

FROM THE DAILY COLONIST, July 7.
SPORTS AND PASTIMES.Tacomas Win the Baseball Match
With the Amities by
One Run.Maple Leaves Add Another Victory to
Their Credit—Cricket and
Bicycling.

The return match between the Tacoma and Amity teams was played yesterday at the Caledonia grounds, and after a game battle the home side suffered defeat again at the hands of the Tacoma representatives by the narrow margin of one run. The increasing popularity of baseball was evidenced by the splendid gathering. The game was keenly contested, and neither team had a clinch on victory until the last man was put out. The Amities were killing in hard luck. As Tacoma's boys were beaten though they earned seven runs out of twelve scored. Yesterday every run tallied by the Amities was earned. The result of the games with Seattle and Tacoma proved that the in-field has a weak spot somewhere. No improvement could be desired in the batting, for in this feature the Amities will rank with any amateur aggregation.

The visitors put up a great fielding game, the only error made being an excusable one, when Greig attempted to handle a lefty bound ball. The Amities were in the field of the Tacoma was of the gilt-edged order, the throwing especially being worthy of praise. Scattered, the visitors' first baseman, put up a star game, fielding his position in a manner that would have reflected credit on a professional. The throwing of Greig and Cory elicited much applause.

In the first inning the Amities earned two on Dock's hit and stolen base, and liners by Scott and Franklin. Greig settled down after this, and by tricky changes in pace managed to beat the local batsmen, who only got one hit for the six innings.

In the eighth, though, the Amities battered treated the spectators to an exhibition of fireworks. There were four successive singles by Duck, Jackson, Scott and Franklin; the boys gingered up, and it looked as if it would be Tacoma's game after all. Hope was dampened, however, when Franklin attempted an altogether too risky steal, being nipped at third. There was no occasion for such daring, as no men were out, and the home team might have tied the score if Franklin had stuck to second. There was another pyrotechnic display in the ninth, when Linsley and Gowen singled. In this inning Baker was substituted for Greig in the box. The change did not seem at all dangerous, but Duck, who has done such grand batting this year, struck out. This meant only one man out, and there was still a chance. Jackson was at bat, and there was a chorus of yells from the people looking on, as he attempted to swing and hit the ball over the fence. Jackson connected with the sphere, making a line hit along the first base foul line, and the game was ended when Stotler made a wonderful catch, and doubled up Gowen before he could return to the bag. The Tacoma secured an earned run in the first inning on hits by Greig and Gates, Linsley sending two men to bases on balls. They tallied again in the fourth on hits by Greig, Campbell and Grant, and costly errors by Partridge and Franklin, and a dropped fly by Duck. In the fifth, another run was added in the eighth Linsley's well placed, after Greig hit him for a single, and got to third on a steal and passed ball.

Linsley after the first inning settled down to splendid work and showed up in old time form. He was very speedy and used his curves to better advantage than in any other game he has figured in this season. The honors of the day go to Widdowson and Jackson, whose second and third base play was of the finest description. Huxtable was retired in the eighth, when his thumb was injured in the attempt to stop a wild pitch, and Franklin finished the rest of the game behind the bat in creditable style.

The Tacoma left last evening for home, where on their arrival this morning the team will probably be tendered a rousing reception as they have won three games in three days, beating the Amities on the fourth, and the Seattles on Friday by 17 to 6. The visitors were loud in their praise of Mr. T. E. Edwards' umpiring, being unanimous in saying that his decisions on pitched balls and base plays gave more satisfaction than any umpire they have had this year. Manager Stafford and Captain Gates also expressed their appreciation of the kindly way in which the plays of the Tacoma team were applauded by the Victoria spectators. "Why," said Manager Stafford, "your people cheered us as heartily as they did the home nine whenever a good play was made."

Manager Stafford wants Tacoma to play in Tacoma next Saturday, as he states that the Amities have proved that they are entitled to rank with any team in the Northwest, and he feels assured that another visit of the Victoria team would be greeted by a record sale. The Tacoma manager will wire on Monday whether there is an open date for next Saturday.

