MINERAL OUTPUT

AN INCREASE OVER THE PREVIOUS YEAR

Report of the Minister of Mines Has Been Issued - Some of Its Special Features.

ed with half tones, the work of the B. C.
Photo-Engraving Company. These illustrations cover scenes from the mining Photo-Engraving Company. These illustrations cover scenes from the mining districts of the province and illustrate of 17 of which 15 most in the province about 80 per cent. of the school trustees for a grant of \$30.

"The number of mines shipping in 1904 was 142, as against 125 in 1903, an inthe government printing office.

The frontispiece is a striking duogravure. It is a view near the southern end of Atlin lake, looking down Hoboe creek from Laverdiere group. This cut is a reproduction of a photograph taken by the provincial mineralogist himself, while in Atlin last fall. In the preparation of the report the

mineralogist has followed closely that of other years. The total production of minerals for the province during the year nearly approached \$19,000,000, exceeded only by the year 1901. The comparative table of

production year by year show	a trie rot-
lowing:	
1852 to 1889 (inclusive) \$	71,981,634
1890	2,608,803
1891	3,521,102
1892	2,978,530
1893	3,588,413
1894	4,225,717
1895	5,643,042
1896	7,507,956
1897	10,455,268
1898	10,906,861
1899	12,393,131
1900	16,344.,51
1901	20,086,750
1902	17,486,550
1903	17,495,954
1904	18,977,359

The production, according to the minerals, is given as follows for the year: Gold, placer-55,765 ounces\$ 1,115,300

Gold, lode—222,042 ounces Silver—3,222,481 ounces Copper-35,710,128 pounds Coal-1,253,628 tons. 2,240 lbs. Coke-334,102 tons, 2,240 lbs.

This shows quite an increase over the silver there was an increase last year.

There were mined 3,222,481 ounces, 930 tons in the coke sales. valued at \$1,719,516 in 1904, as comproduction, however, the great increase 1903, valued at \$689,744. The copper inds. valued at \$4,578,037; in 1903 it was 34,359,921 pounds, valued at \$4,547,-

1904 increased somewhat over that of every indication that it will be held dur-1903. Last year it totaled 1,253,628 ing the coming year." valued at \$3,760,884. In 1903 it was 1,168,194 tons, valued at \$3,504,582. But the industrial life increased the coke production very materially. In 1904 there were 238.425 tons of coke produced, valued at \$1,192,140, while in 1903 there were 165,543 tons, valued at

Referring to the mining industry and the year's production the provincial min-

eralogist says as follows:
"The mineral output of the province value of the product, a distinct gain over

"An analysis of the returns for the whole province shows, however, that this next year, increase has not been general or equal in the various districts, or as to the various minerals produced. The placer gold output shows an increase of \$44,880, which is mainly attributable to one district, port for 1903. The conditions there were Atlin, the other districts only about holding their own; while in those districts the river bars, exposed only at lowest water, there is this year a marked falling off in production, since the spring ned up early and the gradual melting of the snow in the mountains prevented any extremes of high or low water so that the bars were not exposed and therefore, could not be worked in the

output this year, named in the order of at Tar Flat; and the Northern Mines, Boundary, the Coast and the Slocan, while the greatest decrease was in the Rossland camp, this being accounted for changes in the management of some thoroughly and satisfactorily tested by of the producing companies, and by ex- individual workers, although the top burperiments as to the best methods of treat- den was so deep as to prevent any profit logist. These are the flow sheets of sev- attention, is that Heywood avenue is not riddled the British flag with bullets. ment of the low-grade ores of the camp

being conducted; these temporarily re-

arded the output. "The tonnage of ore actually being mined in the province has perhaps a from lode mining in British Columbia is more direct bearing upon the general business prosperity of the local com- and only separated or collected by smeltmunity than have the values produced, ing, probably not 5 per cent. of the promasmuch as it represents the amount of duct being obtained from stamp mills work actually taking place, and in this respect the year 1904 shows a very 589,608, and was \$223,008 less than in greatly increased output of ore, amounting to 1,461,600 tons, an increase over the preceding year of 175,433 tons, or former district, the tonnage of ore mined nearly 14 per cent.

other districts.

