

NEWS OF THE PROVINCE

Mining Stocks Quiet in Vancouver.
Rev. Father Emmelin Now a Monseigneur.

Mining and Other Concerns in Cariboo.—Notes From the Slocan.

(Special to the Colonist.)

VANCOUVER. Dec. 21.—Very Rev. Father Emmelin, of Vancouver, has received further honors from Rome, his title now being Right Rev. Monseigneur.

The stock market was very quiet during last week. At its beginning, Golden Cache sold at \$1.70 and at the close \$1.50. Mr. McKinnon, the president of the company, is expected to arrive from England within a week. It is understood that the Golden Cache company are to part with one of their claims in Lillooet which has not yet been developed.

Applications have come to hand recently from the East for large blocks of Two Friends' stock. The issue is almost sold out. The unprecedented demand having been caused by the magnificent carload lots of ore which have been shipped to the smelter.

All that could be done with vagrant Fred, Oulton, who was run in for carrying a concealed weapon, was to confiscate the gun and keep him off the streets for twenty days.

George M. Black, of Hastings, died this morning. The deceased came from California in 1859. He was born in Baltimore, Scotland, and married a daughter of Stephen Minard, Oregon. One daughter, Mrs. E. A. Magee, survives him.

Hon. Mr. Blair arrived yesterday by the steamer Quadra. To-day he received an influential deputation at the railway to Kootenay. Mr. Blair, though not committing himself, spoke far more favorably of giving government aid after facts and figures were in his hands. An address from the corporation followed. Hon. Mr. Blair and Col. Domville were banqueted at the Merchants' Exchange to-night.

VANCOUVER, Dec. 23.—Hon. Mr. Blair created considerable sensation at the meeting last night by his assurance that "High tariff must continue," and that, though it was possible in the future—he hoped not very remote future—an ideal commercial policy, one of free trade, might be adopted.

He had, he said, a son, a son, such need in the present of a large and even an increased revenue that no present change of fiscal policy could be expected. The West, in fact, as he found it, needed more money for its development, and that money must be had, for he would be highly reproductive in the end. Col. Domville, M.P., who followed, "brought down the house" by an unintended break with which he concluded a amusing, if disconnected, discourse. He had, he said, a son, a son, very promising young fellow, and he intended on his return to find him a grub stake at once and set him off to "jump a claim" in British Columbia.

The Colonel doubtless states on a claim, but he said "jump," and the audience took him at his word and realizing the humor of the situation broke into roars of laughter.

Mr. William Templeton, who was chairman of the Liberal-Conservative committee during the recent election, was in Vancouver, has made public the announcement of his intention to be a candidate for the position of Mayor at the approaching municipal election. Mr. Banfield, who had previously announced himself, is the other candidate.

The Gordon Highlanders are to give an exhibition at Dunn hall on Christmas night.

The Chinese mission on Pender street is to give a unique entertainment on Christmas night.

Dr. J. M. McLean, of Westminster, has opened an office in Vancouver.

One of the most bitter wars on record took place last night between Ald. Bethune, Ald. Brown and Mayor Collins. The most serious insinuations were made on both sides. Fortunately the matter only ended in words. The trouble arose over the statement that Ald. Bethune had disclosed the secrets of the municipal loaning board and had been a party to the attempted unseating of the Mayor owing to his business assignment, when the Mayor's term of office expired in any event within thirty days.

Charitably disposed people are contributing towards a free dinner and entertainment to be given to the poor at the free library. The librarians, Mr. and Mrs. MacIn, as is their custom, every year are taking upon themselves the onerous task of arranging the banquet and concert at considerable expense and labor.

The council had a short session last night, when Dr. Thomas' health report for the year was read. There have been 192 deaths in Vancouver during 1896, and not one case of infectious disease. Dr. Thomas again urged upon the council the necessity of cleansing and purifying the living quarters of the Chinese on Dupont street. Dr. Thomas for the second time points to the present "useless plan" of the alleged carrying out of the intentions of the milk by-law. He says that now a public analyst has been appointed by the Dominion government suspected milk can be inspected and analyzed properly at no greater expense to the city than at present. The Doctor suggests that the council require that no dwelling be erected without a plan of the proposed sanitary arrangements being deposited with the board of health.

DUNCAN.

DUNCAN, Dec. 21.—Mr. L. B. Hamlin, C.E., returned to Victoria by this morning's train from directing the carrying out of protection works on the Cowichan river.

The result of the sale of work at the agricultural hall by the Sewing Daughters and the St. Peter's church Ladies' Sewing Society was very satisfactory, a substantial sum accruing to the rectory and church funds.

The closing exercises of Duncan school which numbers over forty pupils, took place on Friday last and reflected great credit on the pupils and their popular teacher, Miss Carmichael. Dr. Hands, who is well and favorably known in Cowichan, will be the teacher at the Quami-

chan school after the Christmas holidays.

WESTMINSTER.

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F. W. Banton was thrown down by a steer he was driving yesterday and rescued with much difficulty from being gored by the infuriated animal's horns. The Rev. Thomas Scouler has been appointed Protestant chaplain to the B. C. penitentiary, and will probably preach a Christmas sermon there.

Minister Blair arrived at Westminster at 10 o'clock this morning, and was presented with a petition and address from the board of trade and the municipal council.

NANAIMO.

NANAIMO, Dec. 22.—The address presented to Hon. Mr. Blair, the Minister of Railways, on his arrival here among other subjects specially mentioned the matter of the railway to Alberni. In reply he said that he had the pleasure of hearing a delegation from the promoters of this railway. He was assured that the railway, if built, would be a great boon to the Island highly mineralized and which would in time be a valuable mineral producing section. He had told them that he could make no promises, but that he would bring it before his colleagues, and they were justified in thinking the section justified the development and was really as good as it appeared, he believed the Government would treat it favorably.