AMITIES.
Gowen, C. O. f. 5 0 1 0 0 0 0
Duck, L. f. 4 1 0 1 0 1 0
Jackson, S. b. 4 1 0 1 0 1 0
Scott, S. s. 4 2 2 0 0 3 0
Franklin, F. c. 4 0 0 0 0 0 0
Widdowson, 2b. 4 0 1 0 3 0 0
Partridge, 1b. 4 0 0 0 0 0 4
Huxtable, c. 4 0 0 0 0 0 0
Linsley, p. 4 0 1 0 0 10 1
Gowen, George, r. f. 1 0 0 0 0 0 0
Totals..... 38 5 10 4 27 19 8

TACOMA ATHLETIC CLUB.
Groger, 3b. 4 2 1 0 1 4 0
Campbell, a. s. 4 1 1 0 1 4 0
Gates, L. f. 4 2 0 0 2 0 0
Cory, 1b. 4 0 0 0 2 0 0
Grant, c. 4 0 1 0 0 9 0 0
Jones, c. f. 4 0 0 0 2 0 0
Sullivan, r. f. 4 0 0 0 2 0 0
Stotler, 1b. 4 1 0 0 11 0 0
Greig, p. 4 2 2 0 0 6 1
Baker, p. 4 0 0 0 0 0 0
Totals..... 40 6 9 0 27 18 1

SCORE BY INNINGS.
Amity..... 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
Tacoma..... 2 0 0 0 0 0 3 0
Totals..... 1 0 4 0 0 0 1 0 0

R.M.A.V. BATTALION.
This return match was played at Beacon Hill yesterday, the R.M.A. winning easily by 68 runs on the first innings. The Barrack team went in first and made the score of 104 runs, Scholefield and Maclean C.C. The chief scorers were Barracough (56); Glover, (16); Speng, (12); and Speng, (12). The Battalion team followed on, and owing to the good bowling of Barracough and Kelly only succeeded in making 36. J. P. Hibben being top score with 10. The Battalion being more than sixty runs behind

went to the wickets again, and when time was called had scored 42 for 6 wickets. Both eleven having won a match each, the final will be played in August, when the Battalion will try their best to turn the tables.

VICTORIA V. ALBIONS.
The above match, played on the Albion grounds, Beacon Hill, yesterday afternoon, was won by Victoria by a score of 105 to 55 on the result of the first innings. Victoria won the toss and decided to bat. Their innings closed for 105, but this score would have been much less had the fielding of the Albions been up to standard. Hot 27, Wallis 23, and Captain Barnes 16, batted well for their runs, and York and Anderson bowled in good form. The Albions' first innings only produced 55, of which L. York and H. J. Martin contributed 15 and 11 respectively. Wallis scored 16 for 15 runs, and Captain Barnes also trundled well. In their second innings Victoria collapsed, being disposed of for 36, owing chiefly to the clever bowling of Warden, who obtained 7 wickets at a cost of 14 runs. Wallis with 13 was the only batsman who reached double figures. With 25 minutes to play and 87 to make to win, the Albions began their second venture, and were scoring runs rapidly when time was called, with 2 wickets down for 40. Anderson secured 18 by a lively display of batting. The score:

VICTORIA C.C.		1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
C. E. Pooley, c. W.	York	0	not out..... 3	0	not out..... 3
S. Schwenn, b.	Morley	0	0	0	0
G. S. Holt, c. Gulline	b. W. York	0	1	0	1
Capt. Barnes, b. W.	den	0	1	0	1
son, 16	York	0	3	0	3
B. Goward, c. Martin	0	0	0	0	0
B. Anderson, b.	Warden	0	4	0	4
L. W. Wallis, b. Warden	0	13	0	0	0
L. W. Wallis, b. Warden	0	5	0	0	0
B. H. Drake, c. L. York	0	0	0	0	0
B. W. York	0	0	0	0	0
H. J. Martin, b. W.	den	0	0	0	0
York	0	0	0	0	0
P. A. Palmer, not out	0	1	0	0	0
Dr. J. D. Hemmick, b.	Warden	0	0	0	0
Warden	0	1	0	0	0
Extras	14	0	0	0	0
Total.....	105	0	36	0	0

ALBION C.C.		1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
A. Booth, b. Wallis	0	2	0	0	0
C. S. Sorenson, b. Wallis	0	0	0	0	0
R. J. Martin, b. Wallis	0	0	0	0	0
R. H. Swinerton, b.	Wallis	0	0	0	0
Barnes	0	0	0	0	0
Q. D. H. Warden, b. Wal	0	0	0	0	0
W. York	0	0	0	0	0
Barnes	0	0	0	0	0
P. W. Thomson, b. W.	den	0	0	0	0
L. York, b. Wallis	0	0	0	0	0
A. A. Green, b. Wallis	0	0	0	0	0
H. J. Gulline, b. Wallis	0	0	0	0	0
A. C. Anderson, not out	1	0	0	0	0
Extras	14	0	0	0	0
Total.....	55	0	40	0	0

A WALK OVER.
VANCOUVER, July 6.—(Special).—The Nanaimo cricket team fell an easy victim to Vancouver's players at Brookton Point today. The visitors went to the wickets first, and made 98 runs. When Vancouver first went to bat four wickets had fallen, and 17 runs, but Flinton located the bowlers, and topped the whole score of the Nanaimo team, scoring 74. The stumps were drawn at the fifth wicket, the local team having scored 153 runs.

