

the germ of his idea. experiments with mercury a tube from which the air was exhausted. He found that when once the force of the cold mercury was very much less powerful than ready passage and produced brilliant light; the glowy vapor. This, Mr. Hewitt is the crucial point, the genesis of the mercury arc.

PARIS SVENGALI.

An ambassador in Paris has been arrested and the transportation of George Remy, who is an insurance swindler, has been delayed. Six months ago he was arrested in London, with whom he had come over Europe until a few days when the girl came home and half dead from mental disorder, which she had inherited from her mother. She was rescued by many physicians, but hypnotism was resorted to. The unhappy bride confessed that she had been married for her for \$100,000 in an insurance company, stipulating that she was to be kept in a room, even if committed suicide within the year of the policy's life. She insured herself in an insurance company, and she was to be kept in a room, even if committed suicide within the year of the policy's life. She insured herself in an insurance company, and she was to be kept in a room, even if committed suicide within the year of the policy's life.

LOST COMPANY.

Miss Lamour in Wilfred's comedy, "A Wife Proving one of the greatest present dramatic sea-fact is it simply goes to show that if you give the money's worth you will get it. Miss Lamour, a recent season past has been noticeably clever members. Daily's various companies, and the undeniable advantage of training under Mr. Daly is undoubtedly one of the best candidates for stellar work. She has recently been brought public, and being possessed of a back up with talent and stakable order, there is no doubt that she will result in anything but the kind of success. The company has been engaged to support her in a high order of merit. By Frederick Murphy, for whom she is a prominent member. A Marlowe's company and occupying the position of a manager. Richardson has just negotiations for the appearance of the company at the opera Thursday evening.

ISLANDS RIDING.

erson Nominated by the Liberals.

A, June 15.—The Liberals riding, formerly North nominated T. W. Paterson at Sidney.

OF THE FRASER.

Points Report That the Water is Rising.

FT. June 14.—The Fraser seven inches at Soda Creek. It continues to rise at the weather is warm.

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NOT WET THE SAILS.

ORK, June 15.—Apprehension their sails and spooling the trio of cup defenders, Re-nstitution and Columbia at sea today while other yachts see for the Glen Cove cups New York Yacht club in Long

CHINESE MINISTER.

NGTON, June 15.—Sir Chen Chen, the new Chinese minister to the United States, was received by President Roosevelt at the White House today. The presentation by Secretary Hay. The minister, accompanied by the official staff, was received by the president.

AT NEW YORK.

ORK, June 16.—Holcombe Harvard veteran, won the today in the lawn tennis for the Metropolitan championship. Ward will therefore meet veteran, H. H. Hackett, to the challenge match for the trophy.

LABOR COMMISSION.

Now in Course of Preparation at Victoria.

A, June 15.—The royal labor is now sitting here preparing. The commissioners want before the end of the month, to place before the pre-

NEWS OF THE COAST

Mayor McCandless of Victoria has received the following communication from Sir Thomas Shaughnessy: "Our board has adopted the hotel project on the general lines indicated in the letter of June 1st, signed by yourself and the other members of the committee. We may wish to offer some suggestions about making one or two of the streets somewhat wider. The clause about water and sewerage will require to be more clearly defined. Of course it is understood that the city is to do all the requisite filling to bring the lots to the level contemplated by the plans, and it is to be turned over to the company completed in this respect, except in so far as we may be able to save filling in connection with the foundations of the building. No doubt there will be some other minor details to work out in the agreement but which do not occur to me now."

The first sockeyes of the season of 1903 were packed on the Skeena river on Thursday last, the honor of putting up the first cases falling to Mr. W. R. Chambers, manager of the British Columbia Packers' association cannery at Port Essington. Two hundred cases were packed on the day mentioned. The men fishing for Mr. Chambers netted a stray school of fish, probably the forerunners of the larger schools which will enter the Skeena shortly.

A considerable rush of settlers into Buckley valley is anticipated during the summer. A syndicate, at the head of which is T. R. E. McInnes, has an agent in the United States, and many from the western states have signified an intention of taking up land. G. Campbell, who has recently arrived at the coast, has the north gives some interesting details of the weather in the Buckley valley. He states that owing to the dryness of the atmosphere throughout the entire winter, the low temperatures reached were not felt so keenly as the figures would indicate. The lowest temperature was 27 degrees below on March 14, and the highest up to the time of his departure at the end of April, was 32 degrees below. It was 108 in the sun. The snowfall was not heavy, there being about two feet on December 20, while the snow had entirely disappeared by April 5. Rain fell on several days during the winter, though the fall was not heavy at any time.

