A Volume of Special Interest and Value—An Epitome of its Most Imper ant Information.

The report of the Minister of Mines for the year 1904 has been completed and printed, and is now ready for distribution. It is a book of about 29 percent, one over to cover, and may fairly be stated to be the best yet issued.

It has several features of exceptional interest. One, of course, is the illustrations in tone. Needless to say, with Pressman Clarke in charge of the mechanical end of the work, the production is perfect and artistic to a degree. Another, and an entirely new feature, is there of a number of illustrations reproduced from line drawings, or working plans, of concentrating mills in the Slocan, prepared by the provincial mineral eralogist himself.

There is a special 'chapter on the Portland Cement Works at Sanich Although these works have been described before, this is the first time that the description has been authentic and of an official character.

The preliminary chapters carefully



From Minister of Mines' Report.

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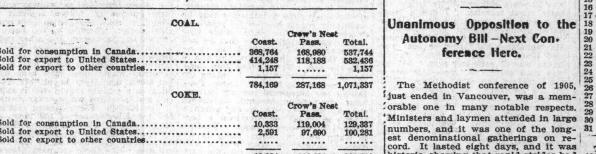
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production of Mineral by Districts.  The following is the production of mineral by districts for 1904:	and 8.8 per cent. of values.  Fort Steele Mining Division—5.2 per cent. of tonnage and 8.6 per cent. of	The following table indicates the markets in which the coal and coke output of the province was sold, the figures I	"Dredging for go een a commercial attempts to solve the culties are mechan none the less diff	success, despite his problem. The d hical, but, therefore foult to surmous ositions which h
Siocan Division	per cent. of values. Slocan—4.8 per cent. of tonnage and 9.2 per cent. of values. Coal. "The gross output of coal from the mines was 1 685 698 tons of which	Sold for consumption in Canada	Coast. 368,764 414,248 1,157 784,169	Crew's Nest Pass. Total 168,980 537,7 118,188 582,4
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Progress of Mining.  In reviewing the year, the provincial mineralogist says:  "The mineral output of the province for the past year shows, as to the gross for the past year shows, as to the gross walve of the product. a distinct gain over the preceding year, and as a matorer the preceding year, and as a matorer than the product of the gold produced from all sources is greater than that of any other metal or mineral, the combined	Used by company	"The placer gold mining industry of the province this past year produced \$1,115,200 in gold, an increase of about 5 per cent. over the preceding year, thanks to a successful season in the Atlin camp. In this camp, gauged by the royalties paid in, the "individual"	rich to pay very had ditions were right-boulders or hard coulders or division. attempted to handle tough for it, and fuppear that the Lil	that is, free fi lay cement, a dree ae gold not in too The dredge in A e dirt that proved from reports it wo
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TABLE SHOWING MINERAL PRODUCTION IN BRITISH COLUMBIA.

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boulders or hard clay cement, a dredgible bedrock, and the gold not in too fine a state of division. The dredge in Atlin attempted to handle dirt that proved too tough for it, and from reports it would appear that the Lillooet dredge was too