THE FORTNIGHTLY RACES.
The Canoe club held their fortnightly sailing races yesterday afternoon. The course was twice round a two-mile course, and the entries were: Messrs. C. A. Godeau, W. Christie, F. White, A. Gore, W. S. Gore. The wind was very light, but Godeau made the most of it, and came in winner some ten minutes ahead of A. Gore, who was second. The remainder finished pretty close together.

THE OAK.
TORONTO ARGONAUTS APPRECIATED AT HENLEY.
TORONTO, July 6.—The Telegram's Henley cablegram says: "The drawing for the heats in the regatta on Tuesday and following days took place at Henley to-day. The course for the Argonauts' change up the river was coupled as follows: Heat A—the Argonauts, of Toronto, and the London Rowing Club; heat B—the winners of the last A and the New College Rowing Club, Oxford; heat C—the London Rowing Club and the Thames Rowing Club; heat D—the winners of heat B and the Thames Rowing Club; for the fifth heat, the winner of the third and fourth heats.

As predicted the sporting papers have come to regard the Canadians with favor and place them first for the fourth and singles. "If the weather holds up there will be a great crowd here for the week. Even to-day large numbers came from town to see the crews at practice. The Argonauts are in the best of health and vigor, and barring accidents, should give a good account of themselves."

VANCOUVER'S REPRESENTATIVE CREWS.
The crews to represent Vancouver at the regatta Pacific season at Victoria on the 19th and 20th inst., have been finally decided upon, as follows:

Burrard Inlet Rowing Club—Seniors: F. P. Miller, stroke, 155 pounds; C. H. Macaulay, 3, 164 pounds; H. W. Kent, 2, 150 pounds; R. C. Spink, bow, 125 pounds. Juniors—W. Sulley, stroke, 150 pounds; E. A. Quigley, 3, 170 pounds; Bauer, 2, 155 pounds; Springer, bow, 150 pounds. Vancouver Boating Club—Juniors: A. Seabury, stroke, 145 pounds; —, 3, 160 pounds; F. W. Alexander, 2, 180 pounds; P. W. Charleston, bow, 143 pounds.

The Burrard senior crew have made a good record. Frank Miller, the stroke, comes from a family of athletes who were born in this province. He rowed his initial race last year at Seattle, being one of the crew of juniors who saved everything in their class. "Charlie" Macaulay, No. 3, is 26 years old but took no active interest in rowing until last year, when he showed such form that he was put in the junior crew of 1894—whom the Seattle crewmen so liberally praised after their brilliant performance at the regatta. "Herb" Kent, No. 2, is a veteran who has been in all the big events since the North Pacific association has existed. "Dick" Spink was bow in the boy crew that astonished the Portlanders in 1893, and he has been bowing ever since. The crew are practicing under McLean, formerly trainer to the world beater Stanbury.

Both junior crews are showing good form, and so confident are the Vancouver club juniors of winning that they have already declared their intention of rowing in the senior event immediately after winning the junior race.

The North Pacific association of amateur rowmen having been organized in 1891, the first regatta was held in Vancouver in 1892, and the Burrard Inlet club virtually won

five out of six events. The senior four was protested and awarded to the Portland crew, who had claimed that Johnson, No. 3, was a professional; but the Canadian amateur athletic association declared otherwise on appeal. The senior crew that year was Henderson, Johnson, Kent and Russell, and the famous Perks crew of juniors consisted of Perks, Geddes, Sleson and Hillier. In 1893 the Burrard crew of seniors, with H. Watson in place of Johnson, were again successful. As this regatta the "kid" crew of the Burrard were greatly in evidence, and though all of them were under 17 years of age they came within half a length of winning the junior event, the Portland crew of men thus barely beating them. In 1894, at Lake Washington, Seattle, for the first time the Burrard seniors were beaten; but the junior crew, consisting of Miller, Macaulay, Campbell and Spink, upheld the reputation of Vancouver.

