## THE VICTOR'A TIMES, TUESDAY, MARCH 24, 1896.



Gevernment Forced to Increase the Taxes to Pay the Charges for Public Debt.

Salaries of the Officials Reduced but Ministers Still Receive Four Thousand Each.

Yesterday the estimates for the year 1896-97 were laid before the house. They show that the government expects to receive for the year a revenue of \$1,-\$244,650. 163,789 and expend \$1,372,078. It is estimated that \$300,000 of the last loan will remain on hand at the end of the and bridges is all in Mainland districts. current year, the 30th of June next. Here is a comparative statement: The estimated revenue is \$127,800 more than last year, large increases in taxation

North Victoria ..... \$ South Victoria ...... Esquimalt (\$2,000 for being responsible for the difference. The government estimate the land sales at San Juan valley .... Cowichan-Alberni . ... North Nanaimo ...... \$80,000 less than last year, but all forms of taxes are estimated at more than last year. It is estimated that \$75,000 will be yielded from the tax on mines. A comparative state of the revenue for the two years follows: 1895-96. 242,689 East Lillooet West Lillooet Aariboo Cassiar . . . . East Kootenay North West "th West "run"

Dom of Canada ....\$ 1896-97. Land sales, inc. ar-rears .... rears ..... Land revenue ..... 180,000 Timber royalty, etc. . Timber leases . . . . Free miners' certifi-50,000 30.000 45,000 26.000 40,000 85,000 60,000 95,000 120,000 105,000 30,000 45,000 8,000 45,000 45,000 Vild lands tax .... 45,000 30,000 65,000 75,000 10,000 12,000 income tax .. .. ... Revenue tax .. .. .. Mineral tax ..... Fines and forfeitures 8,500 12,000 40,000 18,000 25,000  $38,000 \\ 30,000$ 20,000 10 000 35,100 Miscellaneous ....

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Total .. .. ....\$1,463,789

Although the government have, like the civic bodies, made some big cuts in the salaries of the officials, the expenditure is estimated at \$66,241 more than last year. This is caused by the steamer. increased charge for public debt on account of the two million dollar loan of last year, of which only \$300,000 is A camparative statement of the left. estimated expenditure for 1896-97 and that estimated for 1895-96 follows:

 
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 271,895
 195,420

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 146,510
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 Justice salaries
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Legislation ..... Public institutions, maintenance ...... Hospitals & charitles Justice, other than sal-48 500 43 850 43,750 44,250 69,000 62,700 aries .. Education .. .. .. ..  $223,112 \\13,000 \\12,000$  $203,205 \\ 10,550 \\ 10,000$ Fransport . venue service .. . Works and buildings Government House . Roads, bridges, etc. .  $33,000 \\ 2,750 \\ 244,650 \\ 15,000 \\ 88,808$ 95,0002,900 199,400 Surveys .. .. .. Miscellaneous .. .. 25,00097,148

government agents have been thus re- business. About ten years ago he duced: Westminster, from \$150 to \$139; Donald, \$150 to \$139; Nelson, \$160 to \$144; Richfield, \$172 to \$155; chased the Strawberry Vale farm where Fort Simpson, \$110 to 95; Yale, \$110 he resided until a few years ago. Last \$150 to year he again purchased a hack which to \$102: Kamloops. \$139; Okanagan, \$125 to \$116; Osoyoos, he drove up to the time of his death. \$125 to "Lord John" as he was known to a \$125 to \$116; Nanaimo, \$116; Alberni, \$100 to \$95; Cowichan, large majority of the residents of Vie-\$125 to \$95; Lillooet, 125 to \$116. The toria, had a rather checkered career. agent at Comox goes up \$5 to \$95. The He was twice married and twice separsalary of \$125 for the agent at Lake- | ated. It was through his last legal separation that he commenced his cam side, in Cassiar, disappears. The first school inspector is reduced paign against Sir H. P. P. Crease, who from \$1,800 to \$1,554. There are in-the case was before him in the courts. creases in every district for school pur-He had been worrying over this a great

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BRIEF LOCALS.

