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They are both rich properties; they are in good hands; they have money to develop them; they have the confidence of the owners; who have agreed not to sell their stock for a considerable time. We have made searching investigations to protect our clients.
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Estimates for the machinery required are now being invited. 50,000 shares only of the Treasury stock are offered for sale at \$25. 10,000 of which will be sold here, the balance in the East. The next issue will be \$100. It is expected that this stock will rise as rapidly as the Golden Casket. It is certainly as rich and has a property as there is in British Columbia. Applications for stock should be forwarded immediately to the British-Canadian Gold Fields Co., Brokers.
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WANTED—A girl at 4111st street, at once.
WANTED—For the country, trust worthy young man to help in store and make himself generally useful. Salary \$20 and board. Address "Storeman," Times office.
STAYED—Brands and white building paper, agents months. Finder will receive reward. Communications with Savannah, Photo. Five Times Block, Fort St.
FOR SALE—A two-stated covered carriage, a shotgun, a season and a two-seated sleigh (almost new). Apply to Mrs. A. N. Richards, St. Charles street.
WANTED—An experienced brewer. Apply at 104 Yates street. m13-31
TO LET—Furnished cottage, with garden; close to car track. Apply 35 Chambers street.
\$5.00—No. 1 double screened household coal per ton of 2,000 lbs., delivered to any part of the city. Railway & Hall, 100 Government street, 25 Store street.
FOR SALE—OR RENT—To responsible man, the "Cotton House" saloon. m12-31
FOR SALE—Small Bay Horse, suitable for lady to drive. Apply to J. J. W. Times office. If \$25. Apply "G. B." Times office. If \$25.
TO LET—Stables of furnished home, including rooms and private kitchen, at Riverside house, 104 Pandora avenue. Apply 97 Quadra street.
GRAND MASQUERADE DANCE will be held in McPherson on March 26th. Gentlemen, suit ladies, including supper.
TO LET—The Four Mile House, Crestview Road. Inquire at Mirror Saloon, or of F. J. Dawley, on the premises. 9
FOR SALE CHEAP—House and lot with all modern conveniences. Apply on premises. 108 View St. m12-29
TO LET—Store, former Government and Bay streets, \$10; 6-roomed house on Cedar Hill road, cheap. \$5; 2 houses on Green street, \$2; 6 roomed house on Esme street, \$10; 5-roomed cottage on Stanley avenue, \$12; 5-roomed house on Superior street, \$5; 6 roomed house on Third street, \$7. A. W. Muir & Co., Real Estate Agents, 20 Douglas street.
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NEW PAINTS, OILS, etc., arrived at McPherson's, 4111st street.
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MEYER, Master.
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Naas River and Way Ports,
VIA VANCOUVER.
On WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17th, at 8 P.M.
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The Company reserves the right of changing this time table at any time, without notice.
JOHN IRVING, Manager.
PRESIDENT M'KINLEY
Interviewed by George W. Smalley on Several Timely Topics.
London, March 15.—The correspondent of the London Times in the United States, George W. Smalley, gives his conversation with President McKinley with reference to the arbitration treaty. The President is quoted as saying: "There is no subject on which I feel more strongly. I abide by every word of my address."
Mr. Smalley adds: "The President is for the treaty as originally presented to the Senate, or at least without any amendments affecting its efficiency. He showed real interest and a knowledge of foreign affairs, and does not intend to take any new departure in regard to Cuba. He is still convinced of the value of protection, but he recognizes that circumstances have altered, and there is to be no return to the tariff of 1890. He has very earnest and strong views as to his duty regarding bimetallicism and will do his utmost to promote it and exhaust all means to secure an international agreement, believing that prosperity depends upon it. This, however, does not imply that he is less firm in his resolve to maintain the gold standard. The impression this conversation gave me was one of confidence."

GREECE IS TO BE BLOCKADED

All the Powers Except France and Italy Agree to Immediate Blockade of Greece.

Rowan-Under of Greek Reserves To Be Called Out—Troops Embarking for Thessaly.

There Are Rumors of Serious Massacres of Armenians by Turkish Troops.

St. Petersburg, March 15.—All the admirals except the French and Italian commanders have been ordered to immediately blockade the principal Greek ports, especially the Piræus (port of Athens), Syra and Volo. The ultimatum will forthwith be addressed to Greece by the admirals of the foreign fleets.

Vienna, March 15.—The proposal of the powers that France and Italy occupy Crete with a mixed force of 75,000 men has been declined by the governments of those two countries on the score of expense. The occupation of Crete, therefore, will be undertaken by a force from the six powers, although Germany and Austria will only nominally take part to show that they are agreeable to the measure. The powers are discussing the details of the autonomous government and the choice of a governor, who will, it is said, be a Frenchman.

A dispatch from Heraklion, Crete, says that owing to the excesses of the Musulmans the consuls have asked the admirals to land detachments of marines there.

Athens, March 15.—A royal decree summoning the remainder of the reserve is expected to-day.
Prince Nicholas with a battery has been stationed on the frontier line.
The King has consented that the war office should undertake the formation of a foreign legion in the event of an outbreak.

Thousands of horses and mules are arriving from abroad, the gifts of rich Greeks, who are sending also large sums to the national treasury for patriotic purposes.

For the present the government does not seem embarrassed for money, the rate of exchange being rather lower than usual, and specie for payment of the coupons just due have been deposited without recourse to the usual purchases in the money market, which always affects exchange. Without a doubt the foreign bondholders will suffer later from the cost of mobilizing.

A corps of military telegraphists has sailed from Crete with a view to establishing communication between the various points occupied by the Greek troops.

A committee of ladies is busy making uniforms and attending to the wants of thousands of Cretan refugees.

Steamers are daily embarking troops for Thessaly.

The government has sent a strong protest warning Turkey that the action of the fleet at Provesa is violating the treaty of 1881, and holding the Porte responsible if this warning is disregarded.

The Greek fleet is in the Ambracian Gulf and has been ordered to fire on the Turkish ships annoying the Greek fishing boats.

Snow is falling on the Macedonian frontier, and the troops are suffering from cold and exposure. It is reported that disease has broken out among the Turkish troops, who are largely young recruits, badly fed and lodged.

Rome, March 15.—It is semi-officially stated here this afternoon that all the foreign admirals have received orders to blockade Crete. It is added that the blockade of Greece would only occur if the Cretan blockade should prove ineffectual. The Greek fleet is expected to leave Crete, otherwise it will be cooped outside Cretan waters.

Constantinople, March 15.—The Porte continues to adopt an acquiescent tone in answer to the request of the powers. Replying to the collective note from the ambassadors on the 5th instant, the Porte to-day announced in writing its intention to concentrate the Ottoman troops at Cretan fortified towns as soon as the Greek troops evacuate the island. The Porte has also sent an identical request to the envoys of the powers begging them to expedite a solution of the crisis.

Paris, March 15.—The Greek legation at Paris has published letters from several of the Cretan insurgent leaders to Commodore Reineck of the Greek navy, tending to show that he informed the Cretans of the decision of the powers.

London, March 15.—The Constantinople correspondent of the London Times says it is reported there that Russia has proposed that the powers intervene in Bulgaria and Serbia to prevent the opening of the Macedonian question.

Two hundred and fifty self-propelling torpedoes of a new model have arrived from Germany to be sent to Smyrna, Salonica, Alexandretta, Treves and other ports, as a protection against possible attacks by the Greek cruisers.

Captain Muntaz Bey, one of the best officers in the Turkish navy, has been appointed for sinking derogatory remarks as to the efficiency of the Turkish squadron.

There are rumors of a serious massacre of Armenians by the Turkish troops at Sivas, and bloody engagements between the Turks and insurgents at Erania and Kerasia, in Epirus. The Armenians are cruelly oppressed in the Adana district and the ambassadors have complained to the great visier. An Armenian relief distributor has been surprised at Darbekir and robbed of his relief funds. The outrage was probably committed by Kurds. Sir Philip Currie and Mr. Terrell have demanded the punishment of the murderers and the restitution of the money.

That Greece seems to realize the unlikelihood of the powers to give way is outlined in the rumored proposals and suggestions reaching London to-day from Athens. It is stated that a member of the Greek government declared this morning that Greece would accept for Crete a regime similar to that in Bosnia, which would leave inviolate the principle of non-interference while maintaining the integrity of the Ottoman empire; and it is said that he suggested that France should take the initiative in proposing this solution, remarking: "Unless France does this she will have to watch carefully the action of Great Britain, who is preparing to land a considerable force in Crete. It is to the interest of France to make friendly advances to Greece, whose support would give her naval supremacy in the Asiatic and Mediterranean."

The correspondent of the Times at Constantinople says: "Official assurance of autonomy has been received at last, but the terms are so vague that the insurgent chiefs place no reliance upon it. They will not believe it possible until the Turkish garrison is replaced by European troops."

The Daily Chronicle announces that the formal ultimatum has been delivered to Greece, announcing that the blockade of Crete and certain Greek ports, not yet named, will begin Wednesday. Some of the powers have declared that unless Greece yields, or if she declares war on Turkey, measures somewhat more severe will be employed, even to the point of utterly destroying Greece as a nation.

The Chronicle's Athens correspondent gives an account of an interview he had with Commodore Reineck, who declines to disprove the charge of perfidy brought against him. Commodore Reineck denies that he withheld any warning or message from the powers, and declares that the allegation to that effect has been made to shield the admirals from the ridicule with which they have covered themselves.

GOLDEN TEXADA.

Steamer Maude Makes Her First Trip—A Promising Mine.

Early this morning the C. P. N. Company's steamer Maude, Capt. Foot, returned from her initial trip to Texada Island. Captain Foot received much encouragement and in all probability the company will run a steamer permanently on this route. Among the passengers who made the round trip on the steamer were J. Klingham, secretary, and George I. Cartwright and W. Christie, of the board of managers of the Victoria-Canada Gold Mining Co. They report that their company's mine is in a good position for shipping facilities, and will most likely prove to be one of the most valuable mines on the island. The managers feel jubilant over the prospects. They report that a shaft has been sunk to a depth of 45 feet and several cuts made on four different veins on the claim, and the men are at present working from the beach cutting a tunnel on a well-defined ledge which has been traced for over twelve hundred feet on the company's property. "Cutting through the tunnel," says the foreman, "we expect to come across the veins of the following famous properties, viz. Silver Tip, Silver King, Big Top and Rob Roy." The ore that is taken out of the tunnel is expected to pay expenses for further development, and the company hope to be able to be in a dividend-paying position in the near future. While at Texada Messrs. Klingham, Christie and Cartwright purchased the Francis mineral claim, which carries a large sea frontage and affords excellent shipping facilities, and also struck a prospect between the Silver King and the Potassa for their company. It is understood that the Silver King has just changed hands at a big cash figure. These passengers speak very highly of the treatment that they received from Captain Foot. The C. P. N. Co. they say, should be well patronized, so that the people in Victoria may have direct communication with the "Golden Island" at least once a week. The company are very accommodating and also to give the mining population of Texada every convenience in the way of regular service and communication.

