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VICTORIA TIMES, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9, 1898.

NEILL IS THE MAN.

tut dishonored; yet successive genera-

tions of Romans felt glad that Regulus

in spite of being seen in such company.

We feel sure the Alberni folk will prove

by their votes how highly they can es-

teem an honest man when they find him,

poll with a great majority.

manly. However, we cannot perhaps Attempts are being made to heap expect too much from an organ so full ridicule upon Mr. Neill of Alberni for of discordances. Mr. Turner is now a taking the step he did in resigning his private member of the house, and may seat on finding that he had unwittingly company-monger to his heart's content infringed a certain law. Now, is it not and it is nobody's business, but where extremely queer that any honest person did the special correspondent lay hold should endeavor to throw blame on anof the prefix "Hon." to Mr. Turner's other for doing a thing that, according other for doing a thing that, according to the best code of morality, is right? to the best code of morality, is right? he is only plain Mr. John H. Turner, steks to drive its thag off the ocean, Be-steks to drive its thag off the ocean, Bename? He might as well dub him Genits object the greatest service. There M. P. P. for Victoria city. We cannot were people in Rome who laughed at forgive the Colonist for so wantonly for-Regulus for insisting upon returning to saking a friend who was good, kind and the tortures and death that awaited him patient to it in the days when it was in Carthage, though he might have re- doing its best to hurt his cause-by mained in safety and comfort at hom, speaking for him.

FARMERS' INSTITUTE ACT.

defeat and political discredit, is hardly

had upheld the name of Rome for that stern, unbending rectitude which was the pride of the Eternal City. Are the Alberni people going to punish Mr. Neill for setting an example to the whole province? He need not have re-signed at all; he could have copied Mr. Huff; he could have put a volume of the public accounts of 1895-6 under his arm and gone down street ready with a terrific "counter" 'for the man who should wag the head and say with a grin: "There goes Ngill, the man who works for the government and breaks To the Editor: Metchosin takes credit had upheld the name of Rome for that should wag the head and say with a grin: "There goes Naill, the man who works for the government and break." Mr. Neill could have summoned the crowd round him, opened the book, pointed out where Mr. Huff had received sums for this, that and 'tother thing he ought to have had nothing to do with, and he could simply have shut up his accuser. But Mr. Neill is not a man of that stamp; he demands from other men and from himself a "square deal." Mr. Ward, of course, knows quite well that the is playing leading role in a rather dull farce, the opposition have placed upon the political boards at Alberni; he has not the ghost of a chance against a man like Neill, but there is no harm in trying how many votes he can get in Alberni. A bright band of opposition orators went down to Alberni last week orators went down to Alberni last week and talked in Mr. Ward's behalf, but

tural interests can be promoted. Mr. Palmer' gave an excellent short lec-ture on fruit trees, including some val-uable notes for the locality, which was much appreciated by the audience. The following gentlemen were elected as officers of the Victoria Institute for the ensuing year: President, W. H. Hayward: vice-president, Julius Brethour: sec-treas, T. H. Smart; directors, F. Oldershaw, J. Witty, R. Layritz. FARMER. Mr. Ward may secure one or two votes FARMER.

and return Mr. Neill at the top of the PRESIDENT HILL INTERVIEWED.

Talks of the Importance of Looking Across Pacific for Trade. CUSTOMS DUES AT ATLIN.

Mr. E. C. Hawkins, general manager President Hill, of the Great Northern railway, was in New Westminster yes-terday, and he said he had not thought of building into Vanceuver as reported. and chief engineer of the White Pass and Yukon railway, passed down to Seattle last night on the steamer Rosalie. A Times reporter who asked his opinion He denied any connection with the con-regarding the collection of custom dues struction of the Nelson and Bedlington ine. from Bonner's Ferry to the bound at Log Cabin was informed that not a ary, but admitted that traffic arrange-ments had been made by which the new line would operate over the Great North-ern main line between Spokane and pound of goods goes into the Atlin country uncharged. It is impossible to get into the Atlin country, except with un-Bonner's Ferry. The Great Northern officials in his train are: Second Vice-President Darreasonable labor, expense and danger,

