St. Michaels to Victoria

J. W. Dodson Now on His Way Here After a Three Thousand Mile Journey.

Come Through From St. Michaels via Koyokuk-:Tells What He Found.

J. W. Dodson, familiarly known as "Windy Jim," is expected to reach here by the steamer Danube due to-night, after completing a winter trip of 3,020 miles from St. Michaels via Koyokuk. Not only has he traveled afoot from St. Michaels, but he has also made long detours up the many side streams to which he delivered mail, and completing from St. Michaels to Skagway the phenomenal trip of 3,020 miles afoot since leaving St. Michaels November 7 with a thousand letters. For four hundred miles, in one piece, he broke his own trail, besides doing so in numerous other places to head the various creeks.

The letters he carried were addressed to various of the hundred or more steamers which had left St. Michaels during the summer for up river points and had not returned. It was known where some of them were, but more of were lost to human knowledge. At the month of the Kovnkuk 2.2000 more letters were picked up addressed in the same way. It was learned there that 51 of the steamers were upon the various affluents of that stream. Every one of them were visited and divides were crossed between the forks, and finally the big divide to the Yukon which carried the traveler to Dahl riv er. Over 3,000 letters were delivered upon the Koyukuk to men who had not heard from the outside world since early

The Klondike Nugget of March 25th, copies of which were received to-day by the Times, says: "Windy Jim" has spent eight winters in this corner of the earth, and has earned quite a reputation as a "musher" and mail carrier. A thousand mile spin over trackless wastes is only an agreeable outing, and now that he can run into settlements of white men at least every twenty days, he is beginning to consider Alaska thickly populated, and will go outside until some of the people leave. He invested largely of his earnings on the Koyukuk placers and a coal mine, though he is considerably careful not to tell anything of that stream which cannot be substantiated. He says, "There has been pay taken from Tramway bar, on the north fork, and prospects are found in numerous other places on the north fork, and I have even heard the story that fifty cents has been found to the pan on Poor Man's creek, which is the south fork," but he refuses to vouch for anything of the kind. He says there is a large amount of prospecting being done. found to his knowledge on various of the tributaries of the north fork-good, indeed, that he invested his earnings-but the only sure think at present is the bar before spoken of.

An interesting story is told of Arctic City. Last summer some of the voyag- opened. era discovered that there was an excelplace Captain Battle with his famous boat Yukon was in the habit of leaving the winter supplies for that section. Immediately the ground was pre-empted as a townsite by the Edith M. Kile Co. and laid out and electric lights strung around on the trees in glorious profu-Settlers stopped, examined and along and everyone was on the bank to see it land, and witness the discomfit- tracting discussion and favorable comment ure of Battles when he had to pay everywhere. wharfage and purchase a warehouse site. To everyone's consternation the steamer continued up stream in the middle of the river to a point seven miles away, where a landing was made and a townsite staked called Bergeman. Nturally the town is where the supplies are, and thus it happens that Arctic City when Dodson left had reverted back to primeval darkness and nothing is there but unowned lots and an unpatronized half-way house, while the younger rival is a growing settlement and bids fair to become the metropolis

of the Koyukuk. From Dodson is also learned the doings of the A. C. Co. at Andreooski, a town on the Yukon some 200 miles from St. Michaels. Immense machine shops and foundries are being built, which are employing 92 men, the company plant including enormous warehouses and ways and docks for repairing their elegant steamers. The site is a desirable one, being high and providing ample room for the town, which must spring up around so import-

Dodson left Dawson on March 25th. A LUSTY YOUNG COMPANY.

The B. C. Permanent Loan and Savings Co. has just completed its first twelve months of business. The fine showing made by the company up to the end of 1898, as previously published in these pages, is bettered by the showing for the full year, and is an evidence of the popularity of the idea of a home company. The amount of real estate loans, at April 13th, was \$31,475, being a large increase during the past three months, the amount being at December 31st, \$15,350, an increase of over 100 per cent. The total assets are now \$33,250.08, and at December 31st were \$19,735.43. A continued experience such as the past three months show, will soon put the company in the front rank of Canadian financial institutions.-British Columbia Weekly Mer-

cantile and Financial News. I was reading an advertisement of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy in the Worcester Enterprise recently, which leads me to write this. I can truthfully say I never used any remedy equal to it for colic and diarrhoea. I have never had to use more than one or two doses to cure the worst case with myself or children.-W. A. Strend, Popomoke City, Md. For sale by Henderson Bros., wholesale agents, Victoria and Vancouver.

