Incorporation Bill Has Got Through the Committee Stage.

HIGGINS TO THE RESCUE

Rossland-Kellie Kicks.

VICTORIA, Feb. 25 .- [Special.]-The character. incorporation bill successfully passed its second reading, and was reported by the MINES OF TEXADA ISLAND committee of the whole to the house late this afternoon. It will come up on the report for final passage next Monday. There was no serious obstacle thrown in its way today so far as Ross land was concerned, but it looked very doubtful for Grand Forks for a time.

Stoddart said he had been informed that a large part of the people of Grand Forks were opposed to incorporation and that such representations had been made to him by a Mr. Hay and others of that place. The attorney-general said the government had received a numerously signed petition from Grand Forks in favor of incorporation. Many ques ions were asked as to the population and general prospects of the place and nobody seemed to be able to champion her cause, when Speaker Higgins took the cause, when Speaker Higgins took the floor and made an effective speech, saying he had recently been there and could posits of iron ore owned by a California company. This iron carries some copper and perpany. This iron carries some copper and perpany. This iron carries some copper and perpany.

unless it is platted and offered for sale feet. in the form of town lots.

Municipal Control of Water.

The only important amendment made to the bill as a whole was to the effect that the places incorporated shall have power to appropriate and use any appropriated water in the vicinity. Nelson as well as Rossland is given power to borrow \$50,000 for immediate use and Grand Forks \$20,000. The attorney general showed much tact in the management of the bill in committee. Colonel Scott and Mr. MacNeill of Rossland, as well as John Houston and W. A. Jowett of Nelson, were much pleased, and there is general congratulation all around this evening.

Elections In a Month.

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As soon as the bill passes on Monday the government will appoint somebody to register votes in Rossland, as well as in the other two places, and the election for mayor and aldermen will be held within a month. Nine aldermen will be elected.

That in the Chiff and Commander at Rossland—very rich in copper with a moderate value in gold. Very little depth has been secured on this property, but the showing so far is remarkable. The walls are smooth and regular, with granite on one side and porphyry on the other. The vein therefore, is on a contact and in a good position for permanency. The Van Auda has richer favorable for the Raven because the ore is of a kind which is more reliable.

When he arrived near the schoolhouse when he arrived near the schoolhouse them.

Fears a Water Famine.

soon be at Rossland.

enable the private bills committee to catch up with its work. This committee will now grapple with the water power | Blewitt in these Texada mines, and it is anbills introduced and it may be expected nounced the Esquimault and Nanaimo railroad, bills introduced and it may be expected that decisive measures will soon be adopted. In speaking yesterday Kellie took occasion to severely censure the government for not having brought down a bill regulating the water power question. He was especially rough on Col.

Buker I look for lively times over this can be brought over at a very small cost. Nat-Baker. I look for lively times over this water question. The government canwater question. The government canwith deep interest.

Can be brought over at a very small cost. Naturally Victoria is watching these developments
with deep interest.

Arlington mine, which he purchased and not count upon very positive or well defined support. It was supposed Kellie was a government man, but his speech yesterday indicates he is disgruntled LAND WEEKLY MINER. Post free to any and will sink 200 feet before crosscutting about something. Coast Railway Scheme Killed.

It is reported that a telegram has been received from Ottawa saying that the railroad from the coast to Kootenay has been killed there. The government here is in no condition to give it sufficient aid. I think therefore it will not be J. R. R. heard of again.

LE ROI TRAMWAY. Now Running Satisfactorily - Ship-

ments From the Peyton Tunnel. The Le Roi tramway is working beautifully, and there is no longer any work for the teams hitherto employed to carry

down the ore from the mine for ship-3,600 pounds every car, and a trip is made every 10 minutes. The company bas approach a result of the company bas approach a result of the company bas approach as a result of the company bas a result of the company bas are has enough cars now to carry 150 tons

a day, but more were ordered last week.

The shipments of the Le Roi are at present restricted by the capacity of the hoisting apparatus, but they will be added to from now on by the output of the Peyton tunnel, described in The MINER a few days ago. Captain Hall yesterday began the making of a road from the tunnel and the erection of the necessary platforms.

TARIFF ON LUMBER.

Charlton Gives His Views as to Prob-

able Congressional Act. OTTAWA, Ont., Feb. 25.—Your correspondent today interviewed Mr. Charlton as to what in his opinion was the prospect of the lumber duties in the tariff law about to be enacted by the incoming congress at Washington. Mr. Charlton, who has recently visited the American capital, frankly admitted that it is hopeless to expect a continuance of the free lumber provisions of the Wilson

The depression in the lumber trade in all parts of the United States is leading to a more widely extended feeling in favor of lumber duties among the lum-bermen in that country. This depres-

sion is attributed to Canadian competition. It is a most absurd conclusion THE but one, nevertheless, which has been arrived at by a large portion of the lum-

in favor of a \$2 duty, with a retaliatory export duty clause. It may be explained that the retaliatory clause will take the shape of a provision that any export duty which Canada or any other country may enact will be added to the import duty. Thus if the United States duty on lambar is \$2 per 1,000 feet, and Grand Forks Likely to Have Been duty on lumber is \$2 per 1,000 feet and Plainly Marked for 70 Feet Down the Dropped But For His Speech—No Canada placed an export duty of \$2 on logs, this would make the United States duty \$4 per 1.000 as against Canadian lumber. This action, in Mr. Charlton's estimation, would be likely to produce consequences of a most undesirable

Bodies of Shipping Ore.

