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THE FIELD OF GOLD

Enormous Increase in Production of the Metal - An Official Estimate for the Year 1898.

New Processes Make the Working of Bodies of Low-Grade Ore Profitable.

Washington, November 16.—The report of the director of the mint for the calendar year 1898 shows an immense increase in the gold output of the world. This is the gold production for 1898, estimated on reliable information:

Table with 2 columns: Country, Gold Production (ounces). Includes South America, Australia, United States, Russia, and other countries.

The Klondike output, included above, for 1898 is estimated at \$12,000,000. The Klondike data are the most interesting of mine.

The Klondike is merely keeping step with the rest of the world. The production of gold is increasing all over the world, and there is good reason for the belief that the ratio of increase will be maintained annually for many years to come.

In all probability the output for 1899 will be about \$237,000,000. This is an increase of about 275 per cent over the production of 1890, when \$138,000,000 was wrung from the soil.

Two years ago this machinery and present methods were practically unknown. Ore that ten years ago would be considered almost worthless by reason of the comparatively small percentage of gold contained is now made up of a handsome profit.

In South Africa ore running from \$8 to \$11 to the ton is obtained, but the labor involved in its getting is much greater than in the United States.

Indications point to the construction of a Klondike railroad from the head of Lynn canal by way of Chilkoot pass to Fort Selkirk.

It is an undertaking of huge proportions, requiring some \$100,000,000 in round figures, but the revenue sure to be derived and untold benefits accruing to that section, make the project a money-making one.

The chief obstacle in the path of development of the great northwestern territory is the manifest lack of transportation facilities.

NEWS OF VANCOUVER. Charley Barrow, of Metochish, Drowned - Bullion From Old Cariboo.

Vanouver, Nov. 22.—A drowning accident occurred at 5 o'clock last evening in the inlet. The tug Leonora was towing a scow loaded with wood to a wharf.

USED DAILY GIVES HEALTH. The daily use of Albee's Effervescent Salt will keep you in good health.

CANADIAN BRIEFS.

Montreal, Nov. 21.—Isadore Bacon was arrested at Montreal for drunkenness. He got into a fight in the police cells with some of the other prisoners.

Winnipeg, Nov. 21.—Charles R. Irvine, barister, formerly of Brandon, Ont., has been found guilty here of stealing an express package from the office of the Dominion Express Co.

Toronto, Nov. 21.—T. Garrow, C.C., late member of the legislature and an attorney, has been appointed member of the Ontario cabinet without portfolio.

Toronto, Nov. 21.—It is reported on good authority that all election protests in Ontario will be abandoned and those in the two Elgins and West Algona.

Toronto, Nov. 21.—Ottawa team defeated the Canadian Rugby champions by 7 points to 3. At half time the score was ahead, 3 to nil.

Quebec, Nov. 21.—The steamship Itchy is ashore on White Island and is likely to become a total wreck.

Kingston, Nov. 21.—Queen's University registers have been notified of the death of the late M. C. Cameron, lieutenant-governor of the Northwest Territories.

Winnipeg, Nov. 21.—At a meeting of the city council it was decided to cable the Winnipeg water works bondholders an offer of \$237,500 for the transfer of the water works plant and system to the Winnipeg council.

Washington, Nov. 22.—The Cuban evacuation commission has made quite extended reports to the war department concerning the situation in the island.

Chicago, Nov. 22.—The severe storm which moved northward, and its central to-day over the upper lake region, attended with rain or snow over the western lake region and northwestern Missouri.

Starvation in Japan. Tokyo, Nov. 22.—Late advices from Japan state that one thousand or more fishermen living in Itrp, northern Japan, are on the verge of starvation.

FRISCO'S NEW STEAMSHIP LINE. San Francisco, Nov. 22.—According to W. B. Curtis, general manager and representative in San Francisco of the Toro Kisen Kaisha, or Oriental Steamship Company.

PERSISTENCE CURES. The most chronic case of Dyspepsia or Indigestion will succumb to the all-healing power of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

WHAT WILL SPAIN DO?

No Official Information at Washington as to the Rejection of the Latest Proposals of the United States.

Summary of the Ultimatum Handed to Spanish Commissioners Yesterday—"Open Door" in the Philippines.

Paris, Nov. 22.—The memorandum of the American peace commissioners, embodying the proposals of the United States government in regard to the Philippines, which was submitted at yesterday's session, may be summarized as follows:

The fact was cited that the proposal presented by the American commissioners on behalf of their government for the cession of the Philippines to the United States having been rejected by the Spanish commissioners, and the counter proposal of the latter for the withdrawal of the Americans from the islands and the payment of indemnity by the United States to Spain having been rejected by the Americans, the latter, deeming it essential that the present negotiations already greatly protracted, should be brought to an early and definite conclusion, now begged to present a new proposition embodying the concessions which, for the sake of peace, their government would be under the circumstances, willing to tender.