CHEMINUS.

CHEMINUS, Dec. 19.—Mrs. Barrett, of Port Townsend, and Mr. McKee, of Seattle, have been conducting revival services in the Methodist church during the past week. The meetings have been well attended, notwithstanding the unfavorable weather, and good work is being done.

The half-yearly examination of the Cheminus public school was held on Friday, 18th inst.

A Christmas tree in connection with All Saints' church will be given in the Westholme hall.

Mr. Howell, of Victoria, has taken charge of the Victoria Lumber Co.'s store.

The regular monthly ball was held in the Westholme hall on the 17th inst.

GOLDEN.

GOLDEN, (From the Golden Era.)
Mr. G. B. McDermot recently negotiated the sale of the Flying Dutchman mineral claim in the McDermot basin, to a Rossland capitalist, for \$15,000. As says have been obtained from this claim running from \$8 to \$1,100 per ton in gold, the average assays being from \$24 to \$64. The McDermot district next year will rival the Rossland mining district in the production of minerals.

NEW DENVER.

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The Currie and other claims on the Galena Farm, now operated by the Vancouver and B. C. Exploration Company, have been stocked in England. The capital is \$250,000 at a par value of \$5. Application for three times the amount of stock at par have already been received. By January 14, \$100,000 will be paid for the Galena Farm claims on a new bond, which will make \$250,000 that C. W. Callahan will pay out for the company within four months in the neighborhood of New Denver and Silverton.

A recent shipment from the Reed and Tenderfoot gave smelter returns of 140 ounces silver and 65 per cent. lead to the ton, and the cheque received was payable in gold.

Charles Scheel, the treasurer of the Gibson Mining Co., whose property is on the South Fork of Kaslo creek, reports a strike of \$300 per ton.

It is said that \$100,000 has been offered for the Arlington on Springer creek.

A large quantity of Enterprise ore is piled up at the mouth of Ten Mile awaiting shipment to Omaha.

Two men are working on the Iron Horse, Ten Mile creek, recently bonded to Vancouver parties for \$10,000.

CARIBOO.

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Work on the Willow river property is being pushed by Mr. Laird. He has a splendid bedrock shaft down and has drifted about 150 feet.

Mrs. J. B. Hobson, who has been in poor health for some time, is much improved. She enjoys the summers at the Cariboo mine.

R. Borland and Fred Rose have been appointed administrators of the late George Johnston, of the 150 Mile House.

Not very much work is going on at this season. A healthy tone has pervaded this section for the past year and times are much better.

E. L. Hart, of Risky Creek, Chilcotin, says very little prospecting has been done in Chilcotin this season.

Slough Creek is progressing fairly well. It has been necessary to drive a balloon drift to carry off the surface water from the ground through which the drainage tunnel is driven. The mouth of Nelson creek will, if all goes well, be struck before many days.

Ranchmen throughout Chilcotin, Cariboo and the vicinity of Ashcroft unite in saying that the loss of cattle this season will be very large. The cold weather found even the lucky ones who have sufficient feed, under ordinary circumstances, unprepared for it and their herds scattered and hard to get together.

Mild weather from now on may help things out, but a severe January and February will cause great losses. Beef cattle in the spring will be at a premium.

Fears are entertained for the safety of the steamer Charlotte. She is frozen solidly by the side of the old steamboat near Alexandria, fifteen miles above Soda creek, and it will require close attention when the ice breaks up in the Fraser.

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CUBAN RECOGNITION.

Report of the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations—An Exhaustive Document.

Application of the Monroe Doctrine—The Friendliest Feelings Entertained Towards Spain.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The report of the senate committee on foreign relations favors the adoption of the following joint resolution:

"Resolved by the senate and house of representatives in congress assembled, That the independence of Cuba be, and the same is hereby acknowledged by the United States of America; be it further

"Resolved, That the United States will use its friendly offices with the government of Spain to a close of the war between Spain and the republic of Cuba."

The report begins with a review of the action of congress at its last session, pledging itself to friendly intervention with Spain for the recognition of the independence of Cuba. Spain having declined these overtures, the report continues, the only question to be decided is the nature of the next step to be taken, with proper regard to the customs and usages of nations.

Then follows an exhaustive review of this century's insurrections of peoples claiming independence by right of revolt. The French revolutionary wars, which disturbed the entire world for five and twenty years, are cited as having fixed the beginning of our modern international systems, at the year 1815, on the treaties of Vienna and of Paris, and of the holy alliance. The settlement of local disturbances proceeded under the influence of powers parties to these treaties until the Greek war in insurrection against the Sultan in 1821. The modern precedents of European insurrection and intervention, where independence was the issue involved, are cited as having begun with Greece. The masses and the masses of Europe (Greek treaty of 1827.) "A warm desire to arrest, with the shortest possible delay, the disorder and effusion of blood," (Portocol of November 4th, 1830, in the case of Belgium.) His own safety or the political equilibrium on the frontiers of his empire. (Russian circular of April 27, 1849, in the case of Hungary.) "To safeguard the interest and honor" and to "Maintain the political influence" of the intervening power (French declaration of 1849-50 in regard to the states of the church). Finally, in the latest and most considerable, because absolutely unanimous act of all Europe, simply the "desire to regulate" (Treaty of the treaty of Berlin, 1878, covering the recognition of Serbia, Roumania, Mont