"In discussing the increase in tonnage The report of the minister of mines that of 1904 is greater by 14 per cent, was itself greater than that of the prevery comprehensive work containing over | ceding year (1902) by about 29 per cent., 320 pages. The report is fully illustrat- so that, looking back two years, we find

trations cover scenes from the mining districts of the province, and illustrate some of the companies' works. Among them is a view of the Portland cement works at Tod creek, near Victoria. A chapter on the stone quarries of the coast written by the provincial assayer, coast written by the provincial assayer, 1903, indicating that there has been no H. Carmichael, is well illustrated with material addition to the larger shippers, half-tone views of the various locations, which produce building stone along the which produce building stone along the to the smaller high-grade properties, and the other parts of the province. This output is 296.277 outputs. coast. Another cut is that of the new shaft house at Nanaimo mine. The views are all reproduced in a most strik-

With respect to the coal production Mr. Robertson says:

"The coke produced amounted to 19, all to California, while 20 per cent. of Ainsworth mining division." the coke sold found the same market. The copper production, which exceeds
The local market is slow of grewth, so last year by about 4 per cent., is assigned known of the competition of the California fuel oil. The two companies have receiving a great deal of attention dur-

600.000

"The distance of these mines from the coast has as yet prevented any but the which are prepared to buy zinc ores are preceding year. In placer gold \$1,060; interior markets being available; and as the Belgian furnace, in which three new coal companies have this past the ore is mixed with coal or other returned was \$1,115,300 taken out. In the lode mines there was also a good increase, although under the head of gold these companies have shared the market in a condenser. Iron and lead are high crease, although under the head of gold a slight reduction occurs. There were with the C. N. P. Coal Co., with the re222,042 ounces of gold valued at \$4,589,608 in 1904, compared with 232,831

these companies have shared the market in a condenser. Iron and lead are highly objectionable in this process, inasmuch as they flux with and destroy the
retorts, adding greatly to the cost of the ounces, valued at \$4,812,616 in 1903. In of 32,791 tons, which is, however, more

last year, but the export of coke has in- | tor. It is believed that these impurities the limit of the present available market

mineralogist says:

"The placer gold mining industry of vince this past year produced \$1,115,300 in gold, an increase of about per cent. over the preceding year. thanks to a successful season in the Atlin camp. In this camp, gauged by the royalties paid in, the 'individual' miner paid 75 per cent. of the royalty, the change indicating the replacement of individual by company work, even in this for the past year shows, as to the gross camp. The output of the camp was about \$530.000, an increase of 20 per the preceding year, and, as a matter of the preceding year, and, as a matter of fact, is the greatest ever made by our mines, except that of 1901. This gross dredge, from which so much was expected, failed mechanically to handle the preceding year, and, as a matter of encouraging showing, especially as the dredge, from which so much was expected, failed mechanically to handle the dirt. The two hydraulic companies which started up last summer made very creditable productions and promise to do better

"As yet the only attempt made in this province to work a placer gold property with a steam shovel was in Fort Steele searcely favorable, and the shovel was not equipped with an auxiliary elevator ere the placer gold is obtained from to take the gravel from the shovel to the sluice, which appears to be a re quisite. This was to have been provided for this shovel, but is not yet in place

this past season. "Preparations have been made for the on ground in the Atlin district this com ing summer, notably by the British America Dredging Company, on its leases East Kootenay, the Limited (of Vancouver), on ground recently acquired on Spruce creek. both these cases the character of the being made from this class of work, but eral of the mills in the interior

the ground appears admirably suited for

"The greater part of the gold obtained from lede mining in British Columbia is is about 5 per cent. less and the gold "To say that this increase was made contents about 8 per cent. less than chiefly by the Boundary, East Kootenay and Slocan districts, scarcely does these districts full justice, for not only have they made the increase shown, but they have also offset decreases in certain age of ore mined has increased about 30 per cent, and the gross gold contents. In the Boundary district the tonnage of ore mined has increased about 30 per cent, and the gross gold contents. 30 per cent, and the gross gold contents is this year about 10 per cent. greater of ore mined it must be remembered that the tonnage mined in 1903, than which ing ore has been 20 per cent. less than the previous year, yet, for all that, the gold contents show an increase of about 8 per cent."

