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GOLD ON TOBIQUE.

Prof. Bailey Reports That The Indications Are Good.

Possibilities of Iron in This Parish.— Trouble at Skiff Lake as to Fishing Rights.—Club Men and Residents Are Heading For a War.

THE DISPATCH has just received the report of the geological survey department for 1897, printed by order of parliament. It contains interesting matter to anyone concerned in the future of this county as a mineral producer.

Prof. L. W. Bailey reports on behalf of New Brunswick. What he says of the prospect in this section of both gold and iron ore will afford encouragement to those who believe that these ores exist not far away, in paying quantities.

Dealing with gold Professor Bailey says:—"With further reference to this subject of possible development of mineral resources, the facts relating to the occurrence of gold in New Brunswick deserve some attention. For many years finds of this metal have been reported, and there seems to be no good reason to doubt that some at least are authentic. Indeed, so impressed have some parties been with the belief that certain tracts, especially those bordering upon the Serpentine River, in Victoria county, are auriferous, that they have incurred the expense of transporting and erecting a small stamp-mill into that remote and comparatively inaccessible locality. My visit to the region, made by your desire, tended strongly to confirm the justice of this belief. It is true that I was unable to find any free gold, but the character of the rocks, consisting of glossy slates and schists, together with the nature of the quartz veins by which these were found to be abundantly intersected, and, finally, the evidences of mineralization afforded by an abundance of pyrite and mispickel, were all features favourable to a belief in its occurrence. Should that belief, for the testing of which appropriate samples were selected, be confirmed, it will be important to notice that the same belt of rocks, with evidently the same characters, has a wide distribution in northern New Brunswick, as also that it is the tract in which the larger part of the reported discoveries of gold have been made. At present the greater portion of it is densely forest-clad, and thus removed from ordinary observation."

As to iron he has this to say:—"The hematite deposits of Carleton County have been long known and were at one time the basis of somewhat extensive operations, the manganese ore proving to be especially well adapted for the manufacture of steel, thus anticipating the subsequent employment of spiegeleisen for a like purpose. I carried, however, also a considerable proportion of phosphorus, and this, together with the increasing scarcity of fuel, was the main cause of its abandonment. By the introduction of improved methods of working (especially the basic process of Thomas and Gilchrist), the presence of phosphorus is now of far less importance, and ores previously regarded as worthless on account of its presence, are becoming available. It is doubtful whether, under existing circumstances, the Woodstock ores could be worked with profit, but, the above facts being taken into consideration, they at least deserve to be ranked among possible reserves."

"TROUBLED WATERS."

It Will Yet be Necessary to Pour Oil on Them.

Members of the C. P. R. fishing Club and residents and cottagers of Canterbury, are said not to be speaking as they pass by, and they don't fish together in Skiff Lake, and when a club man and a resident or a villager meet in the middle of the lake, they turn up their noses at each other. The club, it appears, bought the islands in Skiff Lake from the government some years ago. They expect to control the fishing in the lake. Residents and visitors from a distance who have cottages object to this and think they too have the right to cast a fly in the lake. The C. P. R. Club has put up notices warning anybody from fishing without authority in the waters, and the fish have been notified not to bite at any hook, which has not been approved by the C.P.R. Among the people who have cottages on the shore and who object to the C. P. R. bottling up the lake are Mr. Pendergast, a wealthy Bostonian who has a handsome cottage on Skiff, Murchie & Co., St. Stephen, and Ed. London, Canterbury, Sidney Conrad, Vancebro, Jas. H. Carr & Sons, Luke Lawson, Canterbury, and many others. These

parties claim they have a right to fish in the lake by reason of owning land on the shore. It is said that the government has in past years put in fish, to increase the ordinary stock. The government, it is alleged, would hardly do this for the monopoly of the C. P. R. Club. The matter, it is said has been represented to Ottawa, and more will be heard of the subject in a short time.

The War.