"Why not stand back—make a ring and let Greece and Turkey fight it out?"—Ephraim. The ring, by the powers, won't let them fight.

It was said a few days since that Cleveland had a severe attack of gout. It developed on the 4th inst. into a decided case of gout.

If the tissues about the roots of the hair become unhealthy, the hair will soon turn gray. It is found that this trouble with Hall's Hair Renewer.

SIR HIBBERT'S HALLUCINATION

The "Jurat Stretcher's" Son-Gives Evidence of Serious Cerebral Derangement.

Sifton Effects a Saving of Over \$30,000 in the Indian Department Alone.

More Economy in Sight—Messrs. Jury and Devlin Coming to the Coast.

Ottawa, March 15.—Speaking at Aylmer on Saturday night Sir Hibbert Tupper said that the government had burned the parliament buildings and then brought on the election in Wright. That was the only way they expected to carry the constituency, he said.

Hon. Mr. Sifton has sent all his estimates for the Indian department to the printers. In the Indian department alone he has made a saving of over \$30,000 as compared with the estimates of last year. The minister will not be able to complete the reorganization of the interior department before the session, but once he does get at it a very large economy will be effected. The efficiency of the service will also be greatly increased.

Alfred Jury leaves for the coast tomorrow and Mr. Devlin goes on Thursday.

Mr. Code, inspector of weights and measures in Ottawa district, is to be superannuated.

The Maryland Steel Company has got a contract for 3,000 tons of steel rails from the department of railways. This is the first time that American firms have tendered for supplying steel rails to Canada. A number of American firms tendered this time. The successful tenderer was very much lower than any of the English companies.

Premier Laurier was confined to his residence on Saturday with a severe cold, but was out to-day and attended a meeting of the cabinet this forenoon.

The Canadian members of the deep waterway commission held a meeting here on Saturday to complete their report to the Dominion government of their joint deliberations with the United States representatives. The work is not completed, but much valuable information has been gained and plans formulated with accompanying sketches and maps. The United States government will be asked to appropriate \$150,000 for further surveys and deliberations. The Canadian commissioners, Messrs. O. A. Howland, M.P.P., Toronto; T. C. Keefer, Ottawa, and Thomas Monro Coteau, will also ask for more money to carry on their share of the work, but their request will be materially smaller than that of the United States.

Mr. Bostock has had a long interview with Mr. Sifton on railway matters.

The postmaster-general has decided to issue for a limited period a special three-cent stamp, commemorative of the diamond jubilee.

The government is undecided as to whether the imperial authorities want only officers or officers and men, in England this summer. Enquiries have been made for fuller information.

Joseph Pinguet, of Melbourne, Australia, has been appointed a commissioner to administer oaths in the supreme court.

The Trappist fathers are asking Dominion incorporation.

The Consolidated Carbon Hydraulic Mining Co., with \$5,000,000 capitalization, is seeking a charter from parliament.

Nine members of the Bislew team have sent in their acceptance.

The minister of agriculture, desirous of reducing the stock of census volumes in order to give more accommodation for the clerks, proposes to present a set of the volumes to each of the public libraries of Canada.

A REGULAR TORY TRICK.

The Archbishop of Quebec Accused of Dirty Work.

Montreal, March 15.—Mgr. Begin is being accused of sharp practice. It is asserted that the Archbishop of Quebec received in his capacity of metropolitan an order from Rome enjoining all the bishops to suspend the consecration of question until the Vatican authorities looked into the matter. They claim that instead of imparting the order to the bishops of the province he put the alleged command in his pocket and started for Rome.

THE CROW'S NEST RAILWAY.

The Globe's Reference to That Much-Discussed Subject.

Toronto, March 15.—The Globe says: "If the Canadian Pacific Railway Company is willing to build the Crow's Nest Railway without any aid rather than make any concessions, we can still maintain the public right in these matters to the utmost limit of the law. We say strongly in favor of the proposed that all over-bonding of railways and avoid increase of profits by manipulation of the power of parliament rates for the transportation of freight to be prepared on the basis of normal construction."

OTTAWA LETTER

Ottawa, March 8.—The Hon. Clifford Sifton, minister of the interior, who has just completed the reorganization of the Indian department, has shown he is the right man in the right place. He has not only provided for a greater efficiency in the department, but has effected a large economy. In his department alone he has effected a saving of \$7,000, notwithstanding that a large sum has to be paid in the superannuation of highly paid officials. The new minister of the interior has got no room for idlers, but no is willing to pay men well who are able and willing to do their work. The rough-shod process of doing work, and much of the red-tape which has been peculiarly and prominently adhered to in the Indian department, have been abolished, and the offices are all placed on a business footing. Under the old system the head of a branch is asked to prepare a report by the deputy for the information of the minister. The report is prepared. It is forwarded to the secretary's department. After awaiting the secretary's pleasure for a day or so, he initials the report and sends it along to the deputy. The secretary knows nothing about the report beyond the fact that he has placed his initials on it. The deputy takes the report, which was signed by the head of the branch from whom it came, glances over it, strikes off the signature and asks a clerk to copy it. It passes along in much the same way as it did in the first instance, and when it returns the deputy adds his own signature and forwards it to the minister. This is no exaggeration. Mr. Smart, the new deputy superintendent-general, who is also the new deputy of the interior, will see that all this is abolished and the affairs of the department conducted as are other modern offices. The system which was in vogue here a quarter of a century ago, and which might be good enough then, will revolve with very little improvement. As yet Mr. Sifton and his new deputy have not completed the reorganization of the interior department. When they have done so there will be more efficiency and a great economy as well. It is fortunate for the great west that a man like Mr. Sifton is at the head of this department. He is in every sense a big man and not afraid to tackle big work. His object in the reorganization of his departments was not so much with a view to economy, great as this advantage to the community may be, as in seeing that the work of the departments over which he presides is efficiently and faithfully carried out. Take the Indian department as an example. Everybody knows that the best had been used by the late government as a vehicle for the advancement of the political interests of the government. The large number of Indian agents, who have been dismissed for one cause or another since the general elections has shown this. If there was an Indian reserve where an election was going on somebody from the department was sure to be there distributing blankets or something of that kind. For months before the last general election Mr. Harty Reed and a few of his favorites were parading all over the country from Regina to Halifax seeing how best to further the interests of the government. It was for political reasons that Mr. Daly brought with him Mr. J. J. Campbell from Regina. There was no work for Mr. Campbell, still he was given \$1,400 a year. Then Mr. Dewdney had Mr. McGill thrown in the department without anything to do at \$1,800 a year. When Mr. Dewdney left for British Columbia McGill acted as agent for Mr. Dewdney here, and it is understood that Mr. Daly, who leased a house from Mr. Dewdney, had to pay his rent through Mr. McGill, one of his clerks in the department. The result of throwing these two men on the department means that Campbell will draw about \$300 and McGill about \$500 for the balance of their lives. So that the evil which the Tories have done lives after them as an heirloom of their incapacity and corruption. A messenger named Peart, who was a valet for Mr. Dewdney, is also among the persons dismissed. Some of the other ministers of the crown might take example from what Mr. Sifton has done in the way of reorganization.

The annual report of the Indian department has the following in regard to British Columbia:—The Indians of British Columbia place but little dependence upon agriculture; still, some are displaying a most commendable spirit in endeavoring to increase the areas under cultivation. In this the department are extending their efforts as much as within its power lies. The main dependence is upon fish; but for the lumbering industry, and the canneries in certain localities, afford a means of earning a livelihood. "Owing to the drought, the crops on Vancouver Island suffered greatly, and in some localities on the mainland several losses occurred through floods; so that the department will, in all probability, be forced to come to the aid of the farmers during the coming winter. "It is found that, owing to Chinese labor, many channels, heretofore open to the Indians, are now closed. This must necessarily drive him to rely more and more upon the cultivation of the soil, but a great difficulty is met, on many of the reserves, in obtaining sufficient arable land, and in some places the tilted land, which is so fertile, is rendered sterile by being flooded during the stages of high water. This flooding in some cases not only entails the loss of the crops, but also a great deal of labor in restoring the land to such a state that they may again be worked. "A small sum having been provided by parliament, irrigation works have been undertaken in the Kootenay district and in the reclamation of the soil at the Salmon river reserve. If that degree of success which is confidently looked for meets these undertakings, it is hoped that such works may be continued at other points where Indians evince a desire to cultivate the land. "Improvement in social condition is reported by officials, and it is found that the status of women is being, in a measure, better recognized; and that is done, advancement in other directions necessarily follows. "Intemperance continues to be prevalent, notwithstanding the efforts now forward by the department's officials to prevent it. During the coming season, when Indians are collected from far and

wide and are earning ready cash, liquor is readily obtained, the consequence being that carousals are not infrequent, so that in many instances those who have done well return to their homes without anything for their families' keep. Particularly along the northwest coast do unscrupulous traders supply the Indian with liquor, and the department's efforts to far have proved unavailing in preventing it. This department has been in correspondence with that of the customs with a view to considering whether a patrol steamer could not be jointly maintained in the interest of both. "The powers conferred by parliament for the suppression of the 'potlatch' festival and the 'sun-dance' dances have been used with judgment, and it is thought, with good effect."

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HOME OF THE GODS.