The Victoria carpenters' strike has been settled. The agreement between the Builders' association and the union differs but very little from the original proposition of the builders. The men are to receive 40 cents an hour for a week of 44 hours. Saturday afternoon is declared a holiday between the months of April and September. For work performed on such afternoons 50 cents an hour will be paid.

The property known as the South Valley mine, situated on Howe Sound, about 23 miles from Vancouver, has been sold. The property is on the south side of Britannia mountain, just over the divide from the famous Britannia mine. The purchasers of the property are members of a London and Paris syndicate. It is understood that the Rothschilds are the leading backers of this syndicate, which intends to engage in coast mining on a large scale. Vancouver men were the former owners of the property, and under the terms of the deal will still receive a considerable interest in these promising mines. Mr. John P. Humphries of Philadelphia held a half interest in the claims, and Mr. Frank J. Cleary and Mr. F. C. Miller were the owners of the other half. Mr. Humphries has been in the city for some time completing the negotiations for the property. According to the terms of the transfer, the sum of \$250,000 in cash is to be paid by the syndicate to Messrs. Humphries, Cleary and Miller, who are also to receive a similar sum in stock and securities. The first payment on the property, consisting of \$200,000, has already been made, and another one is to follow shortly. The payments are to extend over a period of eighteen months, and meanwhile the development of the property is to be carried on by a large staff of men.

The candidates for New Westminster at the coming provincial election are likely to be Thomas Gifford, M. P. E., supporting the government as an independent Liberal, and John C. Brown, Liberal. Mr. Gifford took part in a public reception to Premier McBride on Saturday night at New Westminster.

The Tye Copper company had a very successful month during May. The report to the head office at London, England, shows most gratifying returns. There has been in May 4900 tons of ore smelted. The company ships its waste products for April. The value of the present month have been \$63,500. The output from the Tye has continued very steadily since the smelter was installed at Ladysmith. For March, with only 25 days' smelting, there was a yield of \$52,336; in April 4500 tons of ore were smelted, 418 tons of waste produced. The value of the products for April was \$60,313. The month of May has followed with a production similar to that of the preceding months.

Creameries are multiplying on Vancouver island at a very rapid rate. Nanaimo is the latest to fall in line with a butter making enterprise. The Creamery Association of that city having let a contract for the erection of a building and plant.

The statement is made on semi-official authority that a representative of one of the railway employees' brotherhoods will be a candidate in the next provincial elections. The proposal is that the candidate will be representative of the interests of all trainmen of the province, and he will be one of those who will be in the field for Vancouver. He will probably be selected either from the Engineers or Conductors' Brotherhood. The railway brotherhoods are amongst the strongest and most thor-

oughly organized union associations in the country.

At Cumberland Phil Robbins, a member of the Miners' Union, has been tried and convicted before Mr. Abrams, S. M. 1st, for intimidating with threats of violence James Nelson, one of the men who remained in the employ of the coal company when the other miners went on strike. He was fined \$25 and \$5.50 costs, with the option of two months in jail. He paid the fine. Robbins was drunk when he intimidated Nelson.

The Crofton smelter, at Osborne bay, Vancouver island, has closed down till such time as coke suitable for its operation can be secured. It is learned that the coke lately used did not prove satisfactory. The smelter was closed last Friday night. While the reduction of ore has ceased, the smelter has not stopped buying ore. It will continue to take all the ore it can secure. The ore will be prepared and kept on the dump until the smelter resumes operations.

The Vancouver Drydock & Shipbuilding company has been incorporated under the Companies' Act with a capitalization of \$500,000 for the purpose of building and equipping a drydock, probably a floating one, in the waters contiguous to the port of Vancouver, most probably on Burrard Inlet. The terms of the incorporation of the company also permit it to carry on and perform such business as necessarily falls within the province of a drydock and shipbuilding company.

During the five months the British Columbia immigration act was in operation last year, only 150 Japanese entered at British Columbia ports, and the majority of these were in transit to the United States. During the present year 595 arrived up to June 2, and 400 of these came after the announcement at the opening of the local legislature that exclusion would be enacted. It would thus appear that the British Columbia immigration act is very much needed to stay the objectionable immigration, and as an evidence of its salutary effect, the arrivals by the Kaga Maru on the 23rd day of May, before the act was enforced, and those by the Riojun on the 4th of June, after it came in operation, may be cited. The Kaga carried 75 Japanese for Victoria, while the Riojun had but three, and these were destined for San Francisco.

