SORRY PLIGHT

Hordes of Weary and Penniless Treasnre Seekers in Camp at Dawson,

Without Any Knowledge of Mining and Unable to Get Any Employment.

(Sam. W. Wall in San Francisco Call.) Dawson City, June 24, via Seattle, July 18.-Following close upon the heels of the ice as it ran out of the lakes I arrived in Dawson on the night of June 15, the day that stands in the calendar of the Yukon from year to year for the arrival at this point of the first upriver boat. I found already tied up at ly lengthened days turned the snow the front the little steamer May West, into water and the whole ran off with low Minook. The still smaller steamer Victoria, belonging to the Alaska Commercial Company party that was icebound at Circle City, had already arrived and that day left for the Pelly river with a few passengers who were going out over the Dalton trail. The May West was listing passengers for St. Michael. The Porteous B. Weare of the National Alaska Transportation cent. royalty law by Commissioner Company, that wintered at Circle, had also arrived, discharged cargo and was away hunting wood. The Bella, of the Alaska Commercial Company, which wintered at Circle, was reported to have left a barge on a bar near Circle City and to have cut loose and gone back to Fort Hamlin for another cargo.

The river is falling rapidly. It had opened many days ahead of the lakes. It rose high and flooded all the flat upon which the business portion of Dawson stands and threatened to carry the city down with it. For several days not enforce the royalty law. This hone the water was knee deep on Front street and men walked around the billiard tables or sat at faro in their rubber boots, the water above their ankles.

The flood subsided as it had come almost in a day, and left Dawson as I found it, a marvel of new cities. When I started out over the ice in

March last Dawson was a town of about 2,000 people. The business portion consisted mainly of the stores of the two big companies, the Alaska Commercial and the North American Trading and Transportation, together with a dozen or more saloons and dance houses which stood in a frequently broken line along one side of First avenue or Front street. The residence portion was a 000, chiefly taken out of El Dorado group of log cabins on the first rise of a hill to the northward. I returned to find both sides of Front

for a distance of nearly three-quarters of a mile and the business pushed into the cross streets and along Second avenue. The water front down on the true also of El Dorado. river is packed closely for a mile and a half with boats and harges, two and given in the Call of April 19, has been three deep, many of them with goods for verified and even emphasized by the an army in camp, and northward of the town on the rise of the hill is another army. There Major Walsh, commissioner or governor of the territory, has pitched his tent where he can

command a view of the town. All the surrounding hillsides that last winter were merely wooded spaces are rapidly being resolved into the city of Dawson The trees are down and in their place stand cabins in all stages of construction, most of them on the simplest architectural plans, but many being built with a care and neatness that indicate permanent residence. Most of the business places on Front street are mere rough boards or canvas affairs, put ing houses. They are all doing a great

business. Front street, long and wide as it is, is Life is at high tension. The great number of new comers is hourly being increased by the boats and barges, and the circle of tents widens daily; saloons and dance houses now are numbered by the score: the water side of Front street re-

sembles the approach to a state fair. In the hastily constructed booths every line of traffic is represented, including lemonade (at 50 cents a glass), ice cream, news and peanut stands. Both sides of the street boast sidewalks, but the roadway is axle deep with mud. The street

buildings. The Klondike Nugget and the Yukon dozen other plants are here or are on the

A little steamer, the Bellingham, that rapids successfully, plies hourly between the A. C. company's wharf and Klondike city, on the other side of the Klondike, and carries a crowd of passengers at every trip at \$1 a head.

The camp knows no rest. There are now twenty-four hours of broad daylight to every day and twenty hours of warm, bright sunlight. And there is a general indisposition on the part of the inhabitants to sleep. The hours claimed by night in San Francisco-from 6 o'clock of the evening until 6 of the morningare the pleasantest of the day, being cooler and the light more subdued, al- Numbers of the more alert new comers, frough for nine hours of that time the sun is above the horizon. For this rea- sturdy purpose to mine, are, after a son many sleep during the warm hours of the day and the streets are full of life hurrying down to the plentiful diggings every hour of the so-called night.

There is one little pause once a week

in the hurly-burly. Walsh has pronounced a Sunday law. At 12 o'clock sharp on Saturday night neither friendship, love for money can o'clock midnight of Saturday or before midnight of Sunday. The big jag of the week is given these few hours in which to recover itself and know the joy of starting anew.

