## THE VICTORIA TIMES, TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 9. 1897.

## THE PATTERSON CASE.

unsettled state of things.

AN INVIDIOUS DISTINCTION.

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Mr. Justice McCreight are in favor of dismissing the appeal by the city, while Mr. Justice Drake supports the appeal. Unfortunately, because had the decision been unanimous it might have been wise to accept the decision, and so end litigation. Fortunately, because a matter involving so much were better decided once and for all by the privy council. Almost at the outset of the litigation resulting from the Point Ellice bridge accident the chief justice advised arbitration; on general principles arbitration is the wisest course in such matters. But when the suggestion was offered it was felt by many that it was impossible for Victoria to adopt it. How could the city authorities go to arbitration upon a matter in which, their legal advisers assured them, they had no liability? How could the city council of that year assume the financial responsibility for a calamity in which the tramway company were the chief actors and the provincial government the originators? How could the city council consent to arbitration when questions plies as cheaply as any outfitters on the of fact were in dispute, questions of law unsettled and the sympathy of the public generally (which counts for some- | will be thoroughly trustworthy. The thing even upon a court of arbitration), outfits will be well packed, and will be was in favor of the sufferers? At the time the accident occurred the the least amount of trouble in carrying

wildest rumors were in circulation. But them. Another point the intending those rumors have given place to facts; travellers to the Yukon should rememarguments have been offered upon both ber-the Victoria outfitters, owing to sides by the most capable counsel in the their long experience in supplying outprovince; impartial judges of the su- fits, are in a position to offer the most preme court have carefully weighed valuable advice to those who are goevery portion of the evidence, and the 'ing to dig for the first time. It is very result has been thus far a divergence probable that a large proportion of the of opinion; the major division of opinion "rushers" will be persons having no exbeing against the city. The judgment rendered appears, inf sel as the outfitters of Victoria are cap-

the main, to rest upon the evidence given able to give will prove of the utmost by Cox, the city carpenter. 'The evi- service. Many of the newcomers will . dence bears that he was instructed by 'be utterly ignorant of the requirements Mr. Wilmot, city engineer, to make tests for roughing it in a country like the of the bridge in 1892, to ascertain its Yukon, and will be only too glad to find ! soundness and trustworthiness. It is respectable and intelligent men like our not denied that as a result of those tests Victoria outfitters to advise them upon the engineer caused such repairs to be the selection of an outfit suitable to the made as were then deemed necessary. means of each prospector. We have no But to make these tests Cox bored an doubt that if steps were taken at once auger hole in a beam, which, it is al- to make the few points we have drawn of speaking on that subject with an apleged, was the beam that afterwards attention to made clearly known The auger hole, according to Cox's evi-dence, was very large. The hole was efforts to bring a large share of the beginning. The party who applied for the not afterwards thoroughly plugged. Al- trade to her doors. We think it raththough the making of the tests was er regrettable that the Toronto World ordered by Mr. Wilmot, the execution or "should single out any one of the Britmechanical part was carried out by Cox. ish Columbia cities as the place, par From this it would seem that if there excellence, for prospectors to go to. In is any carelessness or negligence proved at all, a great responsibility must be fold and no favor. Granted that, Viclaid upon Cox. So far as we can judge toria has little to fear from the comby the decision of the supreme court, petition of her neighbors. Canadian pa- tion of that as well as a share of the tools Chief Justice Davie and Mr. Justice Mc-Pers, above all, should refrain from Creight were strongly influenced by making distinctions that cannot fail to Cox's evidence in finding their verdict. be invidious. Whether their view of the case, even

regarding the contributory negligence of THE STICKEEN-TESLIN ROUTE.

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sonable sum be paid to the sufferers by deavor to realize that an epoch has the disaster, but the city must be care- dawned upon this province which calls for Th decision of the full court in the ful to see that justice both to itself and something different from irresolute balappeal on the Patterson case is a very to the sufferers is done in this affair, ancing of chances and timorous or tentaimportant one. Unfortunately, or, per- A unanimous decision, one way or tive expenditure of funds. The provinhaps, fortunately, the decision is not the other, would be infinitely more cial government is directly responsible unanimous. Chief Justice Davie and satisfactory than the present painfully now for the Stickeen-Teslin route. Save | it they can if they will only act.

THE SONGHEES RESERVE.