With Steel Structures

proper and systematic attention and

allowing up of the matter. "Take a birdseye view of this commer-ial situation. Look to the east and you

find some 50,000,000 people who want but

a small fraction of anything you can produce here; on the other hand, look to the west, across the Pacific ocean, and you have 500,000,000 people who

ant everything you can produce and at

You have not much to send east; your

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your own price.

by any other route than that which passes through the post of Log Cabin, ius Miller; General Superintendent Frank Ward; Assistant Superintendent B.C. Mr. Hawkins is confident that the B.C. Mr. Hawkins is confident that the customs officials at that station are do-ing and have done their duty in an ex-emplary manner, and that the allega-tions made as to great quantities of Am-erican goods going into the Atlin dis-trict duty free are without foundation

the dollar of what it has cost for carry-ing the mails. All foreign countries do so; they foster their trade, especially

their marine commerce. See what Ger-many is doing for her marine commerce, what Great Britain, has done, and what France proposes doing. "The United States, on the contrary, by fore the civil way we had a large ocean fore the civil war, we had a large ocean fraffic in our own ships. Confederate privateers caused a change of registry to foreign flags, which, however, would have been but temporary had our gov-ernment shown less temper and more in-telligence. We, as a nation, pay not less than \$250,000,000 a year to carry our export products to foreign markets and

export products to foreign markets, and we pay that to foreign shipowners. On the land railroad transportation in the United States has, on the average, less than one-half, the rates of that in

European countries, but when it comes to the high seas the foreigner Has a Monopoly,

in case of war, when our government has to go out for transports, we have to pay any price the foreigner chooses to ask. In other words, he sells antiquated ships for more money than will enable him to buy new ones with which to compete with our efforts in are able to make any.

Mr. Hill denied that the Great Northern as in any way connected with the Pacific Coast Company. He said: "The Great Northern has no financial con-nection whatever with the Pacific Coast Company. The people who own the latter are largely personal friends of mine, and if there is anything from a business standpoint that the Great Northern can do for the Pacific Coast Company we shall certainly do so. I know of no rea-son why the Pacific Coast Company should interfere with any traffic arrange ment it may have with the Northern Paeific, or stop its coming over its terminal tracks into Seattle. For many years the orthern Pacific entered St. Paul over the Great Northern tracks. "There is no railroad in the United States

That Can Stop the Great Northern ming into any place it wants to," Mr. Lill said in answer to the question ouching the allegation that the Union Hill Pacific was endeavoring to secure control of the Short Line, and with it the O. R. & N., with a view to shutting out the Great Northern from the Portland territory. "The Union Pacific, the Great Northern and the Northern Pacific are all working in harmony so far as terri-tory is concerned. It is true that there is some little friction at Lewiston be-tween the Northern Pacific and the Oregon Railroad & Navigation Company, but there is nothing there that a little patience and good temper will not settle. No, the Northern Pacific has no more idea of building the cut-off from Missoula to Lewiston than the Great North-ern has of building from St. Michael to Rampart City, or from here to Tacoma. That is all along the line of the rest of the fairy stories.

PRESBYTERY OF VICTORIA.

The Presbytery met in conference in St. Andrew's Church at 2 p.m. on Mon-day, when the following subjects were introduced by the several leaders.-Women's work in the church-Rev. W. L. Clay. Apologetics for the minister-Rev. E.

G. Perry. A full discussion followed each

paper. In the evening a public meeting was held, when an address was given on "The Presbytery And Its Work," by Rev. D. Mackie, and "The Church and Masses," by Rev. A. B. Winchegter. "The following members of the Prosbu-The following members of the Presby-

rope fosters its shipping interest and makes it its business. The United States does not do so; in fact it is equally notorious that in the last four years the United States has not paid 25 cents on the dollar of what it has cost for correct or correct.

Gold in the Fraser.