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in a Condensed Form.

From Friday's Dally.

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Pacific railway proposition.

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deal lately, having been unable 'to have Last year there was a vote of \$95,900 a petition laid before the legislature for works and buildings. This has been reduced to \$33,000. The estimated ex-This worry, with some trouble he had. with a few hackdrivers yesterday, is bependiture on roads, streets and bridges lieved to have hastened his death. De has been increased from \$199,400 to ceased was 55 years of age. He had Ten thousand dollars less been complaining for some time of will be expended on surveys. The inheart trouble. creased expenditure on roads, streets

From Monday's Daily. By the sinking of the steamer Pearl, near Brisbane, 24 persons were drowned.

6,000 10,000 6,00012,000 8,0006,00010,000 8,000the death at Bloemfonstein, South Af- | luck. rica, on February 8th, of Capt Templar, R.M.A., who was stationed in Vic-8,000 9,000 12,000 toria from 1893 until invalided home, last year.

> -The residence of Capt. J. McAllister near San Jose, Cal., was destroyed by to their foster parent and benefactor. fire last week. The loss is about \$10,-Allister was for a number of years a Allister, Victoria, and is now visiting a living. How many did they deposit? his old home in Scotland. No one but Two wagon loads of cans that would the servants were at home when the fire hold from twelve to fifteen gallons each. occurred.

-Rev. Mr. Macrae yesterday morning presented to the congregation of Central -Books: Macmillan's and other Eng-Presbyterian church an extract from lish publishers; special price list at Johnthe minutes of Presbytery held on the 20th instant, as an official announcement to the effect that the congregation -A public meeting will be held in Ceas an organized church ceased to exist dar Hill school house next Wednesday evening, when Hon. Mr. Eberts will exfrom yesterday, the 22nd instant. In the evening Rev. P. C. L. Harris read a plain his position respecting the British report of the delegates appointed to meet the Presbytery.

-The coroner's jury which on Saturday enquired into the cause of the death of Nellie Davis, found that she had died of heart failure and congestion of the lungs, accelerated by constant hard drinking. The jury in a rider recommended "that when a post mortem exday for stealing eleven jumpers from amination shall be deemed necessary to determine the cause of death, and when were valued at \$7, but McDonald sold no marks of violence are visible, instead | bestial relations with his own daughter. them to Mrs. Babchuck, keeper of a of the jury being required to view the The girl in question is only 12 years body the evidence of the post mortem old and has confided the secret to one doctor shall be sufficient." in 2

-On Saturday night death robbed Chief Justice Davie and family of a devoted wife and mother. Mrs. Davie had been ill for only a few days and the of Messrs George Gawley, Henry Moss | news of her death came as a severe shock to her many friends and acquaintances in Victoria. The deceased lady has resided in Victoria since childhood, and was 33 years of age. She was a sister of Rev. P. C. Yorke, the well labor for stealing a dozen jumpers from known Jesuit Father of San Francisco, and of Mr. F. M. Yorke of this city. 'The funeral will take place on Thursday at 9:30 a.m., from the family residence, Saanich road, and at 10:15% from

St. Andrew's Roman Catholic Cathe-

BRITISH COLUMBIA SHAWNIGAN. (From our own corres ndent.

Shawnigan, March 18 .- Mr. Albert Fear met with a painful accident last Wednesday at the mill. He was struck by a plank which got foul in the rollers. He was carried home, where he is likely to remain for some time. The mill is running full time again and business

seems to be good. At last report from Mr. Weiler's Warwick came before the court yester- place explosives on steamboat boile they will soon find their way up here. ced in the white fish experiment in Shawnigan lake. Allow me to answer a few of the first questions asked by all inch of transparent tail, with a tremenvere looking for their mother, or they may have called around to say farewell approximate estimate of the number. They were so numerous it was impossible to see the bottom of the can for fish; many hundred thousands in each can I should judge. How are they

caught? The only way that suggests itself at present is to get some trained trout and turn them loose after them four and a half inch mesh and spear them through holes cut in the ice. NIP.

