## THE VICTORIA TIMES, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1896.

# British Columbia.

ROSSLAND. Rossland Mining Review.

The Poorman now shows an upward andenev.

The Butte shaft is now down 66 feet and the bottom looks well.

The directors of the Kootenay-London company have decided to place machinery on the Annie Fraction.

An English offer of \$600,000 for the Josie has been refused. It is not improbable that a New York pool will secure this mine for \$700,000, on a basis of \$1 a share.

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Lieutenant-Governor Charles Macintosh is organizing two companies, one the Golden Wedge to work the Spotted Tail group on Lake, and the other the Sultana to work the Sultana on Lookout mountain.

It is reported that Hirschel Cohen, of London and Johannesburg, has clos-ed a deal for the purchase of the Cliff mine. So far there is no confirmation of the report.

A deal has been practically closed for the sale of the Southern Cross, Wolv-erine No. 2 and Iron Hill to the Kootenay Exploration company which has its headquarters in Foronto. Chis company, includes as its prominent members some of the most influential min-ing investors in Canada.

#### Rossland Record.

The petition for the charter of the Rossland Board of Trade has been forwarded to Ottawa; it contained over 50 charter members. An unbroken chain of mineral claims

from the Imperial to the Crown Point have all been surveyed and have been crown granted or application made for the same. This chain is three and three-tenths miles long.

#### NELSON. Nelson Tribune.

D. D. Irvine has purchased for Victoria parties, the Moonstone and Right Bower from J. R. Bigham, J. M. Mc-Phee, and A. Cummings. The claims are situate at the head of Kootenay lake, and are said to be fine prospects. N. A. Parent has let a contract to as the lower tunnel, which is being run on the Ajax mine. The Ajax is located on Woodbury creek, a short distance below the Silver Glance. Parent has organized a company which is called the Laurier Gold • and Silver Mining Company.

There was a strike amongst the miners working on the Antonio the other day. As the property is looking unusually well and has already shipped 3 several carloads of ore this season with more to follow, Manager Ryan will doubtless arrange the little difficulty at

an early date. Archie Jardine has sold the mineral claim Voyageur to Herbert Cuthbert, of Victoria, western manager for the British Canadian Gold Fields Com-pany. This is the first time this company has invested in the Slocan country, although it owns a number of claims in other parts of the country. The work of enlarging the buildings, putting in new and Improved machinery

and developing the mine to secure.

for a great deal of attention next spring. Both dry ore and galena exist there and n good healthy ledges. A. N. Shaw, a Manitoba capitalist,

A. N. Shaw, a Manitoba capitalist, has purchased the Scorpion, a claim close to the Republic group and near Slocan City, for \$2,000. Some 20 feet of a tunnel has been driven on the ledge, which gives \$10 in gold and 85 ounces in silver. Shaw will make a mine of R. Long, Tucker, Maurier and Thompson, owners of the Lily B. group, on Spring-er creek, received their first payment on the \$25,000 hond on Tuesdar.

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native silver. It is claimed for the Sandon district

that the highest assays in the Slocan comes from mines around there. The Dalhousie and Arlington, at this end of the country, can show records of over 9,000 ounces. A raise is being run on the Enterprise

group connecting the third and fourth tunnels. The ledge is very pronotinced and shows considerable native silver. The Neepawa, on Ten Mile, has ore

to Tacoma. A third tunnel has been completed on the group just below the McGillivray workings, and in twenty

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E. J. Matthews, the local sepresenta-tive of Braden Bros., and manager of time in which to make the final pay-

The heavy engine and new passenger coach for the Kaslo & Slocan railway left St. Paul more than a week ago and are detained somewhere along the line of the Great Northern railway. They

will come in by the Nelson & Fort Shep-

There was an informal meeting of the promoters and shareholders of the London Hill Mining and Development Co. in this city during the present week, at which considerable business was trans-acted in the way of perfecting prelimin-ater dramagements. T. G. Proctor was dramined musiness manager of the com-dates and Major Vanmoerkerke, super-fidement at the mine. It was reported that detelament work was being satis-factorily prosecuted. Owing to bad air nel, but this trouble will be remedied by

on the wharf to make a trial shipment nel, but this trouble will be remedied by a fan and pipes which have been already forwarded to the mine. In the upper works matters are looking satisfactory. feet the ledge was exposed seven feet in | On the right they are working on four width. The chute of ore has been proved feet of good ore, while on the left hand nine feet wide in a ledge of fifteen feet. drift there is a vein of high grade ore

the Lucky Jim group reports an impor-tant strike in the lower tunnel run in about 375 feet. They are now working on a ten foot body which is very prom-which he recently sank a thirteen-foot which he recently sank a thirteen-foot shaft. The ore is galena and quartz

showing free gold, John Christie after sinking thirteen feet on a sort of capping of pyrrhotite, struck a body of bluish-looking quarts about ten feet wide between apparently defined walls, on the Nightingale this week

