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## Mining Minutes.

Review of Mining Operations and Developments of Lake Superior District.

### LEASE MESABA MINE.

The biggest deal in iron property for several months past was consummated on Saturday, Corrigan, McKinney & Co. buying the new big mine near Mesaba developed early in the year by G. W. Wallace, D. H. Moon, Senator Hawkins and Jas. G. Vivian. The deal was known to be under consideration for several days, but the purchase price which must aggregate several hundred thousand dollars, is not made public as yet.

The property is known as one of the most extensive deposits of the Mesaba, the character of the ore resembling the Vermilion deposits.

It will be recalled that the Minnesota Iron Co. has had two options on the property in question. The first was taken early last spring about the time the discovery of ore upon the land was announced. The consideration mentioned in the option at that time was \$500,000. The company allowed this option to lapse, and subsequently took another on a basis of \$480,000. This, too, was allowed to expire. The last option ran out about five weeks ago. It is understood that the firm of Corrigan, McKinney & Co. has obtained the property on a basis somewhat less than the consideration named in the second option to the Minnesota Iron company. The land embraced in the Corrigan, McKinney & Co. property at Mesaba station is owned in part by the Northern Pacific road, which succeeded to it by the purchase of the St. Paul & Duluth, and the state. There are about 1,200 acres in the property.

The acquisition of this property practically means the opening of a new iron field, it being the intention of Corrigan, McKinney & Co., who are now the largest independent operators on the Mesaba, to at once open and develop the property, placing it in the list of shippers the coming season.

The ore from the new mine will be shipped over the Duluth & Iron Range to Two Harbors.

### THE WHITE.

Such is the name of the new mine on the first addition, it being christened in honor of Supt. White of the Spruce, who will also be in charge as general manager of the new property. The new plant of machinery is about ready, and by the first of the year the mine will furnish employment to from 75 to 100 men.

### WILL ADD MORE MEN.

The Franklin group and Union mines will be a busy place through out the winter, practically the same force being employed at present as during the busiest part of the season. The Union will be nicely developed and room for more men will be made by January 1.

When the American Steel & Wire Co., was organized a few months ago, its control of the field was well-nigh complete, and no one supposed that it would experience serious competition for a good while to come; but the steel trade is already looking forward to a fierce conflict of producers in the near future. The yearly capacity of the "combine" is about 1,500,000 tons, or more than sufficient for the normal requirements of the country. The independent rod mills already completed or actively under construction will have an aggregate capacity exceeding that of the American Steel & Wire Co. The Union Steel company is erecting a plant at Donora, Pa., on the Ohio river, with a daily capacity of 600 tons; Jones & Laughlin, the big Pittsburg concern, have recently made contracts for the construction of one the largest and best equipped rod mill plants in the country, with a daily capacity of 500 tons; and at least eleven other amply capitalized and modernly equipped concerns are preparing to give battle to the Steel & Wire company. It is thought by many well informed people in the trade that within eighteen months wire will be sold at the lowest prices recorded in years.

The Fayal mine has pulled the extra pumps it has had in the pit and No. 3 is safe from the water that has bothered it for the past two months. The cost to the company in this flood is put at \$200,000 aside from loss of traffic to the affiliated railway. The pit is still very muddy. Shipments are going forward very rapidly, there being two shovels in ore and two in stripping day and night. All stocked ore has been shipped except a little at No. 3. The mine will end the season with the greatest record of any iron mine in the world in any year, probably about 1,200,000 tons, all of which except about 350,000 tons has been mined since May 1. This mine is prepared to exceed the record materially if need be another year.

There are vast accumulations of idle money which are yielding the lowest returns ever known. Once let the holders realize that the business has a fair chance for a few years, and the promoter, the seller of lands, or of merchandise, will no longer have to seek the investor or buyer. The dark days of '93 and '95 are far enough away now, so we easily forget their lessons. The "boom" of 1899 was safe and warranted by conditions. The "boom" of 1901-2 will be induced by discounting conditions yet to follow and the growth we fear, while great will not be as substantial or safe. Progress, however, is not gained by conservatism; it is seldom outside the fable that the tortoise wins the race.—Boiler Maker.

The Union Ore company is developing its new Union mine, adjoining the Franklin, and will have a good stockpile by the opening of the season of 1901. The ore from this mine will be shipped over the Duluth & Iron Range, title to the property, comprising 40 acres, being owned by the Minnesota Iron company. There is a 25-cent lease with an added royalty, running to P. L. Kimberly, amounting to \$600,000. Upon the payment of the \$600,000 in royalties to Mr. Kimberly his interest in the property ceases, and the 25 cents a ton to the Minnesota Iron company will be the only royalty.

The American Steel & Wire company has just bought the fleet of the American Steamship company of Duluth, paying therefor \$5,250,000. There are twelve ships, including the four largest vessels on the lakes, six others of from 5,000 to 7,000 tons capacity, and two St. Lawrence canal ships of 3,000 tons each. The entire capacity of the fleet is 2,000 great tons per trip and they cost, two years ago, about \$3,350,000. The American Steamship company is largely made up of the directors etc., of the American Steel & Wire company headed by John W. Gates.

