

THAT PROGRESSIVE SUBSIDY.

In another column appears a brief digest of the acts relating to the British Columbia Southern Railway Company, which should make the present situation of the company tolerably plain.

It was once a favorite amusement of Tory papers to dwell upon the fact that more Liberals than Conservatives were unseated after the general elections of 1891.

A FRIEND'S CRITICISM. The Vancouver World has so far yielded to the prevailing sentiment as to lose some of its admiration for the Turner Government's methods.

A NEEDED CAUTION. The Toronto Globe gives its readers some advice in the matter of mining investments, and the advice it follows will probably be found of benefit to both the would-be investors and the mining regions.

sound companies, as candidates for public favor. A shrewd man should be able to gather considerable information from the prospectuses, possibly more from what is not in them than from what is in them.

It is said that R. C. Campbell Johnson, acting as a Scotch syndicate, has bonded the St. Paul and Snowstrom, extensions of the Arlington.

EUROPE AND AMERICA. London Spectator Discusses the Cuban and Other Questions. London, Jan. 2.—The Spectator, in an article on the position of the United States and Europe as affected by the Cuban question, after remarking that the Washington government has had an unpleasant surprise in the attitude of the European powers, proceeds to explain the reasons for the European antagonism to the United States, and points out that the great financiers of Paris who hold Spanish bonds are alarmed at the possibility that Spain, after fighting to the bitter end, might be compelled to suspend payment, and consequently they are urging the French government to intervene between Washington and Madrid.

THE CITY OF JERUSALEM. A recent visitor to Jerusalem writes: Nearly all the places of interest in and about Jerusalem have been collected together, and are now exhibited under one roof, in the church of the Holy Sepulchre.

British Columbia.

VANCOUVER. The banquet tendered to Mr. Justice McColl, in honor of his elevation to the Bench on Saturday evening, was well attended, there being about twenty-five of the legal fraternity present.

NEW DENVER. The Ledger. There is some talk of Crown granting and stocking the Arlington in the spring. The Enterprise continues to report that the carloads of ore a week to the smelter at Omaha.

ASHROFT. B. C. Mining Journal. A portion of the Kurtz and Lane grant has been sold by Messrs. Laird and Brown, and work in the deep channel will be pushed there this season.

ROSSLAND. Roseland Miner. Roseland, Jan. 2.—A dispatch to the Associated Press last Wednesday stated that the Iron Mask had struck a big ore body in the upraise from the big tunnel from the 200-foot level to the 90-foot shaft sunk near the west end of the claim, and close to the War Eagle.

Shippments now and for some time past have averaged considerably over 100,000 tons, and they are sure to reach a total of 1,000,000 tons for the year 1897.

OTTAWA LETTER. Ottawa, Dec. 28.—In the month of August last information reached the federal government of the operations of certain agents from Brazil who were endeavoring to entice Canadians to emigrate to that country.

THE CATTLE ARE SAFE. A Serious Crisis Averted in the Pincher Creek District. A letter received from A. H. Lynch-Staunton, a prominent rancher of Pincher Creek district, N. W. T., says that the heavy snow which fell during the latter part of November and threatened the destruction of the ranchers' stock, has been blown off by the wind, and the cattle are safe.

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PLAQUE IN BOMBAY. No Abatement in the Ravages of Bubonic Plague. London, Jan. 2.—Advices from Bombay show that the bubonic plague, is supposed to have been imported into that city from Hongkong, where it had great violence a year ago.

VICTORIA MARKETS. Retail Quotations for Farmers' Produce Carefully Corroborated. By the appended list of prices current in the city markets it will be seen that the prices of meat have slightly advanced.

WINNIPEG WRINGS. Election of W. F. McCrea, as Mayor, to be Contested. Winnipeg, Jan. 2.—A telegram has been received from the Bishop of St. Boniface, from Ottawa, suspending Rev. Father Cloutier as Chaplain of Stony Mountain penitentiary.

had a good deal of feed stored for such emergencies, and they managed to keep the cattle in fodder during the time the snow remained on the ground, but for a time it was just a question whether the snow or the fodder would disappear first.

DESTRUCTIVE CYCLONE. Mooringsport, Louisiana, Visited by a Terrible Storm on Saturday.

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TO RELIEVE THE CZAR. A Supreme Court to Help Him Manage the Affairs of Russia. Berlin, Jan. 2.—A special edict from St. Petersburg to the Czar, says it is the intention of the court of relieving him of much of the burden of the government.

THE BOG SLIDE. Unusual Noises Were Heard in Peasants Previous to the Slide. London, Jan. 2.—The slide at Lakes of Killarney, which is the station of the week, has been enhanced by a story that about a week previous unusual noises were heard in the vicinity.

Necessity of Placing Miners in the Free List

Evidence of the Advantages of Changing the Duty on Lumber and Pork.

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