The government of the United States is unable to modify the proposal heretofore made for the cession of the entire archipelago of the Philippines, but the American commissioners are authorized to offer to Spain in case cession should be agreed to, \$20,000,000, to be paid in accordance with the terms of the treaty.

Next following terms nearly approaching a formal ultimatum to Spain, the United States commissioners expressed the hope that they might receive from the Spanish commissioners on or before Monday, the 26th, a definite and final acceptance of the terms of the treaty.

Satisfaction at the "Open Door." London, Nov. 22.—Most of the afternoon newspapers comment upon and express satisfaction at the "open door" in the Philippines islands.

Spain in a Quandry. Paris, Nov. 22.—The Spanish peace commissioners last night telegraphed to Madrid the substance of the United States proposals.

With this seemingly miraculously endowed oscillator Tesla, it is declared, instantly brings Paris and Hongkong within the reach of his hand.

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CORBETT THE FAVORITE.

Great Interest Manifested in the Pugilistic Encounter To-Night.

New York, Nov. 22.—To-day this city is the meeting point of thousands of pugilists from all over the United States to watch Corbett and Sharkey settle the question of fictitious supremacy before the session of the United States congress.

TO SEND PARIS POWER. Tesla Will Transmit Electricity Across the Ocean Without Wires.

New York, Nov. 14.—Now Nikola Tesla declares that he intends to run the machinery of the Paris exposition across the ocean from Niagara Falls.

He has just patented his machine for transmitting electricity without wires. He says he can shoot thousands of millions of volts around and through the globe without metallic conductors.

It is like a tale from the Arabian Nights," says the Electrical Engineer, "and, if successful, it will open up unlimited resources of practically costless power."

It is successful it means that from the great falls of Niagara, of the Yellowstone and of the Colorado, the Colorado unlimited power of millions of volts can be delivered in New York, London, Paris, St. Petersburg and Pekin in a second of time.

Says Machinery Works Perfectly. Tesla says his machinery works perfectly; that he has demonstrated the same success, beyond all possibility of failure.

I can supply the Paris exhibition with electricity as well as the world, he says. "I shall send it across the ocean," he says.

When Tesla discovered the laws leading up to the invention of his famous oscillator he was convinced that it would make certain wires in the machine electrically of the globe would stream forth in flame.

Marvel of Scientific Success. At last he hit it, he asserts, and the world now marvels at the results announced by him.

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CANADA IN CASE OF WAR

Esquimaux To Be the Outfitting Point for Cruisers and Transports and Halifax a Supply Depot.

No Intention to Provide for a Movement of Troops to Any Large Extent on the C. P. R.

Ottawa, Nov. 21.—At the rate heavy ship guns, quick-firers, small arms, ammunition, munitions of war and stores for active service are arriving at Halifax and Esquimaux, it will soon be possible to convert ocean liners into armed cruisers and transports equivalent to the embarkation of 10,000 men simultaneously for any port in Far Eastern seas to which the ships might be ordered.

There is apparently no intention to provide for a movement of troops to any large extent from Europe across Canada by the imperial highway to Asia. On the contrary, every indication points to Esquimaux being utilized for fitting out cruisers and transports on sudden emergency, and Halifax as a supply depot for the despatch of supplies and drafts of reinforcements overland to Esquimaux.

Facilities for the transport of troops in large numbers across the continent under conditions the imperial government would impose are not unlimited, though means are provided for the transport of a sharp pinch to rush through as many as 10,000 men with arms, baggage and supplies without break. No such strain, however, seems likely to occur.

Weakening the British garrisons in Europe for service in the east by way of Canada is a possibility which is being considered. Everything concurs to induce the belief that in a case of call for troops they would embark for India, Canada or the East Indies, and not for the transport and converted cruisers. Recent additions to the China and Japan lines sailing from Canada, and the accommodation available on a sudden emergency in other quarters, insure sufficient tonnage at short notice to answer to the summons of the government.

Unless information is wholly erroneous conditions are such that a year at least of ceaseless effort would be required to fit out an adequate Franco-Russian force for eastern seas to cope with the British power already there, or presently available. In the meantime, it is asked, what would the British be doing?

REVOLT AT SALVADOR. A Scheme on Foot to Overthrow the Federal Republic.

New York, Nov. 22.—A dispatch to the Herald from Panama says: Late advices from Salvador, via Nicaragua, indicate that the revolt in that republic has at first thought, it may involve all five states in a general conflagration.