The lands and works department issued one hundred and twenty licenses to cut timber during May. Of these sixty-six were for renewals. The revenue to the government by the issue of these licenses was \$12,100. This indicates that the fact that timber must be surveyed before being staked has not diminished the demand for licenses.

The winding-up proceedings in connection with the estate of Thomas Earle of Victoria have been carried out with dispatch, considering the many interests involved, the large amounts to be collected, and the various other complicated adjustments which have occupied the close attention of the assignee for the last couple of years. There has been about \$240,000 to collect, and most of the assets have been brought in with the exception of about \$2000. The creditors, it is understood, are pleased with the thorough and expeditious manner in which the affairs of the estate have been handled. Dividends are to be declared at an early date, and will approximate 40 cents on the dollar in the case of the Earle estate, about four cents on the dollar in the Magnuson estate, and about 18 cents in the Clayquot company.

A few days after the death of Cornelius Booth, provincial assessor at Victoria, came the demise of his deputy, Charles W. Jenkinson, who fell a victim of cancer of the throat. Mr. Jenkinson was a native of Liverpool, but had lived in British Columbia for many years, and was widely and favorably known.

The present season is looked on by the Nanaimo pilots as one of the most inactive for many years, and what the loss in trade means to the island can hardly be estimated. Each vessel carried from two to five thousand or even more tons, and reckoning February as a standard month, the falling off in business during the past three months amounts to 25 vessels, or approximately 100,000 tons of coal, the bulk or nearly all of which would go to San Francisco.

Records of the past four months' shipping show a decrease in the number of colliers arriving as follows: February, 13; March, 7; April, 21, and May, 2. The only collier running are the Wyndell and Titania. Others have been tied up or have gone on other routes.

The employers of labor have organized in Vancouver. They have issued an official statement in which it is said that labor has hitherto dealt only with individuals or employers, and it is reasonable to believe that the meeting of two thoroughly organized bodies representing labor and investors will adjust in a fair and amicable manner any differences of opinion which may arise. The association says that the organization will be the means of avoiding disputes leading up to strikes.

Nine Chinamen in a sloop, on route from Ladner's Landing to Seattle, were captured by George Lensenink, gunner of the revenue cutter Grant and two sailors while cruising about in December past in one of the Grant's small boats. Two white men in charge of the party ran the sloop on shore close to a picnic party of children, and, jumping into the midst of the little ones, prevented Gunner Lensenink from firing at them. They were taken away under cover of the children to the woods. Lieutenant T. L. Cutter, in command of the revenue launch, Guard, arrived at Seattle with the sloop, and the Chinamen aboard, in tow. They will be deported to China.

Herbert W. Jay, a well known citizen of Vancouver, died from an overdose of medicine containing poison, prescribed for a very simple ailment. Mr. Jay had been unwell for some time, and had obtained a prescription from Dr. Poole to relieve him. After the prescription was put up, the de-

ceased man went home and took his first, and, as it proved, his last dose. Whether by accident or design—and nobody can now say which it was,—he took such a quantity of the medicine that dangerous symptoms were made manifest at once. Dr. Poole was immediately summoned, and had the man removed to the hospital. The effects of the drugs were such, however, that in spite of all efforts the unfortunate man never recovered.

The following officers were elected by the Grand Encampment, I. O. O. F., in session at Vancouver: R. W. Dempster, Victoria, grand patriarch; J. K. James Bell, Victoria, grand high priest; Thomas Embleton, Rossland, grand senior warden; T. F. Neelds, Vancouver, grand scribe; H. B. Gilmour, Vancouver, grand junior warden; A. Henderson, Victoria, grand marshal; D. E. McKechnie, Westminster, grand inside sentinel; G. H. Middlemiss, Vancouver, grand outside sentinel. The Grand Lodge officers are: Grand master, Dr. E. C. Arthur, Nelson; deputy grand master, Mayor T. F. Neelds, Vancouver; grand warden, D. E. McKechnie, New Westminster; grand secretary, Fred Davey, Victoria; grand treasurer, F. E. Simpson, Cranbrook; grand representative, A. Henderson, Victoria.

THE FIELD OF SPORT

(From Sunday's Daily.) Rossland and Revelstoke will cross sticks at the Black Bear grounds on Saturday next and a good fast game of football will be the result. The Rossland boys are expected to be in sufficient quantity, the force will be still further increased in the near future, in all probability, as the ore reserves in the mine were never in such good shape for a large and increasing tonnage.

This week's tonnage is also the largest in the history of the mine, the figures being 2100 tons which went to the Greenwood and Boundary Falls smelters. For several weeks past the tonnage from the Snowshoe has been steadily getting larger, and it is fully expected that, with normal conditions, it will soon be enlarged to 500 tons daily, which could be maintained from the property without trouble.