Money or dust flows into town daily, and thence finds lodgment across the bars, or over the faro and poker tables. The two commercial companies get a big share of it and finally the banks get some. There are two banks here now. operating under canvas, both Canadian

institutions. The clean-up on the creeks is something more than half completed and is suffering a pause for lack of water, odd as that seems, following so soon after a flood. The warm sun of the quickaway, dams and sluices broke and were suffered. When the water had gone many of the dumps located so high as not to make available the water of the creek were still-and still remain-unwashed. These are now awaiting some expected August rains.

Whether or not it is because of the insistent enforcement of the 10 per Walsh I am not at this moment prepared to say, but certain it is there is an air of disappointment in the town with regard to the gold output. Almost all now shade down the figures of their estimate as made early in the spring. The total is variously placed at from \$10,000,000 to \$20,000,000. Alex. McDonald, the largest operator. In the spring and before the arrival of Commissioner Walsh it generally was and Fort Yukon. believed that the government would has failed, however, and the exaction of this big percentage of the output | xiety. The May West has made a good causes widespread disgust and disapfore, there is a certain sense of depresand nowhere is there any disposition to or to give out inflated reports of the indebtedness to meet, and Commiswhich to meet these engagements before making their returns to the govpaid into the banks, which are authorized to make the collection upon \$8,000,-

It is reasonably certain to say that the clean-up on the lower Bonanzastreet built up almost without a break that is, Bonanza below Discovery, from about 9 below-has been really disappointing. Bonanza above Discovery has more than met expectation; this is

creek.

sale and flying banners of new indus- report of the government inspectors of tries photographers, dentists, doctors the creek-McGregor, Norwood and and lawyers-ali manner of people. At Cadenhead. They speak of Dominion the mouth of the Klondike southward on Creek as showing the richest prospects The creek is surveyed from above Upper Discovery to 120 below Lower. The confusion which resulted from the recording of the discoveries on this creek and which has resulted in tying up some of the best property on the creek is now about to be adjusted. Gold Commissioner Fawcett began the hearing of the case this morning. The sworn testimony of every claim owner on the creek will be taken. The discovery will be fixed from this and judgment as between the several overlapping claims will be rendered and the property thus released from embarrassment and set on the road toward speedy development.

Sulphur Creek is turning out fully as up with regard to speed rather than aprich as its early prospects indicated. pearance or permanency, but there are These creeks are still in the prospecting a few quite pretentious buildings of stage, and should they fulfil their pronewer order. These are, without examise they will be sufficient alone to suscention, saloons and gambling and lodg- tain the camp at Dawson for several

years. The two river steamers of the North American Trading and Transportation crowded with people at every hour of the Company, the Hamilton and the Portwenty-four, and particularly in the teus B. Weare, now at the docks preevening from 5 o'clock till midnight. paring to go down the river, will carry with them about four millions in gold

The total shipment of gold to the outside is most difficult to arrive at, but will not fall short of eight millions. Porteus B. Weare, head of the North American Transportation Company, who has just arrived via Dyea. is making a general survey of the situation, and is much pleased with all the indications. He started up the creeks this morning.

So much for that picture. Now for this: Ten thousand people on the way to is littered with logs and the wreckage of Dawson or already crowding its streets feel the touch of the depression that is here, despite the heaps of gold in sight. Midnight Sun are two newspapers al- The throng is depressed because of its ready established, while at least half a own greatness. So many new comers are here that they cannot see how it work. They feel that anything less came down from the takes, running the than overleaping the output must result in a cut in wages at least, if not

a lack of work for many.

Many of these new comers are of the most helpless character, and already grave forecastings are made concerning them anent the long winter that is coming. It is pitiful to see them sitting in their boats along the water front, at the end of their long and hurried journey, utterly at a loss what to

do now that they are here.

The gold commissioner is hourly sieged by men asking him to please tell them where there is a creek upon which they can stake a gold mine. men who came into the country with a short stay here, passing by Dawson and on the American side.

