

(FROM THE DAILY COLONIST, May 12)

## A GOLDEN PROSPECT.

Remarkably Rich Free Gold Ore  
From the Victoria-Texada  
Mine.Rock That Will Assay Into the  
Many Thousands of Dollars  
Per Ton.

The steamer Maude has brought down two and a half tons of free gold ore from the mines of the Victoria-Texada Mining Co., numerous samples of which may be seen at the head office of the company, Hall, Gosnell & Co., at Beaumont Bogg & Co.'s, and at A. W. More & Co.'s. These were taken from a sack, one of a number in which the ore was shipped, so that they are a fair sample of the whole. The exceeding richness of the ore is a revelation to most Victorians, who have not yet realized that on Texada exist mining properties which bid fair to outstrip the richest mines of the Mainland. Large nuggets and splashes of gold are scattered through and over all the pieces of ore, which is a bluish-white quartz, also thickly impregnated with pyrites of iron carrying gold. It is not possible to judge what value the two and a half tons will yield, but it is safe to say that almost any piece of the samples seen would assay from a thousand to ten thousand dollars per ton. The ledge from which it is taken runs into the sea, and has been traced by a surveyor a distance of 1,650 feet. The ledge is four feet wide at the surface and at a depth of five feet had widened out to five and a half feet. This rich free gold deposit was only discovered a short time since. For the past couple of months work has proceeded on a tunnel in the main ledge, which is now in about 70 feet. On the property are four ledges which cross each other at a certain point. It is to this point that the tunnel is being driven, and about sixty feet more driving is required to reach it. It is expected when reached that a very rich chute of ore will be found. This is the opinion of all the mining men who have examined the property. In the meantime the rich deposit of ore will be worked at the water side and will be shipped to Victoria and be treated at Cowell & Co.'s works, Fort Street. The small shipment brought down by the Maude will be at once treated at these works.

In the main tunnel at the face there is ore the full width which averages \$45 per ton in gold, copper and silver. In opening up the face and forming a dump when work was first begun on the tunnel, a large quantity of rock was thrown into the sea. A recent test made of this supposed worthless rock by Cowell & Co. showed that it carried a value of about thirty dollars per ton, much to the surprise and gratification of the company. The above statements are not of the rose color order, but are substantial facts, and only once more prove that near our own doors we have remarkably rich mining prospects, which only need development to bring to the Coast the great measure of prosperity as that now being experienced in Kootenay district. And there is this one great fact in favor of the Coast mines—water transportation. No lurid articles need ever be printed about a transportation monopoly, for the sea is open to all and the charges for freight are merely nominal.

The Victoria-Texada Co. are selling a small block of shares with the object of enabling them to place three shifts on the work of tunnelling and sinking the shaft, and with good reason, except to show up a mine that will become as famous as the Golden Cache of Lillicoet. The capitalization of the company is modest—\$150,000—and shares are being sold at par—25 cents per share so that there can be no question as to further liability.

## GOLD COMMISSIONER FAWCETT.

The steamship City of Topeka returned from Alaska at 6 o'clock yesterday morning and sailed for the Sound a few hours later after landing a few passengers and some little freight. The steamer brought news that the board of trade of Juneau will send a man to attend the next session of congress at Washington to explain the wants of the country.

"At a meeting of the Business Men's Association of Juneau," says a communication to Collector Moore of Sitka, "resolutions were passed requesting us to ascertain if you could represent the citizens of Alaska in Washington, D. C., next winter, to present and explain to congress the necessity of passing a high license liquor law, and to explain both the acquaintance at the capital and knowledge of the liquor situation in the territory, that it would be to the interests, as well as to all citizens of the territory, if you would represent them in the cause." The steamer also brings word of the appointment of L. E. Woodward to fill the position vacated by Commissioner R. C. Rogers. On Friday the Topeka goes North again, carrying as passengers Mr. Thos. Fawcett (and staff of officials) who will be the first regular gold commissioner appointed by the Dominion government to the Yukon field. Mr. Fawcett's first assistants are Messrs. Gibson and Bolton, and his party numbers seven. They go direct to Dawson City, at the junction of the Klondyke with the Yukon, and their time of duty extends over a period of two years. The duties of a gold commissioner have until now been performed by Inspector Constantine, who is in charge of the Northwest Mounted police, but they have of late become so multifarious that the department of necessity had to be separated. To carry out the work as at present proposed it is believed the mining laws in the department will be amended, but Mr. Fawcett expects the time will be all arranged by the time he reaches the field of operations. Mr. Ogilvie, of the department of the Interior will start for home when Mr. Fawcett arrives at his destination, and other Eastern officials will be on hand shortly to engage in other departmental work. Among these will be a few surveyors whom the government proposes sending out to make a survey of the feasible waterways into the country.

