Ottawa. The working vein is eight feet wide, and consists of free gold, or what is known as Sylvanite ore, the richest ore known to miners. The lowest assay to the ton is $49, and the highest $5,971. The company have some thirty men at work, a ten stamp mill erected, and over 300 tons of very rich ore ready for treatment. Such companies as this with capital, experience, enterprise and courage, really develop mining interest and make not only wealth for themselves but for others, by pointing out what untold millions lie hidden in the earth and their location.

Free gold was discovered at the height of land in 1871, but owing to the impossibility of getting in machinery or away quartz, it was not worked. The Diorite Dyke from Silver Islet to McKellar's Point on the main shore, extends for 30 miles and all veins crossing it are rich in silver, especially those on Thompson, McKellar, Spar, Jarvis and Victoria Islands, and McKellar's Point on the main land and 3 B. McKellar's Point is being operated by a company with a capital of $1,000,000. Pie Island is stocked for $5,000,000. Silver is also found all along the north shore and many interior places.

Native Copper is found in large quantities and is being worked at Michipotcoten by a wealthy English company. It is the same copper as is found on the south shore of Lake Superior, and has proved a source of great wealth to those operating.

Iron is found in endless quantities, and as coal can be laid down at this port for $3.20 per ton it will not be long until all the iron and castings used in the North-West will be manufactured here.

Zinc is found in rich quantities, also Massive Iron Pyrites, suitable for sulphuric acids. Baryta or Heavy Spar for paint, Plumbago, Soapstone, and a superior quality of Old Red Sandstone.

Neepigon Sandstone Company, (Limited).—This company was organized in 1882 with a capital stock of $300,000. The property of the company is a very valuable one and contains an almost inexhaustable quantity of fine old red sandstone, large amounts of the same have already been shipped to Chicago for substantial building purposes and ornamentation. The principal stock-holders of the company are Mr. T. and G. T. Marks, H. A and F. S. Wiley, R. and W. H. Laird, all of Prince Arthur's Landing. The following extract we take from the Toronto *Mail*:—