To Exploit Iron Industry

Group of Hemalite Claims at Quatsino Finds Buyers at \$75,000.

Erection of Million Dollar Blast Furnace Is Now in Contemplation,

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N A telegraphic news despatch from Seattle the information is given that the purchase has been consummated by J. A. Moore and William Piggott of 22 claims Moore and William Piggott of 22 claims of hematite ore on Quatsino sound; and that the new owners of the extensive property, embracing about 1000 acres, will embark upon the development of their holdings during the present summer. If the ore is found in sufficient quantity to justify the investment—it is already determined that its quality is eminently satisfactory—a blast furnace will be built at once, and pig iron be manufactured on a wholesale scale. The price paid for the properties is stated by the Seattle correspondent to have been in the neighborhood of \$75.000.

The fact that the William Piggott mentioned in the despatch quoted as one of the purchasers is an iron manufacturer of wide experience, the head of the

NEBOGATOFF SPOKEN.

Paris, May 10.—A despatch from Saigon to the Petit Journal says: "Nebogatoff's squadron appeared at daybreak of May 9 twenty miles off Cape St. James, preparing to ascend the river to Saigon, where the commander expected to find the necessary orders for effecting a junction with Rojestvensky and revictualling his fleet. He was hailed at sea by a scout belonging to the Russian second Pacific squadron, which communicated to him France's desire that the junction of the Russian squadrons should occur outside of Indo-Chinese waters. Nebogatoff then disappeared on the open sea, sailing towards the second squadron, which doubtless is waiting off the Annam coast."

company whose big rolling mills at West Seattle were inaugurated with due ceremony on Saturday last, is a most significant feature of the gratifying news.

Vast Iron Deposits

Everyone has been casually aware that there are large deposits of iron ore throughout almost the entire area of Vancouver Island. Magnetic iron is found in quantity at Jordan river and at intervals all along the western seaboard.

to reopen these valuable mines on a looking at the ship as she steamed round large scale. It is probable that Texada us.

Island will now see a revival of the "By noon we were abreast of the fleet and the state of large scale. It is probable that Texada Island will now see a revival of the mining industry in a very short time. It is understood that the company who own extensive deposits on the south-western portion of the island, have leased the property to a company with ample capital to be worked on a royalty basis. The mines owned by the Puget Sound Iron Company cover most of the important iron deposits in the south-western slope of Texada, some four miles of Gillies bay. For several years the mines were under lease of the Pacific Steel Company, who owned the Irondale smelter and worked the deposits on a basis of forty cents a ton of 50 per cent. iron, the ore being a magnetite. However, since the Irondale smelter closed down about a year ago, shipments ceased and the mines have since been idle. There has been a good deal of development work done, the main workings being large quarries in the face of the bluff six hundred feet above sea level, a surface gravity tram being used to get the ore to salt water, a quarter of a mile away. A good deal of work will necessarily have to be done to put things in shape again. The prospects of renewed activity on Texada means a great deal for that Island, and the district will generally benefit thereby.

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EARTHQUAKE IN PERSIA. Fifty Persons Buried in Landslide Last Month.

Bombay, May 9.—An earthquake was experienced at Bender Abbas, Persia. April 25, and fifty persons are reported to have been buried by a landslide. Two hundred yards of the mountain behind the town collapsed. In the town several towers and buildings fell, and there were a few casualties. Seismic shocks have occurred daily since April 25, and the population is encamped outside the town. Neighboring villages are reported to have suffered greatly.

Brought News of The Baltic Fleet

Advices Regarding the Arrangements for Coaling Received by Empress of India.

Fire Threatens Damage to 8. 8. Pleiades-Government Buys Mermald.

Steamer Empress of India, which

Steamer Empress of India, which reached port yesterday morning from the Orient, brought 114 saloon passengers, 30 intermediate and 236 steerage. She had 2,228 tons of cargo. Included among the passengers on the liner were a party of Russian officers. refugees from Port Arthur. Other passengers were Rear-Admiral W. M. Folger, U. S. N.; Col. O. E. Wood, U. S. military attache at Tokio, and Mrs. Wood; Ed. Nicholson and wife, of Winnipeg; H. Fagelund, a prominent Norwegian shipowner, and Miss Fagelund; Capt. Graham and Lieut. Grant, army officers from Hongkong.

News was brought by the Empress of India that the Japanese fleet was being strengthened in every possible way peuding an engagement with the Russian squadrons. Large coal deposits have been provided for the Japanese fleet at Keelung, Formosa and on the Pescadore islands. The naval base established there is now strongly protected by mines. The Russians, acting through secret agents, have bought up at great prices all the coal available in Hongkong, Saigon and Singapore, and some ten steamers laden with fuel are at Rojestvensky's disposal. The coal is of three kinds, Japanese, English and Australian. Great prices have been paid, and the Russians are said to have insured the carriers, granting rewards also in the case of vessels showing exceptional alacrity. Japanese journals speak of a foreign firm at Moji and a native firm also, by which considerable quantities of coal have been sent southward.