Shawnigan, March 18, 1896. NANAIMO.

Nanaimo, March 20.-An individual who gets his living by supplying the public with crumpets, was arrested yesterday on a serious charge of having of the ladies who take great interest in doing good among the poorer classes. son and T. C. Atkinson. After the test The prisoner has not yet been tried, but

anguishes in jail at present. It is reported here that a seam of coal has been discovered on Salt Spring Island, and that it is being developed. The sneak thieves who robbed several them

have recently chartered several more ressels so that better times may be exected here.

Simpson.

Nanaimo, March 23 .- The charge of incest lodged against John Clever was proceeded with on Saturday before

tion to bear increased financial burdens sessed of a guilty conscience, natural in the way of taxation and any attempt 'attributed the circumstance to the ma made to enlarge the burdens already be- icious hand of some over-taxed shi ing carried by the taxpayers will prove who was endeavoring to elevate to be detrimental to the interests of the boat to the altitude of the freight rat The detective department was province. "That copies of this resolution be for- ately notified and lost no time in

warded to the Lieut.-Governor, each tigating. It was ascertained member of the executive council, the malice aforethought was mixed speaker and each member of the legis- the case, but that the package h lative asembly."

NEW WESTMINSTER. New Westminster, March 27 .-- Chas. of common sense and of the

party they were having fair sport. Fish day, Mr. Justice Walkem presiding. are reported as being very plentiful at He elected to be tried speedily. After Little Shawnigan lake. It is thought the indictment was read the prisoner they come from the salt water; if so, pleaded "guilty of the shortage." Permission was then given Warwick to very encouraging accounts of the There is a great deal of interest evin- make a short statement, in the course of He brought with him some remark which he said he was very sorry that he fine specimens of copper ore, some had done wrong; that he had no intention of committing any crime; that he coursers: What kind of looking fish had tried hard to make amends and was in large quantities and it promis are they and how large? Imagine two at present trying to do so, and still had exceed even the owner's expectat large black eyes attached to the sides of hope of making restitution; and that he He is making arrangements to one end of about three-quarters of an had already been punished several times over by remorse and an accusing consci dous amount of wiggle, and you have ence. His Lordship said he was puzzled the fish as they are. Will weigh about to know how the auditor had arrived at -News was received on Saturday of eight pounds at maturity if they have the conclusion that the books had not Can you see them in the lake? been falsified, and took occasion to re-Well, yes. Thursday morning there mark that he knew as much about were swarms of them close to the top of books as the auditor, and that was not the water around the floats opposite the saying much for himself. In the course hotel, with tears in their eyes as if they of the discussion it was admitted that the auditor had not examined the bank pass book, which was, apparently, the only solution of the problem of how the Mr. McNab, who took the train that shortages were covered. His Lordship 060, insurance unknown. Captain Mc- morning for Nanaimo. But they have then asked if the Crown wished to press not been seen since. Probably they have the case to the full extent of the law. member of the firm of Harrison & Me- gone into business and are hustling for Mr. McColl explained that, in the absence of instructions on the point, he most certainly would not and was glad of the opportunity to first suggest cer-It would have been necessary to count tain extenuating circumstances. Mr. the fish in a square inch and found the Morrison, for the defence also emphatotal number of inches to have even an size these points, even suggesting that the sentence be suspended to give the defendant an opportunity to perfect his plans for restitution. His Lordship, however, would not hear of this, and went on to charge the prisoner. He said he had very reluctantly ac ceded to the requests of Mr. Justice McCreight and Mr. Justice Bole to try But in the east they use a net with the case. He admitted the whole community could be brought to testify to the good character of the deefndant, but instanced the case of the directors of the Glasgow Bank. He inclined to the view, in such cases, that the swiftness of justics was preferable to severity, and considering the penalty had

