company.

Mr. Sword said there was nothing in the bill deserving the encomiums lavished upon it. The novelty of the bill was sufficient to convert Hon. Col. Baker, (laughter), and the promoters evidently caught the premier with the clause suggesting revenue.

Mr. Macpherson said the primary object the company had in view was to secure the Yukon railway, and to do this they wanted to secure half of the goin found along the route in British Col-Mr. Rogers had supported the bill, but he would be the first to protest if half the gold in Cariboo had to be given to a railway company to build a railway into that district. If a company antecedent to Cariboo's day had received the same liberal subsidy it would have secured over \$25,000,000 for running a railway into Cariboo. Mr. Cotton was inclined to vote for

the second reading of the bill as an experiment, hoping to see many changes in Amengst whom were Rev. committee. some changes in committee could be

made a good one. The second reading was carried on a FARMING ON THE WEST COAST. vote of 19 to 8, Mr. Cotton voting with the government and Dr. Walkem with the opposition.

BRITISH PACIFIC. reading of the Canadian Western Con- also referred to in the quarterly report tral Railway bill. Mr. Semlin said the company appear-

division.

PRIVATE BILLS. The Barkerville, Ashcroft & Kamloops

Railway Company's bill was read a The house went into committee with Major Mutter in the chair to consider the Pend d'Oreille Power & Light Com-

pany's bill. The committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit Kootenay Power & Light Company's

The Grand Forks Power & Light Company's bill was read a second time on motion of Mr. Helmcken, and the Revelstoke Water Works bill on motion crab-apple swamps of small extent. of Mr. Kellie, and the house adjourned until Monday at 5:40.

BRIEF LOCALIS. Gleanings of City and Provincial New na Co ena d Form

-Mr. C. T. Wriglesworth and Miss Ida Erskine were married last evening at the James Bay Methodist church by the Rev. T. J. McCrossan. The bride was attended by Miss Ethel Prescott and Miss Alberta Wriglesworth, while Mr. Henry Fiterre supported the groom.

-Under a judgment obtained by J. sold on Wednesday at Revelstoke by ties. Sheriff Redgrave for \$6,200. The purcouver, and it is understood that a com- calls every ten days. pany will be organized to continue development work on the property.

was given by local entertainers.

-John Walsh, a well known city drayman, was the victim of an accident yesterday whereby he lost a finger. He was lifting some ironware on the wharf when his finger was jammed and taken off as though it had been cut off with a knife.

-Dennis Fitzgerald went into Salmon's cigar store last evening, but as he was offensively drunk Mr. Salmon declined his custom and put him out of the store. Dennis repeated the attack, and in the tussle broke a lamp shade. Mr Salmon was not anxious to prosecute, but the police magistrate declared that business men must not be interfered with and so Dennis must pay \$2.50

-George Tyson, a driver employed by R. Porter & Sons, was the victim of an unfortunate accident yesterday evening, whereby his face was badly difigured. He was cleaning his horse, which was standing in its stall at the stables of the firm on Fisguard street, when he around, stepped on his face, cutting his probably be played in the morning, so hampered by the sultan's jealous deterswell considerably. Dr. Frank Hall, who fixtures. was called immediately, dressed his wounds, and he is now doing very well.

-Among the passengers who came down on the Danube last evening was T. Riley, who had his leg broken while working at Wadham's new cannery at Rivers Inlet. The accident was caused by a large piece of timber falling from the top of the building. Riley was taken to the Jubilee Hospital for

Victoria District Fruit Growers' Association will be held in the Cedar Hill for using the city market building and selling fruit on the co-operative princi-The association will commence operations, if satisfactory arrangements can be made, on or about the first of May next, and will work in harmony with the provincial fruit exchanges.

-The Kimberley Mining & Milling Company has been incorporated with a capital stock of \$1,000,000. Three hundred thousand shares are placed in the treasury for development purposes. The officers are: President, A. J. McLellan; vice-president, Capt. W. Grant; secretary-treasurer. J. T. Bethune; directors, Hon. Edgar Dewdney, Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper, Hon. Fred Peters, Q.C., A J. McLellan, Capt. W. Grant, J. T

-George Kirsop, an ald resident of this city, died very suddenly at his resi-it, but nothing more. The girl's hands dence on Chatham street on Friday evening from heart disease. He was 77 years of age and a native of New bore an expression of horror and agony.