"It has been customary in these reports," says Mr. Robertson, "to consider

trict, and about 25 per cent. from For Steele district, the two lead-producing views are all reproduced in a most strik-ing manner, reflecting the greatest credit upon the Photo-Engraving Company and the government printing office. direct result of the bounty on lead mined, offered by the Dominion government, Mr. Robertson says: "
"The Vancouver Island collieries mined 1,023,013 tons of coal, which was disposed of as follows: Sold as coal, 784,169 tons; used by company, 135,034 tons; used to make coke, 81,170 tons; added to stock, 22,640 tons; total, 1,023, 013 tons.

371 tons, of which 12,934 fons were sold, "The total lead output was 36,646,244 and 6,647 tons were added to stock. lbs, of lead, of which 21,071,236 lbs. was lbs, of lead, of which 21,071,236 lbs. was "Of the coal sold, 53 per cent. was exproduced in East kootenay, 10,611,227 ported to the United States, practically lbs. in Slocan, and 3,091,648 lbs. in

the export market is slow of grown, we the export market must be looked to for any expansion of business. In 1902, 75 per cent. of Vancouver Island coal went to California, in 1903 about 45 per cent., and in 1904 about 53 per cent., which would indicate that the worst is already leaves of the competition of the California, in the competition of the California is already leaves of the competition of the California is already leaves of the competition of the California is already leaves of the competition of the California is already leaves of the competition of the California is already leaves the competition of the California is already leaves of the competition of the California is already leaves of the competition of the California is already leaves the competition of the competition of the california is a second of the districts as follows: Boundary, 22,066,407 lbs.; Rossland, 7,119,876 lbs.; Coast, 5,960,593 lbs.; Yale-Kamloops, 328,380 lbs.; Nelson, 220,500 lbs.; various districts, 14,372 lbs., making a total of the california is already leaves a competition of the california is a second of the

'pooled' their California sales under one ing this past year, more particularly selling agent, which should steady the those of the Slocan district, but, with the exception of the ore from the Ivanhoe "The local coast market in 1904 consumed some 13,000 tons more coal, but about 9,000 tons less coke, than in the been sold before the close of the year.

Exception of the training ver Island Football Association, exception of the original training ver Island Football Association, exception of the original training very sold and invitation to the Mayor and been sold before the close of the year. In the Slocan district zinc blende occurs tons of coal, of which there was sold as concentrating mills have now been equip-tons was consumed in Canada and 118,tons was consumed in Canada and 118,tons of coal, of which there was sold as concentrating mills have now been equipped so as to separate out a 'zinc concentrate' from the jigs and tables. These tons was consumed in Canada and I18188 tons exported to United States. Of
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coke, of which there was produced 218,3,760,884
857 tons, and of this 119,004 tons was
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consumed by Rritish Columbia smelters.

These
concentrates will run from 38 to 48 per
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as impurities, considered from the standpoint of a zinc ore, from 2 to 5 per cent.
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process. For this reason crude Slocan concentrates have not found a ready alued at \$1,719,516 in 1904, as com-ared with 2,996,204 ounces, valued at mines by British Columbia smelters has plants are under construction, in addi-\$1.521.472 the year previous. In lead remained at about the same amount as tion to the Payne mine magnetic separaoccurs. In 1904 there was produced creased from 27,758 tons in 1903 to 97, can be so removed, to such an extent at 36,646,244 pounds, valued at \$1,421,874, 690 tons in 1904, chiefly by the opening least as to render them non-injurious, but as compared with 18,089,283 pounds in up of markets in Montana through the the question of the silver still remains to empletion of the branch of the Great be solved, for, as far as could be ob-Northern railway into Morrissey. The served, it is directly included in, and a company's ovens have not been run at part of, the zinc blende, and can not be separated, save by smelting or some other form of disintegration of that min-