been incurred in a cool systematic system of wrongdoing, the sentence of four years in the penitentiary might be put in shape for capitalists to take hold Four names were before the Conser- has a great future. vative convention, viz.: W. B. Townsend, Capt. L. Thompson, E. Hutcherballots Messrs. Townsend and Thompson withdrew, the contest virtually re maining between the city and district votes. On the fourth ballot T. C. Atkinson was elected by a majority of 12

votes over E. Hutcherson, who thereresidences on Tuesday night have left upon moved that the nomination be no clue whereby the police could track made unanimous. It is stated that everyone in the convention was satisfied 'The New Vancouver Coal company with the result. On the 'outside," however, there is talk of an independent "dark horse" coming out.

MIDWAY. Midway Advance.

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inadvertently placed upon the a prospector, who either forgot To Mr. Turner Rega not aware that it is against EAST KOOTENAY. Golden Era. Mr. Wm. McNeish again visited copper mine last week and gives Farmers Condemn copper glance which containes (i4 cent. metallic copper. This ore Hon. Mr. Pooley Giv some of it shipped to a smelter

Mr. Canard, of Victoria, who h dertaken the management of and Tuck gold property on Wild I passed through here on Tuesday He is going to work the proper a much more extensive plan than erto. It is an hydraulic proper he is shipping the machinery Victoria. The Nip and Tuck has worked in a crude way for some and has given good returns.

## **QUESNELLE FORKS**. B. C. Mining Journal.

John Grey in charge of a gang o men are busily pushing work the North Fork to divert the river. Pierson, of Victoria, who is largel terested in the project, is now on ground.

On the Breckenridge claim shafts have been sunk to a depth of 50 or more feet. They are now drifting and are taking out some gold. The weather has been cold, although now warmer and about 21/2 feet of snow on the ground.

A notice is posted here calling a meeting in the interest of Hewitt Bostock for Dominion member of parlia ment. Many who should be voters at not on the list and much dissatisfaction is expressed thereby.

The outlook for the various propos tions in this section is good. The Mor treal Ccompany, the Beaver Mouth, th French Company (the Columbian) Fishback hydraulic and various oth large propositions are making prepar tions to go on with work on a la scale, and dozens of propositions will of for the next season. Quesnelle Forks

ASHCROFT. B. C. Mining Journal. S. Tingley, of the B. X. Company, re ports himself as having a good time in New Brunswick. Mr. Tingley has not been back to his old home in very many

years before and is entitled to a vaca Already guite a large number of men have come into Ashcroft, stayed a dat or two and gone up the road, heading in most cases for the Horsefly or Forks

country. More than fifty have left this week. The demand for labor is not, we fear, going to equal the supply, at least not for some weeks to come, as camps in the vicinity of Barkerville

ter a few introductor upon the President o address the meeting. Hon. Mr. Pooley e sure he felt in mee his Metchosin friends. how much his time town, which prevente ing his constituents been asked to attend to see his friends and a question which has great deal of exciter British Pacific. Mr. the big meeting held week. which was add members of the city, then passed. The rea the premier were Mr as a member of the had discussed that government as a mem nent, and the reason osition was not accept there were no guara whatever that that able to connect w line. That was one ites that the governm No arrangement had this end, but the ge charge of the proposi jection was taken, s would be two railway connectior. Neither built, both, however, in the courts, altho pected to be clear fairly good position

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-The C. P. R. will give a tri-weekly service to the Kootenay country. Special cars will leave Vancouver at 10 a. m. every Tuesday, Friday and Sunday, connecting at Arrowhead with the -Robert McDonald was arrested to-M. Marks' store on Store street. They second hand store, for \$1.

-At last evening's drawing of the Vancouver Island building society, the 86th appropriation was won by H Bornstein, holding shares 119 A and B. The drawing committee was composed and Joshua Holland. From Saturday's Daily.

-Robert McDonald was this morning sentenced to two months with hard M. Marks.