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## THE CITY

The Bank of B. N. A. opened a branch  
concern at Slocan City yesterday.

This council of the Board of Trade have telegraphed to Senator McInnes, heartily endorsing his proposal for a government mint in Canada.

At a special meeting of the chorus, orchestra, and all others concerned, the recent successful production here of Farmer's Grand Festival Mass, held last evening, it was unanimously decided to take advantage of Mr. Dunsmuir's generous offer in placing a special train at the disposal of the company, and pay \$1000 a visit on the 22nd of the present month. The entertainment will be given on the evening of that day for the benefit of the Nanaimo general hospital.

This past two or three weeks have been fruitfully in and about Victoria of a number of very sudden deaths, the last being that of Mr. Frederick Thomas Ashley, of Esquimalt road, yesterday morning. The deceased gentleman, a native of Surrey, Eng., 41 years and a month of age. He was up and working in his garden yesterday morning and did not complain of any illness until 11 and 12 o'clock, when he returned to the house for his meal, and while awaiting its preparation expired. Heart disease is supposed to have been the cause of death.

LITTLE two-year-old Mary Hildreth Metcosh was buried yesterday in the graveside being conducted by Rev. W. H. G. Ellison, and practically the entire neighborhood attending to show their genuine sympathy with the grief-stricken parents. The baby was their only child, and for this reason, as well as on account of the peculiar and dire circumstances of her loss, they feel their affliction most keenly. An inquest in connection with the lamentable accident was conducted yesterday by Coroner Dr. Crompton, the anticipated verdict of accidental death by drowning being returned.

The annual convention of the Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias for British Columbia was held yesterday morning at the New Westminster, and is expected to be concluded by Friday at latest, as there is no business of very special importance to be discussed. The chief interest in the session centres in the fact that the Supreme Chancellor is expected to honor the gathering with his presence and assistance. Among the delegates from this city—the home and stronghold of Pythianism in this province—are the Grand Keeper of the Rod and Seal, E. Fawcett; the G. M. E. E. E. Lesson, together with the following delegates from Far West and Victoria lodges: F. Hinds, T. W. Walker, G. K. Gilbert, J. Cameron and J. C. Byrne, P. G. C.

A SPECIAL meeting of the vestry of Christ Church cathedral was held last evening for the purpose of discussing the advisability of making an addition to the rectory. The present accommodation is inadequate, and it was resolved that the church wardens be empowered to accept the proposal put forward by the rector in regard to the advancement of the funds for the purpose of erecting a new rectory. The interest of the interest on which sum was assumed by the vestry and that the work be carried out by the rector, with Mr. J. C. M. Keith as architect. The resignation of Mr. W. C. Ward as delegate to the synod was accepted with regret, and a resolution was passed with reference to his long and faithful services. Mr. Archer Martin was appointed in his stead.

BLACK and Johnson, the two professional crooks captured in San Francisco not long ago, will not alter be brought back to British Columbia for their trial for the robbery of Chalmers Mitchell & Co.'s Roseland establishment in Victoria. Superintendent Huxley, who has been in the Bay City for some time in connection with the case, now tells graphs that it has been deemed best to abandon the original proceedings and prosecute the pair of jail birds under the American laws for bringing stolen property into the United States. This will be a much easier option to prove than the robbery itself, and will result equally satisfactorily in securing a restoration of the stolen property, and the cost of the legal proceedings and the punishment of the crooks will be borne by the province.

A THOROUGHLY up-to-date map of the Slocan mining district has just been issued by the Union Investment Co., of Roseland, to meet the existing demand for a reliable guide to this important section of the province, which has never before been accurately described. The map now published has been drawn by Mr. T. Bamford, of the Lands and Works department, and is a most complete and accurate survey. It shows the Slocan, Cuddy, Three Forks and White-water, and showing also the Kaslo & Slocan and Nakusp & Slocan railways, with all wagon roads, tramways, trails and concentrators. A convenient index accompanies the map, indicating the relative positions of the claims.