Mr. Garland secured an excellent bargain this week in his purchase of the Ajax, a claim not a mile from Greenwood, from J. Hanrahan. There are two small ledges on the property, and from one the surface rock returned

don Hill Mining and Development Co. an assay of \$25 in gold; the ore is also The Boundary Creek M. & M. Co. have let a contract to sink a twenty-

foot shaft on the quartz ledge of the O. B. This ledge is said to be twentyfive feet wide. The company also intend to employ four men on the Big Ledge; assays from this claim give \$35 in gold. Cabins are being erected on the properties and preparations made for the housing of a larger force of men.

A man's wife should always he the same, especially to her husband, but if she is weak and nervous, and uses Carter's Iron Pills, she cannot be, for they make her "feel like a different person," so they all say, and their husbands say so too!





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Sydney, N.S.W., DIA 90-The inquest nto the deaths of Weller and Preston has resulted in a verdict of wilful mur-der against Butler and a warrant has been issued for his arrest. Weller and Preston mysteriously disappeared without their friends knowing of their whereabouts and their bodies were afterwards discovered by digging. But-ler had meantime sailed for San Francisco, having assumed the name of

SMUGGLER'S BOLD BREAK.

Drags an Officer off a Moving Train and Escapes.

made a daring escape at Center street last evening by dragging an officer off the train from Portland, while it was going from 15 to 25 miles an hour. The coup d'etat occurred just before the train reached Tacoma. The prisoner who was sitting with Constable C. A. Nettleson, of Roy, his captor, said to the

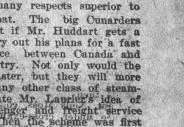
a lady?" The wish was granted. In another moment the smuggler grabbed the officer by the throat and dragged him out of the door to throw him from the

Weller.



ottawa, Dec. 3.-John Huddart, whe lia steamship line, was heard from here yesterday, when F. J. Hogan, who represents Middle Tipperary in the Imperial parliament, had a long interview with the priemier. Mr. Hogan lasked Mr. Laurier to give Mr. Huddart a chance to tender for the fast Atlantic service. It will be remembered that Mr. Huddart was the only one who was allowed to tender when Sir Mackenzie Bowell was minister of trade and commerce, and after he became premier. Tacoma, Nov. 9.-An opium smuggler This was one of the objections to the scheme which was put strongly forward by the representatives to the Colonial Conference which sat in Ottawa some three years ago. Mr. Huddart is putting forth claims through Mr. Hogan that he thinks ought to entitle him to latter in a whisper: "Say, couldn't you consideration. It is said that he is pre-take off these bracelets till I speak to pared to put on the route a class of steamers in many respects superior to anything afloat. The big Cunarders won't be in it if Mr. Huddart gets a chance to carry out his plans for a fast Atlantic service between Canada" and the Old Country. Not only would the vessels be faster, but they will more nearly than any other class of steamers approximate Mr. Lanrier's idea of a swift passenger and freight service combined, When the scheme was first broached by the late government, Mr. Huddart had Mr. Saxton White, the designer and builder of the Campania and Lucania, plan for him a fleet of steamers to eclipse the latter in carrying capacity and maintain a sea-going speed of twenty knots. The design is for a steamship 572 feet long, 65 feet beam, and 42 feet moulded depth, giving a gross dimension of between eleven and twelve thousand tons. Such a steamer would have accommodation for 500 saoon and cabin passengers, and at least 1000 steerage passengers, would carry 2500 tons of coal and yet have a freight capacity of fully 2500 tons, which is probably three times the freight tonnage of the two big Cunarders. Mr. Laurier promised to consider the

representations made him. Chief. Engineer Coste, of the, public works department, who was with Hon. J. I. Tarte on his trip to the Pacific coast, will have business enough arising out of the same, to keep him engaged for some time. Among the works are the surveys for the St. Andrew's rapids improvements and the dyking of the Fraser river in British Columbia. The former will, he says, be worked out this fall, and the result placed in the hands of the department. Mr. Coste is personally favorably impressed with the scheme, and the minister leans in the same direction, so there is every prospect of its being put through. The proposed saving of the lands periodically flooded along the Fraser river is one of the biggest problems that has arisen in the history of the country. It'would take a veritable Chinese wall in some places. It seems practically impossible to save some of the districts from perlodical inundation. The early settlers whom Mr. Coste interviewed all appeared to recognize that fact, for after first