Commissioner a Sunday law. Saturday night continued as the start out on the thirty miles of water as the start out on the thirty miles of water are doubtful or worthless. A hill-rest are doubtful or worthless. business stops, particularly that of the here. New diggings are reported in the sembling there for three days. saloons, including gambling. In such old Forty Mile district, said to be very great respect is this regulation held that rich. Big prospects have been found thousand sails were lifted almost in and much prospecting is being done on concert. In a half hour the whole face procure a drink over a bar after 12 American Creek. So great is the rush of the lake was dotted with every vadown there that a number of new towns have been started, the newest among them being Eagle City, at the mouth of Mission Creek, into which American Creek flows. Star City was the original of the place, but it was so badly washed out by the spring flood that the inhabitants moved up the river a little way to higher ground and called the new location Eagle.

A hig stampede went down from here month ago, not only to locate mining mouth of Mission Creek. It is proposed to control the old and new Forty Mile district from Eagle City by an all-American route. By going up Mission Creek and crossing an easy divide, the head waters of Forty Mile Creek are entered upon. As all the rich diggings of this district, together with the newly the Richardson boat that wintered be a rush. Much good drift was carried discovered diggings on its tributaries, are in American territory, it is easy to very considerable loss and damage understand this effort to place the supply depot on the American side.

> Many miners are going down to Rampart City and the Minook diggings, up the Tanana and the Kovukuk. Captain W. H. Geiger has taken his little steamer St. Michael to the mouth of the river for a cargo and will return and go up the Koyukuk with as many passengers and White Horse that the procession as he can carry.

Considerable anxiety is felt concerning the boats that are coming up the river, especially the boats of the new companies. The old companies are said to have secured all the best pilots on the river for their service and to have control of the wood cut last winter-what of it there is left, for the flood carried away a great part of that in the district, places it at \$20,000,000. which was cut by the Indians and the unprovisioned contingent between here

The fact that so many boats on the river between these two points have run aground gives excuse for this anescape. She brought twenty-six very pointment. Great as the yield is, there- forlorn-looking passengers into port with her. They had been wintering sion in the camp, among the miners, away down the river and put in most of the time worrying the captain. He boom properties that are being worked, had guaranteed to land them at Dawson and to feed them until he did so. output. Many of the miners have large He had not counted on being caught in the ice 1,000 miles from his destination sioner Walsh allowed them fifteen days and he was short of food for the filling after the completion of the clean-up in of his contract. Some of his passengers had a mortgage on his boat and they threatened to tie her up here or and hearty man at St. Michael last summer, arrived here a haggard and broken-down man, having lost fortytwo pounds in weight since his cruise began. Of all the trouble that the frezen river witnessed last winter in all its great length, Captain Worth says his own case was the worst. He would not go through it again for a fortune. The difficulty with the passengers was adjusted here and the boat released to go and work out her indebtedness. Besides Captain Worth and

> with her: H. H. Honnen, John Tyler, James Carr, Frank Hoor, Harry Numan, J. A. of Seattle: Henry Shoemaker, of Grass Valley, Cal.; James Flanner, Helena, Leadville; Mr. Scott, Mr. Cole, Mr. Robbins, Mr. Schulte and Mr. Dunham, San Francisco; Frank Holt, California; Mr. Todd, Oakland; Charles Range, ldaho, and Alex. McDonald, Michigan. On her return trip down the river she took seventy passengers, the first to seek the outside by way of the mouth of the river this year. Many of them are miners and they took out considerable treasure, but how much it was impossible to learn from them here, as they greatly fear an attack upon the

boat. Captain Ray and others who have been watching people and events down the river this winter are convinced that there is an organized gang of thugs which has been planning for sudden riches in that way and that an attempt to hold-up the boats may be looked for and should be guarded against.

The steamer Victoria, having return of from her first run to Pelly River, left last evening for the Pelly again, carrying some seventy passengers. They will be met at the Dalton trail by saddle horses and expect to reach salt water n eleven days from this date.

The little steamer A. J. Goddard, of

starts to-night on her return. The special war edition of the Call came in from Dyea in eight days. Crosing the mountains, taking boat at Linderman, making the portage from Linderman to Bennett, taking boat again at Bennett and rowing against a head wind almost all the way, but keeping at the oars day and night, two-men. one resting and sleeping while the other may be possible to supply all with worked, brought this great edition and the Calls were on sale in the streets of Dawson on the eighth day after they left the ocean front at Dyea and brought the first big news of the war to Dawson.