Since the beginning of the war, there has not been such a dearth of news, as prevailed during the past week. There was absolutely nothing worth recording from Friday 13th to Friday the 20th excepting the alleged arrival of the Spanish Cape Verde fleet at Santiago de Cuba. This seaport is on the southern coast of Cuba well to the west probably a good 500 miles from Havana. At the same time news arrived that the Oregon was practically out of danger and was expected to join the fleet. A number of rumours were around about Spanish ships threatening the coast cities of the U. S., but there was nothing in these stories.

On Wednesday morning the dispatches contained no news. The two fleets are still missing.

About Gladstone.

In his sermon on Sunday evening in St. Luke's Rev. W. B. Bellis referred to the death of Mr. Gladstone. He said that everyone must admit that the great statesman's life was for good. Now he has gone beyond recall, he has paid the debt of nature and no doubt is, now, learning more and more about those mysteries, the study of which, while on earth, was his joy and solace. He has gone to give an account of his stewardship. We may all well wish that our last end may be like his.

Rev. Dr. Chapman, in the Methodist church dwelt at some length on Mr. Gladstone's life. He spoke of him as a statesman and not a wire-pulling politician. He dwelt upon his moral character and the influence for good which it exerted.

MADE HIM DISGORGE.

Daring Attempt to Rob a Bank at Vancouver Frustrated by Chas. E. Neill.

Chas. E. Neill of this city who fills a position in the Merchants' bank agency at Vancouver, seems to be making quite a name for himself in the west. Not only does he render good service to the bank which employs him, but occasionally finds an opportunity to do a good turn for a rival institution, as the following story which reached here a few days ago will show:

It appears that early last week, the teller of a large Canadian bank having an agency at Vancouver, in cashing a check for a stranger, made a mistake and gave him nine hundred dollars too much. The teller did not discover his error until late in the day, and of course when he did the stranger was among the missing. He could not recall the stranger's features, but had his name, however, and started out to make enquiries. The only person whom he could find among the banks who knew the man by sight, was Charlie Neill, who on hearing the story, readily consented to accompany a detective who had been engaged to assist in the search. The party scoured the city until after midnight, but could not find the slightest trace of their man. The bank teller, was somewhat discouraged by the failure and despaired of ever seeing the man or money, but not so with Charlie. The following morning he was up at daylight and with the detective continued the search. They reached the railway station a few minutes before the departure of a train just in time to see the object of their search in the act of stepping on board to leave the city. In an instant the young Frederictonian was at his side, and tapping the man on the shoulder politely asked him to hand over the money which he had wrongfully taken from the bank. The man colored up, and looked confused, but positively refused to disgorge, claiming that he did not get the money. At this juncture Charlie signalled the detective who came up and was in the act of placing the stranger under arrest when he weakened, and handed over the nine hundred dollars, and was allowed his freedom. It is needless to say Mr. Neill is being warmly commended on all sides for his shrewdness, and for the clever manner in which he ran his man to earth and recovered the money for the bank. —F'ton Herald. [Mr. Neill was for some time in the Merchants' Bank in Woodstock.]

BOYS AND GIRLS AVAILABLE.—Mr. John T. Middlemore of the Children's Emigration Homes, St. Luke's Road, Birmingham, was to sail from Liverpool on April 30th with 140 boys and girls, varying in age from 5 to 15 years, for whom he wishes to secure Christian homes. Any person wishing to obtain one of these children is directed to write to Mr. J. S. Rough, Middlemore Home, Rockingham, near Halifax, N. S.

JAMES CREIGHTON, Agent of the People's Bank, Hartland, has moved to Woodstock, where he and his wife have taken rooms at Mrs. R. B. Porter's. Mr. Creighton will wheel to Hartland in the morning and back at night during the riding season.

The front of the Methodist church at Bath, was rotten egged on Saturday night the 14th. It presented a sad appearance on Sunday morning.

BAIRD & RYDER, Proprietors of the Victoria Bakery have a fine new sign over their place of business on Main St.

AN AGED SOVEREIGN.

Queen Victoria Enters on the 80th Year of Her Age.