With regard to the coaling question, the South China Morning Post remarks that the French naval authorities have not large stores of coal tat Saigon, but there are big stocks of coal there which have been collected for some time past by Russian agents in case of the arrival of the Baltic fleet. Only recently several natives were reported to have been caught and pumished for trying to set

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looking at the ship as she steamed round us. "By noon we were abreast of the fleet in lat. 8.37 N. and long. 108.54 E., and, being a fine, clear day, with scarcely a ripple disturbing the surface of the sea, it would have been impossible to view it under more perfect conditions. It certainly presented a most interesting spectacle, quite apart from the additional interest lent to it by the knowledge that possibly within a very few days a certain percentage of both ships and men might be lying at the bottom—instead of floating at the top—of the sea. And it was a sight that no one is likely to see twice, and very few even once in a lifetime; being the first, and most probably the last, time in the world's history that a fleet of its size has had to travel so long a distance carrying its own coal supply with it. "Quite contrary to our expectations, the whole fleet appeared to be in a very serviceable condition; for we had been led to believe otherwise by the report of a steamer that arrived at Singapore while we were there, and who had passed the fleet prior to her arrival. She reported—among other details—having seen weeds a foot long streaming from Yashima Destroyed

THE STATE WEEKLY COLONIST, TRIDAY, MAN TELLINOS

Count Keller, Nephew of Russian General Killed at Motienling Arrives by Empress.

States Positively That Japanese **Battleship Yashima Was** Sunk by Mine,

Saw Her Founder He Says-Japanese May Save Peresviet But no Other Craft.

HE Yashima does not exist; I myself saw her destroyed by a mine. Certain; I saw her strike the mine as I stood on

ed the fleet prior to her arrival. She reported—among other details—having seen weeds a foot long streaming from the bottoms of some of the vessels; but the general opinion aboard here is that if the vessels are well handled they ought to prove quite a formidable fleet to deal with; a coat of paint would certainly have done none of them any harm, but still the lack of it will not detract much from their fighting capabilities; so that, taken altogether, what one had come to regard as quite a visionary undertaking as far as getting up to

strike the mine as I stood on the deck of the Pobeida off the Misotiao Islands about the time the Hatsuse and Yoshino were sunk."

So said Count Keller, lieutenant of the sunken Russian battleship Pobeida, fiagship succeeding the lost Petropavlovsk, in an interview given to a Colonist reporter on board R. M. S. Empress of India yesterday.

Count Keller is a nephew of the late General Keller, the leader of the Russian army defeated in the heavy battle at Motienling (Heaven-Reaching pass) who was killed by a shell on that fated field. A young man, not more than thirty years of age, Count Keller served with the navy in Russia's war while his illustrious and brave uncle commanded an army corps under Kuropatkin. He had come to regard as quite a visionary undertaking as far as getting up to China has become a stern reality to the Japanese, and it seems as if the battle of Dogger Bank will not be the only one to figure on their list of honors—or otherwise. As seen from our position abreast of the fleet, there did not appear to be any particular formation among the fleet, with the exception of the battleships, which we could see were in line; but as we drew ahead of them during the afternoon and could look down their lines, we saw that, considering the heterogeneous mixture that the fleet was composed of, they kept in very regular formation. The seven battleships and the Admiral Nakimoff were in a single line on the outside to the southeast; inside of that was a line of four destroyers; then came the colliers and other merchantmen in two lines; beyond them another line of four destroyers; and on the outside, to the northwest, were five of the Russian volunteer sendance. illustrious and brave uncle commanded an army corps under Kuropatkin. He was one of a party of four Russian naval officers, all young men, who arrived by the steamer Empress of India yesterday from Port Arthur via Shanghai. They were held at Dainy after leaving the fallen fortress and left the port, which the Japanese have now named Tairen, on March 22. The party included Lieut. Count Keller, of the battleship Pobeida (Victory); Lieut. Kolchak, of the Retvizan; Lleut. Roodneff, of the cruiser Bayan, and Lieut. or four destroyers; and on the outside, to the northwest, were five of the Russian volunteer squadron, with the cruiser Oleg.

"They had three scouts out astern—the Almaz in the centre, the Dmitri Donskoi on the left wing, and the Aurora on the right; ahead, the Svietlana was in the centre, and two of the liners (Co.

neff, of the cruiser Bayan, and Lieut. Rood-neff, of the cruiser Bayan, and Lieut. Yakuboosky, of the sunken destroyer Stroyni, which was destroyed by a Ja-panese mine and the lieutenant, wound-ed by a splinter on the side of his head, was one of the few survivors disaster.

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Count Keller, who speaks several languages other than his native Russian, was extremely anxious to hear it Rojestvensky and Nebogatoff had joined. Learning that they have, he spoke most sanguinly of he outcome; he confidently expects that Rojestvensky will wrest victory from defeat.

"The Japanese have but four battleships," he said, "Mikasa, Shikishima, Fuji and Asahi."

"And the Yashima?" queried the interviewer.

