

DIAMOND FIND RAISES HOPE IN S^W AFRICA

The world-famous Premier Diamond Mine near Pretoria, abandoned fifteen years ago, has been reopened. Fresh diamond discoveries nearby excite hopes that these old workings may yield new fortunes. It was ~~near~~^{here} that the Cullinan Diamond, largest in the world, was discovered in nineteen hundred and five. It is now part of the Crown Jewels. Though diamond experts anticipate no similar find, diggers have returned in force to the old workings at Bloemhof. In this aluvial soil highly-profitable washings have rewarded many of the prospectors. Using native labour they are working their new claims with great energy, sifting the mud and gravel in ~~the~~¹ patient search for the glittering stones. ~~Only a few diamonds~~

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(GV) So far there has been nothing in the nature of a diamond rush. No digger has become a millionaire overnight. In fact several have already given up. The fabulous days of forty years ago remain a memory. All the same, many prospectors are doing well ; here and there, very well indeed. It's a thrill when the gravel turns up trumps. *7*
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remember, diamonds are trumps!