"While this silver cannot be considered as detrimental to the ore as a zinc ore, it In connection with the gold output the is very difficulty to separate and save the silver, and but a partial recovery can be made at the best; consequently, the price offered by ore buyers seems very low for the silver contents. For this reason it has so far been found advisable by all the producers to throw as much zinc into the lead concentrates as the lead smelter will accept without a penalty, in case the producer gets no pay for his zinc, but gets a price for its silver contents, which more than recoups him for his loss of zinc. These conditions apply to zinc smelting as it is usually carried on. There are, however, two or three newer processes not very widely known. which are especially adapted to such ores, but operators of these concerns are naturally only prepared to give enough for the ore to outbid the regular zinc nelter. An electric process is being developed in Vancouver which has conpromise, and which can be solve the problem by the local treatment of the concentrates."

H. Carmichael, provincial assayer, conof the coast. He deals with the character of the stone found at the works which are used from time to time for building describing the following quarries: Haddington Island, Beaver Cove marble, Saturna Island, Gabriola Island, Briggs Portage, Newcastle Island. Granite Island, Texada Island and the marble formations on the West Coast of Vancouver Island. Mr. Carmichael points out that with a limited demand for the stone the quarrying is carried on in a more or less positive manner. The works for the manufacture of

described in this report, In this report Mr. Robertson has i troduced charts this year which will be of great interest to the practical mineral

WOULD NOT GRANT

BOARD'S APPLICATION TURNED DOWN AGAIN

Discussion at Monday's Council Meeting on Park Improvements at

The most important business transacted by the city council Monday was a motion made by Ald. Hall, and unanimously carried, refusing the application of the school trustees for a grant of \$30,ores, the remaining 20 per cent. being Eaton, of the school board, had written asking what the council proposed doing in this respect, and one alderman asked if it would not be well to delay giving a reply, but His Worship thought that if the people wanted to vote the money they should be allowed to do so. Is would be

their money. Upon Ald. Hall's motion being put, however, the matter was readily aisposed of. crease of about 7 per cent—and is chiefly and filed, the most important being one attributable to the reopening of the St. from the department of marine and fisheries, stating that there did not appear sumption of work in this mine being the to be any reason why the application of James Muirhead, for foreshore rights, should be refused. Another letter from the same department asked for a copy of the plan of the proposed wharf at the foot of Oswego street. The request will be complied with.

> W. Moresby asked that the annual appropriation for the Victoria Day celebration be made \$1,000.

> Ald. Stewart drew attention to the understanding in the arrangement of the programme, that by holding the regatta on the harbor expenses would be cut He thought that the expenses would be greater this year than last. One thing, said Ald. Fell, which was being made a strong feature of, was the bringing of the militia down here from Vancouver. The Victoria militia had gone to Vancouver in a former year, and it was right that Victoria should be loval in the matter.

A motion granting the request was manimously carried. Messrs. Hooper & Watkins submitted

couple of plans for the Old Men's Home. Received and filed. J. G. Brown, on behalf of the Vancou ver Island Football Association, extendcil to attend the concert in the Y. M. C. A. rooms to-night. Received and invitation accepted.

C. M. Westwood complained of Mr.

Redding encroaching on a street front to the detriment of adjoining property interests. Referred to the city engineer and city solicitor to take the proper ac

consumed by British Columbia smelters, 20 to 45 ounces of silver to the ton, with and 97,690 tons exported to United the balance gangue matter, usually highstreets, bridges and sewers committee for

ferred to the Mayor and finance committee with power to act.

The Taylor Mill Company asked that in the renewal of the Rock Bay bridge a few thousand dollars be expended on the swing, as every time a boom of logs is now taken under the draw the company is put to big expense. Referred to the streets, bridges and sewers committee.