The Colonist, on information evident According to the Toronto World ly supplied by Mr. Turner, undertakes "there is no doubt that Vancouver will to define the position taken by the prodo the biggest Yukon trade of all the vince in the negotiations recently car-Pacific coast cities next year." It ried on for the removal of the Indians would be extremely interesting to learn on the Songhees reserve. It is a pity, from what sources that very positive we think, that an ex parte statement of prediction emanated. Victorians will the case should be given to the public not grudge Vancouver the share that is when a full explanation is expected, and coming to her of the Klondike business. ultimately must be published. Our conbut they must certainly demur when temporary has the advantage of being statements like the foregoing are in the confidence of the Turner adminipublished. It cannot be too widely tration and no doubt is in possession of known in the Eastern provinces that all the facts in connection with the the most economical outfitting point on negotiations, which have, unfortunatethe coast for all miners and prospectors ly for Victoria, resulted unsatisfactorgoing into the Yukon country, and the ily to all parties concerned. place where their wants are thoroughly

The citizens of Victoria want the Inunderstood, and where the supplies dians placed on a suitable reserve some they want are put up and sold to them distance from the city in order that the by men who are old and experienced present evesore of the rancherie almost miners themselves, is Victoria. Victoria in the centre of the city may be reoutfitters are in a position to sell supmoved. They desire that the Indians John Thompson and their uncompromisshall be well provided for out of the coast, and what is perhaps of more real proceeds of the present reserve, and importance, every article in the outfit they care very little about "reversionary interests" or the legal quibbling that may be set up to defeat the end in so put up that the bearers will have view. The land occupied by the Songhees divides the city in two, while one half of the water frontage of our inner harbor is most effectually tied up and cannot be utilized for the purposes of commerce. It is simply a scandal that this condition should longer prevail. and the party responsible for the perpetuation of the evil will be called upon by the people of Victoria for an explanation. Since the Colonist has perience in gold mining, and such counthought it proper to make a partial statment of the case, we would suggest that all the facts be given to the public. In any event they must come out when the legislature meets.

THAT WASTED \$5,000 GROWS TO \$20,000 To the Editor:-Fresh arrivals from the Stickeen country bring in additional news from Cassiar and other points. The Teslin trail furnishes a text which gives Mr. John Hyland or his amanuensis an opportunity parent air of authority. He starts out gave way and caused the calamity. throughout the Eastern provinces, Vic- by stating that the sum appropriated by contract of the disbursements of the appropriation represented that \$2,000 would be ample to open a good and direct trail from Stickeen river to Teslin lake-that he knew all about the country, would charge nothing for his own services, that taken out along with, or soon after the used on the way out went along to Daw-

The letter my lady wrote to me-I would you could see the lines! There's a flavor of orange blossom And a tangle of jessamine vines! What the

**Provincial Press** O the letter my lady wrote to meis Saying. I sit in my room and see The sails on the ships, and her red, swee In the letter she wrote to me! (The Province.) O the letter my lady wrote to me-The actions of Lieut.-Governor Dewd-Here is the word she missed! And here is the word that was never iel if one may still call him that, speak louder than the words of the Colonist. On the line her lips have kissed! They are an indication of character-And the letter my lady wrote to me an indication of a type of character which can only cause annoyance to his triands and surprise to the country. Lafe of my life, from theet friends and surprise to the country.

That a man holding a prominent official position should go out of his way to use that position for the gratification of his own vanity in connection with an important public function, is deplorable. One may look in vain through the pages of Canadian history to find another such exhibition of cheap and childish egotism on the one hand and weak willingness to prostitute office to the de siles of self on the other. The loud laugh is said to bespeak the vacant What does the loud brass plate. mind.