I arrived at Lake Linderman on the 8th of May, to find it still icebound. remained there and at Lake Bennett ten days and still the ice remained. I returned over the Chilkoot pass to get a later edition of the paper than I carried in the first instance, and with it left Dyea on the afternoon of June 7. and arrived in Dawson the night of the 15th. The ice had been out of Bennett several days when I arrived there the second time.

I passed more than two thousan boats on the way down. At Tagish, where a stop was required by the Northwest Mounted Police, the bank was fringed with boats for a mile. At the head of Lake Labarge they were. The American side, broadly speaking, tied up for two miles. A strong head barely favorable, but not at all of the Charles Smith, told me that Fat Canala

Suddenly the wind changed and a riety of craft and sail. Soon the line stretched as the speedier got away, and extended as far into the distance as the eve could see.

It was a brave, stirring picture, the seemingly unnumbered sails careening before the wind over the swelling surface of the water.

Somewhere in the crowd a cornet in the hands of some one who knew how to play it sent "The Star Spangled Banner" floating across the lake. Not claims, but to stake town lots at the a sound broke in upon it from the first note to the finish. But before that wonderful echo of Lake Labarge had firished its repetition a cheer ran down the whole length of that moving line. Then it came back to the starting point and returned down again. Again and again it made the circuit, each time with new enthusiasm until the cornetist struck in with the first notes "Hail Columbia." He was listened to intently as before, and at the con-

chision the scene was repeated, and in this inspiring way Lake Labarge was And no man who was there will ever forget that scene. Indeed, the same

may be said of the whole run down. The crush was so great at the canyon through those dangerous waters was almost continuous. The banks on both sides of the river below the White Horse were strewn for a mile with wrecked boats and goods laid out to

San Francisco, were drowned there on wrecks of twenty two boats. The \$50,000. smokestack of the little steamer Kalamazoo was protruding above the water just below a certain rock about mid-Hundreds of Miners Leaving the Yukon way down and famous among those who travel that river.

This is a strange land. Just now it is a land of summer and sunshine. The banks of the great river are abloom with wild flowers. The sun does not set and the birds do not sleep, but sing always.

Following immediately upon a great gold, and the prow of almost every one of them bears a woman's name. It is by these signs that they dare: "Sadie," 'Marie," "Helen," "Catherine," "Mary." Ah, summer and winter, this is one of the great spectacles in the long story of ernment. Royalty has already been at Circle City. Captain Worth, a hale the world. And it is all summed up in the name of the boat. This is the why of this tremendous hazard of new fortunes.

ESTIMATE OF THE OUTPUT. Some Facts Which Indicate That Previous Figures Were Erroneous.

seem small in view of the careless es- trail to tidewater. The fare is \$250. timates made two or three months ago both sides the tents of the new comers of any of the creeks, so far as developAnderson, Mr. Peterson, Mr. Clark, all by press correspondents eager for allurment has gone. The creek is surveyed of Southle. Henry Shoemaker of Grass ing head lines and by promoters of wild speculation, and doubtless will be told not at all supporting them, ers for the upper Yukon. I am told, though Mont.; Mr. Adams, New York; Will but rather giving the Klondike output as high as \$20,000,000; but after inquiry that of the Victoria. This is the trial trip, and Fred Heath, Tacoma; Al Mole, among miners known to me to be accur-Denver: Will Campbell and Will Dwyer, ate observers, intelligent and truthful. I cannot write them larger.

The first of the heavy consignments of Fare, \$200. The first of the neavy consignments of the next steamer to the gold for the current year arrived here on the Hamilton, June 24th. This is by far the Hamilton, June 24th. mercial Company's Yukon river boat Bella. She brought from the Klondike 150 passengers and \$2,500,000 of dust gers, but no treasure to speak of, except and money, and passengers and treasure | what was in the hands of private parties. will be transported to San Francisco on the steamship St. Paul. The North I saw two men weighing their gold be American Trading and Transportation fore going aboard. They had several hund-company's river boats Healey and Ham-red pounds, as much as five men could ilton reached St. Michael last evening, and nearly 300 passengers, and dust and seem to have nothing. One poor old Gerransferred from them to the steamship hardly get about, broke his belt when get-Roanoke, whose destination is Seattle, ting up from the table the first day out, omething like a half million of dust and currency has gone to the "outside" by way of Dyea, Skagway and the Dalton trail, and the remainder of the treas-ure will go forward in small shipments by the Weare. She had about 50 passengers the island dust worth \$40,000 to \$50,000 was brought hither by miners who came down the Yukon in row boats and aboard the 100 ton steamer Mary West. The fifth and last of the fleet to leave The St. Michael, a stern wheeler, had Dawson was the Bella. She carried 185 Michael, a stern wheeler, contributed dust worth about \$50,000 to passengers and nearly ten tons of gold