Lytton, B.C., Dec. 7 .- With the exception of the early fifties, when Calfornia poured its thousands of miners in a continual stream away north, principally along the route of the Fraser river and into the Cassiar country, nev- within the limits of the Paris Belle river and into the Cassiar country, hev-er has so much attention been given to the auriferous resources and hidden wealth that without doubt lies within what is now become a district, which of knowing what proportion cach has, will enable the economical winning of the precious metal and warrant the handling of its alluvial and ledges by thoroughly or to amalgamate their respective in-equipped and organized co-operation. terests. Since the eyes of the world have been The shares of the Paris Belle comdirected to the Klondike, many old-time miners have again turned their atten-

similar treatment to the mode employed the South Island of New Zealand and lic slnicing The Fraser river throughout its whole course drains a country where gold-hearing rocks abound and in the course

of ages has become a huge tail-race. having deposits of gold-bearing gravel, not merely confined to its present limfor some distance, underlying what have become high benches, in many instances

supporting vegetation. early history of alluvial gold mining, it was not found payable to work these gravels by hand labor, having only the crude cradle or suice box, so that, with the exception of very rich patches, they were passed by. At the same time, in order to demonstrate what primitive appliances were capable of producing, statistics at Lytton disclose the fact that \$27,000 was taken from a small portion of the river in this district during last year by comparatively a few men. From the benches, right down to wa-

ter mark, colors can be obtained, practically in every pan of dirt taken right from the surface, and whatever holes have been sunk excellent prospects have been returned, though in the majority of cases not sufficiently remunerative to pay for hand labor.

The improved machinery of the present day placed in the hands of an expert in dredging for gold will without doubt demonstrate that enormous quantities of gold can be won from this river at a small cost. Measures are already being taken for the introduction of the necessary plants and it is only a question of time when a large and lucrative indus-try will spring up and help to swell the resources of British Columbia. There is adequate capital already

awaiting investment on the river providing those willing to invest can obtain the necessary area of ground upon reasonable terms, and it is to be hoped that the government will see its way to assist, by every means in its power, to foster and direct an industry so thoroughly calculated to bring forward this portion of Canada. It is only of recent years that gold dredging has made such gigantic strides in New Zealand, the home, you may say, of the steam dredge, and the returns from this method of working, even after ground has been abandoned by other modes of mining gold, has caused the building and working of hundreds of them upon the Moly-

"Never," says the mining correspondnever, says the ining correspondences of the Olago Daily Times, "within the most hope-in-spiring times of the early '60's did min-ers dream of the great wealth that lay hidden in the lower drifts of the beach

to the bottom. There are thr good shipping ore, while Canadian is securing possession of the valuable British Columbia properties ment on account of the \$60,000 made and the mine closed down

opened up by American enterprise. The Paris Belle Claim. The settlement of the Paris Belle

litigation gives rise to speculations as to what will be done with the valuable surface and mineral rights contained The mine is ready to maintain uous shipments at any time. Arthur R. Browne, of London, city the first of the week, sa Spokane Spokesman-Review. He sents the Smelting Corporation, L of knowing what proportion each has, it only remains, so far as can be ascerwhich operates works on the Manche ship canal, in England. He tained, for the parties either to divide buying ores in the Kootenays, and cerning his operations he said to

The shares of the Paris Belle com-pany are held mostly in Spokane and in "The report is true that the sme corporation I represent is buying miners have again turned their atten-tion to the possibilities of this river and aiready systematic prospecting along its bars has disclosed the fact that there is gold and plenty of it that only awaits Rossland. The stock has a large mir n Kootenay camps. I have purchations of concentrates from the 14 mill at Ainsworth, and shall the same to velopment that has been done on one of round the Horn to England. of these concentrates will average the leads give an average assay value o California, to wit, dredging and hydrau-lic sluicing. \$12.50 in gold. The working on the Lincoln fraction, which comprises about cent. lead and 32 ounces silver. will be, I believe, the first shipment half an acre of ground between the Paris Belle and the Alice, show a strong lead of a very promising characfrom the Kootenay of silver-lead the trates to an English smelter. show a save for the mine owner about \$3 ter. The vein can be traced through the Paris Belle, while the rock cut made ton over American smelter charges having deposits or government im-not merely confined to its present lim-its, but also buried beneath old channels and ledge washes. Many of these can now be traced and located by means of now be traced by traced we pay spot cash for our ore, wh also a consideration. You see, we by the Columbia & Western raiway at the east end of the property shows an-no large duty to pay, and besides, h own process for extracting from the zinc, we make another whereas whereas American smelters are to charge higher for ores contain percentage of zinc; in other word tensive development with what will, in all probability, produce profitable regalena ores going to the States pay a high penalty on the zinc.

