

DISTRICT OF THUNDER BAY

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4 Miles

Scale: 63,360 or 1 Mile = 1 Inch Chains 80 40

Topography and geology of area from Lynx to Birch Lake, Copper island and Rope Lake by T. L. Tanton, Geological Survey of Canada.

Chart from Department of Naval Service of Canada

Geology by P. E. Hopkins.

Drawn by P. A. Jackson and H. C. Smith.

T.B. 3412 (A.L. 217)-Otisse. Pyrite Claims

R. 606-Morley. T.B. 1048-Mudge.

Zinc Claims 30 T-Zenith.

E.S. 79—Gesic. NOTE—All claim numbers having four digits are T.B. (Thunder Bay) claims, the letters "T.B." having been omitted on the map.



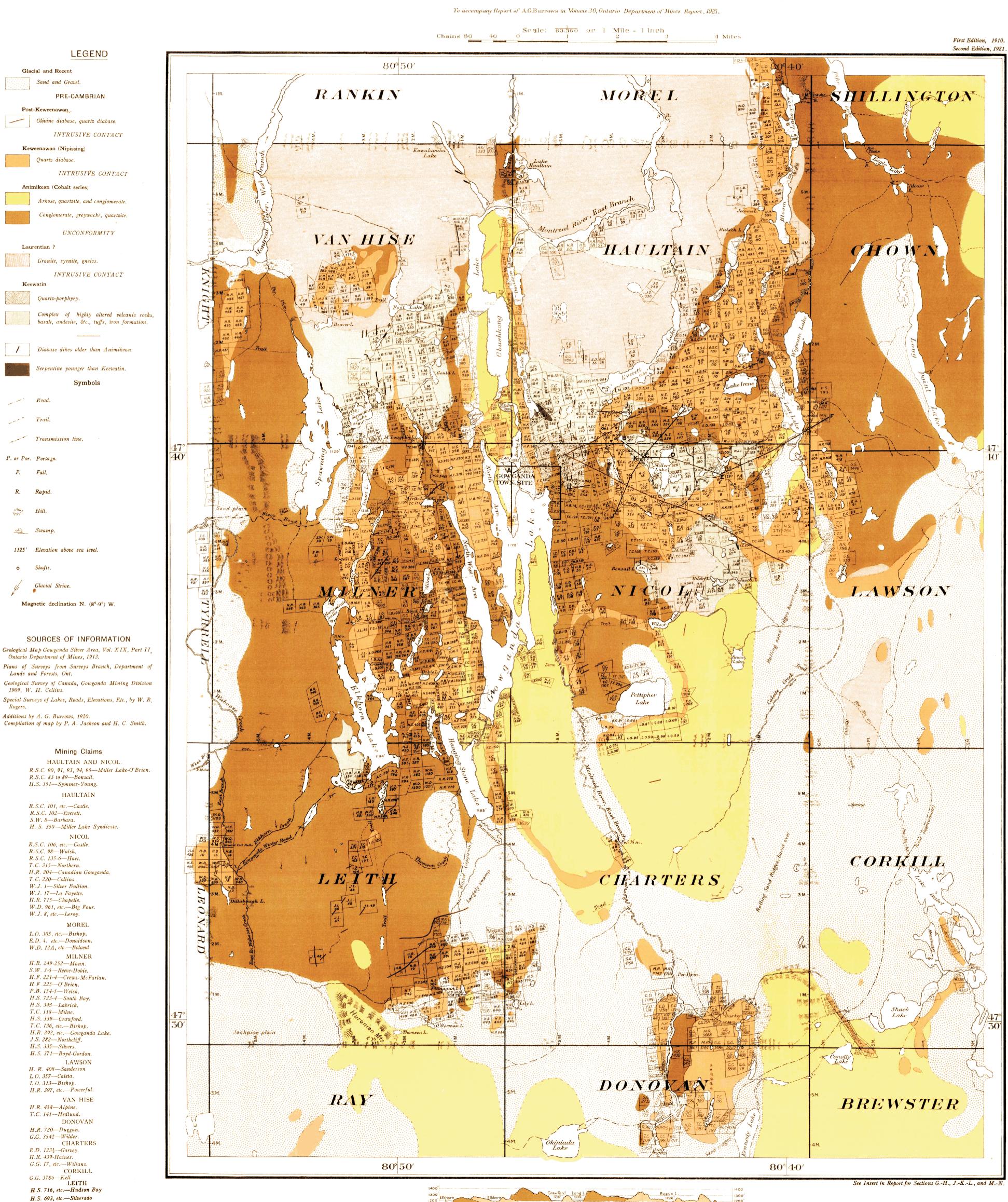
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Map No. 30b.

