are now in complete shape to take out of ore on the Arlington-Burns, an admoney with the beginning of next season, joining property.

work on Black Jack creek, working a 25 feet wide, has been uncovered where force of thirteen men. He will have excavation is being made for the big taken out this season, with a canvas hose, probably between \$4,000 and \$5,demonstrated absolutely the richness of the ground on which he has been working.

has employed during the season about large body of ore to the known mineral Col. Wright, of the Forty-Third Co., fifty men, and has, as above stated, the Ottawa companies' properties in good shape for an output next season.

The St. Anthony Co. have employed about sixty men throughout the season, and have done good thorough work. They also are now ready to begin with spring to recover some of the large amount of money expended in Omineca. They are reported as having expended this season about \$55,000.

On Tom creek, Jim May has been for the past four years running a bed rock flume, and now has it completed and expects next season to do well. It is generally believed by all miners in Omineca familiar with his ground that he will take out good pay from now on each

Ezra Evans, an old timer, well known in the north, has taken out this season from his claims near Manson, 190 oz. He has worked only in a small way, and, as his expenses are light, he has done very well. Charlie McKinnon, another old-timer, has also done well.-Ashcroft Journal.

East Kootenay.

Fourteen claim have been recorded on Bugaboo creek. Work has been resumed on the Phoe nix group, Horse Thief creek.

Work will at once be commenced on the Carrie Lee group, on Luke creek,

The Morning Star group of claims, which lie about six miles south of Cranbeing sunk on the property and work will be continued all winter.

The Swansea, Dividend, Silver Thread, Delphine, Sitting Bull, Red Line, White Elephant, White Cat and Pretty Girl mines are all working large forces of

The new controlling owners of the Delphine propose to work their property actively this winter under the manage ment of Mr. Bruce.

The B. C. Copper Syndicate have pur chased the McRae properties on Jubilee and Spillimacheen mountains, and pro-pose pushing development work there. C. P. Seale and W. H. Welsh of San don struck it rich on Number Two creek. having located an immense silver lead

Messrs, Starbird, Collet and Robinson the Red Line this winter, and are busy

getting in supplies. Active work will continue all winter on the Pay Roll group, which will, of necessitate a sleigh road being

The deal for the Delphine, owned by Messrs. Kimpton, Stark and Harrison has now been completed, with the result that Messrs. Osler and Hammond have secured for their syndicate a three fourths interest in the property for \$35. 000, the former owners retaining the other fourth interest. Recent work done on this property has much improved its

John Burman reports an immens showing of high grade gray copper and argentiferous galena ore on the Ground Floor group, Boulder creek. Mr. Burman reports that there is over two feet of solid ore on an average in sight. which has been stripped for over 50 feet. The ore averages over \$150 to the ton. It is not unlikely that this property will

J. Noble, foreman of the Certainty Company's mine on Fifteen-Mile creek, body to that proved in No. 1 tunnel. on the 1st of December, 1900.

claims, namely, Black Bear, Prince, situated on Bugaboo creek, 10 of whom were hired last week to do in silver to the ton. The balance of the miles from the Columbia river, was lo- outside work. cated the 29th ultimo by Robert McKeeman and Dan Stadlander, both of Windermere, B. C. The ledge averages 20 Star. The No. 4 and No. 5 levels are reached a depth of 70 feet. This tunnel feet in width, four feet of which is solid being driven both ways, and No. 3 is is being driven on the vein 120 feet deeper

From the Boundary.

work on his Sunset mineral claim, which crops up along the creek, further east was recently incorporated. Two shifts than the ledge has yet been worked. The ledge itself is what is known as a contact will be employed, with Isaac Loughead foreman The 43-foot shaft will be continued to the 150-foot level, A four-drill compressor was received

at the Morrison mine last week. This property is now working a large force of men, and development work will continue all winter.

A big strike on the Rambler is reported. It consists of a lead seven feet wide Yale district will give one an idea of the values running \$28 in gold, 12 ounces of that section of the province. silver and 20 per cent. lead. This claim \$100,000. Development work is progressing rapidly in a 5x7-foot shaft, all in solid ore.

