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request was not for a ent, as there is no comwhich contemplates the the line. If the preproves that the r hat the resources of the the lake are as reprenay be taken to interest e project.

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# TRTHS.

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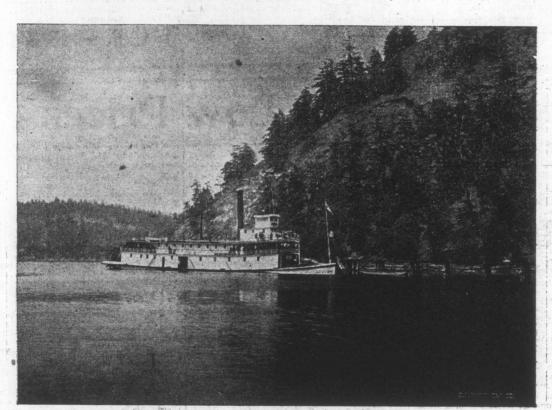
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STEAMER SERVICE ON THE COAST.

DESCRIPTION OF THE CRAFT
WHICH PLY ALONG EASTERN
SHORES OF THE ISLAND OF
VANCOUVER.

The steamer Sthathcona, which now
forms the connecting link between Sidney and Nanaimo and the ports of Crofton and Chemainus intervening in the
railway service now provided by the
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the railway company, has inaugurated a business that has
been fruitful of many beneficial result
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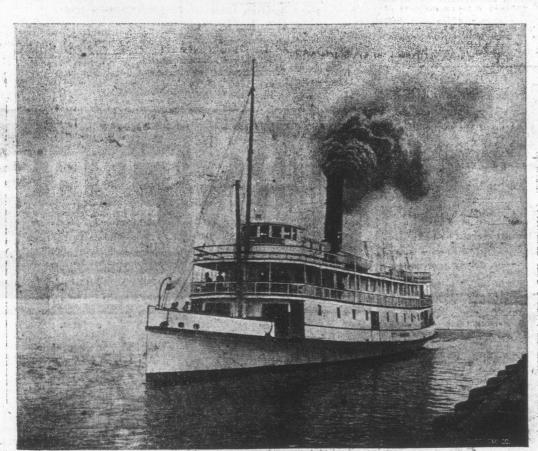


STEAMER STRATHCONA AT PEN DER ISLAND WHARF.

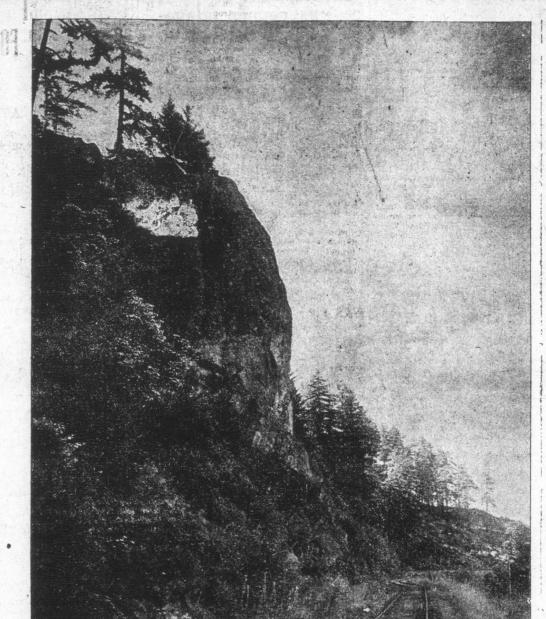
all the freight moving between the various ports of call en route.

The steamer was built for the Stikine river service a couple of years ago. Her builders were the B. C. Iron Works, and her former owners then the Hudson Bay Company.

He Last spring line Railway Company, the control of the first of the same type, the control of the co all the freight moving between the vari- tween the islands. Since the advent of where the terminus of the line now is,



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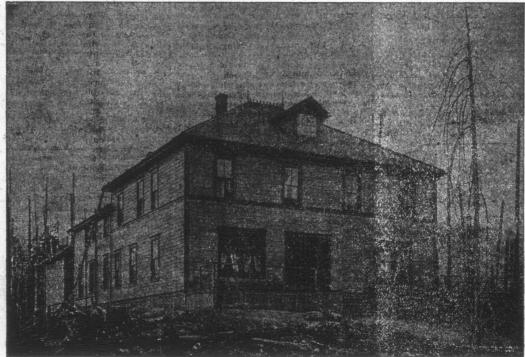


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manifold beauties and resources of the Island of Vancouver.

The rolling stock of the line has recently been augmented by the addition of a number of Pullman cars, where for a trifling additional fee the passenger may the better enjoy the beauties of the road. A transfer barge operating between Ladysmith and Vancouver, brings unbroken cars across the Gulf from the C. P. R., and enable the E. & N. to bring these cars into the city over their lines.

The premier of the wprovince, Hon. James Dunsmuir, is the principal shareholder in the road, of which the general superintendent is Jos, Hunter and the traffic manager, Geo, L. Courtney.