Total .. .. .. \$1,372,078 \$1,315,837 -It is understood that the schedule With the exception of the salaries of between Victoria and Kootenay by the the ministers and those officials whose pay was already at the minimum fig-N. P. R. and Spokane Falls railway, is pay was already at the minimum fig- to be shortly changed so that passen-ure, a cut of from 5 to 7½ per cent. has gers can reach Nelson 36 hours after

considered a light one.

been made. half way the demand for the abolition of the agent-general's expensive office ning a daily freight service to Kootein London by reducing Mr. Vernon's nay. salary to \$2500 and allowing him \$1000 for expenses. The salary and expenses formerly amounted to \$5,000. Only \$1,500 is to be expended on the pro-

vincial board of health. Last year \$8.000 was voted. In the provincial secretary's department, the printing office, finance department, audit office, lands and works and

attorney-general's departments, a cut of from 71/2 to 5 per cent. has been applied. The deputy minister of agriculture will receive \$116 in place of \$125 per month; the inspector of fruit pests \$111 vice \$120; and inspector of animals \$95 vice \$100. A new office pro-

vided for is an auditor to inspect all offices, at \$139 per month. The registrar of titles at Victoria will have \$157.50 vice \$175, and the chief clerk \$139 vice \$150. At New West-

minster the registrar's salary will be \$139 vice \$150, and two clerks will receive \$2,414, while last session three were provided for-\$3,060. At Vancouver the registrar's salary of \$175 be comes \$157.50, and the three clerks will receive \$3,060 in place of \$3,440. At Kamloops the registrar will have \$139 vice \$150, and the two clerks \$2,040 vice \$1,938-an increase.

Last year's estimates provided for 23 officers at the asylum for \$14,800. The present vote calls for 26 officers at \$15,-748

At Victoria the assessment assessor is reduced from \$110 to \$102; the clerk from \$70 to \$68; the assessor at Westminster at \$140 to \$130; his assistant. \$100 to \$85; the clerk's salary disappears and the provincial revenue collector's \$85 becomes \$81. At Vancouver the assessor will have \$95 in place of \$125, but a new salary is here provided for an assistant at \$95. The assessor at Nelson loses 5 per cent. of his \$100. There is no vote for log scalers, for which \$5,000 was provided last year. The timber inspector will have \$130 in

place of \$140, and his assistant \$95 in place of \$100. The inspector of mines' salary of \$150

is made \$125. The provincial librarian Presbyterian church should be disand secretary to the Premier drops from \$150 to \$139. The salaries of the supreme and coun-

ty court officials at Victoria will range from \$148.50 to \$58.50 in place of from in good standing on the church's com-\$165 to \$60; at Westminster. \$139 to \$58.50, vice \$150 to \$60: Vancouver \$130 to \$58.50 vice \$140 to \$60. A new officer is provided for-a county clerk at Chilliwack, at \$25.

Salaries are provided as follows for the sheriffs of the counties named: Victoria, \$61 per month: Westminster, \$50: Cariboo, \$41.66; Yale, \$41.66; Vancouver. \$41.66; Kootenay, \$58.50.

The superintendent of police is reduc ed from \$150 to \$139 and the sergeant from \$110 to \$102; \$40,900 is provided for fifty constables, against \$37,000 for forty-three. The appropriation of \$1. 080 for the juvenile reformatory at Victoria disappears, and the salaries in

Victoria disappears, and the salaries in the jail here will be from \$102 to \$63.50 in place of \$110 to \$65. In all the other provincial jails there are simi-lar reductions. The salaries of the

The government has met leaving here. The service would be a daily one. The N. P. R. is now run-