Henry White, the locator of the Knob

new location on the east fork of the Lot thoroughly prospected. north fork of Kettle river, from Frank Macfarlane for \$50,000, paying 10 per great mining activity evident all through cent down.

A large force of men under W. Hanna have started in opening up the ore body away on the rich ore from its namesake on the Monarch. Open cuts running par-F. W. Valleau, gold commissioner for allel demonstrated that the ore body is the Omineca district arrived on Tuesday's | fully 800 feet wide. The walls of this stage after a good trip down-by trail enormous ore body have not yet been to Stuart's lake, by canoe down the Stewart, Nechaco and Fraser rivers (a four other 75 feet are in the ore. The values days' journey), and by B.C.X. stage to are high, \$40 in copper and gold being an average assay. A plant will be in-From Mr. Valleau we learn that the stalled on the Monarch in a short time. work has progressed very well in Omi- A big strike is reported in the Buck-

neca this season. Two large companies, horn at a depth of 65 feet. The ore is a the Forty-Third Mining and Milling Co. rich chalcopyrite, assaying 30 per cent. and the St. Anthony Mining Co. have copper and \$9 in gold. Development each done a large amount of work and work is showing up a magnificent body

Captain Black has done very good A new ledge on the Sunset, at least compressor plant. The ore has not been assayed, but from appearances it is sure to carry good copper values. The lead is distinct from that opened up by the railway and had not been exposed at any point heretofore. It adds a new and

> Last week a ledge was encountered at the dividing line between the Golden Crown and Winnipeg mines. The ledge runs through both properties. The ledge is fully 30 feet wide. The ore is solid, and carries higher copper values than any which has yet been taken from the Winnipeg. A force of men is at work stripring the ledge.

In the Slocan. The Ajax Fraction will be shipping ore

Four men are doing development at the

The Queen Bess now has 35 men workng. About 20 are on surface work. The Sunshine is working 16 men. The trail to the mine is nearly completed. The force at the Last Chance has been laid off and operations suspended.

An electric light plant is to be put in at the Ruth concentrator, and the mine will be lighted by electricity. The Noonday, one of the promising

mines near New Denver, has shipped 420 tons this year. The force at present numbers about 15 men. It will be increased after the mine buildings are com-

At present the Minnesota Silver Company has about 20 men at work in the long crosscut and on the finishing of the There will be some development trail. and development work pushed as fast as work done throughout the winter, but no shipping till the concentrator is built in the spring.

The following properties are working brook, is being developed. A shaft is a few men: Slocan Star, Ivanhoe, Sunshine, Ajax Fraction, Sovereign, Vulture, Mr. Docksteader's group and three or four others. The Ivanhoe will naturally increase its force, so about 100 men may be working all winter in the surrounding

> The Docksteader brothers made a good Cody creek, about two miles above the Cody townsite. They have uncovered a good, strong ledge, which carries from six to eight inches of high grade galena. and one-half to thirty-five per cent. copcovered on the Home Run ground by the sive development has as yet been done on owners of the Anglo-Saxon group. It any of these claims, but the showings was traced 100 feet or more, and the made for the work done can hardly be width of the ore croppings is from three equalled in the West. The B. A. C. and to eight inches. The ore chute dips into other big companies are becoming interestthe Anglo-Saxon ground.

On the Ruby the crosscut tunnel has mountains will be veritable hives of inbeen driven 30 feet. It is expected the dustry. feet. The rock from the surface has been a stretch of territory which is only just 268 miles from Durban. It served as tunnel will cost from \$20 to \$25 per foot, but the results are expected to richly re- made, one of these, the Big Sue, located pay the outlay. It will tap the dedge 50 not long since, having already taken rank there in 1881. The name Newcastle, feet below the point where the ore outcroppings assayed \$22 in gold and 1,346

ounces in silver.