Kerr, a Local Compositor, Drowns Himself While Insane.

The uncertainty surrounding the disappearance of James Montgomery Monteith Kerr, linotype operator in the Colon'st office, was dispelled this morning when the body of the unfortunate man was found on the beach nearly opposite Dr. Milne's M. house on the Dallas road. The body was lying on a clump of sea-weed, the clothing was wet and contusions about the head from contact with rocks indicated only too plainly the cause of death. The body lay at a point about high tide mark. It was discovered by J. W. McConnell while hunting driftwood on the beach. The police and an undertaker were notified and the remains conveyed to W. J. Hanna's par-

Jas. Kerr, who is a printer by trade, was until a week ago in the employ of the Col onist company. An attack of erysipelas in the face forced him to suspend work, and on Saturday he removed from the Brunswick, where he had been living, and took up quarters at the Dawson. His face was very much inflamed, and he talked wildly and wrote a couple of incoherent notes to the landlady. He labored under the hallucination that several men were after him seeking his life. About eleven o'clock yesterday forenoon he left the hotel and, owing to his strange conduct, a search was instigated by fellow tradesmen. The body was found about nine c'clock this morning. Kerr was a member of the Typographical Union in Michigan and it is said he has a brother in New York. 'He was a native' of Wick, Scotland, had been employed in Victoria about two years, and was about 35 years of age and unmarried.

An inquest will be held at Hanna's arlors to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock. Dr. Hart saw the deceased on Sunday, when he seemed to be perfectly rational, and the doctor says that the erysipelas was then dying out. From subsequent developments, however, he concludes that the disease had affected deceased's brain.

Practically Declines To Be City Engineer.

The plot thickens. The "effete east" again refuses to deliver up an engineer, and again the mayor's fiat has gone forth summoning his merry men to meet him under the greenwood tree to-morrow. To-day Cecil B. Smith, assistant engineer of Toronto, who was lately selected as city engineer of Victoria, wired

the mayor as follows: "Cannot accept without full powers and guaranteed period. Ontario prospects good. Many thanks. Am writing. "CECIL B. SMITH."

All of which may or may not mean that Mr. Smith has decided to decline the post. But if he accept, it will evidently be with the powers indicated in his telegram, and the attitude of the council will have to change very much

To-morrow at 11 o'clock the mayor and aldermen will again take up their burden, and wrestle with a dilemma which has almost as many horns as there are members of the board. Should they decide to accept Mr. Smith's ultimaum the vexed problem will be solved, but if not, the whole matter will have to be re-

proverb above quoted, and which appeared but 'ull of hard-luck stories." at the head of one of a well constructed Mr. Mahoney brings news of an at- pany to pay for the land occupied. The source whence it came. Messrs. Hood & bought, and by and by the Yukon came Co. are using these proverb advertisements on a very broad scale, and they are at-

RHEUMATISM CURED.

My wife has used Chamberlain's Pain Balm for rheumatism with great relief. and I can recommend it as a splendid liniment for rheumatism and other household use for which we have found valuable.-W. J. Cuyler, Red Creek,

Mr. Cuyler is one of the leading merchants of this village and one of the most prominent men in this vicinity.— W. G. Phippin, Editor Red Creek Herald. For sale by Henderson Bros., wholesale agents, Victoria and Vancouver.

FOUR MEN DROWNED.

Deseronto, April 17.-Jacob Oak, M. T. McKittrick and William Vanwark, three fishermen, left here on Saturday night in small boat for their home near Bowess Ferry. The boat was found drifting ottom upwards yesterday, and it is feared the men were drowned.