> -The case of J. C. Maclure vs. James McCurdy was thrown out of the Port Townsend court on Thursday. The suit was for slander and \$5000 damages. McClure charging McCurdy with being responsible for statements made about him at the time he went to the Sound after his children who had been taken away by Mrs. McClure. The alleged

false statements were to the effect that McClure had illtreated his wife. -A jury was empanneled by Coroner Crompton this afternoon to enquire into the death of Nellie Davis, an eighteen

year old girl who has been living in a cabin on Discovery street with George of deceased, to be equally divided when Bowen, alias Swansea, for several the youngest shall become of age. d years. Bowen and the girl were on a spree yesterday and were taken home helplessly drunk. During the evening Bowen woke up to find the girl dying. Her mother was summoned, but before she arrived Nellie was dead. She was lying on her face and it was believed she

was uffocated. Bowen was retain- and district to know that at last there ed at the police station pending the result of the inquest. -The council of the board of trade decided not to take any action in regerd to the malignant resolution offered cided, the Revelstoke Smelter Company in Vancouver city council by Ald. Scou have decided to make another start condemnatory of the British Pacific and with the Revelstoke smelter, and Mr. warning British investors against the A. H. Holditch, formerly of Revelstoke,

project. The antidote, it was believed, now of the Hall mines smelter at Nelwould be carried with the poison inasson, has received instructions requesting much as the virulence of the resolution him to make an extensive personal inwas obviously the result of an un-vestigation into the condition of the worthy sectionalism. A question as to smelting plant, and asking him to take trading in our own territory on the full charge of all the smelting opera-Yukon, and the action of the Dominion tions, if in his opinion sufficient ore and government in giving the only two liquor permits issued to large American It is understood that, owing to the dutcompanies, was freely criticized, and ies at the Hall mines smelter Mr. Holthe secretary was instructed to com- ditch will be unable to make the requirmunicate with Hon. Mr. Prior in res- ed investigation just at present, but pect to the matter.

--At a special meeting of the Presbytery of Victoria held yesterday afternoon, it was decided that the Central

organized, this being in accordance with the wishes of the congregation. The session was authorized to grant certificates of church membership to all getting along very satisfactorily, and that the location will reach Silverton munion roll. The Sabbath school and this week, when all will be ready to week night services will be placed under start building at once. The preliminary

the care of St. Andrew's Presbyterian work is now down to Eight Mile creek. church. Rev. Mr. Winchester presenten an encouraging report on Chinese the Slocan looking for investments for nission work. The next meeting of the some very wealthy capitalists, whom Presbytery will be held on the first he represents. Among other properties Tuesday in September in St. Andrew's he is looking at the Noble Five, on church.

which there is said to be very favorable chances of a good deal being made. -While sitting in the Dominion Hotel J. Saunders stabbed Grant Thorburn last evening just after dinner John at Sandon on Tuesday. Thorburn is Joshua Russel, the well konwn cab driv- not seriously hurt. er was attacked by heart afilure and

died in a few minutes, and before a

Magistrate -Coroner Crompton having decided

that an inquest was not necessary, the funeral of the late John J. Russell took place this afternoon from Hanna's undertaking parlors. Rev. W. L. Clay officiated at the parlors and the ceme-The pallbearers were: Messrs. R. tery. Williams, A. Oldershaw, T. Bryden, R. Giscombe, J. A. Grant and D. Mc-Callum. The deceased left a will in which he appointed Ald. R. T. Williams again burdened with her. and Mrs. Oldershaw and Mrs. Gamp. of London, England, executors. The that the next Dominion election in this will suggests that the executors adjust constituency will be a three-cornered the amount of the compensation to be contest, and that the third candidate allotted to his late wife to release the will announce himself as an indepenestate from the payment of alimony. Afdent. The amateur opera company will pro-

ter this the entire property, estimated be worth between \$30,000 and \$40,-000, is bequeathed to the three children

> REVELSTORE. Golden Era.

the manager.

SLOCAN DISTRICT.

New Denver Ledge.