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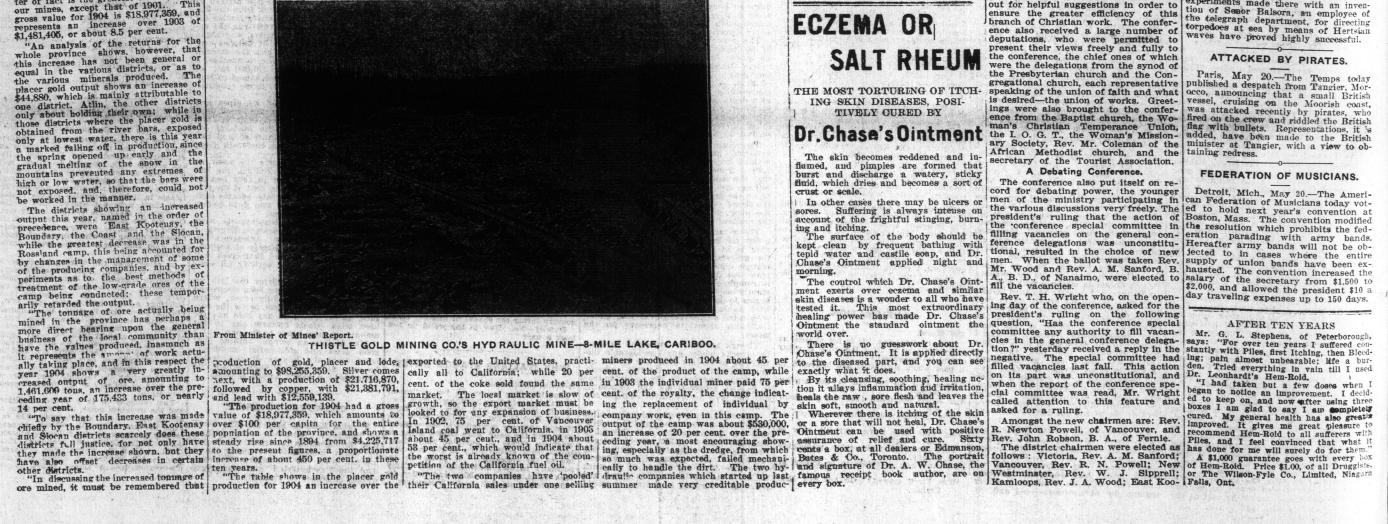
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tenay, Rev. J. Robson; West Kootenay, Rev. J. D. P. Knox; and the Indian district, Dr. Whittington. Rousing addresses were made on The Autonomy Bill

which showed that the conference was practically unanimous against the measure. Rev. W. E. Pescott stated that he had never cast anything but a Liberal vote, but "would like the chance of voting against the Laurier government right now."

In spite of a very able address to the conference by Mr. Ralph Smith, M. P., in the closing hours of the conference, he failed to carry conviction or turn the minds of the conference.

Rev. Dr. Woodsworth, superintendent of missions, had also made a similar remark at a previous session of the

Rev. Dr. Rowe made an eloquent address during the debate, but the vote was an intelligent one and the members of conference are solid against the measure.

Encouraging Statistics

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were presented at yesterday's session. The statistical report was presented. It showed that the church has 687 members in the province, an increase of 467; Sunday school scholars 9,184, a decrease of 92; young people's societies 1,766, an increase of 379. The financial report showed that \$9,083 were raised for missions, an increase of \$1,460; Woman's Missionary Society \$1,767, an increase of \$730; sustentation fund \$325, a decrease of \$5; contingent fund \$127, an increase of \$15; S. S. Aid \$119, a decrease of \$16; other funds \$272, an increase of \$16; other funds \$6,464, an increase of \$236. Total ministerial support \$31,336, an increase of \$1,091; for circuit purposes \$68,739, a decrease of \$2,408; for all purposes \$118,292, an increase of \$1,920. On the

Final Draft of Stations the following changes are made: Victoria Centennial—Rev. S. J. Thompson; Rev. J. P. Westman goes to Cranbrook.

Saanich—Rev. R. B. Laidley; Rev. T. H. Wright goes to Duncans. Nanaimo—Rev. A. E. Roberts; Rev. Mr Hughes goes to Dawson.

Vancouver, Sixth Avenue — Rev. James Hicks; Rev. J. F. Betts goes Ladners. Enderby—Rev. A. N. Miller; Rev. F.

A. Magee goes to Golden.

Sandon—Rev. D. W Scott; Rev. J.

W. Winslow goes to Trail.

Morrissey—Rev. T. A. Bagshaw;
Rev. F. W. Hardy, B. A., goes to Skide-

gate.

The Indian work was brought under revie v and animated discussion, motions, amendments, points of order, etc., were indulged in very frequently. were indulged in very frequently.

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numbers, and it was one of the longest denominational gatherings on record. It lasted eight days, and it was historic, showing that rapid strides had been made in territory occupied. New methods of work have been, and are being, adopted. A summer school has been instituted for Bible study, the first session of which will be held in the Columbian Methodist College, New Westminster, during vacation. A conference secretary for Sunday schools ference secretary for Sunday schools for the second sec

EXPERIMENTS WITH TORPEDOES.

Madrid, May 20.—Despatches from Puerto de Santa Maria announce that experiments made there with an invention of Seabr Balsora, an employee of the telegraph department, for directing torpedoes at sea by means of Hertsian waves have proved highly successful.

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