PART OF THE

GOWGANDA SILVER AREA

DISTRICT OF TIMISKAMING



Section from Gowganda L-1125' (No I T.C.117) West to Elkhorn L-1194'

Section on line A-B-C-D-E-F

Scale - Horizontal - 2 Mile - I finch. Vertical - 800 ft - I Inch.

Miller Lake D

1400' 1300' 1200' 1100' Burke L HON. CHARLES MCCREA, Minister of Mines.

DEPARTMENT OF MINES

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NOTES

The Black River area is in the district of Timiskaming contiguous on the west to the Ben Nevis area and on the north to the Kirkland Lake gold area. The Black river area saddles the divide between the Hudson Bay slope and the drainage basin of the St. Lawrence river. The greater portion lies to the north of this height of land. The area has an average elevation of about 1,000 feet above the sealevel. Hills and ridges here and there throughout the area rise to elevations seldom in excess of 350 feet above the surrounding country.

Recordin. The dominant rocks of the area are basic lavas of the Keewatin series consisting of basalts and andesites. In the Keewatin there is a widespread occurrence of diabase fairly fresh-looking, but readily distinguishable from the Nipissing diabase by its more altered character. From the free distribution of pillow lavas, amygdaloidal basalts and other rocks possessing the structural characteristics of lava flows, the Keewatin formation in the entire area is thought to represent a succession of lava flows.

Iron formation was noted in only a few localities and then in quite minor quantities. The Keewatin rocks are mostly massive, being rarely altered to schists. Schistose areas have been noted on the

Timiskaming Series. East of Nettie lake in Morrissette township is a small area of clastic rocks and their schistose derivatives which, from their similarity to certain rocks of adjacent areas, have been classified as Timiskaming. The upper horizon of these sediments is a hard conglomerate comprised of ellipsoidal water-worn pebbles of greenstone, banded chert, an occasional granite, and fragments of a bright red jasper, all of which readily separate from the matrix. Along the eastern shore of Nettie lake lower horizons consisting of schistose clastic rocks outcrop. The strike of the schistosity is north 40° east magnetic. The Nettie lake clastic rocks comprise the only occur-rence of the Timiskaming series in the area.

Pre-Algoman Intrusives. In many localities rocks of the Keewatin series have been intruded by dikes and boss-like masses of disbase and lamprophyre. The relationship of these to the Timiskaming series in the area is unknown, but these rocks are thought to be the correlatives of the Haileyburian intrusives in other areas in northern Ontario. Haileyburian intrusives in other areas in northern Ontario.

An interesting outcrop of fragmental rock may be seen just east of Nettie lake. The outcrop consists of a hill of pseudo-conglomerate 80 feet in height. The matrix is a basaltic rock having a prevailing green colour. The pebble and boulder contents consist not only of greenstone and amygdaloidal grey lava, but also of pink weathering granite, syenite, porphyries and, occasionally, red jasper. Similar peculiar occurrences have been observed near Kirkland lake, on lot 4 in the fifth concession of Maisonville township and at Cobalt.

Algoman. The granite, syenite, grano-diorite (monzonite) intrusions, and the feldspar-porphyry and quartz-porphyry dikes occurring throughout the area are thought to belong to the Algoman series. The eastern extension of the Winnie lake-Maisonville batholith of hornblende-granite occupies the southwest quarter of Bernhardt township. This batholith varies quite locally from a hornblende-granite to a pink syenite, or to a quartz-diorite. These two latter seem to be the border facies of the granite, as this occurrence was particularly noted near the border of the batholith.