C. E. Perry reports the survey as

Chas. F. Law, a mining expert, is in

LAW INTELLIGENCE

successful. Panthers have been of late very close The smelter at Revelstoke has been to the city, and no less than three were an eye-sore now for some years, and seen at one time close to Newcastle will be welcome news to every one townsite. The heavy snow in the mouninterested in the welfare of the town tains is responsible for their close proximity to the city.

is a probability of the building being Dr. McKechnie has announced himutilized for the purposes for which they self as a candidate at the forthcoming were built. We have it on the best of election of the Medical Council of Britauthority that, now the long standing ish Columbia. dispute as to ownership has been de-

WELLINGTON.

Club held in the Abbotsford hotel the officers were appointed: following President, Dr. Eberts; captain, Thomas Bryant; secretary and treasurer, Dr. Wasson. An effort will be made to have the provincial championship meet here this year.

duce the "Chimes of Normandy" in the

opera house next month. As they have

Since the beginning of the fishing season many trout have been taken from the necessary fluxes can be obtained. our lakes, the weather having been unusually fine for this sport.

The following are the officers of our baseball club for this year: Hon. President, Andrew Bryden; vice-president, there is every reason to be believe that John L. McKay; manager, George Walbefore long the much-abused and long lace; captain, Fred King; treasurer, disused smelter at Revelstoke will be in Geo. Elliott: secretary, E. Lowe. active operation with Mr. Holditch as

A football match between the K. of P. and Temperance lodges took place on Saturday last on the new athletic The score was 3 to 0 in favor ground. of the cold water team. Some of the players having never kicked a ball before, caused considerable amusement to the spectators.

VANCOUVER.

Vancouver, March 20 .- At a mass meeting called by petition to the mayor to night the following resolution was passed, moved by Colonel Faulk War-

ren. seconded by J. C. McLagan: "Resolved, that we, the citizens of Vancouver assembled, express approbation of the policy adopted by Hon. J. H. Turner and his colleagues in declining the proposals made by the promoters of the British Pacific railway, as embraced in the correspondence recently laid before the house, which, if acceded

"Further, this meeting desires to imthat British Columbia is not in a posi- tion to the boiler. The crew, being pos-

Messrs. C. L. Thomet and R. Wood The case was have just let a contract for the sinking heard with closed dors, but was not of of a 75 foot shaft, 5X7 feet, on their such a nature as it has been made out North Star claim in Long Lake camp. to be, so that the information will be This work, which will be added to that amended to-day, when the case will be already upon the claim, will prove the resumed. The fact that the man is very property to a depth of 82 feet. The poor and that both he and his daughter owners have also let another contract had occupied the same bed had led to for the running of a tunnel 100 fest the complaint being exaggerated. The long upon their Lake View claim in the W. C. T. U. have taken charge of the same camp, which when completed will child, so that even if the father sucprove the claim for a distance of 125 ceeds in getting clear he will not be feet. There appears to be every indication

VERNON. Vernon News.

Mr. Jack Eliwell, of Ducks, was in the city on Monday and Tuesday in connection with the deal between the Swan Lake Mining and Development Company and a Scotch syndicate. Mr. Craven is expected to arrive here about the middle of April.

been rehearsing this particular opera Mr. Jim Cameron returned Monday for some time it is expected that their from a prospecting trip on the west interpretation of it will prove eminently side of Okanagan lake. He reports having made a good find, and judging from the samples he shows he has struck it rich.

Messrs. Hooper and Creight have gone into camp on the commonage near Mr. Birnie's ranch on the west side of prosperity. Long Lake. 'They intend prospecting in that vicinity, some very promising ledges having already been located

thereabouts. The municipality of Spallumcheen has thus far displayed a commendable spirit At a meeting of the Crescent Cycling of enterprise and progress in the matter of reclaiming waste lands. In addition to the proposed scheme of extending the Deep creek ditch to Okanagan lake and Bend. thus draining the Greenhow and

O'Keefe meadows, the ranchers to the north of Armstrong are contemplating draining a large area of swamp lands by the clearing out and straightening of Bennett creek.