increasing output goes on steadily at the Silver King group. Preparations are complete for the reception of the electric lighting apparatus which is now on the way and is daily expected to arrive. The new air compressor engine is almost double the size and horse-power of the old one and it is thought that all danger from foul sir is thus removed as well as a greater working capacity given to the air drills. The matter of lighting the mine and works with electricity is an unique feature in this dsitrict. This will be the first company to adopt the up-todate method of lighting, and the system will not only enable the men to see better, but will obviate the peril incidental to the use of candles. There are now about 215 men employed in and about the mine. What is known as the lower tunnel, which is being run to intersect the lower drift, is being pushed forward with the utmost speed. The completion of this tunnel will greatly facilitate the handling of the ore, as it will do away with the neces. sity of hoisting it up the shaft and bringing it by way of the upper tun-nel and tramcars to the ore bins below. Much time and labor will be saved, and it is expected the tunnel will be completed before the end of the old year. At a depth of about 360 feet down the main shaft a drift is being run to tap a large body of ore located by the diamond drill from above. This, it is confidently anticipated, will be one the richest ore deposits discovered. They are within a few feet of the prize now and expect to uncover it in a few days.

Nelson Miner.

It is rumored "that the original townsite title to the town of Sandon is to be challenged and sin injunction asked for to prestrain days, that he payments our pending contracts on sales. It is reported that the K. & S railroad will file the action in Victoria at an early date, and the grounds for the application will be that the land in controversy is within that belt of country granted .as a subsidy to the railway by the government. During the past year the townsite has been well settled and a great many transfers have taken place. It is a matter in which nearly every resident, is directly interested. Mr. A. W. Crittenden, of Crawford Creek, one of the owners of the Monte

on the Dolly Varden, on the north fork of Carpenter creek. In a fraction ad-Carlo and the California, was in town joining this property ore has been found last Thursday. He says that they will that assayed as high as \$300 in gold, probably sell or stock the claims beand many ounces in the white metal. fore next spring. Work on them has 1. The Howard Fraction has made anbeen stopped for the winter. On the other shipment of ore. The property is Monte Carlo a 100 foot tunnel has been still owned and operated by the original run 150 feet and on the California, a locators, and shipments are only made 25 foot tunnel has been run. The as money is needed to develope the mine. smelter returns of the two mines show The Chaplean sent four tons along with 244 ounces in silver, 46 per cent. lead and 6 per cent. copper. Five tons are trial shipment.

now at the Kaslo sampling works. The ore is clear gray copper.

KASLO. (The Kootensian.) NLOCAN LAKE. Mr. Dickson, electrical engineer for The Kootensian. Mr. George Alexander, has begun active

Wilson creek properties will come in work on the lighting of the city.

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work begins.

age value of \$100 in gold and silver.

Five per cent. must be paid down before

John Potter is driving a long tunnel

Ten Mile has numerous other good pro- assaying from 150 to 300 ounces. perties waiting to be taken up. P. Schonberg and C. Martin have

VANCOUVER ceased work on the High Ore, Twelve J. C. Maclure, Messrs. Robt. Ward & Mile, after driving 87 feet of a tunnel. Co's representative in Vancouver, has been appointed vice-consul for Sweden and Norway. They will go at it again in the spring. The Two Friends have made two shipments which gave returns of \$3,284 and Mr. Divid Geddes, long and favor-\$3,301 respectively, and a third is now ably tknown in this city, and who has The group is on Springer creek.

opportunity of saying a word in favor of British trade.

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JOHN BULL-Such a truly loyal friend of mine as you are will, of course, seize this

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been a resident here since the comple-The \$40,000 bond on the Skylark and tion of the C.P.R. from Port Moody Ranger, on Dayton creek, made by A. Dick, a Nova Scotia capitalist, has been signed, sealed and delivered. The to Vancouver, died at St. Paul's hospital yesterday. Deceased, who was only about 38 years of age, was a native of ledge is a strong one and gives an aver-Brussels, Ont., where his family still reside.

A large cargo of flour from the Ogilvie mills was shipped per steamer Warrimoo to Australia. The total quantity cold snap coming early caught the sap, is in the neighborhood of 600 tons, the with disastrous regults. they with disastrous results if tut shar largest quantity shipped by the Canadian-Australian line.