bespeak? We Canadians are prone to pride ourselves on being a sturdy, self-respecting and self-reliant people. Our hearts glow when we think of men like Alexanmake up the great undercurrent of so-ciety, while its surface is ever of the same der Mackenzie, Edward Blake and Sir heartless brilliancy. We beg for "woman's rights," yet it seems to me that they, like ing devotion to duty and principle; and charity, homes of her friends, where often, invited as an honored guest, she is the veriest slave to conventionality. If it might only be that a young girl at social functions it is natural that they should. Sometimes we have occasion to blush for our ublic men and when that is the case there is no true Canadian but feels in could have all the independence that she his heart the profoundest sorrow in demands elsewhere. As it now is, she must which the cause of it must share when rely upon three things-her wit, a man, and a chaperon. The first failing the the full sense of his misconduct comes and a chaperon. The first failing the second is very apt to, while the third prohome to him. It is not pleasant for the people of British Columbia to feel that that they have occasion to blush for their Lieut-Governor, it is not pleasant for "had been asked to take her. A heavy snow Lieut.-Governor, it is not pleasant for bis friends to find it necessary to apolhad fallen, which, though the distance not great, necessitated a carriage, a fact not adding to the cousin's good humor. No ogize for his conduct on every street corner, nor can it be pleasant for Mr. flowers need be sent, however, so there Dewdney himself to know that he has was some consolation in that. When they had flitted through the long awning like been guilty of an undignified and inexhurrying phantoms of the night, a great wave of light from the open door had en-guifed them. They found themselves borne cusable exhibition of petty and childish vanity which simply renders him ridiculous in the eyes of all right thinking peoresistlessly along with the crowd surging ple. A great man would never attempt up the broad stairway and dropped finally to fix his place in history or affairs himinto their respective dressing-rooms-the one all full of eager, chattering voices, self. He would be content to leave it all soft, fluffy wraps, fur-lined shoes, etc., the to the generous and appreciative people. The Province is sorry-sorrier than it other a staid, sober study in black and white, blurred by much smoke. can find words to express both for Mr. Arabella, for that was her name, quickly Dewdney's sake and the sake of the freed herself of the old made-over cloak in order to display the dainty, lace-trimmed good name of the country-that he has not seen fit to do otherwise. Somebody muslin which showed a mother's deft

once said that "what no gentleman touches. should say no gentleman need answer." where all the others went, but the con Not only are there things that no gentletrast between her own homely face and the man should say, but there are things happy, pretty ones that peeped over her shoulders to get a last glimpse of recom-mendation was too great. So she turned that no gentleman would do. (Trout Lake Topic.) who walted outside, and went solemnly About the most important thing to the down the wide stairs. As they made the Trout Lake district to-day is the estabfirst turn a vision so wonderful spread it-

lishment of railway communication her companion's arm, exclaiming, with some of the main lines. As things stand now, no real and substantial progress can be made until this difficulty is overcome. There are two every one know that it is your first party. ways of getting at this section, one by way of the Lardo river to the foot of but she could not help thinking that the Trout lake; from the head of Kootenay long expanse of pollshed floor appeared to lake, and the other from Arrowhead be saying, "Come, dancing feet, I'm waitaround the Arm to Thompson's Landing and thence to Trout Lake City. Of these two the former would be more these two the former would be more silent benediction over the fair scene, preferable, for it would afford transpor-tation facilities to a larger territory bearing. Then the music so protokingly used on the way out went along to take a solution facilities to a larger territory bearing. Then the music, so provide the solution of the solution of the solution of the solution to the govern- them would be of immense importance of the solution of them would be of immense importance of the solution of the solution to the govern- them would be of immense importance of the solution of the solution to the govern- them would be of immense importance of the solution of the solution to the govern- them would be of immense importance of the solution of the solution to the govern- them would be of immense importance of the solution to the govern- them would be of the solution to the govern- the solution to the solution to the govern- the solution to the the Stickeen. An application to the govern-ment was soon after made for more funds, ment was soon after made for more funds, deny, and the sooner steps are taken to have it built the sooner the immense mining advantages of the Trout Lake district mill have not coust in the time-worn remark: "Why, district will become something more I did not district will become something more I did not recognize you at first. than the boast of the prospector and charmed I am to see you!" The miner. Without some means of trans-portation for the ores mined in the sec-into a most animated conversation, until tion, other than by means of the pres- finally, recollecting the situation, the neent wagon roads and trails, it is an utent wagon reads and trails, it is an ut-ter impossibility, to conduct extensive operations, and in fact is a bar to the poor, ugly little girl standing before a prosecution of development work by the great hulking fellow, with glasses which a The lack of such an arrangeprospectors. When the line is built exaggerated his eyes that they seemed things will be entirely different to the starting from his head in wonder. prospector, for he will then know that . They stood for some moments staring at any work tending to improve his prop-erty is likely to hear immediate fruit, as a duty to be got through with as quickly erty is likely to bear immediate fruit, and to the investor for the fact that any prospect he may purchase and successfully exploit, will be in position to make it. managing trail immediate returns on his investment. (Kamloops Sentinel.) First and foremost is the present need for the construction of a good wagon road to connect North River Valley with the Cariboo road. Mr. John F. Smith, in a letter published in another column, shows how this can best be accomplished. It is pointed out that the trail between Lemeaux's and Bridge Creek can at a comparatively small out-TAXPAYER. lay be converted into a serviceable wagon road. This done, Kamloops' claim to be the best outfitting and starting point "One touch of nature, you know, old for the Yukon will be established beyond question. Already Kamloops' situation such as to ensure it a big proportion of the overland Yukon trade, but the construction of the 40 miles of wagon road referred to above would add very considerably to our advantages. This matter should be taken up energetically at once. We would suggest that a citi-zens' meeting be held on Monday evening to consider the best means of securing the construction of this piece of road Come at the earliest opportunity. Arrange-ments could probably be made to send out a party at once to go over the trail and report upon the probable cost of the improvements needed to make it passable for wagons. A deputation could then be sent down to Victoria to urge this is why the enormous sales of this doing the work without loss of time. It upon the government the necessity doing the work without loss of time. It great medicine **and in a short** time go out of **b** osight entirely. "Why is "it?" "O, simply because Hood's Sarsparills has more real cura-tive merit than any medicine I ever sold." Output to a state of the short of the provincial government to do everything within their power to secure to British Columbia the Yukon in this connection can be pressed strong-ly as a right, not as an ante-election far-This is of daily occurrence in almost vor. It is most important that Kamloops should be placed in direct communication has cured more sickness, and made more happiness through restoration to health than any other medicine. with the Cariboo road early in the spring. We hope every business man will appreciate the facts we have briefly will appreciate the facts we have briefly alluded to above, and will join with the Sentinel in the move to bring about the Hood's desired end. Soxey-I saw Mrs. Rampus buying