Brantford, April 17 .- Thomas Lowe was drowned in Grand River to-day.



A Record Breaker

A. Mahoney Makes a Very Fast Trip From Dawson

tween Those in Affluence and Poverty.

M. A. Mahoney, the well-known Klondike traveler, miner and mail carrier, who has broken his own record for the trip from Dawson to the coast. With a team of six trained huskies he left Dawson at 9 o'clock on March 21st, amid the cheers of the crowd who gathered to witness his departure on his race against time, for considerable interest was manifested at Dawson in the attempt, and great will be the joy mong kon camps. This mail was handled by the sports of the Klondike capital when the news of his great run reaches there.

Mr. Mahoney had as a passenger on

his record-breaking trip Judge Morphet,

who for four years has been the repre-

sentative of the Dawson townsite people and who formerly was a partner of Joe Ladue, the pioneer of Dawson. He had a contract with the judge that should he be landed in Skagway in fourteen days the mail carrier was to receive \$700, but should they take over fourteen days to reach the coast Mahoney was to pay \$100 for every day over the fourteen. The veteran, however, aid not need fourteen days, for he pulled up his dog team at the Gateway City on March 31st at 5 o'clock, after having made the record trip—ten days and eight hours, the fastest time that has yet been made between Dawson and Skagway Mahoney says there is nothing new to say regarding Dawson. The people are beginning to look forward to the spring clean-up and its consequent boom. At present, he says, the people of Dawson afford a strange contrast. There are some who are rolling in money, have got all kinds of it, and on the other hand there are numbers who have not got the price of a sack of

flour. These unfortunates are for the

mer you will see men coming out with the reserve, about nineteen acres, was piles of gold more than ever before, for granted to the railway company by orderthere has been more development work in-council some six or seven years ago, done this winter than ever before and at a price to be fixed by valuation. No the output will consequently be much valuation acceptable to both parties was higher. You will also see men coming ever made, and there the matter has out as ragged-looking as any Weary rested all these years.

series of advertisements of Hood's Sarsap- tempt to stake the bedrock under placer company informed the government that arilla, was so much discussed that we claims. He said there has lately been it would not require the nineteen acres doubt if any one there will ever forget the a stampede to Sulphur creek, and now referred to, and the order-in-council authe bedrock under the placer claims is thorizing its sale to the company was at all recorded as quartz claims from about once rescinded. That portion of the re-65 above to about No. 20 below discov- serve-by far the most valuable, as it ery. The stampede was all brought occupies the best and most accessible about by the assaying of the bedrock by Dart of the water front—is therefore on Dr. Everett, at the instance of some of the same footing as the rest of the rethe mine owners. Dr. Everett is an ex- serve. pert assayer and minerologist, besides being an expert on mining laws, and developments, yet the important ques-

brought up as never before.

The Sulphur bedrock is a schist, and valuable pyrites is easily washed from the heat broken rock, which Dr. Everett \$10,000 to the ton in gold. To prove that the gold is not the free placer gold of the surface gravels which has been worked down into the interstices of the bedrock, the sulphides from ten square feet of rock taken from ten different places was carefully washed some six times. Then the sulphides were subjected to the furnace and yielded \$1,500 the Indians. The question can very to the ton, which means about \$20 to easily be solved. In this, as in other to the ton, which means about \$20 to the ton of bedrock removed and simply

Time will prove or disprove the value of the discovery. Hitherto as is well known, the placer men bave without hindrance, been in the habit of taking up a foot or more of the bedrock for the free gold it contained. This, the quartz men say, cannot be done, as the rock is in place and is a schist containing

gold of itself.

The thing did not pan out, however as the stakers thought, for those in authority decided that the placer claim owners were also entitled to the bed-

Mr. Mahoney has made many trips down and up the Yukon and its tributaries. Lately he made a trip to Eagle City and heard reports of finds in the Forty-Mile district. "There are great indications in this country," said Mr. Mahoney, "but -

"There has been little if any develop ment work done. There are though, two claims from which much gold will be taken, Discovery and the claim adjoining it on Chicken creek are paying their owners big money-they will take out thousands of dollars."