Smart detectives were engaged to incomplete the constitution of the constitution castle-on-Tyne. England. For a number of rears past he has conducted a marble shop in this city, being for the marble shop in this city, being for the case, but up to the present time no clue has been obtained concernsist the powers.

"The Turkish most part engaged in ornamental work. ing this strange mystery.

would be no business for the railway The funeral took place at two o'clock this afternoon from his late residence to the Reformed Episcopal thence to Ross Bay cemetery. Rt. Rev. Bishop Cridge conducted the buria services both at the church and at the

> -Rev. Dr. Carman, of Toronto, Superintendent of the Methodist church in Canada, is expected to arrive on the coast shortly to attend the annual con-ference of the Methodist church of ver on May 12th. He will be accompanied by Rev. Dr. Ports, also of Toronto, secretary of education for the Methodist church. Both gentlemen will visit Victoria, and will preach at the Metropolitan Methodist church on Sunday, May Oth, Dr. Carman preaching in

the morning and Dr. Potts in the even-ing. The Danube, which arrived in part yesterday, brought down a number of Methodist missionaries from the north who are down to attend the convention. Rev. Raley, Rev. Jennings, Rev. Oster-Mr. Smith said that the bill with hout and Rev. Hall. The latter two gentlemen are accompanied by their wives.

To the Editor: In a late issue of the Times you refer to the policy of the government in granting money towards the constructing of trails and roads for Hon. Mr. Turner moved the second colonization purposes, a matter which is of the Victoria Board of Trade.

As this district has been favored with ed to be in the same position now as \$1,000 of a grant, perhaps you will alit was eight years ago. He saw no low me space in your paper to describe reason why he should vote to grant them tent of the country which will be opened The second reading was carried on a up for settlement when the proposed road is ultimately completed. The direct line between Ucluelet har-

bor, situated at the western entrance of Barclay Sound and Browning Passage, Clayoquot, and contains about 60,000 acres of arable land, none of which has as yet been appropriated by any railway or other monopoly. Therefore, according to the law at present in this part of British Columbia of granting 160 acres to each settler, there will be room for about 375 farmers, or fruit The house went into committee with growers, as the case may be. The gen-Mr. Huff in the chair to consider the cral nature of the land is undulating, well watered by numerous small streams, with rather heavy timber and

underbrush along the shore. As you proceed inward the country gets more open, with here and there salmon-berry and Stock raising will, I think, be profitable here, as the winters are mild, with very little snow-some winters, such as he past two, none.

The Indians here have a small herd of Durham cattle, which are never fed any hay, have no shelter, and yet at the beginning of spring are in splendid condi-

The land is well sheltered from storms a chain of sand hills, which stretch along the shore, a condition which is found in many of the most noted fruitgrowing localities. All kinds of small fruits do well, raspberries and strawberries particularly so. Judging by the crops and the quality of the potatoes W. Haskins, president and manager of the Orphan Boy Mining Company, that more land is under cultivation we will company's claim in the Big Bend was be able to export them in large quanti-

We have a splendid chance of marketchaser was Mr. C. N. Davidson, of Van- ing our produce, as the steamer Tees

have the field notes printed, so that in--The ladies of Metchosin gave a concert and dance yesterday evening at every cection before leaving the office Metchosin Hall in aid of St. Mary's of the lands and works department. If church. A very interesting programme this were done I believe that the whole West Coast would scon be occupied by the very best kind of settlers. GEORGE FRASER.

SPORTING INTELLIGENCE.

VACHTING.

At the annual meeting of the Vancouver Yacht Club, held an evening or two ago, the officers were elected as follows. President, C. W. Robson; vice-president. F. Cope; commodore, R. Y. Ellis, viceommodore, C. Gardner Johnson; captain, A. Linton; secretary, J. H. McNab: measurer, C. H. Jones; assistant measurer. J. A. Thurston: executive committee C. McAlpine, Capt. J. L. Anderson, Wm. Watts, J. A. Thurston, Geo. Buscombe. T. Beckett, J. W. Robinson and A. Grant.

LACROSSE. The senior lacrosse match, which was have been played at Vancouver on May 24th, will be played here, the Vancouver club having been unable to make suddenly slipped and fell. While he was arrangements for the Brockton Point down the horse, which was prancing grounds on that day. The game will cheek badly and causing his face to as to not interfere with the afternoon

MYSTERY IN CRIME.