have in store for her? She know here well enough to expect littlefrom him. This man would scarcely take upon himself the trouble of introducing her, and .of.course; the hands of the hostess wave full... Truly the situation was pitiable...

the situation was pitlable.c. Finally in desperation he sought a 'se-cluded seat where she would not be seen at all, but where his eye would command a view of the entrance to the supper room. Here he placed himself like a cat waiting to pounce upon its elusive prey, while she, poor little thing, was trying so bravely to repress the hard sobs that rose in her throat and to keep the horrible slence from. settling down upon them as it threatened to do. So engerly was his eye fastened upon the doorway that fortun not look at her, else he would have seen a have stamped itself indelbly upon his mind. But then, he could not know that this was the party of which she had dream-ed and talked, for which she had actually lived these many days past. He could not know what this failure meant to her, and low many bright, sweet hopes it swept out of her life. He could not know how, as she looked ahead, the days stretched themselves out in endless grayness; and there seemed nothing, nothing worth living

Oh, she clinched her cold little hands and determined on one more effort to redeem herself in this stranger's eyes. "I am very sorry, Mr. Blake," she said, quite calmly, "that I have been so thrust upon you, and I know I have made your evening a terrible bore. I also realize now that even had I known every one here it would have made no difference. There are some unfortn nately, of which this may be said, but what can a woman do in such a position? want, however, to thank you-"O, please don't talk like that," he inter-

rupted quickly, still without losing sight of the door, "you know I go to so many affairs...." But he never finished what he intended to say, for suddenly bounding from his seat he exclaimed in the forgetshould begin at home or in the fulness of the moment, "By Jove; there is your cousin at last!" He started forward with a gleam in his exaggerated eyes which seemed to say, "Ah, you shall not escape me now!". She followed him quick-ly and they joined the cousin, happy in the possession of another blonde in bril-liant red. Mr. Blake grasped the hand of the latter like a drowning man clutches the proverbial' straw, thus giving Arabella an opportunity of saying in an to her cousin, "I should like to go home if you please."