The Noonday mine at Silverton shipped a carload of ore last week which this season's work, none is of more imbrought the total shipments up to 600 portance than that made lately on the tons, or within 80 tons of the shipments Hewett group, near town. The Hewett made by the Wakefield, Silverton's ban- group is situated three miles from Silverner mine. Fifteen men are employed on ton and extends from the top of Hewett the Noonday doing development work. | mountain down to the Galena Farm Flats. George B. Dean of Three Forks has The main ledge on this property varies bonded the Standard group of two from five to ten feet in width, and has claims; Standard and Moncton, from been traced and dug upon for nearly the Docksteader Bros. of Cody. The pro- entire length of the group, or about threeperties are situated two miles up Cody fourths of a mile. creek, in the vicinity of the Noonday and The group is comprised of four claims, other valuable claims. Recent develop- known as the Hewett, Hewett Fraction, ments have proven a good lead on the Rincon and Rincon Fraction. Most of the property, carrying high grade galena development work has been done on the with good gold values. In open cuts Hewett claim, and consists of two tun-

No. 3 tunnel, with a similar sized ore be paid within 30 days and the balance footwall there is a paystreak of rich sil-This gives the company pay ore in each The development that was carried on ance of the ledge being filled with ledge at the Payne this summer has opened matter and concentrating ore. At a disperty. No. 3 tunnel will be driven 200 the mine up so that 200 men could be tance of 160 feet from the mouth of this feet this winter and will be the main working tunnel of the property, with a 000 tons of ore a month that will net down 20 feet. In this winze a body of height of about 700 feet of ore body \$64 a ton. In July last year the ship- the richest ore ever discovered in the above it, as shown by the development ments from the mine were 1,850 tons, Slocan has been encountered. The vein at and the profits from this are \$87,000, this point is four feet wide, carrying a The Bear group, consisting of five from which a \$50,000 dividend was paid paystreak eight inches in width of sugar Brown and the balance placed in the treasury, quartz that is literally filled with native

There are now 22 men doing develop- quality of ore. now in 450 feet from the crosscut, and tion made with the tunnel above. R. A. Brown has started development are driving toward a showing which The formation of the mountain is Sandrift now shows three feet of concentrating ore in the face. The ore here encountered is several hundred feet to the of the vein is easterly and westerly with west of the surface croppings, and should a pitch into the mountain northeast of it prove to be the same chute the Star about 15 degrees. Silvertonian. will have here continuous ore for 800

feet. Resources of Southern Yale.

A trip through the southern portion of with a three-foot paystreak carrying wonderful undeveloped mineral resources John Watson and James Jeffrey, for \$100,- good, the chimate is well adapted for

The writer has just returned from a tour is about 1,500 feet from the big snowing of over 400 miles, taking in all the towns on the Washington, and belongs to the and mining camps of any importance in & Hammond, of Toronto, Ont., has purthan in many parts of Cape Colony, Bethe territory lying between Midway, in the chased a three-quarter interest in the Del-Kettle river valley, and Princeton, in the phine mine situated on the north fork of

> Around Midway are a number of good A Morrison and Geo. Starke. mining properties, many of which have the The Pedley Bros., Dave and Alfred, have feats were experienced. General Sir

Banner claim, at Franklin camp, the to be counted upon: but as yet they are At Camp McKinney one first finds the

the country from there westward. The Cariboo mill is steadily pounding and the Amelia is paying dividends with regularity. On the Granite and Banner, which had practically nothing to begin with, a fine lead of rich ore has been opened up, and the stamp mill is running night and day and turning out a nice little gold brick every week. The prospects here are so good that an additional five stamps have been ordered and are now on the road.

The Fontency has a five stamp mill on the ground and almost ready to start up. while the Waterloo, which by the way is turning out to be the wonder of the camp, has a mill on the road, as has also two other properties.