Sults. When D. C. Corbin began his litiga-tion with the Paris Belle company in July, 1895, the company had just com-menced to develop the property, and the management was quite elated the prospects of the property. ( over Great reliance was placed upon the belief that it would soon become a dividend paying mine. Of course the lawsuit stopped operations, and it is only in the past few days that the company has really been in position to start up again. The min-eral rights of the Paris Belle cover 411 acres, which includes 10 acres of th east end of the Ross Thompson town-site. Its title to the surface is perfect, and neither the Dundee pre-emption any other element conflicts with title, although the Great Western, Golden Chariot, the Alice and other are all interested in the Dundee claim. If Rossland grows as most peopl think it will then the 130 lots which th

Paris Belle company owns will alone worth enough to enable the company realize nearly half its capitalization \$800.000

necessarily under in developing its other properties in the Rossland camp. Development in the Le Roi is proceed-ing steadily, and more men are con-stantly being put to work. The ship-monts from the mine for the month of It looks as though the shares of th Paris Belle company will soon rank near the head of the list among the standard shares of the camp. The only thing that might prevent this is the absorption of the company's holding en bloc some of the large corporations already They heavily interested in Rossland. appreciating the limited area of land available for residential and industrial purposes, might try to buy the assets of the Paris Belle company outright before its shares touch par.

The B. C. to Be Sold. As was stated in the Times about two months ago, the B. C. mine in Summit camp is likely to be sold in the near future, says the Bourdary Creek Times. Negotiations looking towards the trans-fer of the mine from the present owners to a large company have been in progress for some time. The property is now under option to R. G. Edwards Leckie under option to R. G. Edwards Leesle, of Rossland, who represents the princi-pals in the Montreal Goldfields Com-pany. Mr. Leesle' visited the B. C. a few weeks ago. Mi. Alex. Dick, another Rossland mining engineer, also examin-ed the property. Messrs. Harrison and Barchard, the managing owners of the property are at present, in Rossland

ager Harrison says there are 20,00 f high grade ore in sight. When railway comes a little nearer plant will be purchased for the pr To An English Smelter.

He is silent on the L outspoken for "Cuba The message reviews war, showing it was sake of humanity; the open rupture; that parations for war w traordinary despate that it' was conduc treedom from los navy both acted w lantry, and that the are practically com kererence to the deferred until the ed. The Cubans. h an opportunity to for themselves.

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THE PRESIDENT

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The first dump contains 1,200 high-grade picked ore and the waste. In August, 1898, the

Vancouver, from

Le Roi Flotation.

The British America Corporat

which has just secured absolute of of the Le Roi, will float the m

cern will be known as the Le Ro ing Company, Limited, and the pi

tus is now being issued. The fid will take place within the next few prior to Christmas. The capital

of the company has not yet been le

but it will possibly be £1,000,000

haps more. The Empire, one

London financial papers, which is in touch with the Whitaker Wright

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the new company, and the income f the dividends on its holdings will b

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ments from the mine for the month November, which has just come to

close, amounted to 10,027 tons, of value of \$277,718. The average value

the shipments is accordingly a trifle u der \$28 per ton. On that basis, if

were continued, it is easy to see that

Empire's prediction of 25 per cent. div

dends would be far more than fulfilled

In the Slocan.

Slocan City, B. C., Nov. 30.-The Joker and Derby mineral claim in Camp Mansfield are being actively de-

the management of Ernest Mansfield, a practical mining engineer. He has

push the work regardless of weather

The property is on the first north fork of Kaslo creek, at the head of Goffee steek. The company is sacking some very rich ore. Recent assays have

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once on the English market, Rossland Miner. The subsid

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trict duty free are without foundation in fact. This effectually sweeps away the malicious charge laid by the Colonist against the customs department, and commi tee. disposes of that paper's attempts to throw discredit upon the government officials. In an interview which the Skag-Spokane, where they will make a spe-cial trip over the Spokane Falls & Northern into British Columbia, back to way Alaskan had with Mr. Hawkins a few days ago, that gentleman said in regard to this matter of customs collections:

his trip out here was not for the purpose "It is said that the customs official will oblige all persons travelling to At-lin to go to Log Cabin to pay their duty of building additional roads, but one of with him the leading officials of his road instead of permitting the miners to pro ceed direct from Shallow lake to Atlin, and he was planning extensive improvements for next summer, principally was suggested.