On Christmas Eve, 1893, a pleasure party of kith and kin had gaily gathered to celebrate the festive season at a gentleman's mansion in the vicinity of Regent's Park, London. A few days prior family, Mildred by name, came home To-morrow evening a meeting of the gentle, not unusually comely, but very affectionate, and greatly beloved by her parents and the household. The party floor facing the park, and near the room occupied by her parents. On the same is war to-day in Thessaly, it is simply door were a drawing room, bathroom and another bedroom.

About three o'clock in the morning, Mildred's mother, thinking she heard her daughter call, went to her bedroom The sultan was not much inclined to and knocked once, but received no reget no answer. Subsequently the door, roken open, and the poor parents were Greeks. Even now the war might be horrified to discover their child stretched across the bed dead. Strange to say, nothing in the room had been disturbed, Salis ury preferred to let things drift, and all the doors and windows were se-

curely fastened. The most mortem examination revealed a small blue mark behind the left ear, long and wearisome period of fruitless as though a bonnet pin had punctured negotiations. He hoped, possibly, that

She Must Strike a Decisive Blow at Once or the Greeks Will Win.

Is Regarded as Supremely

New York, April 24 .- A dispatch to the World from London says: a rapid termination, the triumph of Greece cannot be prevented, it is asserted in quarters here in which the real cisive blow without loss of time.

ready to refuse or concede. The situation is deemed to be supremely critical, and unless Osman Pasha can gain a conspicuous victory the cataclysm of Constantinople, which powers have disgracefully compromised themselves in trying to prevent, may come at any moment.

In ministerial circles here, where a quick defeat of Greece is regarded as the surest and least unsafe condition of a highly dangerous complication, the new developments are causing constern-

The increase of popular sympathy for Greece, caused by the gallant conduct of their troops following the first defeats, has amounted to a revulsion. The incapacity of the European con cert is at least universally admitted and

its conclusions can now be safely ig King George, after great effort, has saved his people and can now afford to be moderate. A speedy peace may be expected both on the frontier and in

Crete. The prevalent feeling here undoubtedly is that as Greece has followed a provocative policy she should be prepared to pay the penalty.

terial press little comment was made of and dirty weather during the greater the hope that the campaign would be short, sharp and decisive, and the events of this week have produced a marked the United States coast survey steamer modification in these sentiments, aided probably by a growing suspicion that Russian diplomacy is egging the Turks on with an eye to some big eventual coup perilous to British interests.

The confident expectation that the Turkish army would make short work of the Greeks has been signally falsified present there is no asylum for the inand now the recall and disprace of Edhem Pasha fortifies the belief that such was in command of the steamer Queen success as he has gained was far less last summer, and since then has been substantial than has been represented, staying at Juneau, was also a passenger and at a cost of life and morals to the downwards. He went on to the Sound. Turkish forces little short of disastrous. AMr. F. Knowles, president of the London, April 24.—The last few days, Knowles Gold Mining Company, was a I think it is the duty of the govern- has developed a dramatic situation. The passenger for Victoria. He intends stayment to have this land surveyed and sudden removal of Edhem Pasha, the ing here for some time. Another min-Turkish commander-in-chief, in Mace- ing man who came down from the north donia, and the fact that he has been Fis H. V. Burner, of the Milmore Mining replaced by Osman Pasha, the hero pCompany, a San Francisco Company of Plevna, has caused great surprise in who are developing a property on Baraview of the glowing accounts which the correspondents on the field sent of Edone. The quartz is free milling, and hem Pasha's brilliantly conceived plan of from present prospects it looks as if it campaign, which was represented as will prove a paying concern. They have go by!' In all haste we got our guns working like a machine, and which gave a tunnel in now of 163 feet, and employ had found in him a second Von Moltke. stend to erect as soon as possible a
The splendid work of the Greek fleet stamp mill of 30 stamps. Good reports in destroying the Turkish war stores is come from every property in this neighadmitted to have considerably changed the aspect of affairs. With stores Juneau. Every available claim on Baradestroyed and railway communication noff island, and in that district has with Salonica cut off, the Turkish army been taken up. Reports from Dyea may soon find itself in a serious position. state that numbers of miners are daily It is stated, row that Edhem Pasha is in disgrace, that he has had little previous The snow is now nearly all gone save experience in warfare, that he is a crea- from the higrest points. This will make they fled in terror. ture of Izzet Bey, and that he fell when the carrying of supplies very difficult, as that favorite of the Sultan went down. It | now that the snow has gone, sleighing s also stated that the sultan has hitherto will be impracticable, and men going in been afraid to send generals such as will be forced, for the most part, to car-Achmel, Fund and Reschid to the front, ry their outfits on their backs. The ice the latter being kept in the most remote has not as yet broken upon the lakes, provinces. No remarkable development, although there is nearly two feet of waowever, is expected in the appointment ter on most of them. There are very