According to the advices, the movement is being fostered by the spirit of the federal republic, which was organized November 1st at Amalapa. To accomplish this, a mathematical and geographical study of Guatemala and Costa Rica, who always viewed the union of Salvador, Nicaragua and Honduras as a constant menace to their sovereignty.

PRATISE FOR CANADA. Daily Mail Comments on Dominion's Lead in Imperialism.

Toronto, Nov. 21.—The following is a special cable dispatch to the Evening Telegram dated London, Nov. 21: The Daily Mail to-day, referring to Canada's contribution to the West Indian relief fund, says that it is an eloquent reminder of the duties due from the mother land to the colonies.

DISORDERS IN PORTO RICO. Washington, Nov. 22.—The war department has received the following dispatch from Gen. Brooke about the reported disorders in the island of Porto Rico: Reports received from San Sebastian and other troublesome regions show disorders occurring in that part of the island, but I have it thoroughly patrolled and am still patrolling it.

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ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT ATLIN. Prominent Official of the Yukon and White Pass Road Speaks of the Wonders of the Goldfields.

Some Experiences of Men Who Ventured and Returned Well Pleas'd With the Result of Their Work.

There appears little room for doubt that the Atlin goldfields are going to attract a very large crowd of men in the spring of 1898. The consensus of opinion expressed by those who are in a position to know and who have visited Victoria within the past few weeks has been to this effect, and now comes Mr. L. H. Gray, general traffic manager of the White Pass & Yukon route, whose enthusiasm in regard to the prospects for an immediate future is positively infectious.

Mr. Gray does not strike a casual acquaintance as a man likely to paint in over-dramatic colors anything on earth, but when one listens to his rosiate, accounts of the new goldfields' he feels that he is an admirable advance agent for any proposition becomes irrefragable. This is not said in any spirit of disrespect to the genial gentleman who favored the Times man with an interview this afternoon, rather as an explanation of the new goldfields' resurgent from Mr. Gray's account thereof. Mr. Gray estimates that 25,000 people will be in the Atlin district by July next year, and he speaks with the advantage of personal knowledge of what has been happening there during the past few months.

Listen for a while to some of the true tales Mr. Gray can tell by the score, the experiences of men who have gone to the new goldfields, and returned overburdened with the precious metal. Take a sample, for instance, of the man who, in spite of the urgent supplications of his timid bet-hedger, joined the party of 800 men on the railroad construction, August 20th, and returned on September 20th, and so makes his life one of the happiest women in Skagway. Or take the other man who came up from Juneau, and after a month's hard work, was compelled to leave his salaried position, and returned five weeks later, with the amount of his fare. He had made a mathematical calculation of the rush, and returning five weeks later, gave the steamboat agent five gold nuggets, and the amount of his fare. He had made a mathematical calculation of the rush, and returning five weeks later, gave the steamboat agent five gold nuggets, and the amount of his fare.

Think also of the 500 out of the 800, that country where grass grows higher than the stature of an ordinary man, and make it an ideal land for the prospector and his stock; that country where the gold is found on the grass roots, every foot of ground is an orchard, and the gold is found on the grass roots, every foot of ground is an orchard, and the gold is found on the grass roots.

And how and when to go in are subjects upon which Mr. Gray is full of information. As to the former, the best way is to take the Yukon and White Pass route to the summit of the Atlin district, and from there to take the newly found trail to Atlin City, a distance of 50 miles. The cost to those who do this will be about \$5 per day, way to Atlin Junction, and the passenger is allowed to take 150 pounds of baggage free of toll, and the local cabins are open to shelter him. Of course to those who wish to go in, they must submit the company will be glad to make a slight charge for toll. When they go in? Between February 15 and March 15, to give the new arrivals time to locate in his territory, fix himself comfortably in a cabin and be ready to commence prospecting when the snow melts a month later.

Mr. Gray says there is no reason for any man in this vicinity to be without work for a single day, as any man can get passage to Skagway for \$5, and can then have free transportation on the railway to where the work is being done on the road, and go to work at from thirty to thirty-five cents an hour; work from 8 to 14 hours a day, and have board of the very best quality at \$1 a day. Or he can purchase from the company's store provisions of all kinds at actual cost. Mr. Gray says there is no danger that all men in need of work, being imported by the company, should be lured free of toll, and the local cabins are open to shelter him. Of course to those who wish to go in, they must submit the company will be glad to make a slight charge for toll. When they go in? Between February 15 and March 15, to give the new arrivals time to locate in his territory, fix himself comfortably in a cabin and be ready to commence prospecting when the snow melts a month later.

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