"That is true," said Mr. Hawkins. "Will that not make the trip to Atlin crossings

much longer?" was asked. "No, very little. Simply because th A great deal of this work had already Fan Tail trail as first mapped out lett the main trail five miles this side of Log Cabin'it does not follow that it is five miles longer. It simply takes the travel-er a little further north before branching off to the east."

"Why cannot the officials move to the Summit, as they did a year ago,, and collect duty?" was asked. "They have built their cabins and es

tablished their headquarters at Log Cabin and they will stay for the winter. Perhaps in the spring, when an-other appropriation is mavailable, they may, build new headquasters at Shallow Baltimore & Ohio may, bu but for the present they will main-their determination to collect duty lake at Log Cabin."

We do not think it worth while to go further into this matter to prove that the statements made by our contemporary over the way were entirely inspired by a desire to disseminate false impressions concerning the government. The fore going needs no comment.

A WEAK-KNEED CHAMPION.

Yesterday afternoon a telegraphic despatch was received by the Times just too late for publication, but as it conveyed some very interesting news, and as our local contemporary's handling of the same despatch has somewhat amused us, we may invite the general public to indulge in a smile with us-a dry "smile," of course. The despatch which reached the Times office stated the Toronto Globe's special correspondent in London had telegraphed that "the Canadian, British Columbia and Dawson 'Telegraph Company will issue its prospectus shortly," and continued :-

other product, whereas these and an your other products, flour, etc., are eagerly wanted in the west. As Japan has been opened up to the world of commerce so will China be, and that before very long; "I understand Sir James Grant, Sir Adolphe Caron and Hon. Mr. Turner are on the board.'

Great Britain has India and there is no reason why we should not have our The Colonist this morning publishes the same despatch, but suppresses the no Orient. The name of Mr. Turner. Why, may we ask? Is the organ of misrule afraid of the opportunity is ripe and Seattle does not want to overlook her chance. In another company-mongering scandal, or

what? It is not fair to Mr. Turner to other words, you want more commerce with the Orient. suppress his name in that fashion, es-"How are you going to do it? By hav-ing more ships. Commerce invariably follows the flag. European nations are pecially when it appears in such distinguished company. Perhaps the Colonist has, to use its own elegant phraseology, has, to use its own elegant phraseology, "gone-back on" Mr. Turner, and has sickened of defending a gentleman who is so poor a hand in his own defense. But after conducting so frenzied a cam-But after conducting so frenzied a cam-But after conducting so frenzied a cam-paign of Turner advocacy to drop him like a hot brick in this, his chill hour of

Revs. D. MacR W. L. Clay, A. B. Winchester, J. C. Forster, A. Young, W. B. Cumming, E. J. Perry, W. C. Dodds and J. Burk-Fair. Mr. Pangborn is known as "the great American traveller," who made the tour of the world after the World's G. Perry. nolder, and Messrs. J. Menzies, and A. with the world's transportation Brown. In addition to routine, the following

Mr. Hill and party go from New Westof more general interest reusiness ninster to Portland and then back to ceived attention.

Steps were taken to commence at an early date a visitation of the new set-Spokane and then return east to St.

The appointment of Messra, Burk-holder and Beman to Sooke and Pender While in Seattle Mr. Hill said that Island by the home mission board was indorsed. The session records were ex-amined and attested, and Mr. Winchester was authorized to organize a Chinese congregation in Victoria, and Messrs. T. M. Henderson, John Fullerton and replacing of all wooden bridges and hn Pork were appointed to assist him in this work.