It is in Crete That the Old Greek Still Survives. Chicago Times-Herald: Were old Jupiter as powerful as he was in the days before the new gods came and drove him from his seat on high Olympus there would be no doubt as to the result of the war in Crete. For it was in Crete that the god of gods was born and raised, and it was in Crete he was enthroned when the night passed away and the thunderbolts slipped from his dying hands, red no longer, into the hands of other and newer deities. What Mecca is to the Mohammedan, Benares to the Hindu, and Jerusalem to the Christian, that would be Crete to the believer in the Greek religion; and so it is now, in a way, to the modern scholar who lives in the beauties of the Greek mythos, fable and story. There is not a spot on the face of the broad earth that is so crowded with memories of Paganism beautiful as is Crete. We are all of us familiar with the stories of a religion that has given to the poets of all ages their best inspiration. But how many of us remember our humanities so well as to be able to give local habitation to the gods and goddesses, the heroes and the half-immortals with which the poetry of the ages is enhanced. Fancy that when Ixergus was mod-

er of the Minotaur, were as much tradition as they are to-day. Let us glance at Crete and its association with the myths. Many places claim the birth of Jupiter, but the most ancient seems to credit Crete. Rhos, his mother, gave birth to him in a cavern near the site of Gnosus, afterward the seat of the empire of the strong King Minos. The Mælian nymphs received him in their arms. He was reared in a cradle of gold by Adrastus. He was fed on honey and on nectar, brought by an eagle that drew it from one of the rocks of old Ida. And time was when the Cretans showed with pride the cavern in which the infant Jove was born and the very platform on the side of the snow mountain in which he gambled in play with the Corybentes, to say nothing of the tomb in which the poor immortal's bones were placed when he died. To Crete we go for the story of Daedalus and Icarus, told by Ovid in such sweet Latin. The story was an ancient even in Homer's day, and the exiled Roman, sent in his exile to one of the Ægean Isles, simply framed the picture with a golden edge that has given to it most of its value. It is not given to most of us to understand the ancient poets just because they were heathen. In the story of Daedalus and his son Icarus (who took the place of a murdered nephew whose talents eclipsed those of the son) is concealed a moral lesson, Theseus and Ariadne, the stren-

day you may see the very pool in which the strenuous bathed and the many rocks upon which many a good ship, as good ships went in those days, was dashed to pieces. It is Suda bay, as said in those "bible-faced times of ours," and Cape Malaxa, with Akrotirion looking up in the distance. There is no coast scenery, not even the sub-tropical latitudes of our own Pacific, that can compare with the wildness of Crete. It was from Suda—perhaps before the bay and rocks had such a modern name—that the Trojans drew their beautiful fable of Leda. You have read Homer. You know how Agamemnon went with his great fleet to Troy to "avenge a private wrong." You are familiar with the story of that splendid epic and the part the immortal gods played in it. Greece seems to be predominant in that best of poems. But when the truth is known, the part of Greece is purely secondary. It was Crete that led the war on Troy. When Helen plunged the Achæans in to that memorable struggle Ictinæus was the sovereign of the island. He espoused the cause of the Greeks—for were not the Greeks and the Cretans of one blood?—and led his navy to the front. More than eighty good ships were sent from Crete—from Gnosus, or Cnosus, the seat of the kingdom—in Troy, bearing the flower and pride of the free method of the rugged island. Idomeneus himself was present and was no

liez. The dialects of Homer are dead. The Æolic, the Doric, the Ionic are no more in the mouths of men—if we except Crete. In that blessed island alone are to be found the remains of the language of Pythagoras, Plato, Socrates and Aristotle. In the hills of Spakia, or Spakia (as the English spell it) there remains the last trace of the old language of the gods and the Greeks. And it is here only, in all the world, that this language can be heard.

Truly Astonishing—Miss Annette N. Moon, Fountain, Minn., says: "After a severe fever I had a wonderful effect in curing my brother's children of a chronic and dangerous cold. It was truly astonishing how speedily they found relief after taking this preparation."

The residence on H. F. Hawk's ranch near Soda creek was burned to the ground Wednesday. The origin of the fire is unknown.

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Fraser Valley and Kootenay Railway Company.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislature of the Province of British Columbia, at its next sitting, for the passage of an act to incorporate a company to be called "The Fraser Valley and Kootenay Railway Company," to construct, equip and operate a line of railway from some point on Burrard Inlet or English Bay to New Westminster, thence eastward through the valley of the Fraser River and the southern part of British Columbia, by the most direct and feasible route, to the Town of Hazelton, with power to acquire lands, to construct, equip and operate the Burrard Inlet and Fraser Valley Railway Company, or any railway, or portion of a railway, either as a branch or part of such main line; to build a branch line or lines from the City of New Westminster to some point on the coast line between the International Boundary Line and Point Grey, and such other branch lines as may be deemed advisable to construct and maintain, to construct, equip and operate, to maintain and operate telegraph and telephone lines for other than railway purposes.

A. L. BELLYEA, Solicitor for the Applicant.

Municipal Notice. TAX ON DOGS.

Owners of dogs are requested to take notice that the tax for the year 1897, on every dog within the City of Victoria, is now due. The provisions of the Dog Tax Act and the Revenue By-Law, 1896, will be enforced with respect to any such tax remaining unpaid from this date. Mr. W. P. Winsby is authorized to collect the above tax. CHAS. KENT, Collector, City Hall, Victoria, B.C., Feb. 18th, 1897.

Land Registry Act.

In the matter of an application for a duplicate of Certificate of Title to Lots 2 and 4 of Subdivision of part of Fairfield Estate, in the City of Victoria, according to map No. 155. Notice is hereby given that it is my intention at the expiration of one month from the date hereof, to issue a duplicate of the Certificate of Title in respect of the above lots, unless the said application is withdrawn or the said Certificate is otherwise disposed of. S. Y. WOOLTON, Registrar-General of Titles, Land Registry Office, Victoria, B.C., 15th February, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that at the next sitting of the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the City of Victoria, we shall apply for a transfer of the license now held by us to sell spirituous and fermented liquors by retail at the North Pacific Hotel, situate on the northeast corner of Yates and Wharf streets, in the City of Victoria, to David Dale. Victoria, B. C., February 2nd, 1897. DAVID DALE, E. W. SAVAGE.

DAVID LIVINGSTONE'S TREE.

An English traveller, Mr. Poulett Underhill, has recently sent to friends in London some leaves from the tree in Africa under which the heart of Livingstone is buried. He says that Chimango, the chief who ruled the district in the great explorer's day, now lies buried under the same tree, and the village that bore the chief's name has been removed ten miles to the westward. Mr. Underhill found the solitude of the place most depressing, and he was glad to get away from it. The tree and its inscription, he adds, unless steps are taken immediately to mark the spot, it will be made indistinguishable by the rapidly encroaching jungle. The old "ponderous" tree has now become a mere shell, and may fall any day. The place where Livingstone's heart has been considered for a quarter of a century.—New York Times.

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MR. BLAIR'S DUTY AS THE GLOBE SEES IT. THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS—Not a cent for Crow's Nest Branch or anything else, Sir William, until you sign this!

err, when Homer was a late-comer, when Julius Caesar was the newest man on earth, Crete was the ancient. The immortal gods were truly immortal, if that word may be applied to anything, even by way of figure of speech. So long as letters live, so long will the gods survive. And Crete gave to the world its greatest god, for what god is greater than Jove? The patriot Cretan, feeling the power of his name, and the rule of the Turk, looking toward Greece for aid and comfort, instinctively rebelled against the domination of such a man as Abdul Hamid, has the sympathy of the world, and for whom the gods of the island and for whom the Greek gods are more than a mere reference. True, the Cretan to-day does not realize his splendid heritage. But that he has the spirit of his ancient fathers, that the blood which coursed in the veins of the Cretans who fought and conquered Troy still flows in his own veins, are facts beyond all controversy.

With small mental effort we can reconstruct the ancient Crete and launch ourselves back into the stream of time when it was flowing past the temple of Jupiter, then a great and living god, with his millions of worshippers, when Minerva and Venus and Bacchus and Juno and Priapus ruled the affairs of men, and Apollo was not a sun myth. These were the days of the glory of Crete. In Ovid's time Crete was decadent—over dead, and Daedalus and

as high valued and deep as that of any of the prophets of Solomon. The story of Icarus is so identified with Crete that one can look to no other place for associations with the most inspired of antique sculptors, Sarpedon—his wife later "lowered amid the field" in the Trojan war—had been driven by his brother Minos from Crete, and Minos took the throne. Daedalus, the inventor of the labyrinth, and Daedalus built it. Whereupon hangs the story of Theseus and Ariadne—the theme of art and poetry. The Athenian youths and maidens went up to be devoured by the monster Minotaur, until Theseus, the hero, guided by the silver thread of Ariadne, the king's daughter, secured the clew to the labyrinthine mysteries, and Ariadne was carried off in triumph by the hero as a reward.

To Crete we must go for the fabled river Lethe, a branch from the sweet-scented waters of which scoundrels, all sorrow and care "sleep eternal in eternal night." In Crete it was that the stream lived, or say rather it was on the shores of Crete they sang their seductive songs that lured the maiden to her destruction. Thus will Homer tell us how Theseus stopped the ears of his blind father to the next last, reference of the song, he would order his slaves to steer toward the rocks and lose all. To

small part of that famous strife. However that this is not fable, but history. For these were comparatively recent times and the successor of the immortal Minos was simply helping his first cousin, the Greeks. At the close of the Trojan war Idomeneus returned to the kingdom only to find that it had forgotten his greatness. Homer tells us that at that time in Crete the people were engaged in the building of the temple of Minos. But this is somewhat modern for Crete. We must go for all that is left of the truly Greek. It is said that by philology can be traced the history of man better than by written accounts. For written history—traditional history—may go as far as we wish, but language never. There is nothing so absolute as language. Words, expressive of things, change with all things. They are modified by the lightest breath of custom; are changed by the most insidious of contagion; suffer in their character by the constancy of trade and lose themselves in the meshes of fluctuating civilization as do the roots of civilization. These are the roots of civilization. These are the roots of civilization. The highest and any tender not necessarily accepted. By order of the Commissioner in Chief, Esquimaux Yard, March 6, 1897.

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The Daily Times.

A REMARKABLE CONVERSION.

Conservative journals which now shriek about the necessity of the government building the Crow's Nest railway and keeping it out of the hands of the C.P.R. Company are probably salving their consciences, having in mind their slavish support of the barzala by which that company was given an undue power over the western country.

That by the consolidated railway act, 1870, it is provided that every by-law fixing and regulating the tolls to be taken by a railway company shall be subjected to a revision by the governor in council, from time to time, after approval thereof.

That the exercise by the governor in council of the power of reducing tolls under the said act is by contract respecting the C. P. R. limited, as regards the said company, to such extent that the tolls, when reduced, shall not produce less than 10 per cent. per annum profit on the capital actually expended in the construction of the railway, and that the net income of the company from all sources shall not be less than 10 per cent. on the capital so expended.

That the said contract thus limits in favor of the C. P. R. company the powers given to the governor-in-council in the case of other railway companies, and gives to the company whose road is to be built so largely at the public cost an extraordinary privilege, and withdraws from the public the protection provided for them in the case of other railways which may be built solely out of private resources.

That the governor-in-council shall have, in the case of the C. P. R. company, the same unrestricted power which is possessed in the case of such other railways of revising from time to time, as the public interest may require, and tariff or tolls; and that the contract is, in this particular, objectionable.