HOTEL SICKER ON SUMMIT OF MOUNTAIN.

trestle over which a narrow gauge railway is laid. On each side he can descry way is faid. On each side he can descry
the tracks of the line climbing the hills.
On his right is Mount Richards, over
which the line works by a series of
switchbacks to the Crofton smelter, on
his left Mount Sicker, towering 1,500 or in its heart riches which, in the opinion of some of the cleverest mining and smelting men on the continent, exceed those which when discovered on Red mountain made a Rossland possible, and started a boom in British Columbia mines the ultimate effects of which were of rather doubtful value to this prov-

Perhaps because of that boom, and the reaction which followed, the extent of the riches of Mount Sicker did not create the enthusiasm which it would othewise have caused. Years ago a fire swept have caused. Years ago a fire swept over the summit of the mountain, burning off the timber and the moss, which make prospecting so difficult on this Island, find disclosing the iron capping under which the vein was discovered.

A number of optimistic mining men, including Harry Smith, of Duncans, pinned their faith on the newly discovered property and finally enlisted old country capital in It. But the original locator or owner rarely is the ultimate proprietor, and the Lenora eventually

THE LENORA MINE.

& N. for shipment to Tacoma smelter. Then, when the Crofton smelter was assured, he carried his railway by a system of switch backs over the summit of Mount Richards, right down to salt water, and the smelter.

PRISE HAS OPENED UP.

The traveller on the E. & N. railway, just before the train reaches Westholme station, bound north, passes under a trestle over which a narrow gauge railway. The altitude of the mine above sea level is about 1,400 feet at the terminus of the failway on the Lenora property.

This property was secured by the present company in January, 1900, and with the exception of about six months



LENORA MINE-SICKER HOTEL IN DISTANCE.

continuously shipped ore to Tacoma and Everett smelters. About 30,000 tons have been already shipped. On the dump there are at present about 40,000 tons of second class ore, but amongst this there is a quantity of first class ore which was put on the dump when the mine was first opened. It is estimated there are between two and three years' ore in cight in the

It is estimated there are between two and three years' ore in sight in the mine; so far about 5,000 feet of tunnelling has been done in addition to the work on the floors which have been opened up.

There are three tunnels, and under the No. 3, which is the lowest, a shaft is being sunk to open up the lower levels. The ore bodies have been found to be as wide as 50 feet. The main ore body is continuous from the entrance of No. 1 tunnel into the Tyee claim, which lies to the east. A large body of high grade ore belonging to the north vein has been proved, and is 24 feet wide in the cross-cut; ore from this body is now being stoned, and assays of high sections.

proved, and is 24 feet wide in the cross-cut; ore from this body is now being stoped, and assays as high as \$525 to the ton have been secured from this body running \$130 in gold, 696 oz. in silver and 14 per cent. copper.

A new automatic sorting table has just been completed which works per-fectly, and will save a great deal of the cost in sorting, the ore. A new 3-drill Cornish compressor with 14-inch steam cylinder has just been erected, also 100 horse-power boiler; besides this ma-chinery there is an engine for running sorting machinery, and two 25 horse-power boilers; also a 2-drill Rand com-pressor. The hoist inside the mine is driven by air; it is intended to work up levels below No. 3 as quickly as pos-sible.

The formation of Mount Sicker is very

The formation of Mount Sicker is very easy to work, consisting principally of schistose rocks. In about 14 days the output of the mine will be increased materially, as about 60 tons per day will be shipped to Tacoma and 250 tons to Crofton smelter.

Lenora mine is connected with the smelter by 12 miles of mineral road; already mentioned, descending for the first six miles 1,400 feet to the E. & N. railway track, then climbing Mount Richards to the height of about 600 feet, and again descending to Crofton, the teragain descending to Crofton, the ter-minus. The latter portion of the rail-way is run over a series of switch-backs, the object of building the road between this section of country being that it is of the same mineral formation as Mount Sicker, carrying veins of cop-

as Mount Sicker, carrying veins of copper ore.

This railway will no doubt be kept busy not only with Lenora ore but with that of a number of other mines which are being fast opened up. The Mount Sicker camp is well supplied with timber and the Chemainus river affords a large water supply for electric or other numbers.

The main vein upon which the Lenora and Tyee veins were staked has not yet been opened up, but free gold has been found on the surface. It will not be long before this vein is proved by

be long before this vein is proved by proper development work.

On Mount Sicker is situated a first-class hotel, which is unusual in the early stages of a mining camp, and with such an altitude of 1,600 feet above sea level, the change from the sea coast of Victoria to Monut Sicker, within three or four hours, ought to be beneficial to those seeking a change of air. It is fitted up with the most modern conveniences, and forms a capital hostelry for those frequenting the mountain.

some 20 villages were destroyed and nearly 700 people killed.

On the northern slope of Mount Kas-

bek lies the watering place of Tmnekau. Early in the morning of August 17th, subterranean disturbances were noted but the bathers in the hot springs had no idea of a catastrophe; and in spite of warning, continued their bathing. o'clock of that evening the entire valley where the hot springs are situated; was filled with a deafening noise, required rumblings were heard. The valley stream swelled to the dimensions of a mighty torrent, and sweeping down it carried with it huge blocks of rock and ice. Then the bathers tried to escape, but it was too late. The entire northern slope of Mount Kasbet, with the glacier

above, began to move rapidly.

Village after village was swept away, and everything in the path of the landslide was destroyed. Within a few min-ntes the valley, which is nearly 12 miles long, had been devastated by a wall of rock, ice and earth. The valley was completely filled in some places to a depth of nearly 1,000 feet, by the mat-ter which was hurled into it. A fierce hurricane raged at the time of the landslide, and the bodies and animals were flung by the wind to a great height and dashed against the rocks.

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