CAPT SCOTT, at the furthestmost point of Vancouver island has heretofore been regarded as a rocky and useless piece of territory, brought into prominence only as one after another of the ships that go down to the sea meet their fate upon its jagged extremities. Henry Wilson, who was a hunter this spring on the Pigeon Sound schooner James G. Swan, is however, of the opinion that enough gold has been withheld from Kootenay, Texada and Alberni, to richly endow this barren promontory, and he is now enlisted the support of several mounted men in order that he may return to the Cape and prove the truth of his conclusions. Wilson says that he was wrecked near Cape Scott several years ago and at that time accidentally came across a ledge of very promising gold quartz, several pieces of which he broke off for the purpose of illustrating his statement to the discovery. These specimens he is now using in his behalf to interest capital. He intends paying the ledge a visit during the next two months, in company with an expert from Pittsburgh, Pa., who is now on his way to the Coast, and if to be, he will have no difficulty in realizing a fortune from it.

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## THE WORLD OF SPORT.

Victoria Golfers Break Records and  
Win Championships at the Ed-  
ison Prairie Links.Promise of Good Sport at the Queen's  
Birthday Races—The Y. M. C. A.'s  
to Have a Four.

Messrs. O. H. Van Millingen, A. W. Jones and H. Combe, with Mrs. Langley, Mrs. Combe, Mrs. W. A. Ward, Miss Prior and the Misses Davis, returned home yesterday from the City of Victoria, where they have victoriously represented the Victoria Golf Club at the annual meeting of the Tacoma club, just brought to a close. It was another triumph for the players from this city. Mrs. H. Combe, the undisputed champion of British Columbia, also having the opportunity to win for herself the honor of the level some of the ladies' handicap, and in this event established a new record for the ladies' handicap was won by Mr. Van Millingen, with a score of 88 plus 1. Of his achievement in this match the Tacoma Ledger's golf expert says: "Mr. O. H. Van Millingen, of Victoria, is well known as an excellent golf player here and at home, but no one has heretofore been able to figure out a possible score of less than 90 on the Tacoma links. Mr. C. Milliken's 94 of some months ago has stood as the highest achievement of any one playing on the Tacoma links."

Mr. Van Millingen could do better, but he did, and not merely better, but better. His playing score was 83. In other words he played a ball over three miles of the prairie, put it into 18 small holes with fences, trees, roads, a railroad track, and other obstacles in the way. Eighty-eight for 18 holes is an average of five strokes to the hole. It was a wonderful performance. It is doubtful if it can ever be done again. Mr. Van Millingen, of course, won first prize, and ought to have been content to take the title all with such a score. Another record was established by Mr. Combe and Mrs. Langley, the men's open four being 89 (seventy-eight for the ladies). Mrs. Burrill, of Tacoma, and Mrs. Langley, of Victoria, won the ladies' foursome, and Mrs. Combe came within an ace of winning the ladies' foursome, being defeated in the final by Mr. Milliken, of Tacoma. The other Victoria players made good scores.

## THE OAR.

WILL FORM A FOUR-OARED CREW.

At the Y.M.C.A. Rowing Club meeting last night it was decided to obtain a four-oared racing boat with this object all members of the club will immediately commence canvassing for members to form a four-oared crew. The Y.M.C.A. rooms, or from any of the officers or members of the club.

## THE WHEEL.

A CIRCUIT ARRANGED.

Although a small one, the races at the end of the present month will complete a circuit of the coast, and will be a convenience to the racing men. Opening in Victoria on Saturday, the 22nd, it includes this city, Vancouver (on the Monday), Seattle (on the Tuesday), and a special boat has been provided to leave Vancouver at midnight on the 24th for the Coast City, so that the arrangements for the circuit will be complete in reaching each town in the circuit are practically perfect.

## THE TURF.

VICTORIA'S QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY MEETING.

The second spring meeting, to take place at the driving park here on the 24th of this month, promises to furnish the most interesting racing programme of the season for a British Columbia audience. For the five-eighths of a mile event, Bright Eyes, Ione and preparation, and though the latter has the glory of having won more money in stakes at the Victoria track than any other horse, it will have to make better time than is yet credited in order to defeat his younger opponents when next they meet.

Marcel and his stable also throw down the gauntlet, in all probability, to this race, and the winner will certainly be depended upon to represent Victoria racing interests at the first Vancouver meeting.