This was promptly voted down by Sir John Macdonald's obedient majority, an action which was most heartily endorsed by those who are now insisting that the government must build a new road in order to keep monopolistic fingers off Kootenay--on the eastern side. It is a pity that these gentlemen did not entertain some such feelings of consideration for the public in 1881.

Sir Herbert Tupper is noted for making "breaks," but it is rather hard to believe that he used the language with which he is credited at Athol. No man in his proper senses would accuse the government of having set fire to the government buildings with the object of carrying a by-election.

It appears that the continued delays of the eastern mails arises from their being sent via the South route, which has been in a chronic state of blockade this winter, while the line north of Lake Superior has been comparatively unimpeded. In view of the repeated experience of this kind it is strange that the authorities did not order a change in the route. We are far from being dope with circumlocution methods.

In announcing the appointment of Dr. George H. Duncan to the office of secretary of the provincial board of health, the Times recently stated that he had been dismissed from the position of superintendent of quarantine at Williams Head for partisan and unprofessional conduct. As Dr. Duncan was, as a matter of fact, relieved of his office

under the Dominion government for partisan conduct, the word "unprofessional" was improperly applied. To Dr. Duncan's professional conduct in his private capacity as a physician the Times has had no cause, and hence no right, to refer. All our criticisms have had reference solely to the manner in which certain civic duties were discharged, and as the use of the word "unprofessional" might possibly be interpreted in a sense not intended, we deem this explanation, in withdrawing the word, due to ourselves quite as much as to Dr. Duncan.

RICHARDS V. PRICE. To the Editor:—In Sunday's morning Colonist there appears what purports to be a report of proceedings before the Honorable Judge Harrison acting in his judicial jurisdiction in the county court, Victoria, in this case. The whole report is absolutely something that did not occur. The learned judge at the conclusion of the case suggested a settlement, but not in the manner stated. Mr. Price swore most positively that he took up the Last Chance claim for his own road for that of his brother, Richard Price's, benefit only, and never suggested in writing or in any other manner that he took it up for the benefit of any other person, whether members of a syndicate or otherwise, although he located the claim on the 23rd of January last.

F. G. RICHARDS. March 15th, 1897.

STREET IMPROVEMENT.

To the Editor: Has the petition, requested by the mayor, that a by-law be placed before the citizens to raise \$100,000 for street improvement, been started? If not, why don't somebody get a move on? Something certainly must be done to keep people in the city and give employment. Already there are so many empty houses that landlords almost despair of getting tenants, so much so that they neglect keeping houses in repair, as there are no means to justify the expenditure. There seems to be no hope of getting a railroad to Kootenay this year, nor to Garbo, Vancouver Island, and especially the city of Victoria, seems to be thrown on her own resources. If we cannot have anything else we surely can have street improvement. However, if that petition is circulated and a by-law placed before the people it will be necessary for the public to thoroughly understand how the money is to be spent, especially in the matter of the material. The mayor suggested macadam for the streets, concrete for the gutters and vitrified brick for the sidewalks. Is brick the best substance for sidewalks? There are samples of brick sidewalks, concrete gutters and crossings, and rock crossings. The city has been experimenting now for a number of years and should know definitely what is the best material to put down, considering cost and durability and appearance. Those rock crossings certainly are disgusting, blazes to look at. The vitrified brick have the hardened face worn off in about six months. In considering these different materials from these different standpoints and on examination certainly the kind of work called artificial granite stonework, put down on Broad street crossing in 1894, also across Douglas street on Fort, and recommended by Mayor Tague, City Engineer Wilnot and the town street committee, is the nearest and the most durable of anything in the city in the shape of crossings, and certainly is the best for sidewalks, crossings and gutters that the city has yet experimented with, and until this time the cheapest material used. Let every taxpayer personally make himself acquainted with these things before he votes his money for the purpose of street improvement.

RATEPAYER.

CANADIAN NEWS. Toronto, March 15.—All the leading distillers in the country are here considering an offer made by English capitalists for a syndicate for the purchase of the distilleries of Canada. Well-informed parties claim that the deal will be successfully consummated.

Montreal, March 15.—It is reported that General Alger, President McKim's secretary of war, Sir William Van Horne and R. B. Angus have purchased large interests in the Laurentide Pulp Company at Grandmère, and that the capacity and output of the mills will be greatly increased.

FADS IN PHOTOGRAPHY.

How largely fads figure in photography one needs only to notice the various photographic displays in order to ascertain. The fashion of having highly ornamental backgrounds has recently come in; but photographers and process workers, both in this country and in Europe, who prefer to turn out high grade art work rather than cater to senseless fads, have found that dark, plain backgrounds are able to simplicity and possess no interest of their own to distract the spectator's attention from the figure. In a portrait the really important matter is the likeness, and all the surroundings which do not accentuate the individuality of the sitter have precisely the contrary effect, and effectively prevent the "speaking likeness."

Among the many signs of an amelioration in the condition of the Jews in Russia is a decision just rendered by the imperial senate, to the effect that Hebrews who have received a university education may live freely in any portion of the empire, instead of being restricted to the so-called Pale of Settlement. They have also absolute freedom to earn their livelihood honestly in any profession and in any place that they may desire.

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W. A. Carlyle in his report on the Sloacan district refers to the Argo: "On the surface in one place the vein was cleared off from 10 to 12 feet, showing a maximum width of 3 to 4 feet of solid ore."

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A BY-LAW. Authorizing the Corporation of the City of Victoria to borrow the sum of \$120,000, in anticipation of the receipt of its Revenue for the year 1897.

Whereas by virtue of the "Municipal Classes Act, 1896," every Municipality may under the conditions contained therein borrow from any person such sum of money not exceeding an amount equal to the total amount of taxes upon land or real property, as shown by the Revised Assessment Roll of the Municipality for the year 1896, and bearing such rate of interest as may be requisite to meet the current legal expenditure of the Corporation which becomes payable out of the annual revenue before the revenue for the year becomes payable by the taxpayers:

And whereas the total amount of taxes upon land and improvements or real property as shown by the Revised Assessment Roll of the Municipality of the City of Victoria for the year 1896, was \$250,832.88.

And whereas to meet the current legal expenditure of the Corporation of the City of Victoria for the year 1897, payable out of the annual revenue before such revenue for such year becomes payable by the taxpayers, it is requisite for the said Corporation to borrow a sum of money not exceeding \$120,000.

Therefore the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria enacts as follows:—

Sec. 1. It shall be lawful for the Corporation of the City of Victoria, by the Mayor and Finance Committee thereof, to borrow upon the credit of the said Corporation from any person or persons, firm or firms, corporation or corporations, who may be willing to advance the same, the sum of \$120,000 in such amounts and at such times as subject as hereinafter provided, the same may, in the opinion of the Mayor and Finance Committee of the Council, be required, bearing interest at a rate not exceeding five per centum per annum.

Sec. 2. The money so borrowed shall be expended in defraying the current legal expenses of the said Corporation for the year 1897, and shall, together with the interest thereon, be repayable and repaid to the lender or lenders thereof on or before the 31st day of December, 1897, out of the Municipal revenue for the said year.

Sec. 3. The amount so borrowed, and interest thereon, shall be a liability of the said Corporation, payable out of the Municipal revenue for the current year, 1897, and the form of obligation to be given as an acknowledgment of such liability to the said lender or lenders shall be a promissory note or notes as the same may be required, signed by the Mayor and the Finance Committee and the Clerk of the said Corporation and bearing the seal of the said Corporation, all of which notes shall be made payable on or before the 31st day of December, 1897, and a notice shall be written or printed on the back of every note to the effect that the liability of the said Corporation incurred by said promissory note or notes shall be a liability payable out of the Municipal revenue for the year 1897.

Sec. 4. In the construction of this by-law the expressions "Land" and "Improvements" and "Real Property" shall have respectively the meaning given to them in the "Municipal Classes Act, 1896."

Sec. 5. This by-law may be cited as the "Annual Loan By-Law, 1897."

Passed the Municipal Council the 20th day of January, 1897.

Reconsidered, adopted and finally passed by the Council this 1st day of February, 1897.

(S.S.) CHAR. REDFERN, Mayor. WELLINGTON J. DOWLER, C.M.C.

NOTICE. The above is a true copy of a by-law passed by the Council of the City of Victoria on the 1st day of February, A.D. 1897, and all persons are hereby required to take notice that anyone desirous of applying to have such by-law or any part thereof quashed, must make his application for that purpose to the Supreme Court of B. C. within three months next after the publication of this by-law in the British Columbia Gazette, or he will be too late to be heard in that behalf.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER, C.M.C.

MR. W. A. CARLYLE, GOVERNMENT MINERALOGIST.

Will give a lecture on Kootenay and the Mines of British Columbia, on Friday, March 15th, in the William Wallace Hall, ADMIRALTY FIFTY CENT.

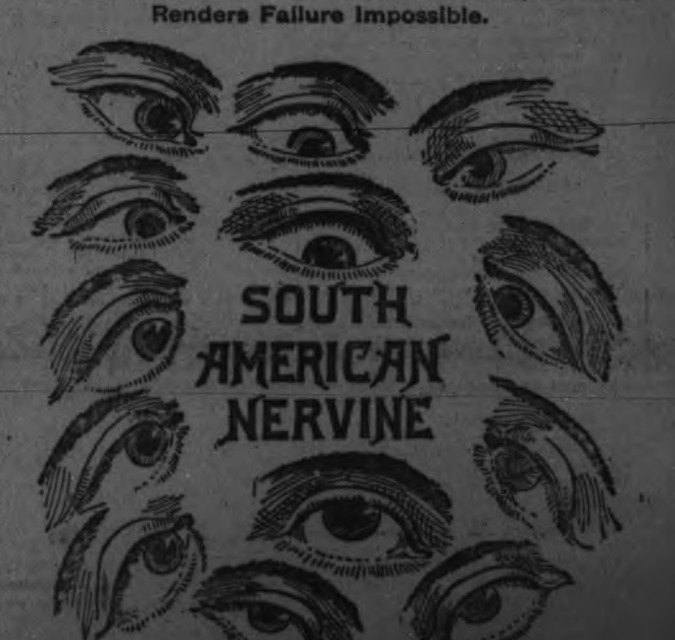
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LOCAL NEWS.

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The regular meeting of Victoria Live, No. 1, Ladies of the Maccabees, will be held Wednesday evening.

A sale of work will be held on Tuesday, April 20th, by the ladies of the Reformed Episcopal church.

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To-day was the last day for tenders to be submitted for the supply of clothing and boots for the city police.

Mr. J. R. McKillop will deliver a lecture this evening in the lecture room of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church.