A. E. Haynes took objection to the lay ing of a permanent sidewalk on Vancouver street, the rate of assessment too high. Referred to the streets, bridges

and sewers committee. E. S. Scholefield and Canon Beanlands acknowledged their appointment to the library commission. Received and filed. In passing Ald. Fell stated that there would be a meeting of the commission in the city hall to-morrow afternoon at 5 o'clock, when any suggestions from members of the board might be made.

Ald. Hanna wanted to know if it would not be well to notify labor interests. Ald. Fullerton spoke of the fact that the trades and labor council had sought o have literature included that would be of benefit to trades people. Ald. Fell thought that all suggestion

should come through members of the n their hands, and he, for one, would not care to undertake it. The Fernwood Municipal Association sane from the insane. "Please dine with gave formal notice in a copy of a resolume to-morrow at 6 o'clock," was the ion enclosed of the dangerous condition

Poundkeeper Craig asked that the council pay \$2.50 for the use of a stable James Bay where he could accommodate his horse and any animals he captured late at night. The request was granted.

The city engineer reported that a cerntilized in small units, and this may help tain building belonging to Major Dupont had been removed, and that the owner was entitled to \$350. Ald. Oddy thought it advisable not t

> the work, for he understood the whole work had been done for the sum mentioned. The money was due by right of agreement. This part of the city engineer's report was referred to the finance committee for report. A second part, referring to the necessity for replacing a surface drain on Cadboro Bay road, at a Railroad Trainmen this week will be cost of \$175, was adopted.

The city solicitor reported on the position of Heyward avenue as follows: I have the honor to report on the obje tions of the Hon. J. S. Helmcken to the ortland cement at Tod creek are fully proposal for local improvement assessment for permanent sidewalk upon his property

proposed improvement is to the park itself.

I am of opinion that the objection is not well founded. Heywood avenue is a street and is graded to the level of the abutting residential property and affords conveni-ences of access to the resident owners. The street is in part sewered, water pipes are laid, and it is lighted at the public expense some, if not all, of these public convent ences being outside of park purposes. The

city must be deemed to have taken the road out of the park and made it a publi In my opinion, the lands abutting of Heywood avenue are assessable for local improvements if benefited thereby. The Municipal Clauses Act empowers the as sessment for local improvements of abutting ands benefited in respect of any street lane, alley, public way or other place where any improvements are made, and these

words are, in my opinion, sufficiently wide to conclusively settle the point raised by

Dr. Helmcken. Obediently yours, C. DUBOIS MASON. The report was received and filed.

The cemetery committee reported as follows: We, the undersigned, having had our atention called to the letter in Sunday's Colonist, signed H. L. S., referring to Ross Bay cemetery, beg to recommend that the medical officer and sanitary inspector be asked to inquire into the subject matter

The committee would also recommend that the purchasing agent be instructed to call AN INTERVIEW WITH for tenders for cutting and purchasing the grass grown in the vacant lots within the

and report to the board of health.

The fire wardens asked for repairs to be made to one of the floors in the fire hall at a cost of \$90. Approved. The park committee reported that \$200 had been expended on the nark at the Gorge, and asked that the work be con-

Ald. Douglas axplained that \$500 had been appropriated for the undertaking, and it would be well, he thought, to spend \$190 more.

This point raised quite a little discussion over the advisability of going ahead with further work until some definite plan of improvement had been decided on, the upshot of which was the leaving of the matter in abeyance utnil after the holidays. The work already done, however, was satisfactory.

The streets, bridges and sewers com mittee reported as follows: Gentlemen:-Your streets, bridges and sewers committee having considered the undermentioned subjects, beg to submit the opinions of others are accepted by

the following recommendations for adoption by the council, viz.: Re plans of building for the Melrose Company, Limited, to be erected on Fort street: ing the V., V. & E. Bill now before par-That the building inspector be authorized liament, is reported to have said that I

rled out to the satisfaction of the building of its line.'

