NICKEL MINE A GOLD BRICK SAID A ONE TIME OWNER

and that now it is.

associations, reads:

The letter reads:

some pigeonholes in my desk, I came creased the mine's obligations. May agraph of the article reads:

chuckle, said, Hardinge, I was once Finally a new set of papers were accused of selling a gold brick. Here's made out for \$200,000, plus interest. I one for you. When is a gold brick not then presented the proposition, to-

In the squib I used no names, jointly took over the property and both fists. either of individual or mine, but as equipped it properly. several of the parties interested Colonel Thompson, I believe, still a physical instructor. When the cry this for another moment!" Help me the reporters enter his cabin, hats in divide," and as the "brick," metap-mine, while I myself have been a horically speaking, has become en small stockholder for several years, crusted with diamonds, it may inter- having seen the stock range in price est some of your Canadian readers from \$12 to about \$160, at which figto know that my client was Colonel ure it is now quoted. Robert M. Thompson, who had as- The mine is under the highly sociated with him the late Ambrose efficient management of a personnel Monell and Captain DeLiamar. The which, at the time of my first writ mine was and is known as the Inter-ing, was composed of the employees national Nickel Company's famous of the company. It is probably to Creighton property.

my way to Spain on professional be attributed. business for International Nickel. The parties who originally bought the mine composed a Cleveland syndicate. blood on the avenue.

The balance of my article is as follows:

"He then explained: 'You know

Was International Nickel ever a this "gold brick" mine; you've examin "Gold Brick?" The answer would ed it. I bought it for \$100,000 beseem to be that it was so considered, cause I knew it had great possibilit- seems to puzzle even the critics. then it was proven that it wasn't ies, but later I realized that it would The point has been raised by no had in hand at that time. Accordingly less than H. W. Hardinge, president I recommended it to friends in the Mass., hung in a choice position at the cry. "Hatches washed away. Fire m son and heir I bequeath—" of the Hardinge Co., New York, no- West, whose means were in proportable in the mining machinery in tion to the mine's necessities. They dustry, in a letter which he sent to took the mine over for \$200,000, and Engineering and Mining Journal, New operated it for over a year. During ed to the untutored eye, was intended bridges and grimly survey the lashing in distress is now proceeding on its York. Incidentally after tellong most this time they built a smelter. I had to be. interesting bit of history that is quite relained a smal stock interest and appropos at the moment, and point- kept my eye on the operation, making ing out that International nickel was suggestions from time to time. Later, once regarded by a buyer of the same I entered a protest which resulted in as a "gold brick," he remarks a slight estrangement, and finally cul-"Canada has many other similar "gold minated, after repeated failures on bricks" in the making." The letter their part, in the accusation that I which has to do with the early His- had sold them a "gold brick"-this tory of Nickel and its Cleveland even in view of the fact that during their operation they had increased the ore supply by many thousands of Sir—Recently, in cleaning out tons. At the same time they had inacross a pre-war clipping of Engineer-Iters, went from bad to worse until ing and Mining Journal, entitled "A in exasperation, I asked them their Gold Brick." After removing some price for the "gold brick." They of the attendant dust from the clipp- named \$200,000, the figure for which ing, as well as some of the cobwebs they had originally purchased the from my memory, it struck me that in property, plus 6 per cent., under a) view of recent developments it may three months' option. When the be of passing interest to review the papers were presented the consideraforesaid "Gold Brick." The first par- ation had risen to \$275,000. Upon explanation it appeared they had put "My client with whom I was travel in their smelter equipment at 75,000. ing, stopped suddenly in our deck I told them I had no intention of promenade, and with a satisfactory purchasing the cause of their failure.

have since passed over the "great reitaines a considerable interest in the "police" finally went up, it was Lang strap this life preserver on my back, hands.

At the time referred to I was on credit for the present condition should Huh! Kissing has been a thing of

First Climber-I saw Mrs. Blue Second Climber-How was

looking? First Climber-Right past me.

MODERNISTIC ART PUZZLES

Pittsburgh, Nov. 19-Modernistic ar

For three weeks "The Fossil Hunt-

no one asked questions.

But imagine the embarrassment of him. Hurry. Hurry." the officials and critics when Dickin-

BOLD BANDIT WAS BEATEN

Look at Edward Lang.

He poked a pistol at him.

"Statatastatatatick 'em up

a "Gold Brick"? I'll give you the getter with my views, to some of gun to the sidewalk. It wasn't loaded sengers are taking place. "Have we old man's side of the story" and the answer: When its a brick of gold'." my friends, with the result that we answer. The sailed into Selders with struck something?" George, will you official log during the storm. The

who shouted it.

car. "I've been late to work

the past much less than fifty years for a lot of chaps.

A sparrow short circuited a high tension wire in Brazil causing damlage of \$500 but it was a lesson to the sparrow

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THE BOTTOM OFTEN DROPS OUT OF STORIES OF THE SEA; JUST ANOTHER STORY, SAYS CAP

(New York Sun.)

require more for equipment than I ers," an example of modern art by Atlantic. Distress signals crack's in the deluxe suite is writing: "To Edwin Dickinson of Provincetown, over the waves. "S. O. S." comes the whom it may concern: To my only international exhibition of art here engine room. Won't last another halt Morning comes. The storm has while thousands wondered what the hour. Rush assistance." Gray-haired spent itself, Another radio is flashtorrents that are sweeping the course. No damage done. Man report-Officials connected with the exhibi- fo'c'stle. Certain disaster to shift into ed overboard found this morning understood the picture perfectly, so "another hatch carried away. Man for help." The course is again set for

> "Change the course 13 degrees to and stewards turn in for a few wings son wired a demand that his picture nor'west," comes the order from the after a night of feverish activity. be hung right-side-up instead of side- bridge. Into the fury of the storm. Hatches must be battened down, portholes closed, all loose cargo tashed ers come on board. Here is a whate fast to the deck. Somewhere behind of a story. Here are first ahnd witthe veil of sleet and fog a steamship nesses to the rescue story which was is in distress. And the unwritten law recorded in terse messages on the of the sea dictates that a call for help front pages of all the dailies. at sea must be answered.