Former Has a Small Vein of Copper Glance and the Latter a Big Ledge of Chalcopyrite.

be had recently been there and could therefore speak from personal observation. This carried the day for Grand Forks.

City Lamits Defined.

The only change in the original bill as to Grand Forks was leaving out lot 380 and thus cutting down the corporate limits to 737 acres. The corporate limits to 737 acres. The corporate limits to 737 acres. The corporate limits of Nelson were fixed at 372 acres. An effort was made to bring in the Horner addition, consisting of 160 acres, but it failed by one vote. The corporate limits of Rossland were fixed at 1,920 acres, but no mining claim can be taxed unless it is platted and offered for sale

Character of the Ores. The ore in the Van Anda is a beautiful cop-

The only important amendment made | \$200 in gold. The vein varies in thickness from to putting in expensive machinery.

Texada Will Have a Boom. The flattering prospects of these two properties W. S. Norman, manager of the Ross- have given a tremendous impetus to prospecting land Water & Light company, arrived on Texada island. Twelve prospectors went up there today to work on the south end of the here today. He says he fears a great island. There is little snow in the mountains, scarcity of water at Rossland this sum- and prospecting work can be carried on with mer unless immediate steps are taken to secure the head waters of Rock, Murphy and Sheep creeks. He thinks water from Stony creek will be utterly in
Gold was first discovered on the island in the Gold was first discovered on the island in the greeks. He sugared the glass of adequate for the population which will days of the Cariboo excitement, and the evi-

> Dunsmuirs May Build a Smelter. The Dunsmuir estate is interested with Mr. tric lights in the store.

for \$2 a year in advance.

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Mr. Charlton's opinion is that the ways and means committee will report It Is Now in 70 Feet With a Remarkable Showing.

Shaft Within Smooth Walls-The Ore From the Drift Remarkably Rich For Its Depth.

A visit to the Sunset claim on the east slope of Deer Park mountain, made Thursday, showed considerable development work don; and in progress. The shaft is down 70 feet, and is in ore Van Anda and Raven Show Good almost every foot from the surface. From the 60-foot level a drift has been run 70 feet on the vein, which is a true fissure having smooth, regular and well-defined walls. The course of the vein is southwest by northeast, with a slight

VICTORIA, Feb. 22.—[Special Correspondence.]— width of 18 inches to two feet at six feet Edward Blewitt, who is largely interested with down, and at double that distance is two John Manley and others in the celebrated Vol- feet six inches, while at 20 feet it meascanic mine near Grand Forks, has returned here ures three feet six inches. Ten feet still from a visit to his mines on Texada island, and further down the vein is four feet wide, from him I have gathered some interesting de and this is maintained to close on to 50 tails of the discoveries recently made up there. feet, where the vein is only a foot in Texada island is about 160 miles north of Vic- width, and the assays have dropped toria, and lies in the gulf of Georgia, between from \$48 to \$12 in gold. At 60 feet Vancouver island and the British Columbia where the drift starts, it has broadened mainland. It is about 35 miles long and seven again to two feet, and at 70 feet, the bot-

ers, however, are conservative in their operations, and will continue the drift to at least double its present length before per glance, running about 60 per cent copper and proceeding to further developments and

jewelry from them and cast the cases aside in a heap as a housewife would a lot of peapods. They were picked up there this morning and returned to Mr. Mitchell. There were 30 or 40 of them, some of fine morocco, some of oxydized silver and some of rich plush, and Mr. Mitchell was pleased to receive back

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Recorder Kirkup and Constable Piper had no clue to the burglars yesterday,

Frank Watson got in Friday from R. C. MACDONALD, incorporated a few days ago, and will address in the United States or Canada on the ledge. He estimates that there is \$20,000 of ore now in sight.

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Colonel Scott a trouble for the home last night, Before leaving th Driard to a num they wished to sh preciation for the Hume had a te people this afte great pleasure at

JERSEY

Long Litigation Ended-A P From Vanco

came the news that the Jersey case in the sup Anaconda and G claims are amon camp, a long and ing occurred o Two trials were before County Rossland. It appears the Justice Drake h

Mountain and A as bad location well, upon the did not apply ar commissioner p ground under th J. M. Harris Henry, of Ross the Jersey claim \$1,000 expended 20 feet of solid has been run to face of which One hundred bring the tuni body, and ere tunnel the shor no doubt be gre Full particula judgment, who prove interestin first time many litigation will for the Jersey of Vancouver, Rossland; for Defender, E. M. McLeod, of conda, Messrs.

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