. Wilson and John Palmer were arrested to-day charged with swindling pawnbrokers by means of alleged gold watches and chains to the extent of thousands of dollars. The authorities have information that Wilson and Palmer have swindled pawnbrokers in many cities throughout the country.


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**One Cut Throat Hanged.**

Sneedville, Tenn., Dec. 16.—Maired Hatfield, a relative of the notorious Hatfields of Kentucky and West Virginia, was hanged here to-day for the murder of Jonas Trail, a dealer in illicit whiskey.


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OBJECTS
The extensive district from Parry Sound to Port Arthur, and lying between the Great Lakes and Hudson Bay, although of enormous mineral wealth, has until quite lately been almost neglected by capital. The indications are that it contains some of the richest gold deposits in the known world.
In response to the imperative demand for facilities for testing the various prospects already discovered this company has been formed.
Its plans have been most carefully matured, after thorough investigation of the chances and consultation with nearly all the prominent owners in Eastern Algoma, whose earnest endorsation and promises of support it has received.

MERCANTILE FEATURES.
Custom Reduction Works.
It has been arranged to establish at the Town of Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., a custom reduction works, consisting of crushing and amalgamating machinery, together with a chlorination and cyanide plant suitable for treating both free-milling and refractory quartz. The intention is to have this plant in operation by 1st January, 1897. It is also intended to put in a water jacket smelter at the earliest possible moment.
Sault Ste Marie has been chosen from its very exceptional advantages as a central point to which ore can be shipped by water from all points along the north shores of Lake Superior and Huron, and by rail from some of the most important mineral centres.
Commissions and Brokerage.
The company proposes to handle mining properties of all kinds on commission, and to promote and organize companies to take hold of such properties, acting as their agents for the purpose of placing their stock or debentures.
The head office of the company will be in Toronto, but it is the intention of the directors to establish an agency in England, as soon as prospects justify it, for the placing of the various properties which may come into their hands for sale, as it is felt to be of the utmost importance to interest English capital in a legitimate way. The directors propose to be very careful as to the properties they may handle, and as they are the first bona fide company in the field in this district they confidently expect to work up a large business in this direction.
In addition to the above features, which ought of themselves to carry the shares to par within a year, and which at the very least prove that the company are taking no chances it has already secured
OPTIONS ON OVER FIFTY VEINS.
None of these options require the payment of money at the present or at any future time. The terms of the options are as follows:
The company agrees to develop within a reasonable time (in most cases within a reasonable time after the opening of navigation in the spring of 1897) at least one claim in each of the various groups to a sufficient extent to find out whether it contains merchantable ore in paying quantities. On deciding this important point the company is entitled to demand a deed of an undivided interest in such location varying from five-sixths to three-quarters.
The company, under these circumstances, has everything to gain and nothing to lose. The intention is to get out enough ore from each of the claims to give a thorough mill test at their central mill. And the company could then—
(1) Continue it as a shipping mine, sending the ore to be crushed at the Sault;
(2) Place a crushing plant on the mine itself, simply treating the concentrates at the Sault; or
(3) Sell its interest.
In any event should one in ten of these claims turn out well the assets of the company would go up in a corresponding degree.
The surface assays range all the way from $41 per ton, and there is every reason to suppose that as development work proceeds rich finds will follow.
No options are taken which do not show good surface assays.
It is, of course, impossible to estimate even approximately the immense possibilities, but there is one fact certain, and that is that no mining company in the world's history ever had better opportunities for making such large and almost certain profits with such a minimum risk.
In actual dividend-earning power this company unquestionably occupies a class by itself. No other company at present before the public presents the same features. There is no question but that its Reduction Works will be fully employed so soon as they are fairly started, and there are very few classes of business which offer the same ratio of profit to the amount of capital invested. The number of options which this company already holds makes its future an absolute certainty. The company's Reduction Works being situated at such a central point enables the development of its claims to be carried on at a minimum expense, and in the most expeditious manner. As these claims are developed the sale of any one will immediately place the company in a position to declare a handsome dividend. As the winter is a good season for transporting ore, and as the company's works are expected to be in operation by the New Year, it is expected that within a very few months a dividend will be declared.
50,000 fully paid up and non-assessable shares of treasury stock now offered for sale to the public at the low price of 25c per share.
Applications accompanied by cheque for blocks of 40 shares and upwards will receive prompt attention.

NOTICE
Is hereby given that, as the first issue of treasury shares is almost exhausted the latest date at which applications will be received for stock at 25 cents will be the last day of this year, after which date the price will be 50 cents per share. Should, however, the present issue be exhausted before that date, the shares will be withdrawn from the market until the 1st of January,