> mination to direct the military operations from the Yildiz Kiosk. front. His reserve is considered exces-

ish forces operating against the Greeks

in Thessaly, as apart from the danger

of swapping horses at the present criti-

cal juncture. Osmen Pasha will be

to the party the only daughter of the the orthodox Greeks in Turkey, Russia's kept in position by means of ropes which convervatism, added to his grasp of deeagerness to do so having caused doubts were fastened to the trees on shore, tail and his talent-that almost amounts from boarding school. She was a girl of as to her motives, and the government Scows were secured and the steamer to genius—for local color and atmosabout fifteen years of age—reserved and of Greece has now begged Great Briwas raised. Her hull is badly damaged phere, he is admirably equipped with tain to protect the orthodox.

schoolroom, when the business to be considered will be the proposed scheme room was a small apartment on the first inside workings of the embassies, writing capt. Myers, which returned from the anticipation of pleasure to be derived cause, and it was assumed that we considered will be the proposed scheme room was a small apartment on the first inside workings of the embassies, writing capt. inside workings of the embassies, writing under date of April 19th, says: "If there north last evening. because the concert of Europe has taken sides with the Turks and given the sultan to understand that he can have as free a hand in Greece as in Armenia. take the chances of war, and it is besponse. About nine the next morning lieved here that Germany influenced him to take the final step. The other powder on answer. Subsequently the door, which had been locked on the inside, was broken open, and the poor parents were broken open, and the poor parents were generally the door, which had been locked on the inside, was broken open, and the poor parents were generally the chances of war, and it is believed here that Germany influenced him to take the final step. The other powders are completed and she is able to resume her northern trips. Now that hardly likely that the Times would also the chances of war, and it is believed here that Germany influenced him to take the final step. The other powders are completed and she is able to resume her northern trips. Now that stopped, but no power honestly and heartily wishes to stop this war. Lord with the vague idea that this war would be better than nothing, and that some bruises are to be seen, and several holes mise. There is no reason why the same thing would come which would and the knocked in her hull are being patched, should not be equally true of the supnegotiations. He hoped, possibly, that the Turks might be beaten and the sul- renewed. tan frightened into submission, and that even if he was victorious, that he would

of Osmaa Pasha to command the Turk- few men coming out at the present time.

come out of the war in a condition of helpless bankruptcy and too weak to re-

Athens within a month. For the Turks this is strictly a religious war. They are full of fanaticism and drunk with the blood of the Armenians. The idea that the sultan, even if he should be victorious, will come of of the war readier than now to abdicate his power, comes from a mistaken view of his character and his policy. It does not follow, from his fear of assassinations and his vacillation in dealing with the ambassadors, that he is a weak man without a fixed ference of the Methodist church of British Columbia, to be held at Vancou. In Diplomatic Circles the Situation policy. On the contrary he is a very strong man, with the indomitable purpose to restore the power and glory of the Caliphat. Success in this war will make him stronger and more defiant than ever. It will arouse the courage and fanaticism of the Moslems throughout the world. Already the fellaheen, as well as the pashas of Egypt, are con-Unless Turkey can bring the war to tributing money for the war against the

intidels, and Mecca has appealed to India to come to the sultan's aid." The war between Greece and Turkey monopolizes public attention in Germany. situation is thoroughly understood, es- The opinion is expressed in political and pecially the desperate state of the Sul- diplomatic circles that the war will not tan's finances. Therefore, Osman Pa- finish soon, and that it will not remain sha, the hero of Plevna, has been sent localized very long. It is stated in govto the front with orders to strike a de- ernment circles that Germany's interests have already been vitally endanger-The panic that is prevailing at the ed, and it seems to be a foregone con-Yildiz Klosk, too, is plainly shown by clusion, whatever the outcome of the the dispatches of the Russian envoy present trouble, that a political readjust-from Constantinople to Sofia to stay the ment of the Oriental question wil also menacing demands of Prince Ferdinand lead to a readjustment of the powers' of Bulgaria, which the Porte is equally alliances. The entente betwen Germany and Austria on the one side and Russia and France on the other, it is believed, will become much closer in the near future.