the aggregate, all of it from the Minook dust. district Early in May the Yukon opened at black with passengers. They had been Dawson, and since then 10,000 fortune nearly a year on the water and ice, and hunters have poured into the town from well-we were, in comparison, arrayed in the headwaters of the river. Most of purple. They shouted as we passed, yelling them are tenting on the slopes back of with delight, and every man who had a hat the Uper Yukon Company, arrived two the swampy flats so badly chosen as a to shake shook it wildly in the air, as site for the metropolis of the Yukon tip-toed and shouted till he was hoarse. country, and from all that I can learn should say that the general tone of the newcomers is one of extreme discouragement, just as might have been expected, for very few pay much heed to the stern facts of life near the Arctic circle until the realities are staring them in the face. At present food is plentiful, and the necessaries 'are selling at prices lower than those charged by the trading companies last summer. Nevertheless. unning in Dawson to say anything definite as to the food for the coming cold season, situation since it is not known how many of the newcomers will winter in the diggings, much provisions will be carried

up the Yukon from St. Michael. El Dorado creek yielded s creek yielded somewhat more than half of the winter's gold. Boshowed poor results, but the lower five ers having already gone, and as many more miles were rich. Bonanza, for about reaking ready to go. The town is positively forty claims above Discovery, paid well, but dumps on the higher claims and below discovery did not clean-up as expect-Bear and Hunker were good in Sulphur and Dominion, although spots. not enough developed to make it safe to speak positively of more than a few ciaims, showed so far as prospected that hey have much value. Some spots of Dominion are as good as El Dorado and Sulphur may be as rich as Bonanza. Other creeks in the neighborhood of Dawson remain as little known as they were last summer. The truth about kon river. The mines are paying, but min-Minook seems at this distance to be ers are scarce. The collector of the port,

side find resembling that on Skookum practical miners. Wages are \$10 a day in the Klondike is reported from Minook in the Klondike is reported from Minook and

something rich may come of it. The entire yield of the Minook district for the season does not exceed \$100,000. Good faith prospecting on the Koyukuk river has given encouraging results, and considerable bar mining will be carried on far up the stream during the warm months. An immense deposit of coal has been discovered 400 miles up the Koyukuk, and a competent English authority, who has tested samples of the We took on thirteen passengers and coal, pronounces it equal to the best an-thracite of Pennsylvania. The Koyukuk, At Fort Yukon, where the Porcupi this deposit and the junction er makes water abundant, even for with the Yukon, is navigable by steamers boats, we took on a very sick man, such as ply the latter stream, so that the a few miles below one of our Dawson pas bearing of the discovery on the cost of sengers, Frank Hurtz, died-consum mining in the Klondike may prove ex- He was a banker from Minnesota

ceedingly important. eedingly important.

The Canadian policy of inordinate be noted here, and has been comtaxation and oppressive regulations is having the anticipated result. Scarcely any genuine prospecting is going on, and mine after mine will be shut down to await further modification of the absurd are comfortably resting on the boat and unjust conditions the Laurier regime wrote it down with delight the first has imposed on Klondike mining. The out on the Yukon that we had but one s

at anchor, all of them engaged in the About the decks in rows, as if more than Yukon trade, excepting the revenue cut-They have brought to St. Michael about miles down the lukon from the Klondike. 1,000 passengers. The bad faith of most of the transportation companies is amazing. Provision for conveying persons up the river is so backward that of the great north conclude. The colors of the great north conclude. persons up the river is so backward that only three or four companies can be said about \$200,000 this season, the miners, several of their passengers to Dayson this year. The Connemaugh, from Seattle, well the entirit to more than a will several of whom took passage with us, having year. was overtaken in the Behring sea by a swell the output to more than a million the hurricane ten days ago, and her tow, a coming season. They claim that little river steamer laden with stores, was lost, work was done this year, because the water Steamer and cargo were valued at \$60,- did not freeze, as usual. Two famous find 000. Two barges towed by the Alaska the reported, Quail creek, 30 miles away commercial company's Port were lost in and about 200 high-bar claims on Wi

BACK TO CIVILIZATION.