Another trip recently made by Mr. Mahoney was to the headwaters of the Klondike, and here he discovered a massive totem erected many years ago by the Indians of that region. It was hidden in a dense wilderness, and until Mr. Mahoney discovered it no white man had directed his sacriligious glance at the ancient siwash pole with its strange carvings representing all the animals found



The Money you spend Is still to your Credit.

When a man buys SHOREY'S Ready Tailored Clothing

the money he pays for it is really on deposit as it would be in a bank. It the clothes do not prove to be satisfactory in every respect, fit, finish and workmanship he can go back to the dealer and get his money back. What more can you ask

This guarantee is a part of every sale of Shorey's Clothing A card to that effect is found in the pocket of each garment. You do not find such cards in the pockets of ordinary clothes. Now do you?

in a siwash edition of the natural his

January 15th with a contract to carry 2,200 pounds of delayed mail to the Yu contractor. It was turned over to Mahoney, who hired three men and purchased twenty-seven dogs. He left Skag way February 1 and reached Dawson February 26. He intends to leave for Seattle to-night and will return north

Dunsmuir's Railway Land

President of the E. & N. Railway Company Discussing Compensation Question.

Company Abandons Privilege of Purchase and Thus Simplifies Settlement of Matter.

Mr. James Dunsmuir, while in Otmost part "chee-chakoes," tender feet, tawa, interviewed the minister of the inwho, until they went to Dawson with terior in respect to the claim for comthe influx, had never been off a side-walk. These men are for the most against the E & N. Railway Company part lawyers, clerks and men unused to for the seven acres of land, part of the the hardships of frontier life, who have | Songhees reserve, occupied by the track been sent in by rich men with the mis- of the railway and which has not yet taken idea that any man could be a been paid for. The delay in coming to These unfortunates soon spent a settlement has not been altogether the all they had at the capital, for if they fault of the railway company, which got out in the woods or in the rocky has always professed its readiness to gulches or creeks, they would have got hand over the cash as soon as the value lost. There is much suffering among of the land had been established. The adjustment of this matter has been de-On the other hand those used to the layed in consequence of the failure of frontier life and usages and the exper- the late government and the railway ienced old "sourdoughs" are crossases company to come to an agreement as to as croesuses go in the North and are the value of the land. But in addition to rolling in wealth. Mr. Mahoney said he the right of way, all the land south of never saw such contrasts in his life. the railway track and between the rail-"Watch my words," he said, "this sum- way bridge and the western boundary of

People like to talk about attractive things Willy" that ever struck Victoria, dis-In advertising. In a company recently the gusted and weary and lacking in gold cided that the transaction should be closed and called upon the railway com-

> The company, apparently, has abandoned the idea of removing its station while the true inwardness of the discov-ery may be somewhat modified by future west side of the harbor, for which purpose, it was supposed, those nineteen tion of the ownership of the bed rock is acres were wanted. The relinquishment of the privilege to purchase will materially enhance the value of the reserve as when burned and taken up it is said a whole, and when it comes to be sold the amount that will be realized will be far greater than it would be were the declares yields as high as from \$200 to | E. & N. R. Co. to take advantage of their right and purchase the nineteen acres.

The cancellation of the order-in-council omewhat simplifies the reserve question, and if the matter is now taken up in the right spirit by the two governments there will be little trouble in coming to a decision in regard to the removal of matters, the Semlin government will be expected to succeed where the Turner government failed.

DON'T WAIT TILL WARM WEATHER

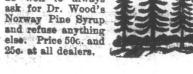
For your cough to go. Have it cured now by Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup.