A large number of claims are being developed in the camp. In Fairview camp the Stemwinder has ormous bodies of ore blocked out, and the Dominion Co. has lately begun develop-

ment on their group of claims. The Stemwinder people have leased the Smuggler mill and will shortly make a test run of 500 tons of ore. Should this prove that their rock is capable of profitable treatment it is probable that both the Smuggler and Tin Horn mills will be moved up to the Stemwinder and kept in active opera

Around Keremoos is being found some of the richest surface showings of free gold ever discovered in the province. Between Keremoos and Twenty-mile creek up the Similkameen is found some ore which is rather remarkable in character, being the usual pyritic and arsenical iron of the Boundary country literally shot full recently bonded from Messrs. Miller and of native gold, plainly visible without the Hess, of Kaslo. They are now working 15 ald of a glass. At the head of Twentymile creek is the Nickle Plate, just at present the biggest gold proposition in perty. that section, the ore of which is so rich that the owners will not allow visitors in Windermere camp by Robert S. McKinnon. the workings and will not even let any-

one approach the dumps. There are also some great bodies of copper sulphide ore in this vicinity, but just now the free gold deposits are attracting

the principal attention. Right at Princeton is found large areas of coal, which the limited development has demonstrated to be of a superior coking character, the seams ranging from few inches up to eight feet in thickness.
Up the Tullameen river, which empties into the Similkameen just at the are large placer fields which are now operated only by Chinamen, although it is expected that an English company will ly mentioned below: shortly put a dredge at work on some good ground which they have under lease. Only 12 miles from Princeton are the Granite creek placer fields, which attracted much attention in the days of the old Cariboo excitement. Further up the Tullameen is the Summit City camp, in which is being opened up bodies of galena which, beside having good silver and lead values, in many cases run away up into the hundreds in gold.

Nine miles from Penticton, up the Similkameen, are the Copper and Kennedy nountain camps, where there has been discovered some of the greatest copper strike last week on their prospect on showings of the province, if not in the entire Pacific Northwest.

Here are found leads of bornite ore, almost solid, and giving assays of from two A rich showing of ore was recently un- per right from the surface. No very extened here now, and next season these two

Off to the northeast from Princeton is unusually hard, and the driving of the now being prospected, and in which some the base of the British military operawonderful strikes of copper are being tion during the last disastrous Boer with the best in that section.—Grand Forks Miner.

Strike Near Silverton. Among the many strikes made during

be bonded to an eastern syndicate during made during the last few weeks the ore nels, which are being driven as fast as body has been exposed in several places, possible. The upper tunnel is now in 200 showing in one place six inches of beau- feet, and has followed the vein the entire tiful ore. The consideration is given distance. In the face of this tunnel the reports having struck the No. 1 lead in as \$12,000, of which five per cent, will ledge is over five feet wide, and on the Bear, London Copper, Bell and Black There are now 15 men on the payroll, 12 stiver, and assays from 400 to 750 ounces ledge at this point is filled with a good

copper ore, and the lead can be traced being driven to the west. An important than the upper one, and when it reaches a for over 4,500 feet. The ore body is strike was made in the No. 5 level, east point underneath the winze being sunk drift, this week. The contractors are an upraise will be driven and a connec-

don slate with dykes of granite. The

Around Windermere.

The new British Columbia Syndicate, of London, Eng., are putting in a winter's ing the winter it is occasionally very camp on the Barbadoes group of claims, recently bonded from Messrs. Tom Jones, of Toby creek.

Toby creek, from Messrs, R. A. Kimpton,

Hill and Old Ironsides, has bonded the makings of mines, if surface showings are returned from the Kootenay valley country after locating a group of four claims, the land commander in-chief of the forces. after locating a group of four claims, the and commander-in-chief of the forces, the ice goes out of the river in the spring Jewel. The group is situated on what is leagured in the Transvaal, then a Brit-hunters and dog drivers, and start north, known as Ice Creek. The boys brought ish dependency, with a small army of making a provision depot on the New that there is an immense body of ore.

> The B. C. Syndicate, of London, Eng., throughout the winter. It is situated on Spring creek. This property was recently bonded for \$1,000,000 from the original ocators.

