

# OPPOSE NICKEL EMBARGO.

Mass Meeting at Sudbury Demands  
Removal of Restrictions Upon  
the Industry.

## TAKE OFF THE ROYALTY AS WELL

Hon. E. J. Davis, Commissioner of  
Crown Lands, on a Tour Gath-  
ering Information-Some  
Warm Speeches.

Sudbury, Jan. 17.—(Special.)—A fixed bid  
law would be better than a shifting good  
one.

This epigrammatic remark from the lips of  
J. R. Gordon of Sudbury, voiced the  
feeling of a public meeting held at the  
capital of the nickel industry last evening.  
The occasion of the gathering was the visit  
of Hon. E. J. Davis, the new Commissioner  
of Crown Lands in the Ross Government.  
Mr. Davis, accompanied by Mr.  
Archibald Bine, Director of the Bureau of  
Mines, came upon from Toronto yesterday  
with the avowed intention of ascertaining  
the real attitude of the community towards  
the nickel embargo established in Novem-  
ber last, by order-in-Council, and towards  
the existing nickel mining regulations in  
general.

**Canadian Copper Company.**  
The representatives of the Administration  
spent the afternoon with the guests of Messrs.  
MacArthur and Turner and Captain La-  
son of the Canadian Copper Company, and  
together with The World's Commissioner  
were very much impressed by the propo-  
sitions assumed by that corporation's man-  
agement. At Copper Cliff, within three  
miles of Sudbury, the company is working  
six mines on a large scale, and the propo-  
sitions are equipped with extensive facil-  
ities and holding plants, 1200 feet below  
the greatest depth so far attained. One huge  
cold-draw furnace has been in operation  
for some years, and a new reduction plant  
erected upon the hot blast principle is now  
being experimented with. A thousand men  
are engaged in the industry, and the month-  
ly pay roll runs over \$300,000. Some-  
thing like 200,000 tons of ore were pro-  
duced from which about 25,000 tons of  
nickel were produced and shipped for  
refinement to the Orford, Conn. Com-  
pany's works in New Jersey, U.S.A.

**Capital Deterred by Laws.**  
Having given Mr. Davis the object lesson  
the men of Sudbury and the neighbor-  
ing districts sought to impress upon him  
the mischievous and wasteful nature of the  
tricks of nickel lands just as valuable as  
those controlled and operated by this  
active corporation. And, having done this,  
they went further, and asserted most phre-  
nically that one thing alone had retarded  
the way of the establishment of many  
nickel enterprises equal in importance to  
that of the big concern now operating in  
the district. This one thing, they told  
him, the Commissioner, was the unsatis-  
factory condition of the department's min-  
ing regulations. Lots of capital, they  
stated, would have already been poured  
into Sudbury country but for the existing laws  
governing mineral lands and mining.

**Abolish the Royalty.**  
Such statements as these were made at  
the public meeting in the evening, and  
many of them with great warmth. In fact,  
Mr. Davis must have been surprised to hear  
such wholesale criticism of the laws as  
were launched in his presence.  
In the first place, it was demanded that  
the nickel royalty should be totally abo-  
lished. The royalty was impossible on prop-  
erties patented or leased under a certain  
date, and not on those which were pro-  
cessed in an unfair discrimination, and the royalty  
should be taken off altogether. If, instead  
of a uniform mineral tax which might be im-  
posed, but some speakers asked why nickel  
should be taxed at all, while at the same  
time the Government was paying a bounty  
to iron smelters. The fact that the roy-  
alty had never been exacted by the Govern-  
ment did not, it was held, affect the argu-  
ment. Its maintenance on the statute  
books constituted a menace that frightened  
off capital.

**Ward Embargo Rescinded.**  
The meeting next insisted that the order-  
in-Council of November last, compelling the  
refining of nickel for the province be re-  
scinded.  
The first objection to the embargo was  
that, like the royalty, it applied only to  
lands patented in the future, and that, in  
fact, discriminated against the prospector  
and in favor of such concerns as the Cana-  
dian Copper Company, which had titles to its  
properties long ago. At the same time  
the feeling of the meeting was, even if  
the Government were able to devise some  
plan whereby the older lands should be  
placed on the same footing as the new with  
regard to it, it was asked that the order-  
in-Council be rescinded.

**Nickel Refineries.**  
The chief argument produced in support  
of this demand consisted of the fact that  
the Government, in passing such an  
order, did not take into consideration the  
establishment of refineries in Canada which  
would result in the export of the nickel  
in a finished state. For instance, Major  
Leckie of Sudbury held that a refinery  
which would employ more than 50 to 100  
hands.