In the wheelhouse the spins. The helmsman slowly puts the versions of the "worst storm the Atwheel over. As the bow slowly shifts lantic has ever seen." A deck steward Chicago, Nov. 19-Holding up people into the gale the shock of each wave is willing to admit that he has never is poor business for him who stutters. crashing over the side of the boat seen such waves in his seventeer rocks the ship from stem to stern years as a seaman. A radio operator Lang approached Gilbert Selders at with titanic ferocity. Down in the estimates that one wave must have Crawford and Madison yesterday, engine room a bell sounds the signal been at least 100 feet high. An old woto increase speed.

aroused. Bells are sounding in the people injured, railings bent, windows It struck Selders as funny, so he steward's quarters. Doors are open broken. laughed. The stammering stickup ed. In the passageways whispered man got mad all over. He threw his conversations between frightened pas- to the captain's quarters to get "the go up to the captain this minute and skipper has just signed the payroll. Unfortunately for Lang, Selders was have the boat stopped? I can't stand He is preparing to leave the boat and sweetheart."

A lifeboat is carried away. Rumor captain," the reporters begin. spreads over the ship that water is "Well-yes, a good little blow. pouring into the hold; that the ship you've been across one or twice, it is sinking. On the promenade deck would be quite a little blow. But an old traveler who is never troubled when you've been thirty years at sea, by a "little blow" is carried oft his it's just another storm. And now, what feet and spun down the deck by a can I do for you, gentlemen? There mountainous wave that has broken were no births, deaths, or stowawaye Boston doc says that in fifty years through a window up forward. in on board. Sorry we never have any them that a large amount of the kissing will be a thing of the past. steerage a mother presses her babe good stories for you."

I close to her and falls to her knees in A terrific storm sweeps the north prayer. A lawyer from Sioux City

maze of black and print, as it appears skippers clutch the rails of their ing in the wireless room: "Steamer tion, as well as the critics, apparently the face of a gale like that and yet-asleep in the smoking room. Thanks swept overboard-impossible to save New York. Passengers are pacified. Bsiness in the dining orom picks up

Three days later at Quarantine near New York, the ship news report-

Passengers are eager to give their man fell out of her berth and sprained he Below decks the passengers are her wrist. The story is getting good,

The boat is docked. Reporters rush

"Must have been an awful gale,

THE MARKET VALUE OF C.P.R. COMMON STOCK IS NOW CLOSE TO THE SUM OF \$700,000,000

(Journal of Commerce.)

companied the sharp advance in C. P. continent. A "news leak" has never R. shares to a new high level, at been heard of in respect to impending 235%, since May 1913, when the stock stock issues or dividend changes of sold at 242. In January of that year the C. P. R. And this policy is largely it sold at 272, which was only a few responsible for the lack of those depoints below the high of all time. | finite humors in respect to share-

The lowest level ever touched since splits, bonuses, etc., which normally the stock went on a 10 per cent divi- attach themselves to similar stand dend basis, was 114 in June of 1921, and securities. which period almost marked the ter- In lieu of successive dividend inmination of the 1920-21 panic.

Market Valuation.

1927, showed the common share capi- mitted to enjoy some of the fruits of tal at \$294,000,000, which, with the the company's steady progress. February payment on the last stock is- | No doubt the time will arrive when sue, would bring the capital to \$300,- the directors must consider a revamp-000,000 now outstanding. This, at curing of the common share capital, as rent prices, would give an aggregate it is hardly posible that the market market valuation in excess of \$700,- quotations can much longer keep pace 000.000.

stock was announced at 150 per share equities may be behind such a stock, on the basis of one share in eight, the comparatively high market prices market was about 185, (with a low for make investment practically impossithat year of 160) but the price rose ble for the much desired buyers of 5, steadily until 218 was reached before 10 and 20 share lots. When the time th close of December, since when comes, C. P. R., will in all probability there has been steady improvement be selling at an equivalent of a few

New Issue Improbable.

is unlikely that the company would trolled by the C. P. R., if a share-split consider a new capital issue at this were announced, in the general interjuncture, as never in the past has the ests of the stockholders. company issued new common stock in two successive years. The strength of the stock is more likely due to a

"Mum" Directors' Word.

tive policies more jealously than do Several intangible rumours have act those of any other company on the

creases, the C. P. R. gives valuable "rights" on new stock from time to The last balance sheet of Dec. 31, time, whereby stockholders are per-

with the company's great earning In August last year when the new powers. No matter what the relative hundred dollars per share more than current quotations. The same would On the experience of past issues, it apply to Consolidated Smelters, con-

Sold for Taxes

sympathetic movement with the rest | The following properties were sold of the market, based, of course, upon in front of the Court House Saturthe excellent earning position in 1928, day morning on account of exces in and the fact that the company has default to the Municipality of York enormous equities in mining enter- The John McLean property was bid prises of a more or less industrial in by Chas. Van Horne for \$105. character, and of prodigous possibili- Roy MeBean bought the Angus Mo Bean property, the price being \$1000. Stewart E. Durling of Canterbury The directors guard their prospec bought the J. W. Marsten property.

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