The following minute was adopted in 

been done, but much remained to be done, and the trip would determine that question. The matter of removing tres-tles and straightening the road wherever first opportunity of placing on record its sense of the loss which the church at large has sustained in the lamented death of the Rev. Wm. Cochrane, D.D., of Brantford, Ont., convener of the cossible was also being looked into, and even miles of trestle work beyond Rock Island would be removed and the road straightened and built on solid ground. General Assembly's home mission Mr. Hill brushed away with an em-pratic negative all the stories of his al-leged differences with Mr. J. Pierpont small measure the present position of Morgan, the Northern Pacific or the the Presbyterian Church in Western These are matters that can never af way for the taking over by the Canadian Church of the work that hitberto had been carried on by the Church of Scotfeet the commercial interests of Scattle in this northwest country," he said id

in this forthwest country, he said to a reporter." "It is vastly of more inter-est to this coast wint is doing out on the Pacific ocean than in Wall street, and your growth will be largely augland. and led to the more aggressive prosecution of the work throughout the whole province. To the congregation Zion Church, Brantford and to t and to the members of Dr. Cochrane's family we beg to tender our respectful sympathy." The Rev. Prof. Geo. Bryce, LL.D., of Manitoba college, Winnipeg, was nom-insted for mederator of the next Corr mented by the increase of the Commerce of the Pacific Ocean. That should be your field of operation That should be your field of operation and you want to turn your faces to the west for the future prosperity of this section of the country. Your business with the eastern portion of the United States is something that you already have and is in the country; but the other you have yet to get; you are entitled to a large share of it and you can get it by proper and systematic attention and inated for moderator of the next Gen-

ral Assembly. The next meeting of the Presbytery was appointed to be held in St. An-drew's Church, Victoria.

Acute Rheumatism

## Pains in the Foet and Limb-A **Complete Cure Accomplished by** Hood's Sarsaparilla.

"For a number of years I was afflicted with acute rheumatism in my left side and all the way down my limb into my toot. I live five blocks from my work and had to stop and rest several times in going and coming. I could get no relief from my trouble and was on the point of giving up my job when I happened to hear of Hood's Sarsaparilla. I purchased a bottle of this medicine and a vial of Hood's Pills and began taking them. Before I had half finished them I was relieved and it was not long before I was completely cured. I never lose an opportunity to praise Hood's Sarsaparilla, for my cure meant a great deal to me, as I have a family and must always be at my post." WILLIAM HASKETT, sardman, Grand Trunk Railroad depot, Brantford, Ontario. Hood's Sarsaparilla Is the best-in fact the One True Blood Purifier. sold by all druggists. \$1; six for \$5.

Hood's Pills fully prepared. 26 cents.

gravels they were content with scratching, for the usual penny-weight or two. In this river it is not so much a question of rich wash that will account for the ounces of gold awaiting winning by lat ter day machinery—it means the quantity of ground worked.

This river contains everything needful for a successful issue to dredging propositions, and with the present day machinery no difficulty with regard to tailings need be anticipated. One dredge working in New Zealand stacks her tail-ings behind her to a height of 60 feet, and another is working a face 30 feet above water line, and 28 below, having a capacity of putting through 4,000 cubic feet of gravel per day. She has a travel-ling crank running a distance of 72 feet for lifting boulders up to three tons in weight out of the way of operations. With the example of New Zealand,

with its many geographical difficulties, and where only through determined, continued and well directed efforts have diffi-culties been overcome that at one time med in surmountable, the one or two instances in which dredging has been applied to the Fraser river, and which have not come up to expectations, should in no way deter further capital and men from being embarked upon this all-im-portant, enterprise. There is not the slightest reason to doubt that renewed effort, coupled with technical experien (of the very best obtainable) should make of this slogether neglected industry a sure source of wealth to investors and comminity at large E. Ma Thorni-

by, MAI.M.E., F.G.S.A., in the Van Couver Province 745 bas billedo so tni s'arfie Golden Cache. Vancouver, Dec. 7 .- This afternoon, by vote of shareholders representing over two-thirds of the shares, the directors of the Golden Cache Company were authorized to borrow \$3,000 to pay off liabilities and raise \$15,000 on six per cent. two year debentures to finally prove the

\$9,000 Gold Brick.