Messrs. Wright and Pelly have located the Close Call and Old Tom on the point at the arm of Okanagan lake. These two ledges are probably the most promising prospects that have been struck about here. The quartz is similar to that from which Mr. Morden got his \$65 assay, being a galena and copper-bearing rock carrying gold. The edges are from six to eight feet wide. Mr. Morden is reported to be a dreamer of dreams. It appears he dreamed a few nights ago that some friends asked why he did not stake out that silver ledge on the point at the arm of Okanagan lake. The following morning early he arose and took skiff and skiffed him speedily to the point and lo! and behold he discovered the ledge as the voice of his friends prophesied, and he straightway staked him off a claim in accordance with the Mineral Act and amendments thereto. As

Joseph got the start of his brothers by being up in the dreaming business, so Mr. Morden got ahead of his brother prospectors, Mr. Jim Cameron, who, it appears, discovered the ledge of the Morning Glory two weeks ago on his way to the west side of the like, intending to stake it on his return.

Aberdeen were thrown into a state of consternation over the discovery of a

May. Quite a number of the men who verbal statement, bu went up this week have employment wanted such a guaran promised them at the Horsefly tify them entering i Messrs. Young and Lee, of Pittsl the building of a ra Penn., came in last week to Ashcroft. going to cost so mu their way to Quesnelle, where Mr. money. It was kn Young is building his dredger for work were not in the habit on the Fraser river. About 60,000 lbs. for nothing, so that of machinery direct from Pittsburg British Pacific reache now on the track here. The freight ways and the other the carload is nearly \$1000 and with with it. the governm Canadian duty, makes a valuable conment that the con signment. Mr. Young is a practical man made, and it would and knows as much about dredging a nearest railway wou any man in the province. If Mr. miles to build. The Young's judgment is good, dredging will would be, its money be a prominent factor in gold mining a railway to the eas in British Columbia from now on. there we should hav We are in receipt of a pleasant letter any connection furt from Dr. Hugh Watt, at present in land railway that we toria, in which he states that in British Pacific. The quishing his practice at the 150 way. Mr. Pooley said and vicinity to Dr. Herald is not ward with a propsid the idea of leaving Cariboo. While his recent trip east the doctor has vince purchase some lars worth of bonds ceeded in interesting capital for ( boo mines, and he will devote his time have the desired co if the government b from now on to the mining into an arrangement as of the district which has been so long people would have to his home. We are glad to note the success of the doctor in his mining busine were no men of busi and wish him abundant success and son for the rejection that too much money A letter received from H. R. Bellamy overnment was asked says: I have finished up my work e extent of six r the Horseshoe Bend, Thompson railway company claim with very satisfactory result the province. Or portion of the ground running as ver to pay \$240,000 as \$1.50 per yard, and my com per cent. interest an ng fund. This 1 per will immediately arrange for building was not sufficient, dredge there. The company have a twenty year lease of the Horsesho there would have to of 2 1-2 per cent to at the end of twent At the residence of Mr. and Mr. James Haddock, on Tuesday eve omoters were aske ney would give that

March 17th, Charles Haddock. eldest son, was united in marriage the Miss Violet Glencross, daughter of Mr and Mrs. W. J. Glencross. The mony was performed by the Rev. Yollond. Last year a man named Chas. Smith

who had been sent in near Tatlow lake on a prospecting trip, by Victo parties was drowned in the Chilcote river, while on his way out to the corder's office at Clinton to record cinnabar mine discovered by him. accidental death left the mine not p erly recorded within the time req by law. The promoters of the p ting trip. however, who had been fied of the find by Smith before death, got special permit for the gr to be held by them until a certain Meantime another party got track the strike and the two parties left croft last week, one by a B. X. s for Soda Creek via Hanceville, t low's lake, and the other by a & Haddock special to the same via Dog Creek, Hanceville, etc. Neit party semed to care for expense. wanted to get there with all speed. names of two of the members of of the parties were Cameron and Elli son. The mine is reported by the two members of the party who have seen as a bonanza.

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