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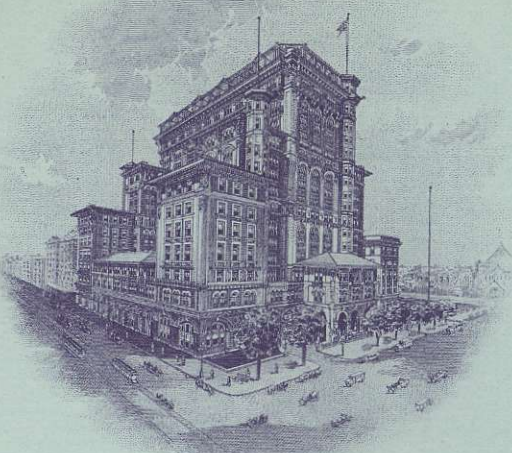
Dept. "E", Mines Ltd.,  
Dome, Mines Ltd.,  
South Porcupine, Ont.

Dear Sirs: Arrived here 7.25 a.m.  
today. Saw Mr. Law this  
morning.

Mr. Law impresses me  
as an honest and straightforward  
sort of man. He occupies an  
office all by himself on the  
4<sup>th</sup> floor of the Dominion Bank  
Building. I would not doubt his  
former connection with Lord Rhondda,  
terminating with the death of the  
latter in 1917. The volunteers  
plenty of information about it.  
He tells modestly how the two  
of them had dined with Lloyd  
George in London during the war.  
Also that Lord Rhondda's object  
was to leave his mark in this

The is a vigorous man  
of about 65.





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corner of the Empire, and not primarily to make money.

The railway surveys made at that time (1915), Mr. Law claims, he is now using as a basis of negotiations with a very large group of American capitalists, who are connected with the Federal Reserve Bank, Portland, Ore.

The proposal is to take over the P. C. & E. railway and extend it north to Finlay Forks, (junction of Finlay, Peace, and Parsnip Rivers).

This scheme would seem to have weight, in view of the contemplated development of the very rich Peace River agricultural block, 100 miles or so to the east.\*

This scheme is entirely separate from the Dominion Government's announced intention to build into the Peace River.

The scheme also embraces

\* Also large coal field lands west and south of the block.





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I saw the plans  
of reconnaissance  
surveys.

building right across the Omineca  
district to Takla Lake.

Interviews have been had  
with Premier Oliver of B.C., who is  
in favour of the project if the  
terms can be arrived at. The  
Americans want no cash subsidies,  
but timber, lands, coal, and oil.

Mr. Law says a decision on it  
should be reached by Autumn.

Mr. Law received your  
letter re his various proposals.  
I am to see him tomorrow (Sunday).

and so will write you again  
tomorrow.

His main schemes are  
three in number:

1. Omineca (5 areas, 1 party)
2. Yukon (3 areas, 1 party)
3. Clearwater Lake,  
Cariboo (1 area, 1 party)





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### 1. Omineca.

- This takes in:
- (a) Silver-lead at Manson Creek.
  - (b) Gold-quartz lode at Tom Creek
  - (c) Huge arsenical pyrites lode (gold-bearing) at Diver Lake
  - (d) Large low-grade copper deposit on Skutsil River
  - and (e) Gold conglomerates on Bear Lake, N.W. of Lakla Lake

This last is the "important discovery" mentioned in Law's letter with the agreements. It is said to be a sedimentary series with sheets of quartz porphyry, and huge talus heaps which will pan gold.

### 2. Yukon

- (a) 15,000 oz. silver float on Hyland Creek, near B.C. border
- (b) Large rich gold placer, (Virgin ground) Frances Lake
- (c) 200-ft. quartz lode, Finlayson River (One sample only taken by Dawson. No gold or silver)





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(b) & (c) are between parallels 61 & 62 (lat.), east of the Pelly River.

### 3. Clearwater Lake, Cariboo

11 claims, open for staking, on good-sized lodes (up to 20 ft.) silver-lead (up to 10% lead, 40 oz. silver)

#### Cost Preliminary Work (Estimated)

|                    |          |
|--------------------|----------|
| 1. Omnicca         | \$ 5,000 |
| 2. Yukon           | 5,000    |
| 3. Clearwater Lake | 1,000    |

To deal first with No. 3, Clearwater Lake: Mr. Law would like to go there himself and stake it. Expenditure as above, to be tacked on to the present agreement, and under the same terms. I will write you tomorrow re this.





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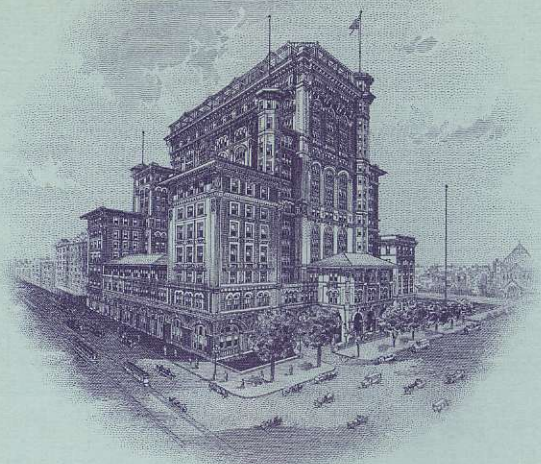
As between Omineca and Yukon  
I favour going to Omineca because  
of:

- (1) Greater accessibility
- (2) Greater certainty as to lodes
- (3) Greater number and variety of known lodes as objectives.
- (4) Possibilities of railway
- (5) Existence of present agreement.

I will forward recommendations re Yukon tomorrow. Mr. Law thinks there is a great chance there, and that it will not be open after this summer. He has an excellent man of his own who could head the party if necessary.

The Omineca party will include: Ed. Sullivan, \$5<sup>00</sup> per day, packer \$5<sup>00</sup> per day or less, five horses, about \$1<sup>00</sup> per day each. Three months supplies to





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be taken in.

I will leave for Prince  
Rupert Monday evening, and  
arrive Vanderhoof Thursday morning,  
the 25<sup>th</sup>.

Will write again before  
leaving Vancouver.

Respectfully yours,  
V. A. James.

June 11, 1925.

Charles F. Law, Esq.,  
Dominion Bank Building,  
207 Hastings St.,  
VANCOUVER, B. C.

Dear Sir:-

On the 9th instant, we wired you as per enclosed confirmation.

In accordance with this wire, Mr. James has been despatched to report to you at Vancouver. We deemed this a more advisable course to follow because of the change in the plans from your end.

We have instructed Mr. James to discuss with you more fully, the other expedition to Francis Lake District mentioned in your letter of April 28th, as well as the other important discovery of silver ore from Highland River. He will be better able to judge whether or not we are likely to be interested in these districts by talking the matter over with you more fully than letter writing permits. Mr. James will, in turn, communicate with us, his opinion on these points.

We have instructed Mr. James to keep in touch with you by wire enroute West in order that you may advise him in the event of your being unable to be in Vancouver on or about the date of his arrival.

We trust that you will give Mr. James all available information and that the new man whom you have detailed to guide him will be as good as Mr. Meikle in this connection.

We are not desirous of having the Dome Mines' name connected with this expedition and we would therefore request that you refrain from using it until such time as we advise you it is all right to do so. Mr. James has been with the Exploration Department here for nearly three years, and last winter, he spent in British Columbia getting a general knowledge of mining conditions throughout the province.

Yours very truly,

DGHW/RGM.

Geologist  
& CHIEF EXPLORATION ENGINEER.