LACROSSE.
INTERMEDIATE AT WESTMINSTER.
NEW WESTMINSTER, July 6.—(Special).—The intermediate lacrosse match to-day between the Westminster Maple Leaves and the Beavers, of Vancouver, was won by the former after an unusually hard battle, the score standing 2 goals to 1. There was more endurance than science displayed on both sides, but the Beavers were victorious due to the defence being far stronger than the home on both teams.

THE LEAGUE STANDING.
Maple Leaves (Westm.)..... 3 3 0
Capitals (Victoria)..... 2 1 1
Beavers, of Vancouver..... 3 1 2
Nanaimo (Nanaimo)..... 3 1 2

THE WHEEL.
THE HARRIS HANDICAP RACE.

The second heat in the Harris handicap race of 104 miles was ridden yesterday, Johnson and Wille qualifying for the final. The course was fair and the time made, average. This heat, like the last, demonstrated that the abilities of the scratch man, and nearest neighbor had been over-rated. Pownall having at no time a running chance in the race, and Johnson's time being second only to the scratch man's, though he had the advantage of 1½ minutes start over Gilbert. Both Wille and Johnson rode well and finished strong. Johnson caught Gilbert's plying in the second mile after the scratch man's, and he had the limit man in sight. He then very wisely contented himself with trailing Wille, and came up with a sprint for first place in the last quarter, leading Wille in by a few yards.

THE SUMMARY.
Place. Rider. Mount. Wcp. Time.
1. Johnson..... Eagle..... 3:00 min..... 32:04
2. W. Wille..... 3:00 min..... 32:13
3. J. Gilbert..... 3:00 min..... 32:52
4. W. F. Penwill..... 3:00 min..... 31:05

THE RIFLE.
THIRD LEAGUE MATCH.

OTTAWA, July 6.—The highest scores for the third shoot of the militia rifle league, which took place to-day, are as follows: Martini—Guelph, 918; Hamilton, 896; Toronto, 877; New Westminster, 860; Truro, N.S., 854; London, 849; Halifax, 834; Prince Albert, 829. Snider—Hamilton, 900; Toronto, 741. A remarkable feature about the Hamilton Snider score is that it exceeds the Martini total made at the same place, where the weather is said to have been magnificent for shooting purposes. The average of seventy men who fired there with the Snider was 79.

HERE AND THERE.
GENERAL GOSSIP OF OUR BENT EVENTS.

Harrison, of Victoria, is not a little puzzled and surprised over the announcement from Vancouver that Hayward has accepted his challenge—for the simple reason that he has never written him a writing. He cannot understand how the complication originated.

There were no horse races at Stanley Park yesterday; neither was there any match between the V. C. C. and Victoria College.

It is said that after the race at Beacon Hill yesterday afternoon someone maliciously cut the tires of Mr. Johnson's bicycle on which he had won the heat. The mark is plainly that of a knife cut, and if the police would exert themselves to identify the perpetrators of the deed, they would be deserving of high praise.

WANT IT QUASHED.
The barbers of Kaslo are up in arms against a by-law passed last month by the council of that city, putting a tax of \$25 every six months on the barbers. The by-law provides that:

"Each and every barber shall pay the sum of \$25 for every six months."

No distinction is made between the proprietor of a shop and a journeyman, all were to be treated alike. No difference was to be shown in the treatment of the urbane gentleman who owns the plate glass mirrors and the gorgeous scent bottles, and the mere shaver who stands behind the chair and humbly inquires "Yessir, or bay rum, air?" It was too much for the barbers, and their champion, in the person of Mr. Hall, of the "O.K." barber shop, of Fourth street, Kaslo, took steps to appeal to the law. In consequence a motion to quash the by-law has now been made before Mr. Justice Giesse, who has granted a rule nisi to quash the by-law, returnable ten days, and the case is set for the next day.

CRISIS IN SAMOA.
SAMOA, June 19.—Per steamer Alameda to San Francisco, July 3.—The situation between the two parties here has reached a stage which may be described as critical. The rebel party last week held a meeting attended by several thousands. Although the rebels expressed a desire for peace, they made the principal condition for peace the deposition of King Malietoa. Their meeting was held under the guidance of H. J. Moore. There is a strong feeling against him for his action in the matter, and it is expected that he will be called to account for it at a meeting, was held on the German wharf yesterday, when six of the rebel chiefs, a like number of the government party, and the three consuls attended. Nothing has so far transpired as to what was done. It will be impossible for the consuls to arrange a peace having for its basis the downfall of Malietoa. It is generally expected that the rebels will be shed. No feeling of unity prevails amongst the foreign officials, in fact relations are very much strained amongst them.