Arrival of the Steamer City of Topeka From Juneau and Northern Points.

Mexico Sails for the North With Another Crowd of Gold Hunters.

The steamer City of Topeka arrived at the outer wharf shortly before noon from Alaska and left for the Sound after a stay of about an hour. She left ministerial circles and the minis- Juneau on the 22nd and experienced wet portion of her trip southwards. While passing Wrangel Narrows she sighted Patterson, which is on her way north engaged in coast survey work. Among the Topeka's passengers are Marshal D. I.. Williams and two deputies from Juneau, who are going to Washington, D.C.. with two insane men from Sitka. At sane in Alaska. Captain Carroll, who moff Island. This property is a good borhood and also in the neighborhood of going over the passes into the Yukon.

Findlay, Durham & Brodie's new cannery steamer Edith began her career rather bodly. She was built here last winter and left for Rivers Inlet about four weeks ago. While towing a boom of logs in Rivers Inlet she ran on n From Athens it is stated that discor- rock at high tide, and it was only after tent exists there at the fact that King great difficulty she was saved from be-George has not yet started for the coming a total wreck. As the tide receded, the steamer was left high and dry on the rock and there was danger The feeling at Athens against Russia of her tumbling over into deep water. still runs high. The Greek government As the rock on which the Edith struck and she will probably be brought to qualities capable of making whatever he The Constantinople correspondent of Victoria for repairs. The news of the writes about the Cretans of unusual the Speaker, who is a high authority on accident to the Edith was brought down value and interest. His long training as

The owners of the Coquitlam have great enough to make one express the taken advantage of the occasion, now unholy wish that nothing may arise to that the steamer is undergoing repairs prevent a bloody and excitng war beat the Star ways, to increase her cabin tween Turkey and Greece, with perhaps accommodation and make other im a power or two mixing in also at the provements which will better fit her for finish. The report that Kipling was to sne is high and dry on the ways the low the terms of a private contract to be marks left by the rocks when she ran on the them are plainly to be seen, and about happens that the reports of the amounts 70 feet of her keel suffered so badly paid to authors of note for book or that it will have to be replaced: Many nagazine rights are founded upon surwhile amidships two or three plates posed salary of an author employed as which were badly wrenched are being war correspondent. Exchange,



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on the way to this port, the special steamer Pelican having sailed on Mon-day also with a full cargo. The Vicers yesterday and to-day hauled to the Puget Sound flour mill, where she will

load one thousand tons of flour. A con-Weekly Reports on the Trend of Commerce. to the Orient, which will be taken out

The fleet of revenue cutters which will patrel Behring Sea the present season has been ordered to prepare for sailing to northern waters on May 15. The fleet consists of the flagship Rush, Captain Roberts; Bear, Captain Tuttle; Corwin, Captain Roath; Ferry, Captain Phillips; Grant, Captain Stamm. Cap-Co. say: tain Hooper, commandant, will accom-

W. E. Baker, arrived from the West fire in the heart of a crowded city, The sealing schooner Pioneer, Captain She is the first of the Victoria fleet to return. As the coast sealing closes on April 30, other schooners may be expected to arrive during the coming A number of the sealers will proceed to Behring Sea direct from the

toria, now in port, took fuel at the bunk

siderable consignment of flour from Min

neapolis has also arrived for shipment

on the Victoria.-Tacoma News,

pany the fleet on the Rush.

When the Mexico left the outer wharf for Alaska yesterday she was crowded sibilities have been discussed and partly with prospectors and miners, the majority of whom were bound for the Yukon. The increased rates did not appear to deter any from going to seek ubian states will be likely to ship wheat their fortunes in the north. Among scantily, especial needs and much high their fortunes in the north. This bearing, especial needs and much nighthe passengers were twenty miners from er prices being possible there, a large

The steamer R. P. Rithet, which was placed on the New Westminster-Victoria rcute this morning, was, owing to the heavy weather, detained at the outer wharf for several hours. She continued her trip this afternoon.

'The steamer Princess Louise will take the place of the Charmer to-morrow evening and replace her for a few trips. The Charmer in the meantime will have several slight renairs made to her ma-

COMBAT WITH A TIGER.