**Would Retard Market.**  
While it was maintained that the establish-  
ment of refineries in Ontario would not  
to any great extent increase the labor  
market, arguments were advanced with  
view to showing that the compulsory re-  
fining of the metal in the province would  
be a hardship on the mine-owner. If the  
embargo were enforced the result would  
be a serious limiting of the market for ore.  
The erection of reduction works and re-  
fineries cost so much that only two or three  
big concerns might be expected to build  
refineries, and these, having a monopoly of  
the business, would pay only such prices  
as they chose for ore.

**Make the Law Strict.**  
The above is an outline of the chief spe-  
cific demands made by the meeting, but  
as indicated in the opening sentence of  
this communication, what was most in-  
sisted upon was some sort of stability  
in the regulations. Capital should be  
handicapped by as few legal restrictions as  
possible, but above all the Government  
should cease frittering away money  
men by continuous changes in the mining  
laws. Letters were read from wealthy  
United States mining men, asserting that  
the deterrent which prevented them com-  
ing into Ontario and investing was the un-  
certainty of the Ontario laws.

**Get Expert Advice.**  
Mr. R. R. McConnell made a practical  
suggestion to the effect that the Govern-  
ment should have a committee of experts  
to determine upon a fixed mining policy  
in a practical business-like method.  
"Let the administration," he said, "procure  
and send into the district a number of  
experts of standing, and let them advise  
the Government to alter the nickel indus-  
try alone. 'Just go away,' he said, 'and  
it will develop itself.'"

**Resolutions Adopted.**  
As a result of the meeting the following  
resolutions were unanimously adopted in  
the presence of the Commissioner and his  
staff:

(1) Moved by A. McCharles, seconded by  
J. R. Gordon, that the Order-in-Council of  
November, 1898, relative to compulsory re-  
fining of nickel in this province, be re-  
scinded.—Carried.

(2) Moved by J. O'Connor, seconded by  
J. F. Black, that the Order-in-Council of  
November, 1898, relative to compulsory re-  
fining of nickel in this province, be re-  
scinded.—Carried.

(3) Moved by John Fawcett, seconded by  
J. O'Connor, that all mines and minerals  
already discovered, patented, applied for,  
and to be discovered, should be placed upon  
the same footing of equality.—Carried.

(4) Moved by J. R. Gordon, seconded by  
J. F. Black, that all Crown Lands be open  
for lease or sale as mineral lands, and that  
they be not withdrawn by any Order-in-  
Council.—Carried.

(5) Moved by A. McCharles, seconded by  
J. R. Gordon, that the price of mineral lands  
should be made uniform, say \$2.50 per acre  
as surveyed, and \$2.00 an acre in unsurveyed  
territory.—Carried.

(6) Moved by A. McCharles, seconded by  
J. Fawcett, that the amount required to be  
expended on development work, \$500 an  
acre, should be made one-half, or \$250 an  
acre, or \$100 an acre each year for three  
years, as the purpose of such work is not  
to "open up" a mine claim, but simply  
to find out if the property is worth any-  
thing or not.—Carried.

(7) Moved by J. O'Connor, seconded by  
J. Fawcett, that a mining office be  
established in Sudbury, and a competent  
man placed therein, and all necessary min-  
ing maps furnished, and that all applica-  
tions made be made on a map when  
made, and that all applications to the de-  
partment be made through the Sudbury  
office, and take precedence.—Carried.

(8) Moved by J. R. Gordon, seconded by  
W. A. Quibell, that the Government be  
requested to largely increase the grants to  
mining and metallurgical research in this  
district.—Carried.

(9) Moved by A. McCharles, seconded by  
J. Fawcett, that the Government should  
offer any further aid that may be requir-  
ed to secure the immediate construction of  
a railway as an independent "mineral road"  
from Sudbury to the Georgian Bay, in or-  
der to afford the most direct and economi-  
cal transportation of the mineral and other  
products of the Sudbury district to a ship-  
ping point on the lake, and also to cheapen  
the cost of coke and coal, and thus pro-  
vide in a special way the establishment of  
smelting and refining works within the dis-  
trict, and the greater development of our  
mines.—Carried.

(10) Moved by R. R. Gamet, seconded by  
J. R. Gordon, that the mineral laws be  
never, under any circumstances, changed by  
Order-in-Council.  
The assemblage which adopted these reso-  
lutions included a lot of men whose in-  
terests are connected with those of the  
Canadian Copper Company, but there were  
also present the leading independent citi-  
zens of Sudbury, and it is evident, from the  
many other portions of the nickel region.  
As far as the position of the Government  
is concerned, it would appear that it would  
be unanimous in its demand for the removal  
of restrictions on the nickel industry, and  
that it would be in a position to make a  
strong case in the event of any further  
restriction being imposed.

