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ELAM MINING COMPANY LEASES FARM LANDS

Feldspar Fields on Property of John Boudwin of Ogden to be Worked Extensively

The Elam Feldspar Mining Company, which has operated a large feldspar mine in Concord Township, adjoining the old Squire Frame property near the Brandywine Summit camp meeting grounds, for a number of years, has entered into an agreement with John Boudwin, of Ogden, Upper Chichester Township, for the lease of his extensive farm for a period of ten years. In addition to receiving a good, round sum for the rental of his farm, Mr. Boudwin will receive a royalty on every ton of feldspar secured from the earth beneath the farm, the top portion of which will not be disturbed from cultivation by the operation of the mine, which will be accomplished at least fifty feet beneath the surface.

The indications are that a large amount of feldspar, which is a profitable mineral used in making dishes, false teeth, etc. will use the latest improved machinery in the mining operations. Shafts will be sunk and the mine will be fully equipped with facilities for securing the feldspar. At least one hundred miners will be employed in the new operation. At least one hundred miners will be employed in the new operation. These miners have been working in the feldspar mine at Johnson's Corner, which is nearly worked out. They are experienced men at the business and it is deemed fortunate that they are to be retained in this section where they have been employed at their vocation for a number of years.

Mr. Boudwin will be privileged to continue the cultivation of his farm products, as the mining operation, as before stated, will not interfere with the fertilization of the land. The old mine at Johnson's Corner, before it was worked out, was reputed to be the largest feldspar mine in the world.

The Boudwin farm was formerly known as the George Broomall farm, the previous owner being the father of John M. Broomall, the dry goods merchant of this city. A couple of years after purchasing the farm Mr. Boudwin discovered that the land contained a thick vein of feldspar, while garnet and copper have also been found during the ploughing season suggests of the various valuable minerals being dug up in profusion.

Mr. Worth, president of the Elam Feldspar Mining Company, resides at Wawa. He owns a large stock of thoroughbred Jersey cattle, which he raises as a hobby.

The working of a feldspar mine, like the one nearly worked out at Johnson's Corner, is operated similar to that of a coal mine, and it is a remarkable fact, as Squire J. T. Gill of Linwood, PA remarked yesterday that few people in Chester and throughout the county know that an extensive underground mine has been in operation within a few miles of their home for years, but notwithstanding this fact they would spend time and money visiting the mines in the western section of the State.