Russian hunters are said to look upon combat with a bear single-handed as only an ordinary experience. It is doubthowever, if many instances of a man attacking a tiger, armed with a sword only, can be found. Colonel Seaton, the elephant hunter, however, tells

this story of bravery: "One morning, just as we were leaving the parade ground, a man came 15,906,000 in 1892, including 7, men,' he exclaimed, 'there is a tiger in the hollow by the hut, and no one dare and two elephants and hurried to the he world the impression that Turkey a squad of 28 men. The company in- spot, where in truth a terrible scene presented itself. The tiger, bleeding from a cut in his head, was on the edge of the hollow, growling fiercely, with a man mangled and apparently dead lying between his paws. The unfortunate man was a fine swordsman and firse-rate wrestler-one of the champions of his regiment. Some people who went to draw water at the well had disturbed the tiger, and on his rising

> The brave but rash soldier, who happened to be near at the moment, on learning the cause of the commotion, immediately advanced to attack the tiger, and with his sword gave him a tremendous cut over the head, which, however, did not materially injure the nowerful brute. The tiger rushed at the man, stripped the arm down to the elbow, and, dashing him to the ground, held him beneath his paws. When we came up we were at first at a loss how how to act, for the man was as much exposed to our fire as the tiger. However, it was not a time for lengthened consideration-we fired, and a lucky shot finished the animal."

RUDYARD KIPLING AS A WAR CORRESPONDENT

Rudvord Kipling should make an ideal war correspondent. With his keen has rejected Russia's offer to protect was near the shore, the steamer was judgment, intense sympathy and British years ago. from reading his articles and future stor-

The Northern Pacific steamer Olymcome out of the war in a condition of
helpless bankruptcy and too weak to resist the powers.

The Turkish armies ought to be in steamers which the company now has

THE BUSINESS WORLD

The War in Europe Sends Wheat Up-An Improved Peeling-Bank

New York, April 26.-R. G. Dun &

If either Greece or Turkey had been wholly buried in the sea, the markets might have been affected less than by the outbreak of war in Europe. Like raised the question whether a general conflagration might spring out of it. T this possibility, and not to the direct in fluence of either Turkey or Greece upon the world's money or produce markets, was due the excitement in grain and stocks. As the unknown is magnified, America's markets were much more flighty than European, where the posdiscounted for months.

Wheat rose six cents from Thursday to Monday. Since Russia and the Dan share of the requirements of Western Europe may naturaly be drawn from this country, and the chance of a war between the great powers has the more influence because supplies there are not

and in three weeks have been but

The past week, like others of late, has witnessed the starting of operations by several ironworks, especially in black sheets for tinning, and yet prices for pig iron and unfinished products are lowe the demand not yet equalling the supply. Large sales of copper are reported at \$11.50, with production of 18,283 tons in March.

There were 216 busines failure the corresponding period of 1895, 201 37 in the week a year ago and 22 two

Saturday and Monday last were sign: led by heavy selling and considerable declines on the part of the foreign house and by bearish manifestations by the local traders. The declaration of cause, and it was assumed that wie the London and Continental markets opened Tuesday, after the Easter tion, they would be in more or less icky condition and that American stocks would be thrown on New York in larg quantities. The results, however. We great disappointment to the Both London and the Continent took the news of the war calmly, and appare ly concluded that the disturbance would be limited to the original comba ants or soon ended. Speculators London, who had sold our stocks on the opposite theory, of course, made haste to cover their short contracts, and the

nesday. The exhaustion of the short interest international stocks, however, caused slackening of the movement toward the -In the house to-day Mr. Sword of end of the latter day, which was in a measure compensated for by many a

R. G. Dun & Co. and Bradstreet's

Clearings Down.

Western receipts do not yet increase 5,461,000 - bushels against 5,553,199 bushels last year.

Sales of wool have been largely of foreigm, receipts being swelled by arrivals of quantities sold some time ago, and imports for the week at Boston were 32,000 bales. For the three chief cities sales were 34,036,000 pounds in three weeks, 20,271,300 being foreign, against scarcely anything, and orders for goods improve very little, though somewhat for the better grades of goods.