The country is being scourged for ponies these days, to represent ambitious owners in the hurdle race, and an extra attraction to be given—and one which will assuredly be a good drawing card—is a high jumping contest to be governed by the rules which prevailed at the Royal horse show in England. Several high class animals will be entered for this event, and although Major Dupont's charger is regarded as the probable winner, Mr. A. E. McPhillips' Cruiser is very sure jumper and may prove dangerous.

In the challenge cup Riley will again do battle for his popular owner, but Black Beauty, who is looking and going better than ever, will make him race to the last stride, and even a meeting out of all calculations several dark candidates, from whom rumor has much to say, it will be a battle well worth witnessing between Riley and the pretty black mare.

## RANDOM NOTES.

OF INTEREST TO ALL SPORT LOVERS.

At a meeting of the managing committee last evening the following members of the James Bay Athletic Association were elected: H. B. Gourley, W. Laing, H. F. Stow, E. H. Austin and G. F. Askew.

The Y.M.C.A. basketball teams are well on their way to all corners. They have two teams formed and plenty of material for more. A basketball league is to be formed, as the game is growing in popularity.

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## UPSIDE DOWN ORES.

While some young men were taking a constitutional on Sunday they visited the shaft of the Black Bear, which belongs to the Le Roi company, and is the west extension of the Le Roi mine, and began picking around in the ore dump. They found some pieces of white quartz which seemed to have come from a stringer about six or eight inches wide. On breaking open one of the larger masses, a piece weighing about 20 pounds, they found it fairly seamed with free gold. The ore was as rich as any sample ever taken from the O. K. mine. There is nothing surprising in the discovery except that the miners who worked in the shaft should have overlooked it. There was some very high grade ore sacked and shipped from the Black Bear shaft two or three days ago, and it is quite likely that some of this high grade ore was contained free gold, although it was not known or even suspected at the time.

In this connection it may be of interest to state that flakes of free gold have frequently been noted in the ore from the 500-foot level in the Le Roi, and of late this has been so common an event as almost to be taken for granted. From the shaft below the 500-foot level, the most prettiest specimens of free gold ever seen have been found in ore which contained about 90 per cent of iron and copper. Mineralogists and experts are speculating a good deal on the possibilities opened up by these discoveries, and the order of things may be entirely reversed and that the ore of this camp may prove to be free milling with depth in addition to increasing in value. It should certainly be remarkable if it should turn out that Roseland is to upset preconceived ideas regarding ore bodies, and that the rule being for ore to be more refractory and lower in grade as depth on the vein is attained—Roseland Miner.

## BONFIRES WILL BLAZE.

Jubilee Suggestions of Sir George  
Baden-Powell Meets With  
Favor in Victoria.

Unparalleled Enthusiasm of the Workers  
Who Will Make the June  
Carnival a Great Success.

Enthusiasm for such a celebration as Victoria to give in commemoration of the completion of the reign of the longest reign in British history, is a sign of certain and signal success. It is a sign of a determination that it shall be emphasized in a manner that will astonish the Coast, appear to be contagious, and last night's meeting of the working bodies to get down to business in real earnest was notable as much for the readiness of the representatives of the city to take up the challenge as for the attendance. Mr. Charles Hayward was chosen as chairman, Ald. McCandless as secretary, and Mr. Charles Kent as honorary treasurer; with these officers and some of the most active and popular business men of the city on the canvass, the committee will be able to see to it that their part of the celebration preparations will be looked after—and their part after all is the one on which the success of which the carnival principally depends.

It was deemed wise by the committee to appoint a special sub-committee to visit the banks and other large subscribers, this committee consisting of Messrs. Charles Hayward, G. A. Kirk, Ald. McCandless and W. Thomson. They will also canvass that portion of the city defined as "district No. 1," and comprising that section of the city to the west of Yates street and west of Government street, and the other districts to be canvassed for the shew of war are:

No. 2—North of Yates and west of Government street; Messrs. T. Deasy, Drury, T. Bradbury and H. May, P. J. C.

No. 3—South of Yates street, between Government and Douglas; Messrs. B. Holland, W. H. Langley and W. L. Chalmers.

No. 4—North of Yates street, between Government and Douglas; Messrs. L. Goodenough, H. N. Short, Ald. McGregor and Ald. Stevenson.

No. 5—South of Yates street and east of Douglas; Messrs. B. W. Pearce, F. Robertson, A. Harris and Lindley Grease.