Many people are waiting till the warm weather comes for their cough to go. Perhaps it won't leave then got too ight a grip on the system. Better have it checked now by using

bottle or two of Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup, which is a positive cure for the worst kinds of Coughs and Colds. Miss Bertha Snider, Glenfield, Ont., vrites: "For a long time I was not able writes: to work on account of a cough and sore throat which weakened me frightfully. got a bottle of Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup and it did me so much good

that I got another which completely There are so many spurious "Pine" preparations on the market that it would be well to always
ask for Dr. Wood's
Norway Pine Syrup
and refuse anything

25c. at all dealers.



in a siwash edition of the natural history books. Mr. Mahoney made a very good trip in from here to Dawson last time. He left here on the steamer Cottage City on

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COLUMBIA FLOURING MILLS CO. VICTORIA ACENTS, WHARF ST., VICTORIA, B.C.

Nanaimo, April 19.-At 1 o'clock yeserday afternoon His Lordship Judge Drake opened the spring assize court in the provincial court house

The following grand jury were empan nelled: Thomas W. Dobson (foreman), George Ashworth, W. E. Flumerfelt, Thomas W. Glaholm, Jos. Ferguson, Thomas C, Hayller, James Lister, Henry McRae, W. Raines, William Badcock, George Dunbar, John Frame and S

The only case on the docket was that of the Trent river bridge accident, which occurred last August, and in which sevral lives were lost.

His Lordship stated that if the jury prought in a true bill it would be neces sary to give the company notice. Deputy Attorney-General Maclean said the company chose they could go on

with the case at once. The petit jury were relieved from duty

Judge Drake then gave a short sumary of the accident, in which some five or six lives were lost by the giving way of the bridge over the Trent river. He stated that when a company were oper ating a railway it was necessary for them to take all reasonable precautions prevent accidents. The bridge ! eight or nine years ago, and it was alleged that after the accident it was found that certain portions of the bridge were in a rotten condition. If this is the case the company could be held responsible for not taking reasonable care. His Lordship then handed the case over to

the jury, who retired at 1:30. After being out for an hour and a half the jury returned with a true bill against the Union Colliery Company.

The grand jury's bill was as follows: "The jurors for Our Lady the Queen resent that the Union Colliery Company of British Columbia, Limited Liability is a company duly incorporated under the 'Companies Act, 1878,' for the purpose amongst other things of acquiring coal lands in the province of British Columbia, of extracting coal therefrom, and of erecting and using tramways and roadways necessary for transporting said dividual. coal from the mines to the place of ship-

"The jurors aforesaid do further present that the said company pursuant to said powers have for a long time past been mining coal near Union in the ed to recommend it. county of Nanaimo, in the province of British Columbia, and have been transporting said coal from said mines to Union wharf in said county, the place of shipment thereof along a tramway or railway in cars drawn by locomotives. "The jurors aforesaid do further present that the said tramway or railway is about ten miles in length and that for some time past the company has been carrying passengers as well as hauling coal on said tramway or railway between said points.

"The jurors aforesaid do further present that the said tramway or railway all dangers and sufferings; it will on the day and year hereinafter mentioned was carried across the valley of that make women womanly the Trent river by trestle work and a mired.

Howe truss bridge erected several years Paine's Celery Compound is at prior to said date, which truss bridge ent carrying on this joyous transf was about one hundred and thirty-three tion work all over Canada, and wom feet in length and about ninety-five feet | young and old, of all ranks and c above the bed of the said river, and that the said trestle work and truss bridge who conferred such a blessing of were maintained by the said company.

"The jurors aforesaid do further present that in the absence of reasonable continue in misery and suffering precaution and care the said Howe truss such a friend as Paine's Celery ridge might endanger human life, and that the said company were under a legal duty to take reasonable precautions desire? against and to use reasonable care to avoid such danger.

"The jurors aforesaid do further preent that said company unlawfully neglected without lawful excuse to take reasonable precautions and to use reasonable care in maintaining the said Howe truss bridge, and that on the seventeenth day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninetyeight a locomotive engine and several eight a locomotive engine and several cars then being run along said tramway or railway and across said Howe bridge by soid the said tramway or railway and across said Howe bridge by soid to the said tramway bridge by soid trams. truss bridge by said company, broke down said Howe truss bridge owing to the rotten state of the timbers thereof, duction of paper in the world and were precipated into the valley of 000,000 pounds weight, and this eman the Trent river, thereby causing the ates from 2,891 mills.

leath of Alfred Walker, Richard N ingale, Walter Work, Alexander do, K. Nunko (Japanese), and () Japanese), who were then on said and locomotive against the form statute in such cases made and pro and against the peace of Our Lady Queen, her crown and dignity."