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The Companions of the Forest hold an invitation "At Home" this evening to celebrate their fourth anniversary.

Vancouver Enfranchisement, No. 1, I. O. O. F., will meet to-morrow evening.

There will be a meeting of the executive committee of the Young Men's Liberal Club this evening at 8 o'clock in George Powell's office.

Mr. M. Bostly today received the sad news of the death of his sister Mrs. Mary Bonifacia, who died March 4th at the convent in Atchewa, Kansas.

On Saturday evening a meeting of the Minerva Mining Company was held, when it was decided to commence development work on the claims of the company at once.

The remains of the late Thomas B. Tansey were taken to Seattle yesterday morning by the steamer City of Kingston, and were yesterday afternoon interred in the Roman Catholic cemetery in the Sound city.

A very good programme was given at the Y.M.C.A. concert on Saturday evening by the musical troupe of H.M.S. Imperieuse.

The Charlotteown Patriot says: "Premier Peters, as previously announced, is preparing the written argument in the Behring sea case."

A "snow party" will be held at the police court on Thursday morning.

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Ald. Partridge gives notice that at this evening's meeting of the city council he will move: "That the city clerk be requested to call for applications for the position of clerk of works at Beaver Lake."

Judge Drake this morning made an order allowing the appeal to the supreme court of Canada from the full court judgment re the Cool Mines Regulations Act and the bond for security for costs of appeal was approved.

F. O. Downing, of Portland, who is interested in Mr. Selevor's scheme to erect a smelter in this city, is a guest at the Friar. With Mr. Selevor Mr. Downing today interviewed a number of Victorians and were in turn interviewed by a delegation from Vancouver.

Lawrence Moody, who was arrested on Saturday afternoon charged with stealing blankets, was this morning remanded until Wednesday morning. A man who was charged with refusing to provide for his family did not appear. He was taken sick, and instead of coming to the police court went to the Jubilee Hospital.

Very few passengers had an opportunity to take advantage of the cheap rates from Seattle to Kootenay points announced by the Canadian Pacific, Northern Pacific and Great Northern on Friday last. The rate war which caused these low rates was declared off on Saturday, all parties agreeing to re-establish the old schedule.

Just before H.M.S. Royal Arthur left this station, a number of her men, while out for a good time, removed a large pea sign from the front of Messrs. Hibben & Company's store. Upon the arrival of the vessel in southern waters, it will be remembered, one of the men wrote the firm that the pea was aboard the ship and would be sent back. On Saturday it reached the firm, having during its absence being neatly bronzed and decorated with the Union Jack and over that the name of the ship "H.M.S. Royal Arthur." On the back is printed, "travelling 6,000 miles on H.M. Ships." The firm consider the sign very material, at least.

Provincial Constable Drummond, of Plumper Pass, arrived in the city last evening, having in charge Jesse D. Moore and James Chalmers, two of a gang of toughs who have been making a "living" on the islands as best they could. Moore and Chalmers will each spend four months in the provincial jail, they having been convicted for stripping a sloop which was thrown up on the beach. Last week Mr. Snell, the owner of the sloop, and a companion were sailing the sloop through the pass, when she struck on the reef at the entrance to the gulf. A heavy sea was breaking over the reef, and it being very dark the two occupants of the sloop had much trouble in reaching shore. While they were awaiting a favorable opportunity to float the little vessel and had left her Chalmers and Moore attached her, removing all the rigging and iron work.

New Management Senate Saloon.

The Vancouver World charges Victoria's police with using Vancouver as a dumping ground for criminals, and makes its charge on the following sentence in a paragraph in reference to the dismissal of a charge against a Chinaman for passing counterfeit coin: "Under the circumstances it was thought sufficient punishment to send him on to Vancouver, for which city he was a passenger by the Charmer this morning." The fact is that the Chinaman who arrested was buying a dollar for Vancouver with counterfeit coin; and a few hours in Victoria's jail did not alter his determination to go to the mainland. Victoria's police do not ship criminals to Vancouver or anywhere else. They do not allow them to land here at all, and it is for this reason that other cities, not Victoria, were overrun with them during the winter.

LAW INTELLIGENCE.

In Buchanan v. Chipman a motion for prohibition was made to Mr. Justice Drake this morning. During the municipal election in Kaslo Alderman Buchanan alleges that Mr. Chipman, who is city clerk, and also police magistrate of Kaslo, used obscene and blasphemous language concerning him, and he wrote the city council requesting the city to institute proceedings against their clerk. This they refused to do, and he then laid an information against Chipman before Justice of the Peace Stone and had the summons made returnable before Judge Foria in his capacity as stipendiary magistrate. Police Magistrate Chipman then, as is provided by the municipal act, offered Buchanan to request two justices of Kaslo to try the case, but Buchanan wanted the trial before Judge Foria, as otherwise the accused would be enabled to choose his own judges before whom he would be tried. Judge Foria adjourned the hearing over eight days to allow the proper application to be disposed of, and Mr. Beeson, who appears for Buchanan, takes the preliminary objection that the information is already dead, having been adjourned for eight days, being longer than the time allowed for a return and that therefore the motion for prohibition must fail. Judgment was reserved. R. Cassidy appeared in support of the motion.

The following passengers leave by the steamer Walls Walls from San Francisco this evening: Mrs. Gansford, Mrs. R. Stevens, Thomas Bishop, Miss W. J. Wilson, Mrs. Lewis and daughter, C. A. Caldwell and son, Rev. W. B. G. F. Peckins, C. A. Wikman and J. Gordon Smith.

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SEALERS IN TROUBLE

Agnes Macdonald Put Into Honolulu in Distress Last Month.

Director Forced To Run for Yokohama to Repair Her Damages.

Arrival of the Steamers Tees, Danube and Maude—Spoko's Cargo.

The reports brought by the steamer Tees, Capt. Roberts, which returned last night, are not very encouraging as those interested in the sealing industry. Indians are still obstinate, and several of the schooners are still at anchor in the harbors, unable to get hunters. The Maude and the Ocean Belle got away last week and it was reported that Capt. Jacobsen, of the former, had shipped his Indian hunters on a two-third lay, the Indians to feed themselves. Among the schooners which have been unsuccessful in securing crews are the Enterprise and the Maude S. The Mary Ellen, of the Howcroft fleet, arrived on the West Coast last week with 252 skins. These were brought to Victoria by the Tees, as were also 30 skins from the Sapphire, making a total catch of 98 skins for the latter schooner. The Indian schooner Fisher Maid returned to the West Coast and reported that the E. B. Marvick had encountered a heavy storm and lost eight canoes and two boats. To avoid returning to port the captain of the Marvick at once purchased the Fisher Maid's canoe and the transfer was made a hundred miles from land. The Marvick continued sealing and the Fisher Maid returned to the coast. The schooner C. D. Rund also met with a mishap and was compelled to put back to Dodge's Cove for repairs. Among the Tees' passengers were the following: J. Conway, Capt. Griffith, W. Poole, R. Rossignol, Geo. Lawson, D. McKie, A. Dewlin, H. W. T. Pollock, D. R. Irvine and J. Geddes.

Notwithstanding the fact that many of those who went to the far north in search of the yellow metal last year returned home discouraged and with unflattering reports of the Yukon and Cook Inlet districts, this year's rush northward promises to eclipse those of previous years. The Pacific Coast Steamship Company's office at Seattle have been besieged by those anxious to buy tickets on the Topeka, sailing to-night. The Seattle agent telegraphed Messrs. R. P. Ribbet & Co. that the capacity of the steamer was already taxed to the utmost, both as regards passengers and freight, and gave instructions that no more tickets were to be sold. This will be a disappointment to a number from Victoria who expected to go to the Yukon on the steamer, but who delayed setting berths until too late. The Mexico, belonging to the same company, will leave for the north on March 25, and she will also be crowded. The steamer will go as far as Dreda, and not to Sitka, as was at first intended. The Pacific Coast Steamship Company have issued an excellent map of Alaska, showing the different routes of the steamers. It also describes the routes to the gold fields and will be of great assistance to prospectors.

Already several vessels have been chartered to load salmon at British Columbia ports next autumn. The majority of them are coming here with cargoes of general merchandise. The following are among the vessels chartered: R. bark Menack, 787 tons, at \$15.30; Sloop bark Adelphi, 467 tons, Capt. Patterson, from San Francisco; Westminister, H. Bell-Trevis & Co. R. ship Lendale, 1,085 tons, Capt. Fraser, to Westminister, Evans, Coleman & Evans; R. bark Balmore, 1,427 tons, Robt. Ward & Co.; R. bark Silberhorn, 1,873 tons, Turner, Beeton & Co.; R. ship Irbay, 1,490 tons, R. P. Ribbet & Co. Ltd.; R. ship Ketchikaner, 1,355 tons, H. Bell-Trevis & Co.; R. ship Ladore, 1,658 tons, Evans, Coleman & Evans.

The steamship Rapid Transit sailed from Seattle on Saturday for Central American ports. The value of the cargo taken is in round numbers about \$50,000, and some of the bulkier consignments consist of flour, beer, lumber and general merchandise. There were 224 packages of general merchandise, amounting to 743 tons, for La Libertad alone. There were 315 cases of beer and 1,000 barrels of flour and 58,000 feet of lumber and 120 bales of hay, not to mention large amounts of general products adapted for the southern market.

The British ship Silberhorn, previously reported, had a rough experience. She was on her way from Liverpool to Victoria, and in the Pacific Ocean she had her compass deranged, her steering gear damaged and the high and low tides carried away. Three of the crew were washed overboard and drowned, and finally the vessel had to put in to Barry for repairs.—San Francisco Call.

Yesterday afternoon the C. P. N. Co.'s steamer Danube, Captain Meyer, returned from Neas river and way parts and at once went to the outer wharf to load tin for the northern canneries. The Danube will leave for Neas river and way parts next Wednesday. On her way down she met the Bosconits in Seymour Narrows.

A telegram from Yokohama contains the information that the Victoria sealing schooner Director, Captain Gilbert, was forced to run in three for repairs. During a storm her boats were smashed and it became necessary to get them

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replaced before any sealing could be done.

The British ship Spoko, Capt. Wainright, is now lying at Esquimaux. She will leave, weather permitting, this evening in continuation of her voyage to Sidney, Australia. The shippers who surveyed her cargo having given it as their opinion that it was the right course to pursue, 30,000 feet of her lumber has been left here instead of being reshipped.

The Georgetown Mill and the steamer Nell, belonging to the George Williscroft outfit, have been purchased by Mr. Walter Williscroft and others. Mr. Williscroft has gone north to manage the mill and the steamer will leave in a few days.