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The granite passes gradually into a syenite or grano-diorite without material change in texture, and this is in-dicative of some process of differentiation subsequent to the entry of a single body of the present magma into its chamber rather than successive intrusions of different

magma.

The dikes of feldspar-porphyry vary from a few feet to 100 feet in width, and many of these occurrences have either been necessarily omitted from or exaggerated on the

Cobat Series. The Cobalt series represents the latest clastic sediments of the area overlying the older rocks. This series consists of conglomerate, greywacké, argillite, arkose and quartzite. In a general way there is an orderly succession from a basal conglomerate through slate-like greywacké and argillite to greywacké, or more rarely to an impure quartzite, or an arkose which is in turn overlain by an upper conglomerate. The bedding planes in nearly all the outcrops seen were horizontal or nearly so. There was little or no fissuring of these rocks and the beds appeared undisturbed.

Keweenawan (?) Nipissing Diabase. The youngest rocks of the pre-Cambrian in the Black river area are dikes and small intrusive masses of diabase, trap, and gabbro, which intrude all the above-mentioned rocks. The rocks-vary in texture from aphanitic to coarse gabbro-like. A microscopic examination of them shows that they are augite diabases irrespective of texture. The colour and texture are variable according to conditions of splidifications of splidifications. ite diabases irrespective of texture. The colour and texture are variable according to conditions of solidification. Small dikes and marginal masses are black; elsewhere the general colour is greyish-green to dark green and the texture medium. The percentage composition (megascopically) of the ferric minerals varies somewhat, and from the one outcrop, specimens differing greatly in appearance may be obtained. In some only a very minor amount of pyroxene is present. There are two types of diabase, one with olivine and the other olivine free, the latter being by far the more common type.

Economic Geology

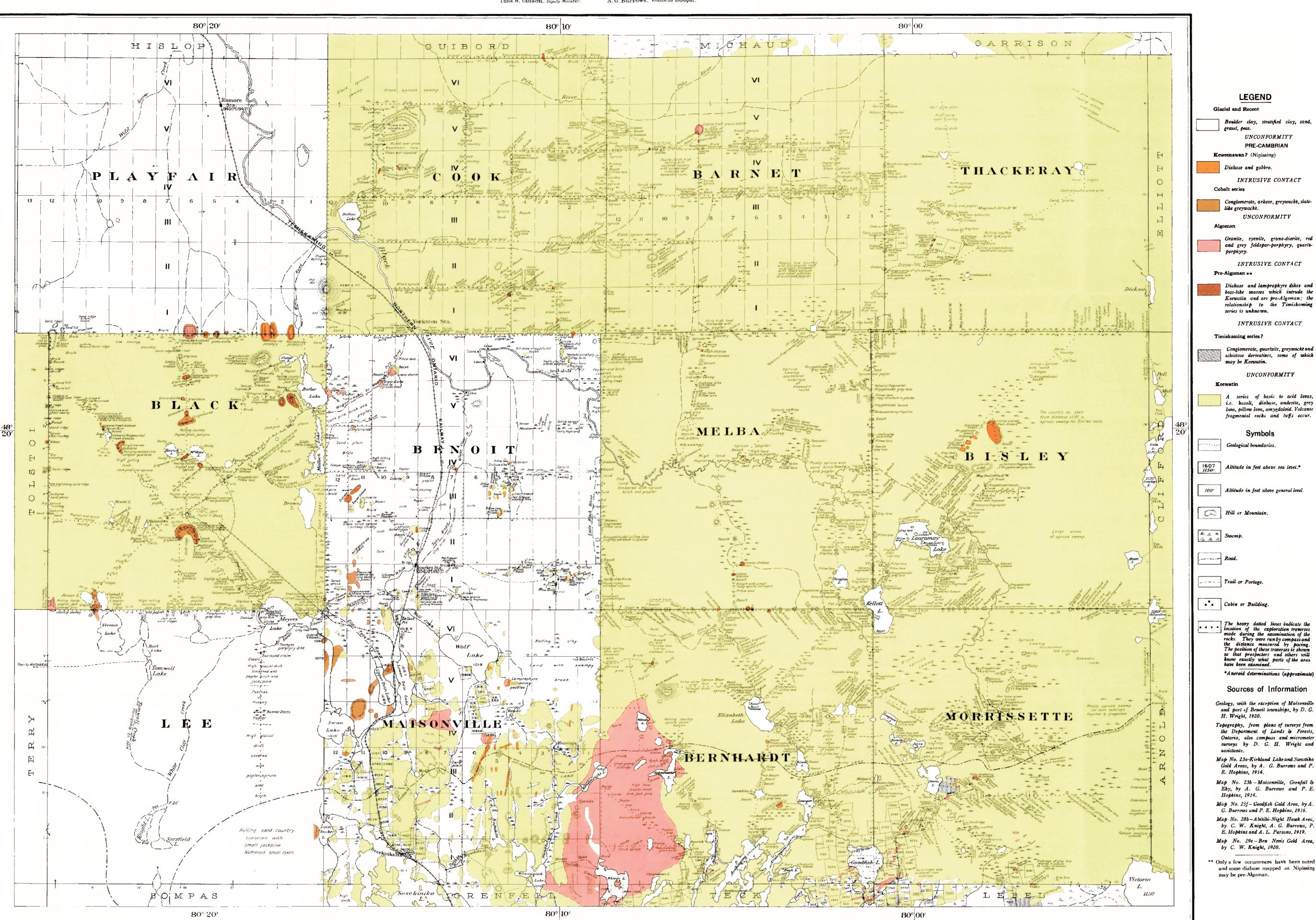
The rock formations of the Black river area are akin to those of neighbouring areas already proven to be of great economic importance, i.e. Porcupine and Kirkland lake gold mining camps. The older formations have been freely intruded by Algoman granite, syenite and porphyries with which the deposition of the precious metal, gold, is said to be associated.

