Mr. Maclean Speaks of British Columbia Mine Interests.

Conditions That Require Change to Bring Improvement.

(From Wednesday's Daily.) Allan Maclean, of London, a large

shareholder in both the Kootenay and Velvet companies, has returned to Rossland from a two weeks' trip to Mexico. was accompanied by William mpson, manager of the Kootena;

Mr. Maclean had only been in Rossfew days when he arranged to Mr. Thompson accompany him to have Mr. Thomp Mexico. He had not been in Rossland before, and has made his present visit this side of the Atlantic in order to the same time last year, or an insatisfy himself with regard to the gen- crease of \$581,311. The customs revdetermination in this respect, and hence it is that he has returned here instead of proceeding direct from Mexico. to London.

Thomas Murray M. To the fiscal timber berths subsidiary to the Columbia river containing an enormous quantity of the typical lumber of the country. On the start the company will determination in this respect, and hence greater than for the same period last try. On the start the company will determination in this respect, and hence greater than for the same period last try. On the start the company will determination in this respect, and hence greater than for the same period last try. On the start the company will determination in this respect, and hence greater than for the same period last try.

mining industry of this section will eventually reach enormous proportions. He is quite satisfied with the prospects of Rossland, but does not hesitate to declare that there are conditions that arrived at Plymouth last night. can and should be eliminated. Refer-ring to this phase of the situation, Mr.

"I do not feel that I am sufficiently familiar with the conditions of the camp to discuss it from a local point of view. However, I don't mind telling you what is the prevailing impression in London. In the first place your mines are not so in their operation. If they were cap-Italized for one-tenth of their present -I am speaking only with knowledge of London flotations, and not of ditions between the old country and anything else, although the same arguit may well apply, so far as I know, to the general method that obtains in nancing and exploiting the mineral amount they would not be particularly remunerative until conditions permit a general reduction in operating expenses. As for labor, I have not much to say, except that if the low grade properties are to be made to pay, and country is to become popular with the investing world, you must equa other countries and camps in the cost FAMOUS PROMOTER AND MIN-of mining. So far as mining supplies ed, it is my opinion that you must buy cheaper than you do now from Canadian manufacturers or reduce the tariff on imports. As far as treights and treatment charges go, it is a question of general reductions all around. The railways must face the situation fairly and squarely, the mine wners have to do so, and come to the conclusion that half a loaf is better han no bread. The transportation compenies are deeply interested in the means a big payroll, and those on the to be fed and the east and other points distantly re- ner accompanied a party through the moved from the scene of your operations. It does not require much perspicacity to see how the railways would by the roadside. A cyanide mill dissame may well be said of the smelters, the point from whence Mr. Wardner except that the idea in that instance is drank, and he inadvertently swallow not quite so far-reaching. Before leav- ed a portion of the chemical solution ing Rossland I hope to satisfy myself used in the cyanide process. The poi oughly about these and other things

at greater length. While absent in Mexico, Mr. Maclean visited many points in Chihuahua and Durango. He found mining one of the rincipal industries in those states, and declares that much money is seeking ent there. The main reason for labor is cheap; but otherwise no part of Mexico that he visited equals Rossland and the Kootenays in point of climate

and mineral wealth. velation concerning the peon multi-mil-lionaire, Senor Alvarado. This remarkthe humblest circumstances. He recently, so it is alleged, offered to pay the Mexican national debt, and was ed to have died a week or so ago. Mr. rango and declares that he is alive and of Alvarado to pay the debt of Mexico and attributes much of his reputed wealth to irresponsible newspaper re-

James Anderson, manager of the IN ossland branch of the Bank of Montreal, returned to the city last night. J. E. McAllister, manager of the Greenwood smelter, is in the city. Robert M. Hood, of Nelson, Koote-nays manager for J. Y. Griffin & Co., was in the city yesterday.

P. W. Gordon, of Winnipeg, represent-ing the Imperial Oil company, is in the

VERY LONG SESSION

DOMINION PARLIAMENT SIT-TING THIS YEAR BREAKS THE RECORD.

CUSTOMS REVENUE FOR THE PAST TWO MONTHS SHOWS INCREASE.