Steve Young, of Fort Steele, has located a very promising proposition on Spring creek. It is an extension of the Paradise group now under bond to the new British Columbia Syndicate, of London, Eng. It is understood that the Bear group

three engagements barely exceeded a Stadlader, situated on Bugaboo creek, is dozen men. considered one of the greatest propositions n the province. The Delphine will be worked throughout the winter, under the foremanship of W.

ecently located by Messrs, McKera and

Beattle, formerly of Sandon. Swansea will commence shipping in the near future. It is understood that Isaac Nolan, Swede, in the district. It is called the Jupiter Star, and adjoins the Black Prince, now the origina! locator of the Black Prince. The Red Line mines are working a large force of men, regular shipments will com-

mence within the next few months. The Fleutot Syndicate, French, are put ting in a winter camp at the Silver Tip group of mines, situated on Toby creek, men. Two thousand dollars worth of supplies are now being packed to the pro

A good strike has been made in the The find is situated between the headwaters of Spring and Boulder creeks, the claim is called the Moly-Muck-a-Chuck. It is a confact lead between slate and lime, The ledge averages about 20 feet in width. Where the ore comes to the surface it shows about 15 feet wide, with bremides, assaying 562 ounces in silver, probably carrying gold and copper.

> SOUTH AFRICAN TOWNS. -0-

Just now interest attaches to the South African towns and places brief-

Ladysmith.

Ladysmith, which will probably be the scene of exciting episodes during the campaign, was until recently the terminus of the Natal railway leading to the Transvaal border. It is a town of some 2,000 inhabitants, laid out on a slope near the Klip river, at a distance of about 30 miles from the foot of the Drakenberg range, at an altitude of 3,284 feet above the sea. It is 189 miles from Durban, and it claims as a town to be third in importance in hall, a substantial building, erected at

Newcastle. Newcastle is another border town which will probably play a part in the war. It is rather smaller than Ladysmith, the population being 1.746. It is situated at the foot of the Drakenberg mountains, on the Incandu river, a small tributary of the Buffalo, and is war, and the treaty of peace was signed long associated with coal, is peculiarly applicable to the district, much of which appears to overlie extensive beds of that material. There is a large output from the Newcastle mines, and a large trade is done in wool.

Harrismith. Harrismith, which has already been mentioned in the dispatches as a scene of Orange Free State activity, is 240 miles from Durban, and 210 from Bloemfontein. It stands on an elevation 5,250 feet above sea level, and is built of beautiful white stone, found in the neighboring Table mountains. Although its population is only about 1,600, it is one of the most important trading centres of the Free State, and is the present terminus of the railway. As health resort, it is largely patronized by residents of Natal. It is likely to remain of considerable importance, as it must always serve as a collecting point for a large part of the well-watered country, lying west of the Drakenberg

Ingogo Heights.

Ingogo Heights, which, according to the reports, have been occupied by the advancing Boers, are traversed by the railway from Natal to the Transvaal. Beyond Ingogo Station, which is 283 miles from Durban, and at an elevation of 4,000 feet, the train crosses the Ingogo river, and ascends the heights by zigzag, passing the Ingogo battle-field famous in the last Transvaal war. Hereabouts all is historic ground. The line skirts the base of the most renowned of the heights-Majuba Hill-almost crossing the footpath from Neill's house, whence the British troops started for the top, and where the preliminary treaty of peace was afterwards signed. Rounding Majuba Hill is the grave of General Colley, the luckless commander who met with the succession of disasters which are now about to be wiped out. Quite near are Laing's Nek and Colonial Deane's grave, and the burial places of the soldiers are scattered about and surrounded by a low wall. Descending the heights towards Charlestown, the railway passes through a tunnel 2,213 feet long. The greater part of the country is open and exposed. During the summer mists are frequent, and durold. There are positions in these heights where the natural drainage is 000. Situated on Spring creek, a tributary agriculture, and the raising of stock. The farmers about their heights carry on R. R. Bruce, C. E., representing Osler their pursuits with more intelligence tween Charlestown and Majuba Hill was the site of the Boers' camp. It was about Ingogo Heights, therefore, that the most humiliating British de-