A dispatch from Honolulu via San Francisco announces that the sealing schooner Agnes Macdonald put in there on February 22nd in distress. She was on her way to the Japanese coast when she encountered a storm in which the lost her main boom and had her rudder gear disabled.

Owing to the fact that more work is necessitated on board the Dominion steamer Quadra she did not, as was expected, go into commission to-day. She will not go into commission before the first of April.

Captains Wise, Cox and Gaudin made a survey of the Verbus on Saturday afternoon. They found that it would be necessary to discharge a portion of the vessel's cargo in order to reach the defective parts. The work of discharging began to-day.

The O. R. & N. steamer Moonmouth sailed for Victoria on Friday last. She has the largest cargo yet brought by her from the Orient. There are also 57 Chinese for Victoria.

The British ship Dunbonyne, Captain O'Neill, will finish discharging at the outer wharf on Wednesday. She has been chartered to load lumber at Moodyville for the United Kingdom.

Yokohama, March 15.—The steamship Republic of China arrived here from Vancouver at 9:30 this morning, scheduled date.

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N. B.—Our Electric Soap wrappings will not be allowed in this competition. One \$500 competition will continue.

Mortgagee's Sale.

Tenders will be received up to April 1st, 1897, by the undersigned for the purchase of all those pieces and parcels of land part of sub-lot 623 City-sec. Fourteenth Estate, Victoria City, more particularly known as Lots Numbers Sixty-five and Sixty-six 1/2 and 60, on the plan of Springville Addition No. 1, deposited in the Land Registry Office at Victoria aforesaid, No. 204. A small house is situated upon one of the lots. The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted. Dated February 27th, 1897. B. MURPHY, 47 Langley Street, Victoria. Solicitor for the Mortgagee.

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Doctor Jack.

By ST. GEORGE RATHBORN.

Author of "Doctor Jack's Wife," "Captain Tom," "Karen Sam," "Miss Caprice," etc.

It is early in the afternoon when the delayed express enters Paris. Our friends immediately embark. Jack keeps a sharp eye around for familiar faces, but those he hopes to discover keep shady, for he fails to discover them.

A carriage is hired, and they set out for a hotel, glad to be out of Spain, with the many discomforts that greet one there. It is not their intention to remain long in the French capital—Italy beckons them on toward the Orient, where, as they believe, poor Aleck Merton languishes in confinement, a victim to the vengeance of the Pasha.

It is necessary that they have a breathing spell, however, and hence they determine to remain over a day or two until Jack has a chance to perfect his plans.

He knows the Pasha is in the city, keeping track of them, and the idea that the Turk will arrive in Constantinople as early as themselves gives him some concern. If some scheme could be devised to hold him back one or more days it would give them a start.

Doctor Jack has been considering this matter for some time—it made him sober while on the train, even after all troubles seemed to have been brushed aside, and ever since the idea has remained with him.

By degrees a plan has been evolved, and Doctor Jack becomes more sociable, since he has solved the enigma. He spends the rest of the day with his friends, and goes to the theatre at night—Fati or some song bird is at the Grand Opera House, and our friends enjoy the sights and sounds that greet them here.

It is after midnight when they return to the hotel, somewhat weary. Doctor Jack finds a chance to whisper to the driver in French—

"Wait—I have further need of your services."

The man winks one eye, as though he understands—he is an old Jehu, and on many an occasion has taken the head of a family or the male members of a tourist party to the Parliamen Mabille after the regular performances at the standard theatres are over.

Doctor Jack sees his friends into the hotel, bids them all good-night, and as they believe, retires, but he has work to do this night. Three minutes later he emerges from the hotel, and comes upon the driver pacing up and down. Jack can chatter in French like a native.

"I am ready, driver," entering the vehicle.

"Where will monsieur go?" asks the man, with a leer, closing the door—the glass is down.

"To the office of the prefect of police," comes the astounding answer.

"Le diable!" ejaculates the Jehu, staggering back. "then it is not to the Mabille gardens?"

"You have my orders—drive on."

"Oui, monsieur." Scrambling to his seat, his mouth is in a pucker as of a man trying to whistle, but unable to make a sound, until several blocks have been passed over.

There probably does not live a Jehu in New York who does not know where the mayor's office is, since they get their business there. In Paris every driver can tell you exactly where the prefect of police may be found—even the daily habits of this official are known.

Here it is that Jack's driver has no difficulty in taking his patron to the building where he will be apt to find the head of the greatest police force of modern times at work—for Monsieur le Prefect has a holiday very seldom, and at certain hours is always to be found in his office.

Jack knows himself where he is going—he has not spent weeks and even months in Paris without learning a few things, though as yet, it has never been his fortune to meet the prefect of police save in a social way. Leaving his vehicle in a quiet street, he enters a door—it belongs to no public house, and is one of the private ways for reaching the elevated office of the head official.

On the way he passes two quiet men

who look at him closely, and then silently bow, pointing onward. In this manner he finally reaches an ante-room, where he finds several officers gathered—they look like the aids of a general waiting either to deliver reports or receive orders, which is really the case. One of them steps forward, looks him in the face, and says—

"You are Doctor Evans?"

"Yes, I would see the prefect," replies Jack.

"He is expecting you—pass through yonder door, and you will find him," is the astounding answer Doctor Jack receives—he can hardly believe his ears, for not to a single soul has he mentioned his intentions with regard to paying a visit to this place—surely the secret police of Paris must have supernatural power to be able to read one's very thoughts.

Filled with wonder and awe—he is not the first one who has been thus amazed by the power of these men—Jack does as directed, opens a door and enters a room, where he finds the prefect engaged in writing.

"One moment, Doctor Jack," calls the officer, never raising his eyes from his work, and the American has another shock.

His coming is known, just as though he were some high official, and his business of a great public importance, instead of a private affair, interesting to few besides himself.

He watches the prefect, notes the high character and shrewdness of the man as indicated by his countenance, and wonders what success he will have here, for the mission that has taken Doctor Jack to the office of the prefect of police is something of a haphazard one, and he cannot even wager on the result, but depends in a great measure on his luck to take him through.

At length the bell is sounded—an official enters the room, and the paper is handed to him with a few low words—the man makes a military salute, and is gone.

"Now, Monsieur Jack, I am at liberty to pay attention to you. If I mistake not you come here to tell me a story and ask a favour."

"Monsieur, it is apparent to me, from what I have seen and heard, that much of my story is already known to you," remarks Jack, at which the prefect smiles and answers—

"Our system is much the same as under the regime of Napoleon. We watch our borders, scan the passports of all strangers, and make it our business to find out who they are, whether they came from, and why they enter France. The moment you set foot on French territories enquiries began to be made, and as a result I know much about you—something I knew when you were here before, but since then, Doctor Jack, has been strange things. I have half a mind to spare—it happens to be a lax time with me. If it pleases you, I would like to hear your story."

It does please Jack immensely—he sees he has a splendid opportunity to gain his point, and anxious not to lose it, begins. First of all he tells of the adventure in Constantinople, and as all the world loves a lover, especially a Frenchman, he soon sees that Monsieur le Prefect is interested in Aleck Merton.

Then he skips to Paris, relates the event that has had so strong a bearing on his late career in Spain—his looking in upon a secret council of Carlists in company with the Duke Arroyo. After this he goes to the Pyrenees, and tells of the bear hunt in company with Don Carlos. Then comes the visit to Barcelona, the flower girl, struggle in the street, and the mystery of the man who cured him.

Jack speaks modestly of his own share in these events—he never could be a boaster, and is apt to make the description of a scene too tame because of his extreme diffidence.

Rapidly he sketches his advent in Madrid, the meeting with Mercedes, and the ball-fight. Then comes the little affair in the Museo del Prado, a mention of Avia, and the fact that she is the sister of his friend Aleck, in captivity among the Turks. He lightly describes all that took place in Madrid, and then reaches the railroad journey toward Paris, dwelling on the heroism of Larry, while just mentioning the fact that he had a little excitement in keeping back the mob of Carlists meanwhile.

When he finishes, to his surprise, this wonderful French official, who has the interests of the whole republic in his keeping, reaches out and shakes hands with him most heartily.

"Mon Dieu! I love such a man as you, Doctor Jack—you are brave, and you would conceal it. Better and better—the brave are always modest. But you cannot expect to keep this light hidden under a bushel. Our Parisian papers published a long account of the grand ball-fight, telling all the particulars of your heroism. Ah! my good man, Doctor Jack for twenty-four hours was the hero of Paris—every American was proud that you belonged to New York. As for the little affair beyond Logrons—I have had a full account of it from a secret agent who was in the next compartment to yours, and I am proud to know the man who performed such prodigies of valour during that night."

Jack turns very red in the face—he knows the prefect not only has a comprehensive idea of the past, but must guess his secret of the future—even his love for Avia. He keeps in mind what has brought him here—does the wonderful official know this?

"Monsieur, I came here to ask you to assist me, as he expects, the other smiles.

"I can assist it, Doctor Jack. You would have my assist you by detaining the pasha."

"I may be asking too much," begins Jack when the other interrupts him.

"As a man, I would assist you with every pleasure in the world—as the prefect of police in the city of Paris, I must be more cautious. True, France and America, sister republics, are joined hand in hand in ties that I trust shall never be broken; but we are also at peace—with Turkey, and it would be a serious matter to offend officially one so high in authority as Abdallah Pasha—complications have arisen from even a smaller thing than that, which have threatened the peace of all Europe."

"Not for the world would I cause you trouble, Monsieur le Prefect. I was foolish to think you could give me assistance, not that I shall ever doubt your goodness of heart, but I see now more clearly that you have an official character to sustain."

Doctor Jack reaches out his hand for his hat, as if to go, when the other lays a finger on his arm, looks into his face, and says—

"Patience, Doctor Jack. I have still ten minutes left, and we may find a way out of this trouble yet."

(To be Continued.)

MIRRORS OF AIR.

The case of the mirror is now well understood—so well understood that there are ways of making small mirrors for experiment.

The simplest explanation that I can give is to say that the rays of light coming from the thing that is seen are bent in, going through layers of air that are differently heated. When these rays are so bent as to be almost level with the layer of air they do not enter it at all, but (so to speak) glance off and are reflected as a glass mirror or a body of water would, if it lay between the eye and the trees or ships.

This explanation will give you a general idea of the cause of the mirage. In the case of the desert reflecting air-mirror is believed by the observer to be water, and the mirage changes its place as you go forward, just as a reflection would more as you advance on a glass mirror. In the case of the ship the air-mirror seems to be above you, and reflects the ship which is really out of sight over the horizon. But I do not pretend to explain about the different images that may possibly be formed under different conditions of the atmosphere—that is a schoolroom task, and a hard one.