"What, so early! Why, we have not had supper yet!" he exclaimed in astonishment. "You must take me!" she demanded sternly, and he saw a certain determina tion on her plain features that made him turn and say: "It is too bad that I cannot have the pleasure of being at supper with you, but Arabella is not feeling well, and I must take her home. I 'shall leave you to my friend, Mr. Blake. Good night!" It was quick work getting into the made over cloak, for it did not make any differ-ence now about "mussing" the dress, and they were soon rolling through the white, street, away from all the light. warmth, perfume, flowers, music, beauty, Then she went to the mirror, and-and-happiness (?). At home! Dear old home! Had it ever

seemed so sheltering before? She had scarcely dared trust herself to speak during the drive, but when they reached the front door she held out her hand, saying, with a away with a little sigh, joined her cousin, strange, harsh laugh: "I was not 'a brilliant success, was I, cousin? Good-by, The door closed quickly behind him, and she hurriedly turned out theshall light self below that she impulsively grasped knowing her mother would be waiting for her. Somehow, as she quickly groped her way up the stairs in the darkness, the beautiful!" while he, to cover his annovance, said laughingly: "But you must appear very used to it all. You must not let situation seemed prophetic of her whole life, and she whispered to herself those touching words which James Lane Allen So she accordingly became very quiet, puts into the mouth of Mrs. Falconer, shall go softly all my days."

The years rolled away over the head of the poor little, ugly girl, as they will roll over the heads of all of us, until she is tow a woman of 35. She has been true to her word. She has gone softly all her days, but it has been the soft tread of a trained nurse in the sick room, where she has found that happiness which appalls and silences the rollicking old world. sometin es, even now, when this brave, good

Prices of British Columbia Stor Maintained-The Sale of t Le Roi Mine. There Seems To Be Quite a I Divergence of Opinion as the Price. The following is the Rossland London letter: London, Oct. 19.—British still suffers from the large an interest taken in Westralians of prices are well maintained, and will see by comparing this week' tions with those sent you last n changes are unimportant. B.C. are 21/4, Dundees are firm at 1s Lillooet & Fraser river flats The Klondike-Yukon compan mostly quoted at small discou Recordias are better again in tion of to-morrow's meeting an 434 to 5; but this market cannot garded as a "free one" and deal tule look on askance at the of Recordias. Tupper-Lowles c are quite dull, but Fairriews k at ¼ premiums, and Waverleys hands vesterday in the market tremium. Vancouver syndicat sellers at par to 1/2 premium.

A LONDON

I hear to-night that Mr. R who recently went out on beha syndicate in connection with chase of the Le Roi, is back, a exhausted generally. I also he the sale of the Le Roi is at last accompli, but the price estimate it being variously put at between 000 and £1.250.000

A Doubtful Klondike Comp

Nothing of special importance curred since I last wrote. On ful Klondike company has mad pearance in a half-hearted man I have yet to learn that it has any support from the public. been severely criticized for adopted the prospectus of the River Quesnelle Company, with genuine :: enterprise it has n common. Its directors are on th of forty-three other companies, men of no weight in the financi Whittaker-Wright's compan cerning which so many rumo lately been afloat, was registered with a capital of £1,500,500. cles take very large powers. remembered that Mr. Whittaken is the guiding spirit of the L Globe Finance Company, which ly feted Lieut.-Governor Macki the Northwest Territories. As I recently informed you, I

ley Chapman is over here age time with several properties to of the chief among which of, the chief among Georgia. He has the highest of the value of Rossland min is very strong on the machine tion. Last Week's British Colu view contained an interesting i with him, in which he gave of the apathy of English manufacturers that had come own notice. It is to be hoped ing his stay over here he may to induce some of our leading establish agencies in your ca A large exhibit of Trail

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THE LETTER.

Cox, is sufficient to settle the liability upon the city, is a matter open to doubt. That doubt was evidently felt by Mr. Justice Drake, who in his decision has declared on behalf of the city. Under the circumstances, therefore, there seems no course open for the city but to appeal to the privy council. If the decision of tleman who knows the country well the majority of the supreme court be upheld, it involves a liability so tremendous as to demand the introduction of a system of municipal insurance or the creation of a sinking fund to meet such contingencies. It is impossible for a corporate body with the ordinary staff. at the disposal of municipal institutions in a sparsely settled city or district to employ a sufficient number of engineers, inspectors or foremen to insure the maintenance of all bridges, roads. streets, sidewalks, drains, sewers, electric poles and wires, machinery and buildings, in such perfect repair that accidents are absolutely provided against. We fail to understand why the provincial government and the tramway company were not made co-defendants. The provincial government built the bridge that afterwards collapsed, and they granted the charter that allowed the tramway company to use the bridge. They placed no restriction of any kind upon the company relative to weight of cars, number of passengers, strength of bridges or the general safeguarding of the public. When the city enlarged its boundaries they simply assumed the position of the provincial government, and any moral liability lies at the door of those who gave away a valuable charter in so loose a manner. They were not made co-defendants presumably because, "The king can do no wrong." The attorney-general, however, would not have refused to let the matter be tried, for Mr. Eberts is not so obdurate as to compel the city to bear all the burden if it could be shown that the provincial government was also liable. The tramway company's position is a little peculiar. If we understand aright the present company is legally distinct from the company that owned the cars, the machinery and the franchise in May, 1896. How the arrangement was made, or why it was made, are matters not necessary to discuss. But that a company whose ponderous car, crowded to an unreasonable degree with passengers, should be allowed to carry to their death upwards of fifty persons, without the slightest attempt being made to prove, that company's liability, seems very strange. No citizen could withhold approval if it were decreed that a rea-