Black Jack, Red Eye, Silver King, Shining | marched to relieve towns that were bein some magnificent gold-copper and galena 1,000 men, altogether inadequate for the Siberian islands. He will also have on in some magnineent gone-opper and gatera 1,000 men, attogether madequate to be board a lot of dogs, some reindeer and a purpose. His progress was arrested by board a lot of dogs, some reindeer and a a Boer commando under General Jou- number of Yakutsk horses. By taking There has been quite a rush into this sections, and it was while attempting to advantage of favorable water conditions tion during the past season, especially on force the passage of Laing's Nek on the Baron Toll expects to reach the north 28th of January, 1881, that Colley was coast of the New Siberian islands in Audriven back on Mount Prospect with gust, and he thinks that with his intend working the Paradise group heavy loss. Then ten days afterwards vessel he will be able to push through came the crushing reverse on the Ingo- to Sannikof Land in a few days. Here go Heights. There was a fortnight's his supplies will be landed if he does not delay, during which reinforcements are push further north, and his vessel will rived, and Coffey, with 600 men, exe- return to the New Siberian islands, or cuted that amazing night ascent of Majuba Hill. His position was attacked at dawn by a small party of Boers and nearly half the British force, which ran short of ammunition, was killed or wounded. The loss of the Boers in the

Dundee is 2361/2 miles from Durban. Near it is a famous gorge at the angle of the Natal territory, close to Vryheid, formerly the capital of the New Republic. The British force at Dundee consists of between 5,000 and 6,000 infan- sel, which is a staunch one and a good has one of the most promising propositions try, several hundred cavalry and mounted infantry, and about twenty guns. Star, and adjoins the Black Prince, now I This is the centre of the best coalfields under bond to the Hah Mines. Nolan is in outh Africa, with the exception, perhaps, of those at Middleburg in the Transvaal. Coal is now being raised there which not only supplies all the requirements of the railways, but a considerable quantity for shipment. The country is also rich in iron.

Van Reenan's Pass.

Van Reenan's Pass is close to the Orange Free State, on the railway between Ladysmith and Harrismith. Here the railway pierces the Drakenberg, and there an engagement may be expected with the Free State Boers. The actual strength of the British position at this point is not known; but the force would probably be about 1,500 strong. The line from Ladysmith up to the pass runs through wide spreading pasture land, with occasional Kafir kraals. The last part of the ascent up the pass is accomplished by means of three zig-zags, and Van Reenan is at the summit of the pass, 5,500 feet above sea level. This part of the Drakenberg range exhibits the formation of the isolated tableland, and almost faultless sedimentary strata, so peculiarly a feature of the uplands of South Africa. The scenery is very fine,

which divides the Indian and Atlantic oceans SEEK A MYSTERIOUS ISLAND. Baron Toll Will Visit Sannikof Land. In the Artic Sea

but it is tamer than might be expected

from the importance of the watershed

Baron Toll, one of the scientific explor- cult. ers who have given Russia pre-eminence for geographical research in the past 20 years, is about to carry out the project Natal. It has several churches, and he outlined last year for the exploration amongst its public buildings are a town of Sannikof island. It is barely indicated hall, a substantial building, erected as a cost of £5,000, court house, gaol and line, for no one knows the extent or police barracks, but the appearance of shape of the island. This explorer has been known for his contributions to which naturally will be the battleground in the conflict between the Boers and the British. The mines are largely operated our knowledge of the arctic coasts of Siberia and his investigations in the New Siberia islands. The project he has now in view involves a large expenditure, and he probably would not be starting for Sannikof next summer if the Czar of Russia had not provided the money needed of for the expedition. Baron Toll has thus been relieved of anxiety over the financial question, and may give his sole attention to the actual work of explora-

> Jacob Sannikof was a merchant of Yakutsk, on the Lena river, who from 1805 to 1811 made a serious of adventuresome journeys to the New Siberian islands. Some of his journeys were made in the service of Mr. Syrovatski of Kakutsk, to whom the government has given a monopoly of the trade in mammoth ivory, skins and furs secured on these islands. On other journeys he was the companion of Matthias Hendenstrom, whose writings are a part of the litera ture of arctic exploration. Sannikof was one of the discoverers of the New Siberian islands, and we have to thank him for the results of much acute and accurate observation which were preserved in the writings of Hedenstrom, and gave much information as to the nature of these very interesting islands, though the world had a very imperfect idea as to their topography and contours until the surveyor Pshenizyn carried out his surveys. which were later supplanted by the results of more accurate work.