OTTAWA, Aug. 31.- Dominion Thanksgiving is fixed for Thursday, October 15th.

P. R. Martineau, M. P. for Montmagny (Liberal), died in the Water street hospital today.

The customs revenue for the Dom inion for the month of August was \$3,907,767, compared with \$3,326,456 for

London.

In speaking of his impression of the Kootenays, Mr. Maclean said last night and supporting the scheme, said that that he greatly appreciated the value he was going to retire from solitics of the mineral resources of not only at the end of the present parliament, Rossland, but Southern British Colum- and that he would not accept a seat, bia as a whole. He predicts that the in the senate either, because ie did rot believe in it.

Judge Mosgrove of the county of Carleton died here last night. Hon. Clifford Sifton and L. P. Duff The longest session on record of the

Dominion parliament lasted 172 days. The present session reached its . ne hundred and seventy-second sitting today, so that tomorrow the record will be broken.

When the house met today Bourassa asked if Lord Minto spoke on his personal responsibility at the banquet ch over-capitalized as over-expensive of the chambers of commerce in Montreal, when he said that the future of the empire depended on our inter-change of trade on preferential conher possession; beyond the seas, tnd its safety from attack on a system of common defense. Str Wilfred Lau-rier said his excellency attended the wealth of British Columbia-I say if banquet as the guest of the board of they were capitalized for one-tenth of trade of the city of Montreal, and in answer to the toast of his health he expressed his own personal views

JIM WARDNER DYING

ING MAN NOW AT DEATH'S

DOOR.

ACCIDENTALLY POISONED BY CYANIDE SOLUTION IN DRINK-ING WATER

James F. Wardner, famous throughintry—more than anybody else. If the out the Kootenays as a mining pro mines can ship a large tonnage, it moter and raconteur, is dying from of one. The minority included Alderblood poisoning in a Milwaukee hospital. Several months ago Mr. Wardmining districts of Nevada, and in the course of the trip drank from a stream benefit if this condition obtained. The charged into the stream close above in the same relationship. Meanwhile I for several weeks, finally recovering son entered his system, and he was ill do not desire to discuss the situation sufficiently to be about for a fev was sent back to the hospital at Milwaukee, where his daughter resides. Latest telegraphic reports are to the effect that the attendant physicians have given up all hopes of his recovery, and that this intelligence has

been broken to the sufferer.

The news will be received with the keenest regret in Rossland. "Jim" Wardner was a familiar figure in the Kootenays, where he won and lost several fortunes in mining. His record as a promoter was clean, and his reputation as a "hustler" was proverbin As a racenteur Mr. Wardner ranked within the last few years. Previous to among the cleverest in the country, discovering his silver mine he was in and a host of extremely entertaining and amusing yarns are retailed with

Limited, formed to purchase and operate a group of free gold claims in the

NEW ROSSLAND LUMBER COM-PANY WILL START SHIP-PING.

CHINA CREEK PLANT RAPIDLY NEARING COMPLETION - ITS PROSPECTS.

In twenty days the China Creek Lum ber company, Rossland's newest corporation in the lumber business, will start shipping milled products. The machinery for the plant is now on the ground, and is being set up rapidly. The work is to be pushed ahead with the something unforeseen intervenes the company's expectations will be fulfilled. There is no diminution in the demand for lumber in the large to the lumber in lumber in the Northwest Territories where the company will market its pro cuct, and the outlook for an active busi ness is bright.

The new plant will have a capacity of 40,000 feet of one inch lumber per day. As the class of material produced varies, the average output will be in the Leighborhood of 50,000 feet daily.

The China Creek Lumber company owns extensive limits in the immediate vicinity of the plant, and controls other available near the mill site afterwards turning to the up-river limits. The material cut on the river will be rafted down stream to the big eddy at the mouth of China creek and brought up to the mill by means of an endless chain conveyor.

The attention of lumber interests gen eally throughout the Kootenays is now entred upon Manitoba and the North west Territories. The usual crop of re-ports as to harvest conditions is to hand, and the weight of evidence seems to be in favor of the crop coming up to last year's mark. Yesterday an advice was received here from H. W. Laird, a prominent Regina grain dealer and elevator man, who says that in the districtbetween Moose Jaw and Indian Head, which embraces the Regina plain, the wheat crop will be heavier than ever. This is the region of heavy soil, In districts where the soil is lighter the yield shows a distinct falling off, but the increased acreage under cultivation will bring the total output up to last year's figures. The Canadian Pacific is making exceptional efforts to move the crop of 1903.

