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THE CANADIAN SCENIC ROUTE. ecting at Queenston with the Magara

1 went down on her ust Tuesday.
Pulling out of Rat Portage at 8.30 a.m.,
Judgin Eastern Peninsula, crossed Yellow Girl and Long Bays, and, passing through a strait called "The Passage," swung out into Whitefish Bay, or the Little Traverse. Here, making due south, and leaving the Regine several miles to the east, she stop-Regina several miles to the east, she stopped at Snake Bay to throw off some freight for Mr. G. F. Ernst, who, with a small gang of men, is doing some prospect.

Like the Trojan, the Mascotte is well fixing and development work on property under option to the British Canadian Gold Fields Company, of which Hon. George E. Foster is president. Something like 5500 acres of land were taken up on Snake Bay simply, it is said, because of their proximity to the Regina locations, but Mr. lands for the Regina. F. D. L. S. Ernst tells me that he is finding some good leads on some of the holdings. Some miles further to the south the Phantom set down in Coronado Bay three men who

himself up accordingly.

Camp and Grassy Bays. The next and last stage of the outward trip brought Camp Bay and Grassy Bay tion to the fact that there were over 30, in sight. Camp Bay is a deep indentation | 000 acres, unoccupied, of the best arable in the shore line, near which lies a pros- land of Ontario, near the thriving town of pect which has lately yielded some of the Dryden, on the C. P. R. The result has richest specimens of gold-bearing quartz been that the Department of Agriculture ever found in the district. The property has been flooded with applications, perever found in the district. The property consists of 56, 57 and 52 S., and D. 240, and is owned by Messrs. Thomas Walsh, Charles Sterling and M. P. Wright of Rat Portage. It is only a new discovery and as yet no work of any account has been done upon it. A little prospecting, however, has brought to light two nice leads, one over nine feet wide on the surface and traceable 20 chains and the other 214 feet. traceable 20 chains, and the other 31/2 feet

ranted the building of docks in this part of the country, so that the Phantom simply sidled up beside the green bank at the mouth of the inlet, and made her nose While Doing Business in the fast to a tree. It was now 5 o'clock in the afternoon, and, as the boat was to start on the return trip at 6 o'clock the next morning the return trip at 6 o'clock the next morning the return trip at 6 o'clock the next morning the return trip at 6 o'clock the next morning trip at 6 o'clock the next morn ing, I had to see all there was to see on THE PLACE SEEMS UNIQUE.

shore in the three short hours before dark.

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the Several Mines Again.

The Topian consists of the Country, who very kindly volunteered to take me again I struck a good trail, a mile along which I hove in sight of the look one of the C. P. R. boats which had a large party of tourists and other mining men booked for Toronto.

The Trojan camp, where I found Mr. Harin is adid that the Klondike ind would somewhat lower the Value of the Rossland gold fields, as the prospectors were talking nothing but Klondike, and that they would sell their claims for the Topian and Mascotte Properties—An Idea of the Trojan consists of mining locations S. 77 and W. A. 3 and 4, making 160 acres in all. These claims were taken up and surveyed in August and September, 1896, and work was started upon them in the latter part of October. A contact of trap and work was started upon them in the latter part of October. A contact of trap and they only needed working to make them very valuable.

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town is that of the tenderfoot Englishman. is also found on the property.

While the ordinary visitor confines his preparations for a trip among the mines to the purchase of a pair of Macleod's prospecting packs, this Britisher must needs affect the wide-brimmed sombrers, and all the other personal accourrements usually considered indigenous to the real wild and woolly West. He has read of the old California camp, and has gotten While the ordinary visitor confines his preparations for a trip among the mines the roughest on the Lake of the Woods. the old California camp, and has gotten could be run by gravitation to a mill on Girard Lake.

The thing that strikes one most here is the apparent liability of the people to apparent liability of The thing that strikes one most here is the apparent liability of the people to appreciate the truth of the old provers, "Tempus fugit." Time certainly could never be of the essence of any contract made hereabouts. The habit of disregarding time is a remnant of the days when railroads and telegraph wires were unknown to the West, and the old resident is, therefore, the worst offender in this respect, though the new-comer seems to be fast falling into the same careless an engagement within an hour or two of the appointed time is the exception to the rule, while, if a man tells you he is leaven and pot the produced," as being put down ing town to-morrow, he certainly will not get away before the day after, and probably not until next week. This dilatoriness of conduct extends even to the numerous small steamers that ply the Lake of the Woods. "Any old time" is the time-table which generally governs their movements. So, I advise anyone who in the columns of the day of the people to appreciate the truth of the truth cannot be a shaft is being put down on the control of the appoint of the day after, and probably not until next week. This dilatoriness of conduct extends even to the numerous small steamers that ply the Lake of the Woods. "Any old time" is the time-table which generally governs their movements. So, I advise anyone who in

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Out to the Mines Again.