A committee of six was appointed to confer with the canners in regard to the proposed banquet to Messrs. Davies Because Governor Budd Wants to Pass and Blair, and the secretary was in structed to wire Hon. Mr. Davies asking when he and Hon. Mr. Blair would ers are up in arms over the annuoncement that Governor Budd has on hand a be here. The co-operation of the citizens in making the banquet a success was asked, and the address to be presented to the visitors was adopted. \*

BOUNDARY CREEK

Mr. Renger, who holds the bond

of the Winnipeg.

Boundary Greek Times. Mr. McIntosh is negotiating a sale

train. But Nettleson clung to the man PRUNES RUINED. and they fell together, the former strik-Over 100,000 Trees in Thurston County, ing the ground first.

a Bill to Impose a State tax.

ance of the public asylums.

San Francisco, Dec. 9.-Liquor deal-

By the time assistance had arrived the Wash, Nipped by the Frost. desperate law-breaker had taken the constable's watch, money and revolver, Olympia, Dec. 9 .- Horticulturists reand was gone. The officer was taken port that all the Italian prune trees in care of by friends. Thurston county were Kalled during the The whilom captive was arrested at

Roy yesterday afternoon and was being late cold weather." Estimates place the brought to the county jail to remain unnumber at 100.000. The condition is til he could be tried. He was well dressmade apparent by the bark turning ed and a large diamond flashed from his black where the sap was frozen. Other shirt front. He had 80 pounds of opium in his possession in a grip, which is in varieties of prunes and plums are more the custody of the customs officers. He or less injured. All the trees in this secsubmitted to the arrest at Roy quietly. tion made an excellent growth, which

continued till late in the season, and the A NEW COMET. Discovered by C. D. Perrine of Lick Observatory on Tuesday Evening. SALOONKEEPERS AGGRIEVED.

Lick Observatory, Cal., Dec. 9 .- A new comet was discovered at 11:30

Pisces by C. D. Perrine. Its position is Cocherie. minister of finance, and Adright ascension, 0 hours and 54 min- miral Bernard, minister of marine, on utes; declination 6 degrees, 20 minutes plan to secure the enactment by the north. It is about as bright as a star ment, demanding a credit of 200,000,-next legislature of a lew establishing a of the eighth magnitude and can be seen 000 frances for the navy. The minister state liquor license. The liquor men say with a telescope of moderate power. It has a sharp stellar nucleus of 101 ro 11 the navy was not so unfavorable as also local county and municipal licenses, th. magnitude, and is about five minutes was generally believed. The governalso local county and municipal licenses, and they intend to fight the proposed state license, the proceeds of which, it is proposed shall go toward the maintensouth.

parliament for money to carry it out.

Then, new people coming in since 1882, found no floods for twelve years, and ther, their land was under water three years. The soil is naturally of the very best from the alluvial deposits made by the flood, and even after the water had receded in July some farmers were able to sow and reap profitable crops. An engineering party will be sent out from the east before long to co-operate with the local departmental engineer in preparing plans, and the general undertaking will depend much on the nature of the progress reports sent east by this party.

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The Evening Journal has the follow-

"The name of ex-Deputy Warden Fitzsimmons is mentioned in connection with the vacancy in the wardenship of the New Westminster penitentiary by the Ottawa Free Press, which no doubt voices the views of some one familiar with Mr. Fitzsimmons, and who inspired the paragraph.-Vancouver World." "No one who knew the facts would ever put forward the name of Fitzsimmons, who was removed by Sir John Thompson from the deputy wardenship of the New Westminster penitentiary as a result of an investigation by a royal commission. Justice Drake was commissioner. This was after several departmental enquiries. Sir Hibbert Tupper re-instated Fitzsimmons but so strong was public opinion in Canada, and especially in British Columbia against it that he had to be again let go on leave of absence. This was the position of affairs when Sir Mackenzie Bowell visited British Columbia. A delegation waited on Premier Bowell and asked that Fitzsimmons be again dismissed. The six members of parliament from British Columbia supported this. Sir Mackenzie te'egraphed Sir Charles Tupper to carry out the views of the people. The result was that Fitzsimmons was sent to Stony Moun-tain in Manitoba. The people of Win-nipeg, and especially Mr. Joseph Martin, raised a storm against Fitzsimmons coming to their province. In time the storm blew over and the public forget there was such a man as Fitzsimmons. Those who are desirous of doing him a good turn should say nothing about him.

SLABTOWN.

### Question of Increasing it Further Discussed by Ministers.

FRANCE'S'NAVY.

Paris, Dec. 9.-The budget committee of the chamber of deputies to-day heard o'clock last night in the constellation of the premier, M. Melin, as well as M. the subject of M. Lockroy's am

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