The attractive prospect thus outlined means big business for the lumbering industry of the Kootenays, which is now

CITY COUNCIL PASSES FEES FOR SPOKANE DETEC-

TIVE.

MINORITY PUT UP HARD FIGHT AGAINST THE AC-COUNT.

The \$243 account from the Thiel Detective agency of Spokane passed the city council last night by a majority men Armstrong, Daniel and Talbot, but their efforts to defeat the passage of the accounts went for naught. In the course of the discussion on the subject Mayor Dean and Alderman Daniel had their customary difference of opinion, and the alderman was called to order with sufficient frequency to satisfy the

ambition of any councillor.

It was intimated by Alderman Daniel that certain citizens threatened injunction proceedings to prevent the pay-ment of the account, so that this is now the only obstacle in the way of the Spokane detective layout receiving their

Thiel's bill first came up under the heading of a long written opinion from Solicitor Nelson. In a nutshell the city city solicitor should have said the cour cil could pass the bill, if it so desired, and that any failure by the mayor to notify the council of his action in engaging the Spokane detective did not relieve the city of the obligation to pay the account. He also stated that the stenographer's bill could not be legally the council's believing the mayor acted in good faith and expressing this belief by passing the bill for the shorthand

him as the centre.

His last successful flotation in this province was the Cherry Creek Mines, Limited formed to purchase and oper-Monashee mountains country. When taken with the relapse at St. Paul he stand that the bill was improperly inwas on the point of leaving for west-ern Alberta to close a deal for sev-eral thousand acress of valuable coal lands for St. Paul and Minneapolis

The bill was improperly in-curred in the first place and that no proper account had ever been rendered the council. He objected strenuously to its passage of the item, and intimated to the members that every alderman vot-

MUCH INTEREST TAKEN. Third Weekly Handicap Shoot of Ci-

The weekly handicap shoots under the uspices of the Civilians' Rifle association are growing in popularity among attended and the scores were fair. The derman, were recently arrested in marksmen in several instances shot over Ciudad Bolivar by order of President

The scores were a	Ha	Handi-	
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Thomas I. Dunn	88	8	9
A. B. Barker		0	8
W. H. Collins		12	9
R. Plewman		35	8
Alfred McMillan		15	8
H. Daniel		35	8
K. E. McKenzie		15	8
A. O. R. Brown		25	7
R. Houston		10	7
C. O. Lalonde		10	7

ROSSLAND OPERATORS GET WON-DERFUL SILVER ORE IN THE DISTRICT.

CALIFORNIA SYNDICATE IN LUCK 1200 OUNCE PRO-

DUCT.

Lardeau properties operated by a synthe entire shaft will be in ore. If this jecting a little above the mirror, ores ever discovered in the district, and to occur with additional depth. means handsome profits for the owners when marketed in any quantity. Edward Baillie is just back from Lardeau with reports of the strike and samples of the product. The ore is certainly a remarkable product, but similar high grade material has frequently been pro-

duced from Lardeau properties.

The property upon which the strike was made is the Mammoth group, operated by the California syndicate of Rossland, and located in the Camborne

The vein yielding the high grade ore has been traced on the property for 4000 feet, but its width is not yet determined. Just at the point where the nigh grade material was taken out about 12 inches of the bonanza material is in sight, and this may be substantially increased when the surface disturbances are overcome with depth. The best ore s gray copper and galena carbonates carrying 1200 ounces silver, over 70 per cent lead and some gold values, the total value being over \$800 per ton. From another place on the ledge ore worth more than \$300 per ton has been extracled. The syndicate will comme ing ore at once and expects to ship out the winter.

From the Blue Eagle property, near Gerrard, and just above the well known Handy property, Mr. Baillie brings a report of a remarkable free gold strike. Four feet of quartz showing much free gold has been uncovered, and the disovery has created much interest.