Sannikof was the first man to spend a whole summer on the New Siberian islands. While he was on their northern coasts, in a period of very clear weather, his sharp eyes discerned, far to the north of the islands of Kotelnoi and New Siberia, these unknown lands whose con- afford to have friends. The expensive jectural outlines were shown on the map in 1811. He and Hedenstrom attempted to reach the lands on dog sledges, but one, out of regard for them, leaves unwide stretches of open water defeated their purpose.

The accurate results of Sannikof's acuteness of vision were substantiated when the remnant of the ill-fated expedition of Captain De Long came home with the report of new islands discovered in the north of the new Siberian islands. There was now no doubt that the land which Sannikof had seen from the 1sland of New Siberia was the Bennett can't bind it just as well in this coun island of the Jeannette expedition. The fact that the report of the pioneer exclorer was thus far justified made it probable that he was also right with regard to the land, which, he said, lay to the to build a line 200 miles long extending north of Kotelnoi, and thereupon a bit southwest from Milwaukee, but that of a broken line to indicate an unknown

coast reappeared on the maps labeled "Sannikof Land." On a clear day in 1886, five years after a part of the De Long expedition had struggled to land, Baron Toll, who was a member of Dr. Bunge's expedition, saw the sharply defined outlines of four flattopped mountains to the north of Kotelnoi and evidences of a foreland to the east of them. These mountains are believed to be a part of Sannikof Land, and Toll estimated the distance between them and Kotelnoi at 120 miles. He found that dog sledges and a good boat would be necessary to reach the land, unable to make the journey.

At the end of June, next year, with an astronomer, he will start on a Norwegian steam sealer through the Kara sea and along the coast of Asia to the mouth of the Lena river, which he will ascend, Thanksgiving.

of 1901 he will take on board some native the Lena river, to winter, and in the following summer will go back to take the expedition home.

A TEMPESTUOUS VOYAGE The Marion Chilcot Thirty Days in the

China Seas The Marion Chilcot, the sailing ship which arrived at Chemainus to load lumber for McDourne a few days ago, had a most tempestuous voyage from She left there on the 8th of August. and bets were freely offered that the ver sailor, would make the trip across in 30 days. Instead of this it was 64 days before she completed her trip, and the crew counted themselves very lucky that they made land at all.

Three typhoons and three hurricanes were encountered, and these followed one another in such rapid succession that they seemed to be but subdivisions of one great gale. The first typhoon was encountered off Formosa, followed eight days later by another, and still another, The vessel was in ballast, and the ship's officers, who are staying for a few days at the Oriental, say that had she loaded nothing whatever could have saved her. As it was, hatches were batter. ed down and the seas swept her from bow to stern. These storms, coupled with

head winds, kept her 35 days in the China seas. The Marion Chilcot, after undergoing repairs at Seattle, went last spring to Manila, under charter of the United States government. She carried quarter. masters' stores, including lumber, hay, etc. She lay 64 days in Manila in the worst kind of weather that port can show, and the crew were glad indeed when a charter was secured which brought them to this Coast.

The ship's officers say that the entrenchments of the enemy stormed by Otis's troops are constructed in a most scientific way, and indicate the presence among the insurgents of some engineer skilled in the arts of Vaupban. Aguinaldo, they say, retains his following by telling his men that if conquered they will be come serfs of the Americans. Some one, too, is steadily supplying the Filipinos with arms and ammunition, which makes the task of subjugation long and diffi-

BOERS AND DIAMONDS. Unfortunately for those who have hoped against hope for lower prices of diamonds, the world's supply is almost wholly derived from that part of South Africa by native laborers whose love of war exceeds their appreciation of the blessings of peace, and Cape Colony will need their services as warriors more than as miners. There seems little reason to doubt that the Dutchmen of South Africa will not, if they can help it, permit the diamond mines at and near Kimberley to be worked regularly during the war. Those of the Oran Free State will necessarily be idle while every man able to bear arms is needed for the army of the Boers. To make a long story short, diamond prices are bound to go much higher, and the supply, already unequal to the demand, will either be greatly curtailed or wil! temporarily be completely cut off. We may expect soon

YACHTING. COLUMBIA TO RACE IN BRITISH WATERS.

to see people of wealth buying diamonds

liberally as a speculative investment.