Deputy Attorney-General then arose and asked that the necess two days' notice be given to Mr. Po the secretary of the company, and t the case be gone on with at the expi ion of that time. Mr. A. P. Luxton, who was watchi

the proceedings though not represent the company, said he thought it like that application would be made to Lordship at Victoria for a change Mr. Maclean said it would be necessa

o give the company two days' notice which to prepare their defence, but t he would certainly oppose the grant of a change of venue. His Lordship then adjourned the izes till Tuesday. April 25th at 1 o'cle

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In the spring time, when women weak, overworked, nervous, have feelings, dyspepsia, backache, sidea headache, neuralgia, blood trouble any of the many nameless ills which they suffer in silence, Celery Compound will quickly

tions, bless the memory of Dr.

Dear women of our country, wh pound is within such easy reach ready to do for you all you so

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That tired, languid feeling and dull he cahe is very disagreeable. Take two of

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The Trade of Can

The Returns Show an for Nine Months \$12,165,270.

Bedlington and Nelson Want Running Rights Crow's Nest.

Ottawa, April 21.-(Speci House to-day Hon. A. G. and Hon. Wm. Mulock also tice that the Pacific cable taken up the same day. " H Fielding said that he would state on Monday when would come down. The H

The customs department h the trade figures for nine mo fiscal year ending March 31 1 show an increase in the aggre of the Dominion over the sa last year of \$12,165,270. The increase in the duty of \$2,16 ncrease in trade is entirely ports, there being about \$4,5 rease in exports. For the March, however, there was in exports of nearly half a pared with March, 1898.

At a meeting of the ra tee of the privy council to-plication of the Bedlington Ralway Company for ver a portion of the Cro Railway was again up. ously adjourned until such parties could get together of a settlement. The cost at \$31,000. Judge Clarke objection to the application, case said that the applicants for portions of the approach

used the portions that were This led Hon, A. G. Blair t did not reply, and Hon. Mr. M ed if they extended from ocea Judge Clarke said he was no tion to answer, and Hon. Mr. that such a principle was da opportunity to the companie As soon as an agreement is ment is reached within a n mittee will meet and decide

viewed some of the m. and to-day, and left this ever Mr. Hendry, of the planing m couver, is here on private bus

s going to Peterboro. The Pacific Cable Toronto, April 21 .- The follow special cable to the Evening from London: The general i from the Hon. Wm. Mulock's Pacific cable resolution, is that perial government has guara proportion of the expenditure. The Pall Mall Gazette says resolution is a decided step for

THE DREYFUS (AS

The Evidence of Handwriting Exp the Paris Court of Cassati Opinions Differ.

Paris, April 21.-The Figuro ing the publication of the test the Dreyfus revision proceeding the court of cassation, prints dence of M. Bertillon, handy pert, who gave the reasons him to consider that the bord forged, and pointed out deta writing common to the border handwriting of Mrs. Dreyfus of the brother of the prison words were absolutely ide ertillon also explained the pol led him to regard Dreyfus as to of the bordereau. When Ber exclaimed: "Oh le monstre!" exclamation Dreyfus ceased

he testimony. M. Toysonniere and Chara perts, testified to the similari writing in the bordereau and Commandant Esterhazy, while otierat, an expert, energetical that the writing was not that

Mr. Cobert, Bank of France, the conviction that the handwi

Esterhazy's. MRS. SLOAN'S DENIA

New York, April 21.-Mrs. Sloan denied to-day the relivorce proceedings are now g ore a referee and upon a su According to the evening W Sloan said: "Reports have be sistently and cruelly repeat wish to say they are infan

QUAY NOT GUILTY Philadelphia, April 21.-Math

y Quay was to-day declared f his peers not guilty of the onspiring to use for his own gain and profit, funds of the Pennsylvania, deposited in the Bank in this city.