Gold Fields.

(Joaquin Miller in S. F. Examiner.) St. Michaels, Alaska, July 4.-There was wild excitement on in Dawson the day we sailed, and, meeting Mr. Maloney, lawyer for the Treadwell mine, of Juneau, who has just come in over the Dalton pass, the scene of the reported new find, I asked him for facts. I also asked him about outflow of ice a fleet of five thousand Bratnober, generally referred to as agent toats sails down the Yukon in search of, for the Rothehilds, with whom I found him travelling last year. He hastily wrote for me the following: "Bratnober is at Dalton Post. Alsee river, about 150 miles from the coast, from which place he has been sending an expedition to Copper river, and is waiting results. Meantime, prospects in placer mines are found in the neighborhood of Dalton Post, and Bratnober is now interested there. Prospects are reported good, and many locations have been made. The new mines are on the tributary of White river. White river runs into the Yukon a few hours above Stewart, on the

opposite side. A little fleet of gold-bearing steamers, five in all, left Dawson as nearly as prac-St. Michael, July 6.—Gold dust to the value of \$7,000,000 was washed in the Dawson diggings from gravel mined since last October. Add to this \$2,000,000 mined earlier, but withheld from shipment until this year, and \$1,000,000.

This was her third trip up the river this started from the carried about 50 passengers, some of them for Stewart river and other way stations, and about one million in gold dust. Steward Harry Gifford, she brought the coin and currency and you have approxi- season. She leaves her passengers at old following passengers who had wintered mately the amount of wealth the Yukon Fort Selkirk, where Jack Dalton advert'ses treasure ships will bear to Pacific ports in big posters that he is waiting with 350 between now and winter. These figures horses to transport people over the Dalton The next to leave Dawson was the little steamer Goddard built in San Francisco

stories is the first link in a chain of three steamand doubts prevail as to her ability to stem the swift and fast narrowing waters.

the 2nd instant, aboard the Alaska Com-mercial Company's Yukon river boat the biggest and best steamer that has yet ascended to Dawson. She had 164 passen-It is hard to say what gold they carried. conveniently handle. Some of the men money to the value of \$4,000,000, will be man, whom we all pitied, for he could and when we saw his bags roll to the floor we knew what was the matter with

> and about five tons of gold dust-three tons for the company and three tons for the two Dawson banks.

The fifth and last of the fleet to leave A few miles down we met the Seattle,

to shake shook it wildly in the air, as he The morning sun came out bright and hot as we passed American creek, 100 miles from Dawson. From woodchoppers near by we learned that the town called Eagle City has about 700 souls, and that there were about 300 men back in the mines doing passing well, and that they boast they have the new El Dorado. We saw a "city" of about two miles in length by the water's edge, mostly tents, and countless small meals are costing the wayfarers \$2.50 boats along the water's rim. It is not the apiece at the score of restaurants now habit of steamers carrying treasure to stop It is yet too early at these newer towns, where there is no dust awaiting transportation, as at Forty-Mile, Circle and Rampart. Forty-Mile has not been worked much the past season. the mine owners being mostly in the Klondike region. We found about 500 miners at Forty-Mile, the largest half being new men, their small boats lining the river bank nanza gave most of the remainder. in numbers. There was a stampede on for Claims near the source of El Dorado O'Brien creek, 100 miles distant. 200 min-

> seven passengers, all with money, but the treasure from this place was less than a quarter of a million, all told. We found Circle City almost entirely out off from the river by changes in the channel. We had to pass five miles to the east of the town, and then go down several miles and then up another channel to the landing. It looks as if Circle City will soon be miles removed from the Yu kon river. The mines are paying, but min

deserted, but small boats are continually

coming in down the river. We took of

miners who are trustworthy, and more than \$100,000. Charles C do still better, but is short of is behind with oleaning up. He a request a file with the port for men. He sent in for the mines, but could get but few clean-up, says Collector Smith. above half a million, although

he had once been surveyor-general. It may on by many, that the men seem to go ; to pieces as soon as the intense exc of the gold mines is left behind effect on men in need of wage-work will man and only one pair of crutches on board yet in a few days we had one dead, tw There are twenty deep sea vessels here or three reported to be dying, and men la

Bear and the gunboat Wheeling. With the Minook mines, nearly a thousand

Commercial company of the were lost in the same storm. They cost about \$20.