The "ata Morgana" is a form of modification of the mirage often seen in the straits that separate the toe of the "boot" of Italy and the island of Sicily, just opposite. When the sun is just at the right position and the sea and air are also ready to help, strange images of objects upon the opposite coast are seen from Calabria—sometimes magnified and seen against a background of colored mist. "Fata Morgana" means the Fairy of the Sea.

It is said that sometimes during a hot and still summer day, by placing the eye close to the surface of a dry road a mirage can be seen, but I have never tried it.

Before these and other strange sights were understood and explained, we need not wonder that sailors and travellers had many strange beliefs in regard to them.—St. Nicholas.

AN ANECDOTE OF GRIMM.

A pretty anecdote is told of Jacob Grimm, who, with his brother William, formed the collection of fairy tales and the collection of the children of the civilized world. One day a little maiden, eight years old, called at the home of the author, asked to see him, and was shown into the library, where the author was at work. Kindly inquiring what she wanted, the German lassie asked, very earnestly: "Is it true that that great writer those fine marches (fairy tales)?" "Yes, my dear," answered the story-teller, "my brother and I have written the laws-marches." "Then thou hast also written the tale of the clever little tailor, where it is said at the end who will not believe it must pay a shaler?" "Yes, I have written that, too," "Well, then," answered the little one, "I do not believe it, and so I suppose I must pay a shaler, but I give thee not so much money yet. I'll give thee a groshen (about 2 cents) on account, and pay the rest by and by." Dr. Grimm was highly amused with the earnestness displayed by his little visitor, and delighted at this proof of his power as a story-teller.

"This is the way I long have sought; And mourned because I found it not!"

has been the poem of joy and satisfaction of many a traveller, who, after weary days of unpleasant experience with this, that or the other line, settles himself for a comfortable ride from Minneapolis or St. Paul to Chicago in one of the elegant coaches of the Wisconsin Central lines. Then again the inspired lines of the poet comes to mind as he sits himself at the table in the dining car of this Wisconsin Central and finds himself served with the very best meal at a reasonable price. For particulars address George S. Batty, General agent, 240 Stark street, Portland, Or., or James C. Pond, General Passenger Agent, Milwaukee, Wis., or apply to your nearest ticket agent.

VICTORIA MARKETS.

Retail Quotations for Farmers' Produce Carefully Collected.

Victoria, March 11.—The prices current in the city markets remain as previously quoted, though should the cold weather continue an advance may be looked for in hay and straw. Potatoes are becoming scarce and the price is likely to be raised shortly.

Ogilvie's Hungarian flour, \$5.00
Letch Bros' Oak Lake, \$6.00
Lakes of the Woods, \$6.50
Snowflake, \$6.75
XXX, \$6.50
Lior, \$6.50
Premier (Baderby), \$6.50
Troy Star (Baderby), \$6.50
Strong Baker's (O.K.), \$6.50
Salem, \$6.50
Wheat, per ton, \$38 to \$37.50
Middlings, per ton, \$30 to \$22
Bean, per ton, \$18.00 to \$20.00
Ground feed, per ton, \$20.00 to \$28.00
Corn, whole, \$25 to \$28
Corn, cracked, \$25 to \$29
Barley, per 10 pounds, \$45 to 50c
Rolled oats, (O. or N. W.), \$30c
Apples, Eastern, per lb., \$35c
Potatoes, per pound, \$15c
Cabbage, per pound, \$25c to 30c
Cauliflower, per head, \$10c to 12 1/2c
Hay, baled, per ton, \$13 to \$15
Straw, per bale, \$7c to 7 1/2c
Onions per lb., \$4c to 5c
Peanuts, \$40 to 50c
Lemons (California), \$35c to 35c
Apples, Eastern, per lb., \$35c
Oranges, Cal., per doz., \$25c to 30c
Oranges, Cal. seedlings, \$25c to 30c
Fish—salmon, per lb., \$10c to 12c
Halibut, \$10 to 12c
Fish—small, \$8c to 10c
Smoked Kippers, per lb., \$12 1/2c
Eggs, Island, fresh, per doz., \$20 to 30c
Butter, creamery, per lb., \$30c
Butter, Dutch creamery, per lb., \$30c
Butter, fresh, \$25c to 35c
Cheese, Cheddar, \$15 to 25c
Hams, American, per lb., \$15c to 18c
Bacon, rolled, per lb., \$12c to 16c
Bacon, long clear, per lb., \$10c to 12 1/2c
Bacon, Canadian, per lb., \$14c to 16c
Shoulders, \$12 1/2c to 15c
Lard, \$7 1/2c to 8c
Rides, per lb., \$7 1/2c
Meats—beef, per lb., \$7 1/2c to 15c
Veal, \$10c to 15c
Mutton, per lb., \$10c to 15c
Mutton (whole), \$9c
Pork, fresh, per lb., \$10c to 12 1/2c
Pork, sides, per lb., \$8c
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From Portland, 8:30 p.m.
From Olympia, 8:30 p.m.
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TIME TABLE NO. 27.

To Take Effect at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, November 29th, 1896.

Trains run on Pacific Standard Time.

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	Daily	Saturday only
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British Columbia.

BOUNDARY CREEK.

Boundary Creek, March 11.—The preliminary hearing into the charge of unlawfully wounding and wounding was held at the court house, Monday, March 11, 1897. The case was heard by Judge G. A. H. Lemby, stipendiary magistrate at Courtenay, and Mr. Hodgson, J. P. of Greenwood. The accused man was represented by counsel, but I. H. Hallett, solicitor of Greenwood, was present to watch the case, presumably in the interest of the new famous "citizens' committee" of that place. The evidence of the injured man, Hood, and his associate, Bill Lewis, disclosed nothing more than the bare facts relating to the shooting, which have already appeared in the public press. Dr. Jackson, of Greenwood, who had been in constant attendance upon Mr. McMyra for days before the unfortunate occurrence, testified as to the latter's serious illness and disregard of instructions in insisting upon remaining in his office on the day before the shooting occurred. Of not less interest, as suggesting a possible motive for the clamorous attacks upon Mr. McMyra, was the evidence of James Kerr, J.P., to the effect that upon hearing of the shooting he went to Hood and asked him to lay an information against that official with a view of having a warrant issued for his arrest, but Hood positively refused to lay an information. The hearing was adjourned until to-day, when it will be resumed at Midway, where the residence of Mrs. McMyra and Miss McKensie, who were occupants of the government building at the time of the shooting, will be taken.

Considering the well known reluctance of Hood to take the initiative in instituting criminal proceedings against Mr. McMyra, the reason for the outbreak of fury against the latter was at first incomprehensible to many. Judgments were hawked around to raise money to defray the expenses of prosecution (the assets of the province being considered inadequate for the purpose) and strong resolutions were passed and sent to the Attorney-General, the superintendent of police and others, demanding the summary dismissal and punishment of the offending official. The excitement over it is now seen that the promoters and directors of the storm against the recorder were a few whom he had befriended in his official capacity, the larger majority really caring but little for the affair and, consequently, throwing the weight of their sympathy in true British Columbia style, with the party whose side appeared to be stronger. Mr. McMyra is an excellent official, uniformly obliging and courteous and gives perfect satisfaction to the vast majority of persons who come in contact with him officially.

If the rumor is true that Mr. Almond, J.P., has been appointed mining recorder for the proposed new mining division of Grand Forks, records will wonder how it came about that a government appointment should have made an appointment as excellent. If there is an "ambiguity" in this appointment, it is certainly favorable to the province, as Mr. Almond has the confidence of the whole Kettle River community.

NEMESIS.

KAMLOOPS.

The Inland Sentinel. Charles Smith died at the Provincial Home on Tuesday afternoon of cancer, aged 55 years. He was a native of Glasgow, Scotland. For some time previous to his death Smith had not been in his right mind. Deceased was interred in the burial ground adjoining the home.

Rich strikes have been made on the Evening Star office, property of J. H. Morrison, and on the Chieflain No. 2 claim, property of R. H. Lee, within the past week. No better one than is now being taken from these claims can be seen in any camp in British Columbia. The strike on the Chieflain caused considerable excitement in town, and in spite of three feet of snow large numbers of business men hunted in the vicinity to stake off fractions, "snow bank extensions" Jim Russell calls them.

Wednesday last John Hepburn publicly wagged P. P. Carey \$500 that he could sink a 100-foot shaft quicker and at less expense with Chinese labor than with white. Carey took him up on the spot and wanted papers of agreement signed right away, the money to be put up at the same time. Hepburn asked for time to consider the proposition, though it was his own. All day Thursday Hepburn thought. This morning he informed Carey that he would withdraw his wager, having come to the conclusion that he could not afford to lose \$500, as well as pay for the work done by both parties, a condition of his original offer. P. P. Carey is a well known Kamloops mining man who knows the difference between white men and Chinese. Had Hepburn stuck to his wager, Carey would have been at an expense of \$12 a day in excess of his respondent's outlay for wages, yet he had absolute confidence of winning the \$500. Practical mining men claim that one white man can do the work of any three Chinese, and do it better and quicker. It is to be hoped this incident will serve to subvert certain parties as to the value of Chinese labor.

REVELSTOKE.

(Revelstoke Herald.)

Lower country on Wednesday a lot of ice for assay. Among the specimens were some from the Silver Cliff group, which was located last fall on Galzer Creek, about eight miles from Ferguson. The Laramie tunnel is running, but everything is not completed. There was a little talk up among the buckets yesterday and one is buried in the snow somewhere yet. The two spans, 5,000 feet each, are the longest in America, if not in the world.

Fourteen new members were elected at the meeting of the board of trade on Thursday evening. The only other business of importance transacted was the appointment of a committee consisting of Messrs. Sibbald, H. A.

Brown, Haig, Wells, and Cowan, to report on the proposed charter of the Revelstoke Water Works, Electric Light and Power Company. Mr. Kelle has wired to stay proceedings on the bill till further communications were received from the board. The Red Pine group of claims which he half a mile back of the Pool group and about two miles from Ferguson on the north branch of the Laramie river, consists of three claims, the Red Pine, the Bear and White Rose. The ledge is 500 feet wide on the surface and the ore is a schistose material from surface as seen all the way from a trace to \$15 in gold, and as much as 20 ounces in silver and 20 per cent. copper. The ore is exactly the same as that of the War Eagle and Le Roi and will have to be treated the same. The property, which is but little known, has been located by the discoverers to the Laramie and Vancouver Flats and Development Company at a substantial figure and will be among the Ferguson mines on which active development work will commence next season.