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Mr. Hyland now says that \$20,000 are required. It is by no means certain that even Some days ago we drew attention that sum would suffice-because there are a couple of bridges required along the route, the urgent necessity that exists for immediate action on the part and material for corduroying. What value has been received by the public for the the provincial government in the \$5,000 already appropriated? Report says "Mighty little." Mr. Hyland properly rematter of the Stickeen-Teslin trail. marks, "What is needed in connection with both bridges and trail is immediate action, We quoted the remarks of a genwith a practical man to direct the work and who had "ample opportunity for for without such a one neither good results observing the peculiarities of the situafor the expenditure nor a lasting road. could be had. tion in that region. His "verdict was ment has been the difficulty in connection that unless the government put the prewith the Stickeen-Teslin trail. Early last spring a good, loyal, practical man was sent trail in good condition it would be ppointed to take charge of the work and trampled out of sight in two weeks by is said was notified by a gentleman high the vanguard of the Klondike rush, and in authority that such was the case; but some fluke or hocus-pocus the allen got the route would degenerate into another the management and the practical, reliable Skagway or Dyea. Mr. John Hyland, man was cut out. The managing trail builder substituted one of his own em a well known resident of the Stickeen ployes, a fish pond keeper, to regulate this important public work. The result is-no valley, is now in Victoria on a visit, and his testimony is even more emphatic than good trail-a whole summer wasted, to the incalculable detriment of the province, and that of the gentleman whom, we have specially to the thousands who would have mentioned. Mr. Hyland declares that sen the Teslin route had the trail been unless the provincial government advanced as it should have been. Mr. Hy awake at once to the vital importance land must be laboring under a mistake when he states that Mr. Foster had charge of putting the Stickeen-Teslin route in of the work. Mr. Foster is a good, prac-tical trail man, and has been for years in order for the spring rush it will be charge of the trail to Dease lake rendered unfit for passage within a week of the commencement of travel, and the November 5th, 1897. all-Canadian route, the shortest and the easiest to Klondike, will be lost. No only so; thousands who would come "Of course, of course; but you've not the from the American coast cities to travel nature, and consequently I refuse to be in by that route will go to Skagway and touched." Thus the promptness with which he saw Dyea and the loss of revenue to the the point saved him .- Chicago Post. Canadian government and the province will be immense. Mr. Hyland's suggestion that strong gangs of men be put on They Ali at once to cut timber for corduroying, and to pile those timbers up close to the spots requiring corduroying, so that "There are fads in when the spring opens a large force of medicine as well as in roadmakers could at once set to work other things," said a busy druggist. "but the most Back and strengthen up the weak spots before the first of the rush comes, is admirably remarkable thing about Hood's Sarsapractical. Ahead of the aremen could parilla is that customers who try other travel a surveyor and party, who would remedies all come back to Hood's, and mark out the spots where special work like corduroying would be required, and who 'could select the best line of route through the valley and along the mountain side. This work could be perfectly well undertaken now and through the winter months, so that not a day would. be lost when the spring arrives. What very drug store. Hood's Sarsaparilla the provincial government is going to do

to anticipate the great rush all agree is coming upon the province next spring, we do not know; what they are doing is only too painfully patent. They are temporising in a matter that requires prompt, decisive, intelligent action; they are missing a golden chance to retrieve themselves in the eyes of the people Is the standard-the One True Blood Purifier and regain some of their lost prestige. For their own sakes they should en- Hood's Pills take, easy to operate. 200.

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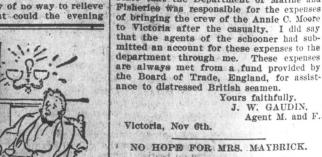
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store.-Pittsburg News.