Forty-five miles to the southeast of this place lies the Regina mine, and ten miles from Early of Which at least three very promising properties are being worked. As these represent two distinct and extensive sections of the Lake of the Woods country they are well, worth a visit. The good ship Phantom every week makes a trip, taking in both districts, and I went down on her last Tuesday.

Out to the Mines Again.

Forty-five miles to the southeast of this place lies the Regina mine, and ten miles feet of dark grey quartz, broken in two by a horse of slate. The quartz is well mineralized, and I understand pans encouragingly. I examined the 40-foot shaft on this lode, which proves the vein matter to be contained between clean walls, and to increase in body with depth. The sinking was full of powder smoke at the time of my visit, but I am informed that 40 feet down the horse goes out, leaving 6 feet of quartz.

Judging from what I saw the company she made through the Devil's Gap and across the Manitou stretch. Then, leaving Hay Island to port, she skirted the of the trap and granite, and is nothing of the trap and granite, and is nothing.

from her moorings and bore away on her sinuous course amid an archipelago o

THAT GOODLY LAND. with a prospecting outfit, are going in to open up a property near the shore, Unoccupied Arable Land of

North Ontario. A few days ago The World drew atten

From two pits, 10 and 8 feet deep respectively, several tons of ore were last week sent to the Rat Portage Reduction Works to be tested.

The Trojan.

Grassy Bay adjoins Camp Bay and is

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but rather a cross between the two. Being a trading centre, mining metropolis and summer resort in one, it has, especially at this time of the year, a much mixed population. In the breezy sentences of my old Triend Charles Lewis Shaw, rormery an anastern journalistic light, but now the star in the firmament of local newspaperdom:

"Yes, Rat Portage is an unique place. As different from an Eastern Ontario town as it is different from an prairie town of the swild and woolly West. It is like and unlike either and partakes largely of the character of both. A curious mingling of the East and the West, of old-timer and dandy, river man and summer girl. We feet wide, and well defined by smooth walls. Upon this lead a shart is down 70 feet. Thirty feet below the surface this working method to be put down and the veins have been a vein containing from and sulphide of silver traced across this company's claim for over 3000 feet. Before leaving Mr. Farini shipped 100 sacks of this valuable ore to the Nelson smelter, about 35 miles distance from the mine across Lake Slocan. Mr. Farini shipped 100 sacks of this valuable or silver traced across this company's claim for over 3000 feet. Before leaving Mr. Farini shipped 100 sacks of this valuable or silver traced across this company's claim for over 3000 feet. Before leaving Mr. Farini shipped 100 sacks of this valuable or silver traced across this company's claim for over 3000 feet. Before leaving Mr. Farini shipped 100 sacks of this valuable or silver traced across this company's claim for over 3000 feet. Before leaving Mr. Farini shipped 100 sacks of this valuable or silver traced across this company's claim for over 3000 feet. Before leaving Mr. Farini shipped 100 sacks of this valuable or silver traced across this company's claim for over 3000 feet. Before leaving Mr. Farini shipped 100 sacks of this valuable or silver traced across that company's claim for over 3000 feet. Before leaving Mr. Farini shipped 100 sacks of this valuable or silver traced across Luke Slocan. Mr

dandy, river man and summer girl. We live between the two extremes, and now, before those apparently discordant elements have been welded together or melted down in the crucible of time, can be seen the meeting of the old and the new order of things in social and commercial life. Capt. Hennesy discusses mining with the haw-haw English expert, Capt. Hooper negotiates for his fish with the slick fish merchant from Minneapolis, and Julius discusses horseflesh and the rights of common carriers with the white-clad young law student out for his summer holidays. These will come together in time, but Rat Portage will not be so interesting when that assimilation takes place."

In these graphic words Mr. Shaw brings out the features of the populace, but he might have added that the most striking figure to be seen on the streets of the town is that of the tenderfoot Englishman.

In the two extremes, and now, bleed a shaft is down 70 feet. Thirty feet below the surface this working sexposed a clear body of dark quartz four at this depth and a half feet wide, but at this depth a horse of miferalized trap partly crowded the verifical trap partly crowded the very matter proper out for a time. At the present level, however, this quartz body is again coming in nicely.

Lead No. 3 is six feet wide on the surface and has been traced for 18 chains. It is said to assay \$17 to the ton on the surface will not be so interesting when that assimilation takes place."

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