That a sidewalk be laid down on Ormond admit that that charge is sustained by Estimated cost, \$84. That the building inspector be authorized Trunk Pacific. I have never said that to grant his permit for the erection of the the Grand Trunk Pacific would begin "Hanna" building on Yates street.

That the condition of an alleyway between Third and Fourth streets be im-

proved. Estimated cost, \$150. That the city clerk be instructed to write to Messrs. Helsterman & Co., asking them through the prairies. to communicate with the owner of the

company be asked to meet the committee to discuss the matter of the sprinkling of streets, by means of a special car coninformation he may have upon the subject

to the committee. The report was adopted. The finance committee reported acints totalling \$3,654.55. Carried. The city engineer submitted plans for to be laid on Queen's avenue, between Blandchard and Douglas streets, Work street, on Government from Fis-guard to Hillside avenue, and Douglas from Cormorant to King's road. Re

Ald. Fell's motion with reference to the city solicitor taking the necessary steps towards preventing those who erect boat houses on the Dallas road waterfrom obtaining any rights in the matter was next brought up and passed, After the conneil decided as above re garding the application of the school trus-

tees the meeting adjourned. WHO IS INSANE?

A writer in Leslie's Magazine, dis board. If this plan was not pursued the cussing the question, "Who is Insane?" relates a story of a student who asked the French alienist Esquirol if there were any sure tests by which to tell the answer of the savant. Two other guest of the gravel pits in Spring Ridge. Re- | were present, one of whom was elegant sed and apparently highly educated, while the other was rather uncouth. noisy and extremely conceited. After dinner the pupil rose to take leave, and remarked: "The problem is very simple after all; the quiet, well-dressed gentle man is certainly distinguished in some ines, but the other is certainly a lunatic, and ought to be locked up." are wrong, my friend," replied Esquirol, with a smile. "That quiet, well-dressed tibutes a chapter on the stone quarries have the statement go abroad that the man who talks so rationally has for council was paying for half the cost of years labored under the delusion that he is God, the Father, whereas the other man, whose exuberance and self-conceit have surprised you, is M. Honore de Balzac, the greatest French writer of the

> An important matter to be taken up by the resolution to appoint an grand master at a salary of \$4.500 year. If the resolution is favorably act-ed upon James Murdock, of Toronto, Ont., who at present is a trustee, probably will be elected a vice-president

on Heywood avenue as follows:

A small British vessel while cruising on the objection of Dr. Helmcken, taking the Moorish coast, was attacked recently the only one which, in my opinion, calls for by pirates, who fired on the crew and a public but a park road, forming part of Representations, it is added, have been made to the British minister at Tangler, with a view to obtaining redress.

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IN THE PROVINCE

SENATOR TEMPLEMAN

Why He Favors the V., V. & E. Bill Line to Princeton Will Be Built This Year.

Ottawa, May 23 .- Your correspondent ad an interview to-day with Senator Templeman in respect to railway affairs in British Columbia. The Senator complained about being misquoted in British Columbia in reference to the Grand Trunk Pacific, and asked to be placed right.

"I find it is a mistake," said he, "to permit inaccurate statements in respect o one's views to go uncontradicted. Such statements are sometimes accepted as truths, and being repeated by persons the public as authentic. -

"Mr. Mara, at a recent meeting of the Victoria Board of Trade, when discussissue his permit for the building as might be mistaken in respect to the inshown on blue print presented and filed in tentions of the company just as I had the office of the building inspector, in ac- been mistaken before, when I said that cordance with the request of Mr. F. M. the Grand Trunk Pacific would begin Rattenbury, architect, the work to be car- construction simultaneously at both ends

"While it may turn out that I am place That a pipe drain be laid on Rockland ing too much reliance in the promises of avenue, from St. Charles street easterly. the V., V. & E. Company to construct its line in British Columbia, I cannot the other statement respecting the Grand construction simultaneously at both ends of the road, for the reason that I never thought that the surveys through the mountains could be completed simultane-ously with the completion of the surveys

"My view as to the V., V. & E. apreport.