Nelson, Dec. 6.-The Athabasca mine is roving a veritable bonanza and the test example of its richness was ought down from the mine to-day in shape of a gold brick valued \$9,000. The company is clearing about \$1,200 a day from the plates and they have the concentrates from the tailings left. Even with these returns the company is at present only milling the ore taken in blocking out the ore body and further prospecting and developing it. There are now 9,000 tons of ore on the dump.

cils and the provincial press, numbers 55. Invitations have been received by the party to be the guests at banquets to be given in their honor at Cranbrook,

A New Le Roi Company. The Toronto World of December

contains the following: "The World is able to state this morn-ing that the British America Corporation his, succeeded in floating the Le Roi in England on a basis of £1,000,000, i. e., \$5,000,000. A private cable received in this city yesterday stated that the new company would be formally "brought out" in London on Saturday next, and that almost the entire capitalization has been underwritten beforehand. The purchase of this mine by Lord Dufferin and his associates and the successful

streak of three feet, which property, are at present in Rossland. three to four ounces in gold. Mr. J. F. Leckie, a brother of the Ross-cality is one of the best mineral The lo cality is one of the best mineral belts i land engineer, was asked concerning the the Slocan country, and startling re reported sale. He stated that he had sults are expected from it in the near no definite information. All he knew future. The Evening Star mine is now in an

was that a deal was being arranged. The B. C. is in Summit camp, about ten miles from Greenwood. It is one active state of development. Hugh Sutherland of Winnipeg is general mandistrict. Messrs. Harrison and Barager. The mine is near Slocan City close to the Springer creek wagon road chard bonded the property in August, 1897, from John Keough for \$60,000. A fine rawhide trail has been construct Work was begun at once. A plant con-Star, the two claims constituting the sisting of a 60-horsepower boiler, a four-drill compressor and a small hoist group. The character of the one is iden-tical in both. A shaft is down 100 feet was secured. A force of 30 men was on the Evening Star and about 100 feet kept continuously at work for of drifting has been done. months. A shaft was sunk for 165 feet. value of the ore is about \$200 per ton At the 50-foot left a drift was run along the ledge, there being 400 feet of drifts The width of the vein varies, as i nines of the same character. It wil and crosscuts at this level. The next level is at 150 feet, where there are 300 feet of crosscuts and drifts. The ledge widened materially. It is 15 feet wide at the 50-foot level and 70 feet wide at probably average two feet as fa developed. Every inch of shaft drift has ore from the surface down. complete hoisting appartaus stalled and the management contem 150 feet. The ore averages 10 to 12 per cent. copper, 6 ounces silver and \$3 in gold. The shaft was started in solid plates putting in a compressor plant in the near future. The Columbia has about 400 feet of development work done. The company's monthly pay roll gold. The shart was started in solid ore, which continued down to the 50-foot level. From there for 70 feet the is about \$2,000. ledge takes a dip, but the shaft catches the ore again at 150 feet, and continues Robert J. Bradshaw,

Slocan City, paid a visit to the booming new towns of Niagara and Cascade a few days since. He has extensive in-

If life is worth terests there, and says that the min indications are faworable, with lar having it is worth taking ocare of. ore bodies and a well developed in progress, but he says the ore Reoklessness does not pay, either in do, not compare in value to, those of the Slocan country. Mr. Bradshaw is as sociated, in mining here, with Mr. Mc Donald of Winnipeg. Beauchesne & Livingstone are about when people

read of a young man who to erect a small stamp mill on the & been killed berta mine, on the first north fork Lemon creek. About \$3,000 worth while perform. ing some reckwork has been done upon the prope and the smelter returns have never less feat on a toboggan or at below \$100 per ton, and from that to \$200. The property is accessible water and timber:

The Chapleau mine is now working under the direction of J. Tatterall, one of its owners. Work will be acti pushed during the winter. It is a four miles from Lemon creek, and is a

dry ore proposition. The Sir Wilfrid mineral claim on Mat bock creek, about three miles from S can City, has a fine showing, and w be developed in the spring. It is own by Joe Payne and F. A. Brewer. mmense ironcap shows on the st It is everywhere mineralized. Dave Sutherland is doing developme:

work on the Republic group, two miles from Slocan City, and expects to ship ore in the spring.

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Fort Steele and Fernie.

ake. The party, which consists, besides the railroad men, of representatives the railroad men, of representatives from provincial boards of trade, coun-

mine.