The vicinity of these acid intrusions and areas of schistose rocks noted on the accompanying map are promising localities which should be prospected for gold. The borders of acid (granitic) intrusions should be carefully prospected for tin (cassiterite). Cassiterite may occur in small stringers and veius bordering granite knobs, in the granite itself, or as grains disseminated through the rock. Quartz, topaz, tourmaline and fluorite are associated minerals, as are also wolframite, scheelite and other contact minerals.

The pyrrhotite deposits should be tested for nickel and platinum.

Veins of calcite, usually under 12 inches in width, carrying some sphalerite and galena, were frequently seen in the area. The deposits of this nature which were observed were not considered to be workable for their value in zinc and lead; but it was noted that these deposits frequently carried values in gold and silver, particularly the latter, which, in one instance, ran as high as 57 oz. of silver per ton.

All serpentine, i.e. metamorphic rocks composed chiefly or wholly of the mineral serpentine, should be prospected, as possible sources of nickel, platinum, chromium and asbestos. Serpentine areas usually show local attraction, due to the presence of iron ores, pyrrhotite, or other magnetic minerals.



Map Nº 30 c.

BLACK RIVER AREA

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LEGEND

Diabase and gabbro.

like greywacké.

porphyry.

UNCONFORMITY PRE-CAMBRIAN

INTRUSIVE CONTACT

Conglomerate, arkose, greywacke, slate-

UNCONFORMITY

Granite, syenite, grano-diorite, red and grey feldspar-porphyry, quaris-

INTRUSIVE CONTACT

Diabase and lamprophyre dikes and boss-like masses which intrude the Keewatin and are pre-Algoman; the relationship to the Timiskaming series is unknown.

INTRUSIVE CONTACT

Conglomerate, quartzite, greywacke and

schistose derivatives, some of which may be Keewatin.

UNCONFORMITY

A series of basic to acid lavas, i.e. basalt, diabase, andesite, grey

lava, pillow lava, amygdaloid. Volcanic fragmental rocks and tuffs occur.

*Aneroid determinations (approximate

Sources of Information

Ontario, also compass and micrometer surveys by D. G. H. Wright and

Gold Areas, by A. G. Burrows and P.