General work at the Snowshoe has also been progressing most favorably of late, ore being shipped from several parts of the mine, including the new glory hole, near the end of the No. 2 railway spur, which is said to be some of the best in the mine. On the main incline shaft the work of timbering it to the level and below is completed, and the pocket at the foot is also finished, so that as soon as the rails are laid for the two-ton skips to run on, the shaft will be ready for use.

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All lacrosse players are particularly requested to be at the grounds at 2 o'clock this afternoon. A meeting to discuss matters will be held, and in view of the coming Revelstoke match it is desired that every member attend this meeting.

The boys are also particularly requested to turn out for practices on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday nights at 8:30 o'clock sharp. It is very encouraging to the boys to have old players turn out as spectators or to take a stick in the game, and every inducement is offered to those who care to come out to the practices. The boys on Friday night and particularly distinguished himself. Billy is a young man in years but an old-timer at lacrosse, and although weighing considerably more than a pound he will prove a great help to the team with the postoffice. As a player, he is a likely player, and will help wonderfully.

From the ranks of the old-timers of a decade or two ago is Cameron, formerly of Nanaimo, who has attended a few practices and whose coaching is fully appreciated. He and Dr. Campbell are old rivals on the lacrosse field, and they, together with Dr. Kenning of the old Winnipeg 90ths and a few other old-timers are taking keen active interest in the Rossland team. It is certainly most encouraging to the boys, and they only ask a little time to prove to these valuable supporters that they are striving to uphold the honor of Rossland in athletic sports.

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PROGRESS AT SNOWSHOE

Operations at the Mine on a Much Enlarged Scale.

Output Would Be Increased if Coke Were Plentiful.

PHOENIX, June 12.—At the present time the Snowshoe mine, in this camp, has the greatest number of men employed in the history of the property. For the last two months the force has been gradually increased, until the payroll now has 100 men thereon. If coke can be had at the Boundary Creek smelter in sufficient quantity, the force will be still further increased in the near future, in all probability, as the ore reserves in the mine were never in such good shape for a large and increasing tonnage.

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Maccabees meet this week at their hall, and a strong turnout is expected. The lodge is being rapidly rejuvenated, and will be in a thriving condition in the course of a few weeks. The officers of the lodge are enterprising, and the fraternity embraces a number of well known and energetic fraternal workers, which augurs well for its success.

L. O. L.—The Orangemen are still discussing the question of celebrating the "Glorious Twelfth," and arrangements to this effect will be completed in the course of a few days. It is probable that the joint excursion with Nelson Orangemen will be adopted.

TO THE FORE AGAIN

CHAMPION CREEK SECTION DIS-PLAYING RENUEVED ACTIVITY.

WORK ON ONONDAGA—THE MESSRS. WILL COMING TO ROSSLAND.

Considerable activity is manifested among the mining propositions of the Champion Creek section, chief among which is the well known Onondaga Mines, owning the Yellow Jacket group. The Messrs. Will, or one of them, will be in Rossland in the course of a month, and developments of interest may be disclosed at the time of their arrival.

The Yellow Jacket property is well known to all old residents of Rossland camp. For the benefit of others it may be stated that the principal owners of the group are Anthony and Louis Will, of Syracuse, N. Y., and St. Louis, Mo. They are one of the largest firms of chandlers in the United States. The Messrs. Will invested approximately \$150,000 in the acquisition of the Yellow Jacket group and the construction of a stamp mill thereon, only to find when the mill was ready to run that the mine did not possess the requisite ore. Almost simultaneously with the disappointment at the mine, the firm lost a very large sum of money through the destruction of their works at Syracuse, and the construction of the new premises has taken their entire attention for the past eighteen months to the exclusion of British Columbia interests. The firm's new manufactory is said to cover five acres of ground.

For the past year the firm has had several men at work on the property, and now one or both of the brothers will visit the mine and inspect the progress made.

In addition to the work on the Yellow Jacket other claims in the section are being operated, and the present season is likely to see more work accomplished than for several seasons past. The district abounds with heavy iron cappings that have perplexed prospectors in the past. The nature of the formation is, however, becoming understood, with excellent results. The Champion creek or Waterloo section has received something of a black eye in the past, but men familiar with the ground predict confidently that the district will eventually be recognized as a promising field for the investment of capital.

THE APRIL REPORT

OF LE ROI TWO GIVES DETAILS OF MONTH'S OPERATIONS IN MINES.