The Genoa Iron company has cleaned up its stockpiles and shipping the daily hoist from its two shafts. It will make a shipment of nearly 300,000 tons for the year, and will mine steadily through the winter it is expected.

The Clark Iron company will ship this year about 80,000 tons. It did its first mining in June and shipped the first ore in July. It is being developed rapidly and will mine largely another year.

### BAGGED HIS GAME.

Among the recent addition to Mesaba huntsmen is found the name of Richard Wesley, who came here from Rhineland a few weeks ago. Dick brought with him a genial disposition, a pair of German socks, a fund of interesting recollections and an insatiate desire to meet and slay one of the monarchs of the Minnesota forest. And this latter desire was satisfied on Saturday last, while up on the Sturgeon. one of the largest moose ever killed in Minnesota falling prey to his unerring aim. The party returned to the city Monday, well laden with spoils, three deer also being added to the larder.

The dime social tendered by the M. E. Ladies Aid at the new parsonage Tuesday evening, was a most successful and enjoyable affair. A short literary and musical program was given and a light lunch served. The receipts of the evening were about \$9.00.

H. Mehtala has moved his jewelry store into S. Oberg's new place, in the Annex block.

The first snow of the season Friday night.

## Crimmed Chem.

The Superior Boys Prove No Match for Our High School Athletes.

SCORE 6 TO 0.

On Saturday last, shortly after the arrival of the D. M. & N. passenger, the backwood denizens of Virginia were startled by a series of lusty yells well calculated to make one's blood curdle and the marrow quiver in their bones, but the cause thereof was found more harmless than might at first be supposed—it being naught but the Superior High School eleven who had come up to take Virginians into camp; and had lungs counted against science, strength and ability they might have done so. But their actual capacity was later measured and found to be very short, the memory of a score of 6 to 0 following them upon their homeward journey.

The day kept many from witnessing the game, the boys lining up at 1:40, Superior kicking off. Virginia sent her full back through for 12 yards, but was called back and the ball given to Superior for the unlawful use of hands. Play was again commenced and Donnelly fell on the ball after a fumble by Superior's quarter, and a quick succession of plays and a series of line bucking brought the boys to within two yards of Superior's goal when Johnson was shoved through right tackle for a touch-down. Donnelly kicked goal. Time, 16 minutes, no more score being made by either side during this half.

In the second half Peterion kicked off for Virginia and Abraham, of Superior, was downed in his tracks. During this entire half the ball was pushed back and forth within 25 yards of Superior's goal, the Virginia boys showing some good work but neither team being able to score.

The game was Virginia's from start, her goal at no time being in danger, and the boys repeatedly bucked the Superior line for two to five yard gains, the boys from Badgerdom being unable to hold them. During the past fortnight Coach Deering has given the boys some hard lessons, and they show the result in improved playing. This last victory proclaims their ability better than any previous game, and each and every one of the boys are entitled to share in the glory, as all showed tact and ability throughout the play.

Prof. Comstock, of Superior, accompanied the boys and acted as umpire, J. Deering as referee and Prof. Park as time-keeper.

The boys play another game tomorrow with the Superior Normal team.

## Apples! Apples! Apples!!

Just received direct from New York state, 500 barrels of the choicest apples ever shipped to the Mesaba range. Come in and examine stock before making purchases elsewhere.

Virginia Cash Grocery Co.

Cards received announce the marriage of Mr. Fred Lerch to Miss Eleanor Mabel Miller, at Chicago, on November 10th. Both the contracting parties are well known on the range, Mr. Lerch being interested in laboratories at Hibbing, Sparta, Biwabik and Virginia, and the bride being a former resident of Biwabik. The young couple receive the hearty congratulations of many friends. They will be "at home" in this city after January 1.

Claude MacKenzie, A. B. Coates and Martin Nelson took to the tall timber north of the city Wednesday. As they passed our sanctum on the return trip they opened the door and said their load of game was in tow and would be in later.

Milavitz Bros. have purchased the confectionery and novelty stock of W. D. Beslow & Co., moving same to their place of business yesterday. The firm of W. D. Beslow & Co. will confine their attention to their restaurant business in future.

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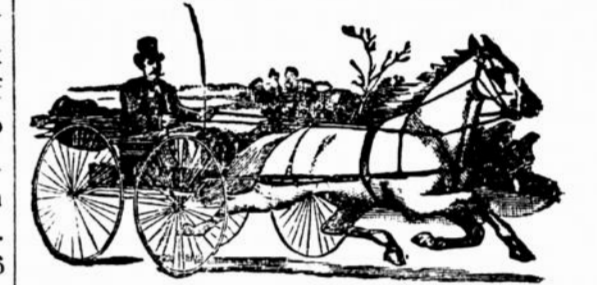
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