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as possible, and then she found herself being rapidly whirled through the rooms, but somehow the pleasure had gone out of Her young brain was on fire with the thought that she was with a strange man, who did not seem the least interested in her, and that she knew of no way to relieve him of herself. What could the evening



The way people eat and drink has perilous consequences. Very few people know how to treat their

stomachs. Eating too much Visionachs. Eating too much; or not enough; or the wrong kind of food; or at the wrong time—gets the digestive organs into such a thoroughly disor-dered condition that at last noth-ing what er can be digested. When the appetite fails and the liver becomes sluggish, the whole system is dragged down and deadened by imperfect nutrition. There is noth-

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It acts directly upon the nutritive organ-ism; it gives the stomach power to extract a high percentage of nourishment from the food, and enables the liver to filter all bili-ous poisons out of the circulation; it puts the red, vitalizing life-giving elements into the blood, and builds up solid flesh, mus-cular force and healthy nerve-power. In all debilitated conditions and wasting diseases it is vastly superior to malt extracts or any mere temporary stimulants. It gives

diseases it is vastly superior to malt extracts or any mere temporary stimulants. It gives permanent strength. It is better than nau-seous emulsions, because it is agreeable to the weakest stomachs. Whenever constipation is one of the complicating causes of disease, the most perfect remedy is Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets, which are always effective, yet ab-solutely mild and harmless. There never was any remedy invented which can take their place. "In August, 1895, I was taken, down with

what my physician pronounced consumption writes Ira D. Herring, of Needmore, Levy Co Florida. "My fromble continued for sever

merited repose, when the bead of light is hidden behind the green shade, the patient at rest, and the medicine given for the night, her pillow is wet with the salt tears of bitterness at the recollection of the first and only party of her life.--Ida S. Buchanan in Louisville Journal

A CORRECTION. To the Editor :- I beg you will cause to be corrected a statement which appeared in last evening's Times making me say that I also was of opinion that Captain Walbran should have brought Mr. Keefe, of the schooner Annie C. Moore, from Juneau to Victoria in the Quadra. I offered no opinion on that subject (the reporter must have misunderstood me) when I explained to him Captain Walbran's reasons for refusing his request. Neither did I state that the Department of Marine and Fisheries was responsible for the expenses of bringing the crew of the Annie C. Moore to Victoria after the casualty. I did say that the agents of the schooner had submitted an account for these expenses to the . department through me. These expenses

ance to distressed British seamen Yours faithfully, J. W. GAUDIN Agent M. and F.

McKinley's Request for Her Release Refused by Great Britain.

Chicago, Nov. 6 .- The campaign in the inerest of Mrs. Maybrick is being pushed in this city., Mrs. Helen Densmore, lately ar-rived from London, and who is now stop-ping at the Auditorium, to-day made the ollowing statement: "When President McKinley a few months

since sent a note to the English government through Ambassador Hay, requesting Mrs. Maybrick's release as a matter of international courtesy I had great hope. The question of Mrs. Maybrick's innocence or guilt was entirely ignored; her release was as a reciprocal favor. The English government returned the request that they no reason to re-open the case of Mrs. May President McKinley did not ask brick. that the case be re-opened; he simply re quested her release on the ground of inter-national courtesy. I hope that President McKiniez will follow this matter, up by ex-

aining to the British government that did not ask to have the case re-opened. he simply asked the favor of an international reciprocal favor, and that he w'll insist upon a specific answer to a specific request." procal favor, and that he w'

"Why is it that Chumpley always buys another new gun at the opening of the game season?" "Because the one he had the year before

never killed anything."-Detroit Free Press. "I never shall love again," he cried; "Ah year from now you will "said she; "A year from now you will wonder how You could ever have worshipped me." He went his way-when a year had passed He had learned to love again. If And it made the girl who had sent him

"As mad as a settin' hen." -Chicago, News. r]

How Have the Mighty Fa There have been two importa ings since my last dispatch. Vancouver Syndicate on Thurs and; secondly, the gathering of Fields of British Columbia and ley Mine, presided over by the ex. on Monday. The two. striking contrast to one anothe ouver meeting was tinged from beginning to end, and th not one single gleam of brigh of the meeting. It was a confe failure, and the market took it by immediately lowering the price em the sober and solemn c ares to 10s. premium sellers fo share, 10s. paid, and afterward

to ½ premium. How have the fallen? These very same shar