(Associated Press. New York, Oct. 27 .- It can be stated on the best authority, the World says, the victorious cup defender Columbia will participate in regular yacht races both in Mediterranean and British waters. Columbia leaves for the other side in the early part of December, and will be commanded by Charley Barr, who piloted her to victory in the contests against the Shamrock. The season in the Mediterranean begins in February, and will be practically completed by April 1. From there the flower of the fleet will voyage to the Clyde and thence to the Solent

Friends are a costly iuxury, and when one invests one's capital in a cation or a mission in life, one canno ness of friendship does not lie in what one does for one's friends, but in what done. This means the crushing of many an intellectual germ.-Ibsen.

"It Is To Laugh."-Publisher (to Mrs Newrich, who has compiled a volume poems)-Of course, you will want you book bound in moroeco. Mrs. rich-Well, if it's the proper thing to have it bound in Morocco, go ahead and send it there. But I don't see why they try.-Chicago News.

The Milwaukee Southwestern railway company says that it proposes not only intends to go into the lake and business, co-operating with the Canada

Atlantic. Depend upon it, that if a man talk of his misfortunes there is something i them that is not disagreeable to him for where there is nothing but pure misery there never is any mention of -Johnson

The Pope is one of the richest men the world. The gold objects stored the vatican are estimated by weigh alone to be worth \$20,000,000.

Five transports left San Francisco for and as he lacked these essentials he was Manila yesterday, carrying the Twenty eighth, Thirty-first, Thirty-ninth and Forty-fifth regiments.

President McKinley has proclaim Thursday, November 30th, a day of ******** rovinc

NEW The side walls church are settling raised to remedy The first coal t for domestic purp ance last week. The Roman Cat

will be held. Word was recei Col. Rives at San ramway and eurchased for th solidated for Cayo cwned by this con Tuesday for Lilloc any time now. ed the first of the necessary building tion for the plan sumed all winter.

Kerr brick building

for church purpo

The body of Har found in the Wednesday week. interred that afte titude of the body deceased, who w mer, had travelled body was found tion Company's nearly reached lan Allan W. Cami

hausted. J. H. Campbell, New Brunswick, Golden Hospital mountain fever ed by the Columb at their Beaver sa

CASCA Alexander Lync fracture to his r shoulder, last wee fall near the O. Any man who get employment the history of the difficult to get men has the contract thus far let in con power improveme

or 50 more rock me tractors find it diffic to keep up the Bull Dog tunnel, of labor is not ea is the demand demands more me put on in the cord. Fire was started batch of eighty-tw this lot are all g

turning out coke.

Large quantities

shipped up to the covering the water some of which we last winter. An attempt was week by some one bery to secure back window of th Farouharson happ yard and noticed the hotel kitchen

burglar found that a hurried jump from Mr. Walter J. 1 Milne, who were heavy losers by t cade, has removed shortly engage in The marriage of

of Greenwood, & Stratford, Ont., Rev. W. F. Gove The Boundary pany is now putti exchange in Midw The death cccu ing of Mr John born in Lucknow cently came here kota Deceased v year. He had no for some time past

cold, the subsequ

his death.

SALT About 4 p.m. inst., as the sloop Bitancourt, of S on her way to Ve ich, and was two land pass, the cr about two miles steered in the dire on getting near had turned over filled with water dians, were cling and calling for a went alongside an board and towed Leaf, over to th shore. They gave provisions and pu they will await an their boat and pr The Maple Leaf toria when a

on her beam ends Mr. John J. S the Peace river year from Ashcro Graham, came Omineca, where the summer in promising proper creek, a tributary empties into the ed with Mr. Shi and W. A. Morr have located se lic claims, and f during their seas pleased with the

caused the ballas

pecting. News was broug night by the pass stage confirming t or two before of boo mine, near first reports were gerated, as they s got away with about as much m now reported th