"Trout Lake was thoroughly waken-ed for once by the free gold strike of a few days ago," says Mr. Baillie, "This strike was made in the Lucky Jim basin, etween the Silver Cup and Cromwell n ines, and not in the locality described in the press dispatches. From the ori-ginal strike a small piece of ore, about a handful, panned out a teaspoonful of

ON TICKET-OF-LEAVE.

Montreal Men who Conspired to Defraud the C. P. R.

MONTREAL, Sept. 1.-Word was repenitentiary for conspiracy to defraud been in the prairie country long to become a disciple of its great to be a disciple o P. R., and Carlin as a conductor on the conditions there. read, were found guilty of having conspired together to supply the conductors on the C. P. R. lines running into Mon-treal with advance information as to the cate when their trains would be checked over by the company's auditors, thus destroying the effectiveness of the audit, and leaving the conductors free to misand leaving the conductors tree to many appropriate money. The plot was revealed by another clerk in the office named King.

Johnston came up for trial on No
The settlers old and new are office. have been on account of Johnston's per-

sistent refusal to give evidence against Carlin was tried last April, found guilty, and condemned by Judge Wur-tele to serve two years in the penitentiary. An application for a reserve case

was refused. 130-JUMPING ON FOREIGNERS.

Nice Game.

WILLEMSTADT, Curacao, Sept. 1. Harsh justice is being meted out to foreigners residing in the interior of Venezuela, where the local authorities who were t

arriving at Caracas in due time.

CUMANA, Venezuela, Sept. 1.—A gibbet was erected in a street of this city yesterday on which was hung an re growing in popularity among ers." Two leading traders, M. Palazbers. The last match was well zi, a Frenchman, and Herr Sprick, a the bar for the first time, while others were without orthoptics, which militated against their shooting.

Castro for refusing to pay their taxes, which had already been collected by the revolutionists during the latter's the revolutionists during the latter's occupation of the city. Many other persons were also arrested on the same charge. The French and German ministers at Caracas protested and ob-tained the immediate release of their fellow countrymen.

WHITE BEAR STRIKE

ONE SIDE OF SHAFT IN SOLID ORE AT THE PRESENT

TIME.

CONSIDERABLY BELOW 850 FOOT LEVEL - IMPORTANCE OF DISCOVERY.

the discovery is of very great import- and six or eight inches wide, set in a the discovery is of very great import-light steel framework by means of bolts ance as a demonstration of the manner and soft washers. The frame is sup-Ore carrying 1200 ounces of silver and in which the ore bodies are expanding ported between two skeleton piers in a secured. The indications polar axis capable of being moved in are that before the 1000 level is reached declination along the arcs shown prodicate of Rossland people. The product is not realized the pitch of the ore body ranks with the highest grade silver-lead would seem to indicate that it is certain sun's altitude. This adjustment is read-

The developments at the White Bear required. are of such a nature as to continually encourage the management in the policy work. This is not continuous, as in of development it is following.

or importance was secured until the vals to reduce the danger of vibration 700 level was reached, and even at that from wind. depth the showing was of such a na-ture as to discourage the directors. of 1-inch blackened copper pipe, equip-When they were finally induced to carped with a superheater and placed axry the workings down to the 850 foot ially in the centre of the mirror. In the level the showing had improved won- particular example shown, the mirror is derfully, and on the strength of the ore 36 feet in diameter, and contains about in sight the comprehensive plan of de- 1000 square feet of silvered surface. The

The ore bodies of pay grade practically power. Flexible couplings enable the apexed on the 700 level, and widened substantially on the 850. The strike just The whole structure can be stripped, made in the shaft indicates that the ore "knocked down," and put together in is steadily widening, and that at the any sort of out-of-the-way place with 1000 level the deposit is likely to be all no tool beyond a monkey wrench. There that was expected of it. When the are no heavy parts, so that the problem shaft was commenced at the 850 it was of transportation in a difficult country believed that sooner or later it would is comparatively simple. break into the ore body, but the celerity The absorption of solar heat is so with which this was accomplished has great that when the sun)is near the horibeen somewhat of a surprise, although zon such apparatus cannot be worked obviously most gratifying.

tinued steadily. Good progress is being a day. Getting up steam after the sun made both in the deep levels and on is fairly at work is about an hour's task, the surface, where construction is be- and then the engine will drive steadily

LIKES

J. H. ROBINSON TELLS OF THE RUSH FOR PRAIRIE

LANDS.

