

British Columbia.

John Leask has opened an office as real estate agent, accountant, etc., at Vancouver.

J. W. McKenzie, of Anthracite, Alberta, will shortly open a general store at Illecillewaet.

Angus & Gordon, of Victoria, received the contract for grocer's supplies for the Skeena expedition against the Indians.

Exports of coal from British Columbia for June were, 38,497 tons, valued at \$192,035, principally to San Francisco.

A. J. Hill, C. E., and an engineering and surveying staff are at work locating the line of the Southern Railway from the boundary to the south bank of the Fraser River, opposite Westminster.

T. & N. W. Dobeson, practical foundrymen and machinists, of Grateshead, England, have arrived at Nanaimo, and secured a site for a foundry and machine shop, and have a plant on the way from England.

Neville Smith, formerly of Chatham, Ontario, and recently of James River district, Dakota, has opened a general agency and commission office at Vancouver, and has formed connections with several of the largest manufacturers and importers in the East.

The Coquitlam Water Works Company has let the contract for clearing the pipe line and making to wagon road through to Coquitlam Lake to Duncan McLennan. No time will be lost in completing the water system to Westminster.

The Canadian Pacific steamship line consists of seven vessels plying between Hong Kong, Yokohama and Vancouver, this number being made up by the Abyssinia, Parthia, Batavia, and the four extra steamers, the Zambezi, Port Adelaide, Aberdeen and Albany.

The Illecillewaet Mining Company, have reached a distance of 19 feet into the mountain and a rich vein has been struck which gives rich promise. The vein is four feet wide and some of the samples taken from it assay \$300 in silver to the ton. Both the veins discovered are pitching toward the main lead which is expected to be struck at a distance of 80 to 100 feet from the mouth of the tunnel.

Grasshoppers it is said are playing havoc with the crops in portions of Cariboo district. At Pinchbeck's ranche, at William's Lake, a field of thirty-five acres of grain was eaten perfectly clean. The other fields are being flooded in an attempt to drown the destructive hoppers. At China Gulch the hoppers are so thick as to prevent the cattle from feeding. There are millions of the pests.

The official organ of the booksellers and stationers association, Toronto, says We are glad to notice that J. B. Ferguson has again resumed business in Victoria, B. C., the firm name being Ferguson & Co. We feel certain we are only expressing the sentiments of his many friends in the trade here when we say we are heartily glad he is again on his feet, and we sincerely hope he has seen the last of floods, fires and business losses. He is made of the right stuff to succeed, and no doubt prosperity will finally crown his efforts.



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23 00	166 Russell.	5 00
23 15 ARRIVE	180 Langenburg.	4 45 LEAVE

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