No. 6—North of Yates street and east of Douglas; Messrs. J. Braden, M. P. P., M. Y. Young, W. J. Hanna and William Dalby.

No. 7—James Bay; Messrs. F. Elworthy, John Piercy, Ald. John Hall and Ald. Macleod.

No. 8—Rock Bay and Victoria West; Messrs. C. W. Jenkinson, Captain J. D. Warren and J. W. Laing, M. A. (Oxon), F. R. G. S.

The secretary was instructed to ask permission to have subscription lists placed in the banks, board of trade, clubs, etc.; and a resolution was also adopted to the effect that all sub-committees applying for appropriations should be required to pass resolutions assuming responsibility for all sums expended in excess of the amounts voted them by the finance committee. The first vote approved was a preliminary one of \$50 to enable the printing committee to get to work, the portion of the celebration preparation delegated to this committee requiring to be taken in hand immediately to be effective in filling the city with carnival visitors.

Having disposed of the work particularly their own, the committee—being a thoroughly representative one—devoted some time last evening to the consideration of suggestions in connection with the celebration. That of Sir George Baden-Powell, published in the Colonist several days ago, that bonfires should be simultaneously lighted from the end of the broad Dominion, was received with especial favor. Here, in and about Victoria, the idea can be particularly well carried out, for the material being available in any quantity for any blaze, and the hills being also conveniently accessible for the making of a fine effect. There can be no question that such fires will establish a bond of sympathy between the different parts of the empire and that no other display would, and Victoria, for its part, will be glad to carry the suggestion into execution.

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## A DOUBLE WRECK.

How the "Ruth" and "Gwendoline"  
Went to Pieces in  
Kootenay River.Crew and Passengers Saved But  
Vessels and Cargo a  
Total Loss.

On Friday night the International Transportation Co.'s steamer Ruth and the Gwendoline, of the same line, were wrecked in the Kootenay river, four miles north of Jennings' mountain, the wreck of the Ruth at a critical part of the river being the cause of her companion's mishap a little later on in the evening. The vessels plied between Fort Steele, B.C., and Jennings, and by the wreck the company loses between \$40,000 and \$50,000. The particulars of the double wreck, taken from the Spokesman Review, are as follows:

It was 6:30 o'clock in the evening when the accident occurred. The Ruth had gone through the half mile of rapids, with the exception of a space about as wide as a street. The wreck was caused by logs catching in the rudder, thereby preventing the steering of the boat past the large boulders, a little to the right of the center of the channel. The river at this point is deep and rapid, particularly so now, owing to the extreme high water. Up to the time of the log clogging the rudder, Captain Canborn had complete control of the boat, and would certainly have pulled her through had it not been for this accident. As soon as the master found that his rudder would not work he signalled the engineer for full steam, and attempted to shoot past the boulder, but the current was too strong, and the steamer struck the rock almost in the middle, and after rolling for a few moments settled against the rock.

In the meantime Captain Sanborn ordered the crew to provide the passengers with life preservers and to man the small boats. There were only two small boats to start with, one of which was thrown from the ship when she struck. The passengers were then transferred to an island some 300 yards away.

The water rushed through the wreck, and in five minutes had torn the boat to pieces. Almost nothing was saved. Two or three saved their valises, but that was all. The company, however, saved its books and papers.

Before all the passengers and crew of the Ruth were taken ashore, the steamer Gwendoline, commanded by Captain Armstrong, came around the bend under the wreck of the Ruth, and took in the situation at a glance, and realized his danger. He was in the course for the regular channel, but that was obstructed by the wreck of the Ruth, and he tried to make the other channel, but could not do it. The Gwendoline swung against the Ruth, and soon broke in two. About 20 persons were aboard. They clambered to the wreck of the Ruth, and from that to the rock upon which the passengers had been saved. The fate of the Ruth was quickly repeated with the Gwendoline. Both steamers were total wrecks, and the river is strewn with wreckage as far down as Bonner's Ferry—furniture, mattresses and pieces of broken boat.

The first intimation Jennings had of the disaster was the appearance of the wreckage washed down by the swift current. Later four men walked in from the wreck, and next morning all the others came down, some in boats and some walking.