MORE RAILROADS NEEDED-THE ONE.

James H. Robinson, formerly been issued from the department of Rossland, and now in business at Wejustice for the immediate liberation on taskiwin, Alta., is in the city for a ticket-of-leave of Herbert G. Johnston few days, his mission being to remove and Patrick Carlin, undergoing sentence of imprisonment in St. Vincent de Paul great Northwest. Mr. Robinson has his family to their new home in the been in the prairie country long enough Johnston, who was employed as a and has at his command a liberal fund of interesting information relative to

The crop conditions are being liberally discussed at this juncture Mr. Robinson testifies for his district that the yield of grain will be greater than ever before, botth on the per acre basis and in the aggregate. The bulk of Alberta, however, is not

a choice wheat country. The land is heavy and the wheat berries softe vember 12th, and on December 10th was sentenced by Mr. Justice Hall to two in for stock on a considerable scale, years imprisonment, the sentence being so that a short crop will never affect them as adversely as is the case in other sections of the Canadian Northwest, where the agriculturists pin their faith on wheat. At a sale recently attended by Mr. Robinson calves sold for \$12 each, and well grown cattle are selling freely at \$75 per head. A number of people are going into the Peace river country, although this is regarded as somewhat far north by some. Mr. Robinson points out in this connection, however, that there is a prosperous flour mill turn-ing out an excellent product no less than 750 miles north of Edmonton. The Northwest is likely to secure

PERSONALS1

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CANADIAN BRIEFS.

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A. Hughes, M. P., has been removed the major of the fine city yesterday.

Mrs. C. B. Winter, of Nelson, arrived here yesterday to join her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Winter are occupying the chambers over the Bank of Montreal.

J. L. Whitney leaves this morning on a flying visit to the Poplar creek district.

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UTILIZING SOLAR ENERGY.

Although solar radiation is the great effigy representing a foreigner and the populace beat the dummy with sticks, amid shouts of "Death to the foreignultimate fountain of terrestrial energy, ly. The total amount of radiant energy received by the earth may be roughly reckoned at the equivalent of no less than 10,000 horse power per acre, obviously more than enough to satisfy the extreme requirements of industry. John Ericsson was the first engineer to take up seriously as a practical problem the task of utilizing this enormous store. With his customary dogged persistence he did not rest until he had produced a solar engine that would do serious work. The result he attained was the production of one horse power per hundred square feet of exposed normal reflector surface—a figure that has since been reached by other investigat, ors, and which may, therefore, be tak

as a safe basis of reckoning. The method used by Ericsson, and by those who have followed him, was to concentrate the solar rays upon the boil. er of an engine by means of a huge concave mirror, thus compelling the sun to furnish the fuel and serve as a stoker, And the process worked well, both with the inventor's great hot air engine and with the ordinary steam engine.

An important strike has been made at the White Bear mine. The whole of one side of the shaft, considerably below the 850 foot level, is in solid ore, and declination along the arcs shown proto follow the seasonal changes in the ily made by hand every few days as

The diurnal motion is given by clock-|clock-driven telescopes, but by stops The peculiarity of the White Bear every minute or two, the driving memine is that practically nothing of value chanism being locked during the inter-

velopment and equipment now under boiler carries 200 pounds pressure in way was devised and adopted. | full sunshine and is good for 10 horse full sunshine, and is good for 10 horse

obviously most gratifying.

The work in the shaft is to be confully available for at least eight hours ing actively prosecuted on the new head-works and compressor plant.

and then the engine on until the approach of sunset.—Cas-sier's Magazine.

> A scaffold at the car shops of the Canadian Pacific railway at Hochelaga, collapsed. Six men were injured, one of them, Jean Brisbois, probably fatally.

The estate of the late T. H. Mac-Pherson, ex-M. P., is valued at \$78,617,-13, which is divided among four childrem except \$2000, which goes to Miss Jane Drummond, a niece of the testa-

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