Bradstreet's says: The change in the conditions underlying general trade, while slight this week has been in the direction of in provement. The depression in iron and steel continues, and Bessemer pig and steel billets have reacted another 25 cents a ton. The outlook favors an increase in labor disturbances to resist midsummer wage reductions. The bituminous coal mining industry is worse than the anthracite, with rumors of strikes which promise to have an unfavorable influence on other than the

iron and steel industries. Exports of wheat (flour included as wheat) from both coasts of the United States and from St. John, N.B., this week amount to 1,654,658 bushels against 5,344,000 last week, 1.128,000 bushels in the third wek of April, 1896. 2,431,000 in the like week of 1895, 2.-727,000 bushels in 1894, and as compar ed with 2,507,000 bushels in the co responding week of 1893.

throughout the United States for the week, compared with 195 last week, 24 in the third week of April, 1896, 223 1894, with 186 in the like week of Ap ril. 1893. There are 22 business failures reported from the Canadian Dominio this week, compared with 39 last week Bradstreet's, in reviewing the stock

market, says:

local bear contingent also purchase with haste, resulting in a marked reco ery in prices during Tuesday and Wed-

British Colu ***************

VANCOUVER At a meeting of the League it was resolved tary write to the British C bers of the house of com them to impress upon the ernment the necessity erliest possible action in Chinese restriction by rattax, and also that the me most strongly urge upon government that the Jap should not be ratified by power was reserved, in ca social or economic necess suitable restrictions on the otherwise the case of H ousting of white by Orient peated in Canada's Pacific was also resolved that write to the provincial Vancouver urging upon desirability of the legisla an address to the Demin in council, praying that be made by Canada of the with Japan save with proj ensuring if found necessar tion of Japanese labor in Canada.

The plans for the Chi

which were presented to Tuesday evening, were health committee at its day afternoon. The buil to be erected on lot 23, b ision 196, on the south street, will be 90 feet lo wide. The estimated c NEW- WESTMIN

The Bon Accord is still water, no attempt having to get her out. The water in the Fraser about six inches a day. weather has stopped Wednesday morning at

church Percy Peele, of th well-known in lacrosse cit ried to Miss Fannie Carr John Wiggins, of 12th str the happy event took place hour the church, as is us cccasions, was we'l filled. couple, both of whom hav friends in the city, and popular, have gone on tour, and upon their retu will be tendered them h club, of which Percy has member since its formation The oolachans have be the Fraser river for seve the sea gulls, the inevitab are hovering over the rive The run is not as strong : very big catches have b the few fishermen who

kept well up. A big rur GRAND FOR

gaged in the work. As

the price of the oily

Boundary Creek The announcement of Pathfinder by the sheriff, adgment against the p F. C. Loring against E tically ties up the mine with the Volcanic and no prospect of their eason. In the Pathfil ing to Thomas Parkins Spencer has no valid is his proportion of one-th stake; that over a year for parts unknown, and lowed his license to expi the assessment work development-about \$1.7 ment was bought in by conditions to be settled T e Volcanic company meeting in Spokane on the and it is claimed on good they are now prepared matters and start in to at the same time build er near the property. such a shape as to th loubt on these promises The new company own say they are going to w

ther shall not. Thus practically in a state of li ROSSLAND

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The Columbia & Wester ing down to the Trail sme to 300 tons of ore per da J. C. Ward, missing his port on Monday afternoon walk into Rossland over tain track. All went w taken at night at the tre der renair opposite the Ward, in endeavoring to through and was badly head and neck. He was K. boarding house and his wounds dressed by I was brought up to the Sis where he is lying in a dan tion. Strong hopes of his however, entertained. At the last meeting of cil W. McQueen was appoi reasurer, A. N. Paterson ollector, and A. H. Mc?

"If all goes well, we shou trains over the Trail-Rob, May 20," said Superinten Gutelius, of the Columbi railway, to a represen Miner. The grade is pre pleted now... It is all done hundred yards on the sme it will be only the work of to finish that. The bridges ing reshed through. The least of the control of the con the road is over Stony Cr mile and a half north of th mile and a half north of the is 600 feet long and 125 is 600 feet long and 125 is 600 feet long and 125 is mill likewise be finished in and then the work of lay will begin. The rails are fax, Wash., awaiting shourchased them from the Co. They are standard sisteels. They will probably down via Rossland over the tain road. We have present the control of the control road. We have pu standard gauge freight engi C.P.R., and they will be r whenever we need them. stock besides the engines about 75 cars. The passeng