"No, no, no," replied the count, emphatically; "the Yashima does not exist. I myself saw her destroyed by a mine."

skol on the left wing, and the Aurors on the right; ahead, the Svietlana was in the centre, and two of the liners (Columbia and Kaiserin Maria Theresa) that had been bought from the Germans, on either wing. Just behind them was the third ex-German, while the Jemtchug and Tzumrud were each ahead of one of the lines of colliers. This order was maintained until just before sunset, when the two ex-Germans went back and took the places of the Jemtchug and Tzumrud, who in turn took the positions vacated by the other two.

"What caused a certain amount of speculation on board was the scarcity of torpedo craft, as the Baltic fleet on leaving home were supposed to have at least twenty, whereas all that we could count were eight; the whole fleet numbering forty-five."

A Moji telegram to the Kokumin says that the steamer Tsukishima, a training ship of the mercantile navigation school, Tokio, which was lost six years ago under the most painful circumstances, was found among the vessels sunk at Port Arthur by the Russians. The ship had been repainted by the Russians, who had remained in undisturbed possession of her.

Sealing Schooner Acquired by Marine Department sec. The more easterly light stands about half a mile east of the entrance to the north arm, and bears S. 85 deg. E. distant one and three-quarter miles from the more westerly light. Lat. N. 49 deg. 13 mln. 14 sec., Long. W. 123 deg. 11 mln. 27 sec. Schooner Mermaid, belonging to the Vie

FALLEN THROUGH.

Schooner Mermald, belonging to the Victoria Scaling Company, has been purchased by the Department of Marine and Fisherles and will be used as a lightship at the mouth of the Fraser river. It was generally reported that a sale had taken place some days ago, but a denial was given by the secretary of the sealing company. Estimates are being obtained by Capita'n Gaudin, local agent of marine, regarding the cost of fitting up the schooner. The Mermald is a strongly built vessel, built at Portsmouth, England, for the revenue service. The proposed steamship service between Canada and Mexico on the Atlantic coast has fallen through, the Mexican government having refused to contribute anything for a line that calls at Cuban ports on its way to and from Canada. The Dominion government will offer a subsidy to a line to Cuba touching the Bahamas. Negotiations between Canada and Mexico for the proposed line on the Pacific coast have not yet been completed.

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be strictly in accordant twenty-four hour rule, renforced as in previous where single ships were

CHICAGO'S INDUSTR Tribune Artist Tells of De Present Strife

An interesting tour is course of which Mr. Ed Sawyer, of the art depar Chicago Tribune, came to day evening, and spent romping over the specia places in and about Victor ber of photographs were s naval yard and fortification Esquimalt, and some attent to the sealing industry as

his ever-ready camera who is displayed which says: tance."

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Sawyer had an active par torial reporting for the Tr great strike still raging in (trouble began, he explains mouths ago, when the struck for higher wages, an discharged and having their by others propulsions.

discharged and having their by others, non-unionists, was a failure.

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the watershed between the Hudson's Bay and the St. Lawrence; in the upper waters of the Fraser and Peace rivers, and along the Rocky Mountain range may be considered the last home of the beaver."

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In discussing the Indian stories of giant beavers, Mr. Martin writes: "According to a tradition of the Ojibways, there was an immense beaver in some part of Lake Superior. The Indians point out an island in the lake about two miles long and one and a third two miles long and one and a third the lake about two miles long and one and a third the lake about two miles long and one and a third the lake about two miles long and one and a third the lake about two miles long and one and a third the lake about two miles long and one and a third the lake about two miles long and one and a third the lake about two miles long and one and a third two miles long and one and a third the lake about two miles long and one and a third the lake about the land:

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there was an immense beaver in some part of Lake Superior. The Indians point out an island in the lake about two miles long and one and a third broad, and say that the beaver spoken 18ap

broad, and say that the beaver spoken of was the same size. Another story relates how Nanabozho went one morning to Lake Superior for the purpose of catching a beaver for his breakfast. He succeeded in dislodging a young beaver and chased it towards the Sault Ste. Marie; a stone, thirty feet in diameter to be seen today on ists gives personal and immediate at-tention. Immediate answers to diffi-culties guaranteed. No time lost. Our courses are the same as those offered by the Central Business College at To-Address R. J. Sprott, B.A., 336 Hast-

the Sault Ste. Marie; a stone, thirty feet in diameter, to be seen today on the shores of Lake Michigan, was a missile used by Nanahbozho in this chase. The beaver was eventually caught in the Ottawa, and its head was dashed against the rocky banks of the river where the Indians say the marks of blood are still to be seen." In connection with this story it may be worth recalling that in the map in Charlevolx's History, the cape or headland on the east side of Lake Superior, north of the Sault, which is today named Gargantau, is called Minabaujou. "Minabaujou" is doubtless akin to, if not actually the same as the Nanabozho previously mentioned. According to the Dr. Price's Baking Powder

viously mentioned. According to the Rev. Peter Jones (an Ojibway himself) Nanabozhoo was the creator of the world, and especially of the Indians of Ojibway mythology. IN USE THE MOST ECONOMICAL Greater in leavening strength

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