THE CITY.

THE contract for the building of C. McCallum's residence at McPherson's has been awarded to George C. Mosher by the architect, J. Gerhard Tarks. Mr. Tarks is calling for tenders for additions to a residence at Esquimalt, in this morning's issue.

On Friday the British Columbia Board of Trade held their annual general meeting, when the report of the president, Mr. J. H. Macdonald, and the report of the board of directors, and the board of arbitrators for the year will be elected. It is expected there will be a large attendance. The hour fixed for the meeting is 3 o'clock.

Among the Chalmers' passengers last night were Messrs. L. E. Davenport, J. Manroe, A. Stevens, P. O'Rourke, W. Richardson and A. McIntosh, part of the Devereux survey party who have been at work for the last five weeks in the North. Some members of the company are still at work and will not return for some time.

PROVINCIAL CONSTABLE McKenna, who with J. Sealey sailed the ship Ariel up to Clayquot, returned home yesterday by the Maude after having handed over the ship to Constable Spain for police service on the coast. He reports that with the exception of the Wanderer all the sealing schooners survey party who have been at work for the last five weeks in the North. Some members of the company are still at work and will not return for some time.

The steamer Maude which arrived from the West Coast yesterday brought several reports of quartz mining in that section of the country. The wharf is nearly completed and will prove of great value to Mr. Anderson, of Victoria, who is in the valley lately looking for a desirable site for a sawmill which he intends to erect at once. All the crops are looking well.

The local corps of the Salvation Army tendered a reception to Adjutant and Mrs. Archibald at the barracks last night. The Adjutant, who is very popular in Army circles, has been obliged on account of his health to take several weeks' rest at Oak Bay. His short vacation has proved very beneficial, and he is ready again to take up the work. The meeting last evening was of a religious nature and was led by the Adjutant.

A RACE for two-year-olds has been arranged to come off at Beacon Hill, August 31. It will be three-quarter mile heats, but the first heat will be for the British Columbia bred colts. The nomination fee is \$5, the entrance \$5, and Mr. Harris, proprietor of the Colonist hotel, will add \$15 for the winner. The second horse will take his two fees. There are six entries and indications point to a good race. This is the first race of this kind ever held in the province.

An interesting feature of the next exhibition of the agricultural association will be that furnished by the school children. The matter is in the hands of Miss Cameron and Mr. B. B. B. The children will compete in map drawing, bookkeeping, writing and composition. The Dominion of Canada is the map selected for the first division, British Columbia for the second, North America for the third, Africa for the fourth and South America for the fifth. The Superintendent of Education will be asked to suggest the subjects for composition. Children are to be admitted free on Children's Day. Mr. J. G. Brown will instruct the children in singing, and Mr. St. Clair will have charge of the parade and physical drill.

The fire department had a field day yesterday, and as a result several plague spots were wiped out of existence. Their work was done on the unsightly shacks which were recently ordered to be destroyed. It would be hard to conceive of more filthy places than those which were burned, and the Chinese mind the shacks, which were the work of the Chinese, and the work was done under the supervision of Chief Deasy. A line of hose was laid from the hydrant at the corner of Cormorant and Government streets, and then the torch was applied, and in a short time the shacks remained of what were but a few piles of lumber.

At one end they joined the Conlin building, hence care had to be used to prevent the destruction of other property. One or two of the shacks were started by sparks, but the stream soon put them out. There was the usual crowd of spectators. The other buildings condemned will be attended to next week, those on Waddington alley will be torn down, as their location makes it unsafe to attempt to burn them. The ones on Humboldt will be fired.

MARINE MOVEMENTS.

Captain Roberts, of the steamer Maude, which returned from the West Coast last evening, reports the sailing fleet all at sea. They had no difficulty in securing their crews, and at the wages at which they had been previously engaged. But one schooner is paying extra rates, and she is the Wanderer, which has been referred to before as having secured a crew at Port San Juan by promising \$4 for every skin. The Maude had a fairly good trip, and brought back as freight some 400 odd seal skins—Indian seal catches. As passengers the Maude had J. C. Anderson, W. F. Dowler, Rev. E. H. Brabant, Officer Macdonald, (Capt.) Stewart, Mr. (Capt.) Gould, Miss Dunlop, Frank Compton, and four others from Port San Juan.

