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MINING.

The Mining Notes referring to the gold mines of Nova Scotia, as they appear in the July number of the *Canadian Mining Review*, have caused annoyance to those adversely criticized. As companies in carrying out development work do not make public all they do or explain their plans to outsiders, this waspish wounding of members of mining companies is looked upon as small and mean. As all the gold mining ventures in Nova Scotia are practically private, there being no public sale of shares or attempt to rope in the public, newspaper correspondents should drop anything that can be construed into ill-natured criticism.

In our last issue the interesting article on chlorination, written by a well-known mining engineer, was somewhat marred by several typographical errors, the most important being the substitution of wasting for roasting, in lines 17 and 31, and investors for inventors in line 27.

ISAAC'S HARBOR—The electric plant is going to be put up on the old Mulgrave mining property, not the Palgrave, as previously reported.

OLDHAM.—The Concord Gold Mining Company, as a result of a trial test of some four tons of quartz from a lead now being opened up, netted over 15½ ounces of gold, or an average of nearly 4 ounces per ton. There is a quantity of quartz now ready for milling, and some 13 men are employed in tunneling and sinking. Mr. Hamilton, the enterprising manager, has won success by pluck and perseverance.

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

District.	Mill.	Tons Qtz. Crushed.	Ozs. Gold.
Sherbrooke.....	Sundry.....	35	51
Oldham.....	Concord.....	5	31½
Caribou, Moose River.....	Moose River Co.....	200½	36½
* " " ".....	D. Touquoy.....	270	77½
Uniacke.....	Phoenix.....	95	9
S. Uniacke.....	Withrow.....	27	33
Lake Catcha.....	Oxford.....	317	111½
Whiteburne.....	Queens County.....	49½	51½
15 Mile Stream.....	New Egerton.....	375	248½
Leipsigat.....	Millipsigat.....	12	9
Malaga.....	Malaga Mining Co.....	98	117
Scraggy, or Gold Lake.....	Thos. Baker, mortared gold. ...		8½
* Surface soil and dump.....	164 tons, 6 ozs. gold, 4 dwt.		
Quartz.....	106 " 70 " 19 "		

There is a slight improvement in the mining districts east of Salmon River. At Crow's Nest the mill is being re-fitted, and both Isaac's Harbor and Country Harbor are improving. In the Sherbrooke district there is nothing new. At Wine Harbor Mr. McNaughton has suspended work on the Middle lead. There is nothing new at Ecum Secum, Moosehead, or Harrigan Cove.

QUEENS COUNTY MINING ITEMS.—Mr. Emerson Coleman, of New York, and Mr. M. F. Dickenson, Jr., of Boston, the principal owners in the Whiteburn Mining Co., paid a short visit to the mine on Thursday, and took a general look through the camp. They expressed themselves as thoroughly pleased with the outlook, and feel that their property has considerable of a future before it, and that with proper equipment, will exceed anything that has ever been obtained from it.

The latter part of last week Prof. James Douglas, of Arizona, and Dr. Hymes, of New York, two well known American Mining Engineers, visited the mine in the capacity of experts, and in company with Manager Partington, thoroughly investigated the underground and surface workings. They also left favorably impressed with the prospects.

The result of these visits may mean the equipment of the Whiteburn Mine with air drills, and sufficient plant to permit of deep sinking and the handling of the mine in a systematic workmanlike manner. In the meanwhile work is being pushed along as thoroughly as possible with the present plant.

The Colo Lead is showing well in the main shaft, and also on the surface, some 500 feet distant.

The Center lead has been opened in a new spot, showing about 15 in. of quartz with evidence of good gold. A crushing of some 30 or 40 tons will be run through this month which will tell the tale on this lead.

Work is also being done on the Birthday lead, and a test of the Dunbrack lead is now being run through the mill.

Everything about the mine has the flavor of thorough business, and we trust nothing will interfere to turn aside its proper equipment, for all things seem to point toward a success. The quartz is there, and machinery with good management will do the rest. Bring on the machinery.

Mr. Gilbert Parker informs us that he is very much pleased with the show of gold now being taken out of the Rosignol Mine, Whiteburn. He thinks it will prove a valuable and rich mine.

The result of the clean-up at the Boston Gold Mine, Molega, last month, was 360 ounces of gold. This mine is proving a bonanza for the owners.—*Gold Hunter.*

Word comes from Sioux City, N. M., that a large deposit of meerschaum has been discovered in the northern part of that country. Several months ago Clark Rogers found the cropping and brought a specimen there. Pieces were sent to Berlin and Vienna, and a few days ago the results of the tests

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