SINCE THEN IMPORTANT STRIKE ON 700 LEVEL IN DIAMOND DRILLING.

The Le Roi No. 2, Ltd., has received the following report from the mine manager for the month of April:

"Output.—Since the last report there has been shipped to the smelter 2357 tons, of which the value is \$26,650, from which mining charges have to be deducted. The details of each shipment will be forwarded to you as soon as I receive them.

"Exploration and development.—Jostle mine, 500 foot level—35 1-4 feet were driven. Two streaks of ore showed in the face of the drift, the hanging was slightly better. This was followed for the above distance, but it has as yet shown no definite signs of improvement. 300 foot level—35 feet were driven here. The ore here seems to be quite hopelessly irregular. The ground is full of slips and the ore values change from high grade to low in the most erratic manner, as you will see by reference to the plan. The ore here is twisted around in precisely the same manner as in the drift to the east of it, and, like it, is lying very flat. This particular ore body, which is almost certainly the upward continuation of our No. 20, will be followed back southeast to the dyke, and further investigation will be made to discover if any bunching up has occurred on this—the west side of the Annie dyke. No. 1 mine, 200 foot level—South crosscut.—We drove in above the winze to allow plenty of room to start the west drift. West drift—18 feet were driven. This is in second class ore all the way, but will in all probability improve when we get further in. East drift.—The face was advanced 3 feet, but the drift was widened out considerably. The lode here is lying very flat. Some very good shipping grade ore has now been taken out of here (stope 4, 200 feet).

"Ore production.—Ore has been taken from stopes in following proportions:

Jostle, stope 19 (300 level)	56
Jostle, stope 20 (500 level)	214
Jostle, stope 5 (400 level)	287
Jostle, stope 9 (500 level)	37
Jostle, stope 3 (600 level)	338
Jostle, stope 11 (700 level)	564
Total	2,336

No. 1, stope 2a (200 level)	196
No. 1, stope 11 (300 level)	191

No. 1, stope 4 (300 level)	335
No. 1, stope 5* (300 level)	39
Total	761

Grand Total 2,997

"From here 229 tons of second grade work were hoisted.

"Second class ore dump at Jostle—339 tons have been added to this during the month. General remarks on above stopes.—Jostle stope, No. 19.—The back of this stope seems somewhat less broken up than last month. Stope 20.—Continues very good. Stope 5 is improving and we are now getting good values from the east end. Stope 3.—Work has just been started again here, but the showing appears to be good. Stope 9.—This is now about finished, with the exception of a pillar under the 500 foot drift. Stope 11 has given us a considerable tonnage of good ore during the month, but the values westward are again getting very erratic. Number 1—Stope 2a.—This stope contains large quantities of ferruginous ore, which we mix with siliceous stuff from other stopes. Stope 11.—This stope is now giving some very good values. Stope 4 continues both wide and high grade. Stope 6.—Here we are tearing out the low grade ore in the back of the drift to make room for the timbers. We expect to get the higher grade stuff as we go up.

"Forecast for May.—Jostle exploratory work in the old Annie stope will be pushed ahead. In No. 1 mine the investigation of our new ore body will be continued. Plans—I send you herewith three plans of the Jostle mine and two plans of the No. 1 mine, showing the progress of the work during the month of April. One will observe—You will observe that there is again a decrease in the average value of the ore. This is, no doubt, due to a diminished output of the rich ore from the stope on the 500 foot level."

THE MAYOR SPEAKS

CHIEF MAGISTRATE DISCUSSES COURT OF REVISION JUST CLOSED.

ALSO REFERS TO HIS IDEAS ON INCREASING CIVIC WATER STORAGE.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

Mayor Dean thinks that had the assessment notices for the present year been understood thoroughly by rate-payers, the recent court of revision would not have had the big grist of appeals to deal with that cropped up. Now that the siege is concluded he thinks the rate-payers have made a workmanlike job of the undertaking, and does not believe there will be many appeals. He also has ideas on the question of water storage, which the city fathers will now proceed to consider, having got other matters off their corporate chest.

Asked as to the court of revision and civic affairs, generally the mayor said: "With regard to the great number of appeals the majority of them were due to two causes, the most notable being the difference in the way the value of improvements appeared in the assessment notices this year; namely, at their gross value, which is the proper way. But as in every previous year the assessment notices have gone out on the improvements at 50 per cent of their real assessed value, you can readily understand how easy and how natural it was without any explanation whatever on the notice itself, for property owners to jump at the conclusion that taxes had been doubled.

"The other cause is that at the present there is little demand for real estate and far more sellers than buyers, though as a matter of fact I was offered \$3