Capt. Reynolds, of the B. C. Rifie Association, notified the council that the Corporation cup had been won outright

to communicate with the owner of the building known as the Old Grove tavern, near the Esquimal road, with a view to having same removed back to the street line. well as to others, that the company will build one hundred and sixty miles from Midway to Princeton this year. About will be in the state of Washington, and it will be located there, not for the purpose of developing the territory through which it will pass, but because by being so located it will better serve the mining districts of British Columbia by providing low grades and resultant low freight charges. Mr. Hill has also stated that as soon as a practical line to the coast has been located by his engineers he will build from Princeton to the New Westminster bridge, through Canadian question of the feasibility of a low-grade ine through the Lope mountains, all in Canadian territory, to the coast, but that by the V., V. & E. engineers than by any other authority. And in connection with signed by Mr. J. J. Hill and dated May 17th, as follows:

"'With reference to commencing work from Cloverdale east, we are quite ready to start this work within two years, and if the mountain conditions will permit, hope to have the line finished within two years, i.e., two years from the coming

"This bare statement, it is true, is not binding guarantee; it is simply the promise of a very prominent and successful railway builder. I accept it for precisely what it is worth-that is an expression of an intention that it will be carried out if no insuperable obstacles intervene. I take no stock in the wild talk about Mr. Hill's intention to make Everett the terminus of the V., V. & E., or about draining the resources of British Columbia into Washington territory. According to my view British Columbia should welcome the building of railways, no matter by whom they are built, and way that is not asking or expecting finanish Columbia, and it is probably because it is unprecedented that some prom nent members of the Victoria Board of Trade are incredulous enough to doubt the bona fides of the promters of such an extraordinary enterprise and try to defeat it.

the V., V. & E. would this year go to Princeton is already apparent. The C. P. R., I am credibly informed, will build this year from Spence's Bridge to Nicola. There is a subsidy from the Dominion for about forty-five miles of this road, whereas there is not one dollar of sub-sidy for the V., V. & E. extension to Capt. Richardson, have returned to Vic-

In one unbroken nocturnal flight the European bird known as the northern blue- Snowden) are expected back very shortthroat has been known to travel from Cen- ly from their honeymoon trip to England. tral Africa to the German ocean, a distance of 1,600 miles, making the journey in nine



Ferrated Emulsion

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REPORTS FROM LINEVITCH.

Speculating on Rojestvensky's Movements.

St. Petersburg, May 22.-Gen. Linevitch, in a dispatch from the front, dated May 21st, announces that two Russian detachments occupied the vallers of the Kaak and Khanda rivers on the Mandarin road, after dislodging some Japanese cavalry and infantry.

The dispatches add that Gen. Martynoff's detachment from Tadlu also drove territory. There is, it is quite true, some | back the Japanese advanced cavalry outposts. Gen. Linevitch also reported fighting near Shahotse May 18th, but did. not give the result. He said a Russian detachment east of the railroad approached the village of Shahotse and was attacked by a force of Japanese from the coal mines south of that place. May Enter Pacific.

Paris, May 22.-Much attention is sky's probable passage into the Pacific gestions are made that the reported in tentions of the Russians to rendezvous at the Island of Rahuvan will give the American authorities in the Phlippine the same difficulties in preserving remote points against the incursions of Admira Rojestvensky that the French authorities experienced in the waters of Indo

The naval expert of the Temps lengthbrought by various steamers to Chinese ports confirms the previous view that: Rojestvensky is skirting the north of the Philippines into the Pacific, thus avoiding the possibilities of Japanese torpedo attacks and the mines in the straits of Formosa and the subsequent concentra-tion of the Japanese fleet in the straits of Korea. Further, Rojestvensky, by this means, will be able to make a long detour and reach Vladivostock through one of the northern straits of Japan, ence of the Russian fleet north of the Philippines places the Russians only a "The effect of the announcement that | naval base at Klung (in the northern part of Formosa), and that a fight is still possible before the detour com-

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