San Francisco, were drowned there on June 6.

In Thirty Mile river I counted the City. The loss in the last case was these 400 will average to the man, less than \$10,000, although all spoken to put it at twice that sum.

AGONIZING PAINS Endured by Tuose Who Suffer From Sciatica—A Victim Tells How to

Obtain Relief. Probably no trouble that afflicts man kind causes more intense agony that sciatica. Frequently the victim is utterly helpless, the least movement caus ing the most agonizing pains. who are suffering from this malady following statement from Hayes, of Hayesville, York will point the road to relief and en Mr. Hayes says: "For upwards Mr. Hayes says: "For upwards of twenty years I have suffered from weak ness and pains in the back. Some for years ago my trouble was intensified Sciatica settling in my right leg. W. I. suffered seems almost beyond described to the seems almost beyond the seems almost believe t tion. I employed three doctors but to no purpose; I had to give up wo tirely, and almost despaired of life continued for two years-years with misery. At this time I was advised to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and after using six bottles both the sciati and the weakness in the back which ha

troubled me so long, were gone. again a well man and feeling fifteen years younger than before I began the pills. Nearly two years has passed since discontinued the use of Dr. Willis Pink Pills, and in that time no symptom of the trouble has shown itself. U for what they have done for me."

Mr. Hayes voluntarily testifies to the

truth of the above statement be Edward Whosead, Esq., J.P., and statements are further vouched for Rev. J. N. Barnes, of Stanley, N.B.

A TERRIBLE STORM Additional Details of the Disaster to

Fraser River Fishermen. Vancouver, July 22.-Steveston was in a state of great excitement last night, for besides the five Japanese known to have been drowned in the recent storm. it is feared all have lost their lives. The damage to the fishing boats was heavy, and it is estimated that several thousand dollars will not cover the bi

As far as known no white men lost their The storm is said to have been the most violent in years, and it sprang up quickly when some two thousand boats were in comparatively close proximity The wind drove then to each other. ogether with terrible violence some and smashing others like

The Japanese became rattled when thrown into the water appeared to make no attempt to save themselves. while the white fishermen and the I dians saved their lives in many instances by their coolness in extremely trying moments.

Primo de Rivera, governor of the islands twice, made an enormous fortune out of gambling licenses.



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lines had been made miners, arrayed hough somewhat v the mining country, mouth and untrimi The majority were of gold of various cases valises that v man were brought a gi.ttering dust. Seve oticed which show miners guard their wearth. The men ca were in many case guard of their fello carrying their right ciously hidden under vicinity of their hip A great deal of the of the amount vary \$1,000,000. Purser ose who say that the correct estimate but about \$300,000 says the majority were well filled bel lets containing much of the passengers ockets filled with o having seen two min pockets were filled after the manner in during his seaside pocket with pebble heir earnings in l len tells of one case rought down a value of which, counce, as can be total a large amount brought the box of their stateroom, each g it in turn in spe

The general run secretive as to therefore it is most certain the amou ectly to a he has got." The a jority smile a happ tion and answer "enough," and the "enough," and the isting in the make

miners. No matter what down may be, ho certain, there are turned prospectors a big stake, and that will furnish the so-called "root vere among the pa number of conter alk most cynically ry, its conditions When the Garon returned from Dar 1. or "Much-luck, known along the son on June 30th, sengers. She ran own and remaine fore she was skidd ter. The trip do days. The water

vas thought very yould be able to the river. The river steam pected at St. Miconne sailed, havin just as the Seatt The N.A.T.T. C

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steamers of the particularly the Co. They were passage down, dent steamers a A great many down the river i of them have me tality is report. While opposite the who were coming sized their boat. was drowned ar