E. Hopkins, 1914.

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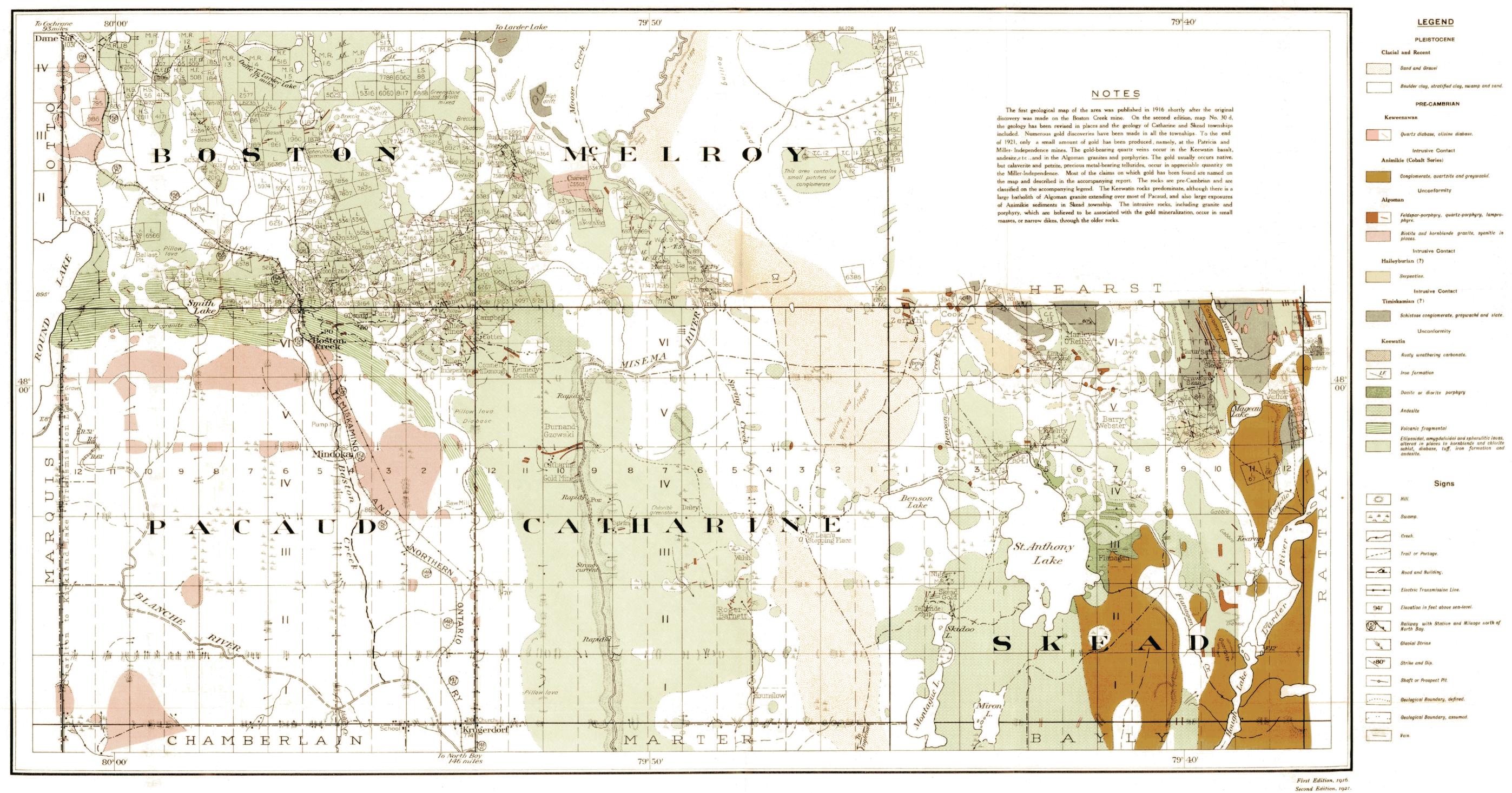
Symbols

Geological boundaries.

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MAP Nº 30 d.

BOSTON-SKEAD GOLD AREA

DISTRICT OF TIMISKAMING, ONTARIO.

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Scale: $\frac{1}{47,520}$ or $\frac{3}{4}$ Mile = 1 Inch Chains 80 60 40 20 0 Metres 1000 500 0 1 2

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