**Big Three Looking Well.**  
A prominent Toronto street broker has re-  
ceived word that the department's min-  
ing regulations. Lots of capital, they  
stated, would have already been poured  
into Sudbury country but for the existing laws  
governing mineral lands and mining.

**Toronto Mining Exchange.**  
Morning. Afternoon.  
Ask. Bid. Ask. Bid.  
Am. Carb. (A.A.) 33 3/4 33 3/4  
Athabasca 33 3/4 33 3/4  
R. C. Gold 33 3/4 33 3/4  
Big Three 33 3/4 33 3/4  
Black Trail 33 3/4 33 3/4  
Bonnanza 33 3/4 33 3/4  
Brandon & G. C. 33 3/4 33 3/4  
Butte & Boston (A.S.) 33 3/4 33 3/4  
Bullion 33 3/4 33 3/4  
Canadian G.P.S. 33 3/4 33 3/4  
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Caribou Hydraulic 33 3/4 33 3/4  
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Deer Trail (Assess.) 33 3/4 33 3/4  
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Bullion 9 6 8 5  
Sloan Star 31 30 30 29  
Hammond R. Con. 15 14 14 13  
Trail Creek 10 9 9 8  
Big Three 10 9 9 8  
Can. G. F. S. 8 7 7 6  
Evening Star 8 7 7 6  
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**Morning sales:** Golden Star, 1900, 1000 at 12; Morrison, 1000 at 9; N. Star, 1000, 1000 at 10; White Bear, 1000, 1000 at 11; Bonanza, 1000, 1000 at 12; G.P.S., 1000, 1000 at 13; Van Ande, 2000 at 14; Total sales, 23,500.

**Afternoon sales:** California, 1900 at 12; Morrison, 1000 at 9; N. Star, 1000, 1000 at 10; White Bear, 1000, 1000 at 11; Bonanza, 1000, 1000 at 12; G.P.S., 1000, 1000 at 13; Van Ande, 2000 at 14; Total sales, 23,500.

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# Weak, Tired Women.



How many women there are that  
get no refreshment from sleep.  
They wake in the morning and feel  
tired than when they went to bed.  
They have a dizzy sensation in the  
head, the heart palpitates, there is  
a miserable feeling of languor that  
makes getting up in the morning a  
torture, and the  
lightest household  
duties during the  
day a drag and a  
burden.

They are irri-  
table and nervous,  
weak and worn out,  
and everything in  
life looks dark and  
gloomy.

Nature intended  
women to be strong  
and healthy and  
happy as the day is  
long, instead of  
being sick and  
wretched.

Milburn's Heart and Nerve  
Pills are the very remedy that  
nervous, tired out, weakly women  
need to restore them the bless-  
ing of good health.

They give sound, restful sleep, tone up the nerves, make  
the heart beat regular and strong, create new red blood  
corpuscles, and impart that sense of buoyancy to the spirits  
that is the result of renewed mental and physical vigor.

Mrs. E. Fisher, Chief Companion, Maid Hope Circle No. 83, A.O.F.,  
whose home is 55 McCaul St., Toronto, made the following statement:  
"It was a fortunate thing for me I heard of Milburn's Heart and Nerve  
Pills and I started using them, or to-day I might be in my grave instead of as I  
now am, in perfect health."  
For over six months I was greatly troubled with my heart and nerves. My  
heart would palpitate and beat irregularly and sometimes seem to almost  
stop. I felt tired and weary in the morning, and weak and miserable all day,  
scarcely able to drag myself about. I was also greatly troubled with  
headaches, which came over me at times and caused me much alarm.  
Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills have made a wonderful change in me.  
My heart now beats strong and regular, I have had no more of those dizzy  
spells, and am at present stronger and healthier in every way than I have  
been in months.

I sleep well and my sleep is restful and refreshing.  
I consider Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills a grand remedy for people  
having any heart trouble, or who are weak, run down and nervous.  
Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills are 50c. a box, three for  
\$1.25, at all druggists or by mail. T. Milburn & Co., Toronto,  
Ont. See that the red heart is on every box.

## FAIRVIEW CORPORATION.

We invite all shareholders in the above company to discuss with us by mail a pro-  
position laid before us by a number of Hamilton and Toronto shareholders for as-  
sisting the company in the present effort to secure the necessary money with which  
to purchase the new machinery. We believe that the company's plan, as set forth  
in their prospectus, is a very sound one, and we are sure that if we can only  
communicate with any shareholder on the subject who will send his name on a postal  
card, we have seen two prominent Ross land engineers lately, who recommend the  
purchase of this machinery.