It is said here that the Great Northern will build a spur from Jennings to this canyon and thus avoid the danger in future. If this should not be done, the steamer company will repair the old Annerley, put in a tramway at the canyon, from the canyon to Fort Steele and the Annerley from Jennings to the canyon. The Ruth was a large, handsome

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steamer. She was built last year, was 100 feet long, and had a capacity of 160 tons, was equipped with 16 staterooms, and was modern in her appointments. Her loss will be about \$25,000. The Gwendoline was a smaller steamer, with a capacity of 50 or 60 tons. She carried 30 tons of ore at the time of the accident. She had run on the upper river between Fort Steele and Jennings for two seasons. There was no insurance on the boats. The company is now building a new steamer at Jennings, of the same length as the Ruth, but six feet wider. Work will be pushed upon it night and day, and the officers say it will make its first run within 20 or 25 days. James F. Wardner is president of the company and Captain Armstrong is general manager.

## THE FULL COURT.

The case of Gray vs. McCallum was on before the full court yesterday, and after listening to the argument all day such satisfactory progress was made that the entire case represented by a portly tome of 1,000 pages was gone over. The case will be continued to-day, which will in all probability be the last chapter in a litigation which has been in progress since 1889. Mr. A. P. Lux appeared for the defendant, E. M. Johnson, who is the appellant, and Gordon Hunter and L. P. Duff for the respondents.

At 10 o'clock this morning the following list of appeals will be heard:

Clark vs. Eholt.  
Cowan vs. Macaulay.  
Madden vs. Nelson and Fort Sheppard Railway.  
Langley vs. Duffy.  
Painchand vs. Landsberg.  
Conway vs. Independent.  
re Atlas Cannery Co.

## BEHRING SEA PATROL.

Captain I. N. Hooper, who will have charge of the movements of the revenue fleet in Behring sea, has arrived in the city, and until the vessels go north he will be quartered at the Butler. Unusually early in the season the fleet, which will also be Capt. Hooper's headquarters. He will not do any cruising at the moment, but his position requiring him to maintain headquarters where he can be in touch with the affairs of the patrol. He is considered one of the most efficient officers of the revenue service, and his official connection with it as its senior officer on the Pacific coast was an appointment that his intimate knowledge of the international questions in regard to sealing well deserved. Captain Hooper's friends expect to see him some day at the head of the revenue marine service.—Oregonian.

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## THE TOPLINE

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the SeasWhite Hunters the  
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A breeze from the right day would bring a fleet from the sealing grounds, but of these, the schooner Captain R. A. Lavender from here on the first arrived at noon yesterday, seven or eight vessels, Flattery, and the other. The Algar has the proud year of being top-liner with a catch of 640 skins below decks—an honor Baker, of the Pioneer, 38 pelts less, had he. Of the Algar's catch, off Cape Mendocino, since coming north on the "The weather said one of the hunters been what we consider all of the seasons I have and I have followed for the past seven years men seals so scarce. A tire voyage I saw only connection with the ed by the Algar. A noteworthy observation—that both vessels crews throughout, no man being aboard either ber being in the neighborhood of four men on each vessel the fleet following the about 150 skins. It is a few exceptions all cars. The Willard Ainsworth understood to be a catch of 360. One of was spoken on the 23 with 85 seals. Although this Pioneer, and it is longed to visit his d on the Russian coast years he has frequent cess.

O. R. & N. S. It is to Victoria dir. Portland that the O. Chitagon is now coming. She is due to arrive in about a month of arrivals, sulphur for Victoria, of the same line, the Monmouthshire, less than 300. One of these three a full outfit ready been booked; a new charter of the carrier.

## THE "OB"

The battleship Oregon the drydock at the station Saturday night is now taking aboard the crew and passengers, entering the dock, and aboard will come the short stay will be made when the ship is ready for service present Oregon.

The board of inquiry government into the obstruction of the Oregon when the Oregon was vene to-day, only directly interested be in the court. W. H. Iam A. Kirkland ar Sunday, and went station. Feat. J. H. other member of the advocate.

As to the rumors existence ever since the dock, being a city and worth of the den denied by so many it seems that the testimony of any

The Sam  
Old Sars

That's Ayer's Sarsaparilla as sold by Dr. J. C. ago. In the different, the Sances lend experience. Rilla is the same that made the of cures. Well, we condition of the raspberry; said, "God me better berry. also, He needn't we better. We can't. V same old p Indians and has not been since we mak pound out of we see no way. Of course, if some secret we might... We're making sarsaparilla to disease. You same old cause it work cures. It's purifier, and