FORT STEELE.

Fort Steele Prospector.

J. C. Durick and A. Doyle, of Fort Steele, have bonded the Alberta mineral claim to Captain F. P. Armstrong, of Golden, for \$1,000; \$500 cash, \$500 on the 15th of April. The Alberta is situated on Perry creek and is a gold proposition. We have been informed that it is the intention of the International and Upper Columbia Navigation Companies to establish daily communication between Fort Steele and Jennings during the coming summer. A new boat has been contracted for; her capacity is to be 100 tons, and she will be the lightest draught steamer on the Kootenay river. We understand that the boats will leave Fort Steele at 6 a.m. daily for Jennings, Montana. Messrs. E. C. Smith, J. Clever, and O. S. Prizell, of Fort Steele, have bonded the Gem and Stouffer mineral claims to Messrs. Smith, Harris and Williams, of Spokane, for \$20,000. The Gem is the northern extension of the Hamlet, "one of the famous Sullivan group," and the Stouffer lies north of the Gem. These claims are silver-lead propositions and considered good property, and it is the intention to start work on the claims as soon as possible. E. C. Smith and others interested in the Galore and Lowlander claims, situated east of the Sullivan group, are closing a bond. The consideration is up in the thousands. S. Young reports that a Spokane syndicate are seeking a bond on the McGinty group of claims on Perry creek. The bond is for \$20,000.

CARIBOO.

R. C. Mining Journal.

This week we were visited by a good old eastern snow storm. Quite a quantity fell and the roads were drifted considerably, making the hauling for a few days very heavy. The late breaking up of the winter is good omen for plenty of water for irrigation and mining. There must be at present nearly three feet of snow on the level. Near the Cottonwood there are about seventy men at work on the lumber for the Baker flume. The mill runs night and day. It is expected that in a few weeks more the quantity of lumber required will be saved, amounting to about one million feet. Mr. Baker is at present in London and will be back in April. Mr. Betts is in charge of the tunneling and engineering work generally. The Cariboo Gold Fields Company have at last reached bedrock with their long tunnel, 2,700 feet, and much of it in bed ground. Nearly all of the gravel come through carries gold from 1/2 to as high as 3 ounces to the set of timbers. The hydraulic elevator will be put in place as soon as the ground can be gotten ready, and it is hoped that the company may be able to do some work in the way of washing during the season of '97, but they have much to do. There is no doubt in the mind of anyone in this section that vast amounts of gold will be found on bedrock from the old worked-out claims down past the junction of Williams creek with Willow river and down Willow river past the work so ably carried on by Mr. Laird. The French capitalists here are very much pleased with the outlook, but don't speak very highly of the climate.

ASHCROFT.

R. C. Mining Journal.

The thermometer registered 25 degrees below zero at Barkerville and 15 at Clinton Thursday morning. On Wednesday night twenty men for the Hossedy mine arrived and were sent forward the next morning by the B.C. X., and on Thursday 25 more arrived and have also gone forward by the same line. F. S. Roper, V.S., of Victoria, went up to Clinton on Monday's stage and will from that point spend some days investigating the trouble that has been somewhat prevalent with cattle of late. It is generally manifested in the feet and is supposed to be the result of frost during the cold spell last fall. The information relative to finding and burying the body between Clew water lakes last August was furnished us by Mr. J. S. Foss, the party who buried the body. It was, it is Mr. Foss' opinion, the body of the lost German who has relatives in Kansas City. He was known as Karl and was lost in the early spring while going from his own camp on the upper Clearwater to another camp a few miles away. Mr. Foss found the body of an enormous grizzly bear a short distance from the body, and as the ride was empty thinks the German met his death as a result of an attempt to kill the bear. It will be remembered by the readers of the Journal that Mr. J. S. Mitchell, some time since, found the same grizzly bear which Mr. Foss had buried the unfortunate prospectors, and had surmised that the man Karl was buried there by Indians. The Bonnarian mine was reported as looking better. With which the pay streak is widening and the quality improving. In the quartz alluvium of the ray are small nodules of native copper shoveler, and it now looks as if the entire width of the ledge 20 feet or more, would with death be of a quality in silver or concentrate. They have now nearly 1,000 feet of tunnels and shafts driven or sunk. Mr. Mitchell reports some of the good looking gold veins being found and work is being done to demonstrate the extent of the ore. It now looks as though a road camp would be established at that point.

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RELEASED FROM RHEUMATISM.

Mr. A. T. Gallant, of French Village, P. E. I., writes:—"About the beginning of October, 1894, while I was digging potatoes one chilly day, I contracted a very bad cold, and rheumatism shortly followed. For a time I paid but little attention to the pain in my body or the stiffness in my limbs. But in the course of a few weeks I was confined to the house. I now began to apply rheumatic remedies, which I continued for several weeks without any benefit, resulting from their use. I then dropped them and gave myself into the hands of a doctor for treatment, and for nearly three months all that medical skill is capable of accomplishing afforded no relief. My body was blistered and burned so that I could get no relief. My legs were stiff and helpless and I was as sore as a boil, my strength was entirely gone and I had to be turned over by the use of sheets and blankets. I was daily growing weaker and my condition more serious. Hope of recovery had almost vanished, except that while there is life there is hope. After three months of such torture I was induced to give Dr. Williams' Pink Pills a trial. I gave up all other treatment and began the use of the pills. Not a great many days had passed but there was a marked improvement in my condition and I continued the use of the pills until I was cured. I have as good use of my limbs as ever I had; my health is perfectly restored and it is all due to the wonderful power of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills which released me from pain and have given me a new lease of life."

DYSPEPSIA AND LIVER TROUBLE CURED.

Mr. Mark J. Kennedy, of Ridgeway, says:—"I can conscientiously recommend Dr. Williams' Pink Pills to those who may be suffering from dyspepsia or liver trouble. For years I suffered from this complication of troubles, and so bad was the dyspepsia that I could not touch a morsel of food of any kind. I often found it difficult to obtain sleep, and what little I did get at these times was often broken by horrid dreams. This of course was the result of dyspepsia. But in addition to my discomforts was added liver complaint. I was subject to dizziness, I had a pain in the back and bloating of the bowels and was pale, haggard and despondent. It will be readily seen that I was in a bad condition. Without the slightest benefit, and finally gave up in disgust, feeling that I would have to live out my life in this miserable condition. A friend suggested Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, but so great was my distrust of medicine that I felt tempted to be profane. But my friend was persistent, and in the end handed me a box of pills, and I took them more to please him than from any thought of benefit. I took a second box and to my astonishment I was deriving benefit from them. I continued taking them and I am cured. Do you wonder therefore that I now consider Dr. Williams' Pink Pills the greatest medical discovery of the 19th century, and will always recommend them. I urge those who are suffering, but may be as skeptical as I was to try them and learn their virtue."

SWOLLEN AND DROPPICAL—CURED.

Mrs. Alex. Ross, Broad Core, N. S., says:—"Early in the summer of 1896 I was taken ill. Prior to that I had always enjoyed good health. I seemed weak and easily tired. Then my arms, hands and legs became swollen and pained me terribly. My trouble seemed like dropsy. I tried several doctors and took their medicine, but got no relief. In fact one of them told me I could not be cured. In this state I suffered for some time until I was advised by a friend who had herself experienced great benefit from the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills to try them. I did so, and after taking a couple of boxes could notice no improvement and was discouraged. However, at the earnest solicitation of my friend, I continued their use and was on my sixth box when the longest for improvement came. From that on it was steady and rapid. My appetite improved, and by the time I had taken eleven boxes I was a well woman. I make this statement to encourage those in doubt as I was, about taking this medicine. I believe it the best on earth, and that under providence it cured me."

COMPLETELY RUN DOWN—CURED.

Mr. Frank Dunham, Wellandport, Ont., says:—"I feel it a duty I owe to you as to other sufferers to make known the good I derived from the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Ten years ago I was completely run down in health. I could not go up stairs without sitting down in rest. There was no color in my lips and I was quite anemic. I was clerking in a store at the time and I thought I would have to give up

my position, as it was with difficulty I could wait upon customers. I took medicine from doctors but got no permanent relief, and I became low spirited and thought there was no help for me. One day a lady who came into the store to purchase some of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills said to me, "Frank, why don't you try Pink Pills?" Well, I followed her advice and the result is I am now as well as ever I was in my life, and following as I do that Pink Pills saved me I cannot say too much in their praise."

AFTER EFFECTS OF LA GRIPPE CURED.

Mr. D. Holton, a well known farmer living near Charleston, La., says:—"I had a severe attack of la grippe and was unable to recover my former health. I lost all ambition and even the lightest of my farm work left me weak and tired out. I would have spells of dizziness accompanied by pains in my back that would sometimes last for days. Frequently I could not get to sleep until near morning, and when I arose I felt more tired than when I went to bed. I had tried several medicines, but got no good from them, and then I determined to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. After I had tried a couple of boxes there was a decided improvement. I could sleep better, my spirits rose and I began to look for my meals half an hour before the usual time. I continued the use of the Pink Pills for some time longer and found my health fully restored. I am now an enthusiastic friend of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and will always look to them for relief if illness attacks me."

KIDNEY AND LIVER TROUBLES—CURED.

Mrs. Emma Matson, wife of Captain Matson, of 10 Allen street, Halifax, N. S., writes:—"For several months in the year 1895 I suffered severely from derangement of the kidneys and liver trouble from which I found little or no relief from the medicine prescribed by my physician. I lost in flesh, grew yellow, had no appetite and was much troubled with insomnia, and although only about twenty years of age, life had grown burdensome, and it was thought by my intimate friends that my health was permanently undermined. When I had become almost indifferent as to the future I was persuaded to take a course of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. I found relief very soon, gained flesh and was enabled to sleep soundly, and with a restored appetite recovered my former complexion. I feel myself indebted to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for my present health, after I had expended much money for medicine prescribed by physicians from whom I derived no benefit."

RHEUMATIC SUFFERER CURED.

Mr. Angus J. McDonald, of Prescott, Ont., says:—"I have been a victim of rheumatism for over seven years. The trouble first came upon me at my home in Williamstown. I became so bad that I was obliged to carry a cane when walking, and to go at a slow pace. At one time I was confined to my bed for three months. I tried many medicines, some of which eased the pain, but none gave me permanent relief until I began the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. I have used in all about a dozen boxes and under the treatment my progress has been continuous and satisfactory. I have discarded the use of the cane and my weight has increased from 120 to 145 pounds. In a word I am a new man and I attribute my improved condition entirely to the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills."

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