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36 King Street East, Toronto.

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Shareholders can exchange their  
stock in a week or ten days for

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and receive share for share. We  
offer from 1000 to 5000 shares  
Bonanza at close figures.

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Chicago business and mining shares trans-  
acted. Phone 215. 60

**BEGGAR WITH A DIAMOND RING.**  
This Man Held Out for Alms a Hand  
Adorned with a Stone Weigh-  
ing a Carat.

New York, Jan. 17.—Policeman Flynn of  
the Jefferson Market Court square, who has  
been assigned to the duty of arresting beg-  
gars in Broadway, saw a beggar approach  
another man in front of the Herald square  
Theatre last night, holding out his hand  
for alms. The detective saw a gleam of  
light on the back of the extended hand and  
grabbed the beggar to look closer. He  
found that the man was wearing a dia-  
mond ring, the stone in which weighed  
fully a carat. Flynn arrested the fellow  
and took him to the West Thirtieth-street  
station. He gave him the name as Timothy  
Daly, and said his home was in New Hamp-  
shire and his age 26.

**Spanish Prisoners at Home.**  
Arrived From the Philippines and  
Are in a Sorry Plight.  
Barcelona, Jan. 17.—The Spanish trans-  
Atlantic steamer Leon XIII, which arrived  
here from the Philippine Islands with for-  
mer Spanish prisoners and their families,  
a majority of them are in a lamentable  
plight. The town authorities and Red  
Cross agents took them and gave assistance  
to the sufferers.

**Tobacco in Woman's Temple.**  
Chicago, Jan. 17.—Within a few days  
cigars and tobacco will be on sale in the  
rounds of the Woman's Temple at 12  
Salle and Monroe streets. A tobacco stand  
is now being hung, and upon its completion  
all of the boxes of the members of the  
Woman's Christian Temperance Union to  
keep the building free from the taint of to-  
bacco will have vanished.

**Quebec Legislature To-Day.**  
Quebec, Jan. 17.—The opening of the Pro-  
vincial Legislature will take place at 2  
o'clock to-morrow afternoon.

**To Cure a Cold in One Day.**  
Take Laxative Brown Quinine Tablets.  
All druggists refund the money if it fails  
to cure. 25c. E. W. Grove's signature on  
each box.

# PROVIDENT SAVINGS

**Life Assurance Society of New York.**  
(ORGANIZED 1875.)

**EDWARD W. SCOTT, - President.**

This Company, having closed its books for the year 1899, announces that it has received during the year applications for new assurances amounting to over  
**Fifty-Five Million Dollars**, upon which there have been issued policies aggregating  
**Forty-Seven Million Dollars**, being over  
**Seventeen Million Dollars**, or fifty-seven per cent, more than was issued during the year 1898, and that its gain in outstanding assurance in force for 1899 is over  
**Fifteen Per Cent.** During the year the Company has paid to its policy-holders more than  
**One and a Half Million Dollars**, making a total payment to policy-holders since date of organi-  
zation of more than  
**Seventeen Million Dollars**, and closes the year's business with  
**No Death Claims** due and unpaid.  
These results have been accomplished at a lower expense ratio than in 1898.  
New York, December 30, 1899. **WM. E. STEVENS, Secretary.**

## CANADIAN BUSINESS FOR 1899

Nine Hundred and Sixty-One Thousand Dollars, being  
Three Hundred Thousand Dollars, or 46 per cent., in excess of the business for 1898.

**GEO. A. KINGSTON,**  
General Manager for Ontario.

From The New York Mail and Express, January 2, 1900.

## PROVIDENT SAVINGS LIFE'S SHOWING.

The splendid showing of the Provident Savings Life Assurance Society of New York, 345 and 348 Broadway, for the year 1899, according to the statement issued to-day, reflects the greatest credit on President Edward W. Scott, and should be a source of satisfaction to the company's policy-holders. The assurance issued during the year just closed is over \$17,000,000 more than the new business done in 1898, while the gain in outstanding assurance in force is over 15 per cent. The gains made by the company are particularly significant, inasmuch as they were accomplished at a lower rate of expense than in preceding years, which is the real keynote of the success of the Provident Savings business. The company's success during the three years it has been under President Scott's management is unparalleled in the history of life insurance, and it is really one of the foremost companies of the world that goes to make enterprise and compassable conservatism.

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