of a "peculiarly extensive Northwest Territories experience," probably representing more or less of cattle herding, with it may be storekeeping or something of that kind thrown in. As if a residence in Alberta or Saskatchewan were of any particular value—or, for the matter of that, even close relationship to a bishop—in the way of Klondike and Mackenzie river exploration. All which certainly does not augur any great likelihood of success on the part of the company concerned, which seems a well-intended effort on the part of people who really know very little indeed of what is needed for successful Klondike work.

### THE TREND OF YUKON TRAVEL.

Many persons are now outfitting at Ashcroft and thence setting out overland for the Klondike by a fairly good, if very long, route. Not a few also are still attempting the execrable and hazardous overland route from Edmonton. Meanwhile most Klondikers continue to travel by one or other of the coast routes, though there is a perceptible lull in the northern exodus from Vancouver, Victoria and Seattle, large numbers very wisely determining to wait until river navigation opens and lessens the risk of travel.

#### WAR EAGLE EXTENSIONS.

It is stated on good authority that the War Eagle Company has secured the two claims adjoining the War Eagle on Red Mountain. These are the Pilgrim and the Monita. The transaction, as far as the Pilgrim was concerned, was closed in Spokane. As regards the Monita, Mr. G. Gooderham and his friends secure a controlling interest of 613,ooo shares in the mine, on the basis of 121/2 cents per share, and as there were 750,000 shares, the purchase price of the property was approximately \$100,000. The acquisition of the Monita by the War Ragle people has been long under consideration. It has also received public notice lately because of the recent strike. The purchase of these properties simply indicates the extent of operations contemplated by the War Eagle Company. owns, at the present time, the War Eagle on Red Mountain, the Crown Point, White Swan, Hidden Treasure, on Lookout Mountain, the Richmond group in the Slocan, and the last purchase, the Monita and Pilgrim on Red Mountain. The capital is \$2,000,000 and there is at present ore to the value of \$1,000,000 in sight, while the underground workings cover a mile.

#### A USEFUL FIND.

It is reported that lime of excellent quality and in big quantity has been found at Enderby. Several million tons are stated to be in sight.

#### KEEP AWAY FROM SEATTLE.

The MINING CRITIC finds its way weekly into many influential quarters in the "old country." It is therefore appropriate through these columns to warn Britons, desirous to outfit for the Yukon, not to be misled into a choice of Seattle as a point of Pacific Coast departure, by means of the unpatriotic booming of that miserable organization, yelept the Grand Trunk Railroad. Let such as think of outfitting at and departing from Seattle—a port moreover of coffin ship notoriety—weigh carefully the following warning of a most influential Seattle paper and wisely prefer to outfit on peaceable British territory and at either Vancouver or Victoria. The following is the telling indictment of its own misruled city, laid by the Seattle "Times;"

"The Times suggested the other evening that a wide-open policy was making rapid strides in the line of crime in Seattle. It began with simple "hold-ups" on the street, when men were simply ordered to throw up their hands and submit to gentle searching. Then came the use of the revolver. the same being applied to the anatomy of the "holdup" with violent threats in case of resistance. Then came clubbing and sand-bagging, added to robbery, when the victim was left half dead upon Now comes the final act-absolute the street. killing-a series of steps as natural under the circumstances as the flowing of water down hill. Is it possible that the present administration proposes to sit idly by and permit this sort of crime to go on? Does the mayor, because the hoodlums, gamblers. cut-throats, thugs, thieves, and leaders in every crime aided in putting him in office, upon the promise of non-enforcement of law, propose to adhere to such a policy and permit robbery and murder to stalk through our streets undiscovered, unpunished and with scarcely any effort to prevent the same? If so, the sooner the citizens of Seattle wake up to the true situation, the sooner crime will stop."

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