How the Time Honored 24th was Celebrated in Woodstock.—The Boy and the Fire Cracker did Most of It.—Sports at the Park.

The Queen's birthday or the 24th is always looked forward to by old and young. It comes at a time of year when we are ready for a holiday, to celebrate the departure of frost and snow and the advent of summer. The youngsters regard the 24th as essentially their holiday, and long may the good Queen live, that they may enjoy it.

The Queen was born at Kensington Palace May 24, 1819, thus making her 79 years old yesterday. She succeeded her uncle, William IV, on June 20th, 1837; was crowned on June 28, 1838; and married Feb. 10, 1840 to the late Prince Consort. The Prince of Wales, the heir apparent, was born on Nov. 9, 1841, and is fifty-seven years old. The succession to the throne is well guarded. In case of the demise of the Prince of Wales, Prince George, Duke of York, would succeed (his elder brother, the Duke of Clarence, having died a few years ago.) Prince George has a son and heir, so that the succession to the throne is assured by three descendants, in the direct line, from her majesty.

The holiday was celebrated in town by a lavish display of flags, from public and private buildings, and by the youngster with the ever popular fire cracker. If there was no regular royal salute, from any of our ultra-loyal military, the boys saluted Her Majesty with an incessant cannonade from daylight till after dark.

In the afternoon a large crowd went to the Park, where certain sporting events were detailed to come off. A base-ball match was on between teams of Woodstock and McAdam. The home team were Baker, Pickles, McKinley, Hayden, Drysdale, Courtney, Fournier, Dickinson, Donnelly. The McAdamites were represented by Evans, Green, Jenkinson, Tracey, Donohoe, Clinton, Casey, Johnston, Segee. The home team played admirably, and the McAdam boys did good work too. The latter were overmatched and the result was in favor of Woodstock by a score of 13 to 2.

Many horsemen were present and they witnessed a neat little race between two good animals, Ben P., owned by Guy Saunders and driven by his brother, George, and Lady B., owned by Henry W. Birmingham and driven by Had. Birmingham. Three straight heats were won by Lady B., best time 2.26.

The bicycle races narrowed down to one race which was won by Charles Clare, with Frank Sullivan second place.

It was a surprise that several accidents did not occur owing to the careless use of the fire crackers, as it was Charles McClarey who works in Noble and Trafton, had his face badly burned by a large cracker exploding in front of him.

Military.

At the request of a Lowell subscriber, we give a statement of the various military organizations in the Province of New Brunswick.

Royal Regiment of Canadian Infantry, Depot No. 4, Fredericton.

Third St. John Regiment of Garrison Artillery.

Eighth Princess Louise Hussars.

Woodstock Field Battery.

Newcastle Field Battery.

Brighton Engineers.

Sixty Second St. John Fusiliers.

Sixty Seventh Carleton Light Infantry.

Seventy First York Batt. Infantry.

Seventy Third Northumberland Batt. Infantry.

Seventy Fourth Batt. Infantry.

St. John Rifles.

Queen's Canadian Honours.

The following British subjects were knighted on the Queen's birthday:—Hon. J. D. Edgar, speaker of the Commons, Hon. C. A. P. Pelletier, speaker of the Senate, Dr. J. G. Bourinot, clerk of the Commons. Dr. G. R. Parkin, formerly of Fredericton, is made a C. M. G.

Mrs. BRIGADIER READ of Toronto, the Dominion Secretary for the Salvation Army Women's Social and Rescue Work is to visit Woodstock on Tuesday and Wednesday May 31st and June 1st. On Tuesday evening she will deliver an address on "The Women's Social Work of Canada" in the Reformed Baptist church (not Methodist as announced last week) and on Wednesday evening will conduct a special meeting in the Town Hall. Silver collection at door both evenings in aid of the work. A committee of the W. C. T. U. will meet Mrs. Read on her arrival at our town and Mayor Hay has kindly consented to preside over the meeting in the church on the Tuesday night. Mrs. Read is a talented woman and a gifted speaker and none should miss hearing her.

University Glee Club, Opera House, Friday, June 3, 1898.