A fine but uneventful trip was reported by the City of Topeka, which arrived from Alaska at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. She had a very light breeze, and a large number of passengers, there being 90 in the saloon, of whom the greater number proceeded to the Sound. Among those who landed here were two sisters of St. Ann. The Topeka sighted no sealers since leaving here. She reports that the steamer Queen will be here from Alaska to-day.

At 9 o'clock last night the Northern Pacific liner Strathavie was reported from Carmanah Point as passing up the Straits. This would mean under ordinary circumstances that she would arrive here about 2 o'clock, but as she is a stranger here it was thought she will remain outside until daylight. The Strathavie carries a very large cargo.

Following are the cabin passengers booked for the voyage to San Francisco by the steamer Walla Walla, which sails this evening: E. Page, T. Jones, Miss Hess, Miss Rose, Mrs. J. B. Jones, Mrs. M. Jones and wife, G. Creed and wife, Miss M. Barry, Mrs. A. W. Barry and Mrs. Geo. Taylor. The German bark Artemus, the Prince Louis, Prince Victor and other vessels are on their way to British Columbia for lumber cargoes.

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YUKON'S YELLOW YIELD.

Rich Golden Harvest From the Placers,
But Fortunes Awaiting
Quartz Operators.

Cost of Supplies the Main Trouble—
A Climate Only Hardy Men
Can Stand.

What Mounted Police Inspector Constantine relates of the population of the Yukon, and the trading operations by which they are with much difficulty supplied, appeared in the extracts from the annual report of the Mounted Police department published yesterday. Below will be found some information given by the same officer as to the mining resources of that far Northern district:

"At present the mining industry is only in its infancy. The country has not been thoroughly prospected, for reasons already given, and up to the present the returns may be summed up: that a few have done well, a few made good wages, but the majority have made only a living, partly owing to not knowing much about mining and the short season. As far as I can learn, the output last year was about \$300,000 from all sources.

"The miners are anxious that the boundary in the gold-bearing belt should be fixed without delay. No quartz mines have been opened up, for two reasons. They are: First, it requires capital and time, the depth of most being the great drawback to the placer operator. Second, there is no immediate return as in the placer operation, which is necessary for the existence of the miner, as none have more than what they get into the country and buy a little coarse food to go on with during the first season. If they make a little then it is required to keep them during the long and cold winter. The traders will give them food for the summer's work, and as miners are as a rule honest, in the long run those who supply them are paid with a large amount of interest as well.

"Some coarse gold is found on Miller creek, Franklin and Davis creeks, and Nugget gulch, but on the bars it is fine. Only one large nugget has been found, and that in Franklin gulch. Its weight was 30 oz. and intrinsic value \$510.

"Quartz mining will in time be the leading class of mining in this country. The face of the country as far as the Arctic ocean and McKenna is entirely mountainous and may be compared to the Sierra Nevada. It is mineralized throughout. Ledges have been found and specimens brought in and analyzed with very good results. It commences at the boundary and goes through the country in all directions. Gold and silver quartz have been found on Bennett lake, and in silver in the same place. I am informed that rich specimens of gold and silver rock have been found on the Hootalinka. There are rich mines on the Porcupine, but I was unable to learn on which side of the line they were situated. Indian Creek, about seventy-five miles above Forty Mile, has just been found rich. This creek is wholly in the Northwest Territories.

"A meeting of the miners was called at Forty Mile Creek to petition the Minister of the Interior to have the mining laws changed so as to increase the size of placer claims to 500 feet in width, with a free location to the discoverer, and a second claim for the discovery. This in my opinion is unreasonable, the second claim would be speculative purposes only. I think the case would be met by having the size of the claim changed in the Yukon district from 100 to 500 feet, the fee at the same time being raised from \$5 to \$15 on gulch claims, bench or high bar diggings. The low bar to remain as at present.

WEST OF THE YUKON.
On the west side of the Yukon the gold-bearing creeks are: Franklin Gulch, Davis Creek, Clinton Creek, Nugget Gulch, O'Brien's Creek, Napoleon Creek, Canon Creek, Madison Creek. They are wholly or partly in Alaska.

"Sixty-Mile Creek.—Its tributaries are Gold Creek, Glazier Creek and Miller Creek and Red Rock Creek. These are the only ones that any mining has been done on, and they also are wholly, or part, in Alaska. There is a large reference of opinion as to which side of the line they are on. "Of the rivers and creeks above mentioned, Forty-Mile is worked out; Franklin gulch is about half worked; Nugget gulch has not been much worked; Davis creek about half worked; Clinton creek has not turned out of much value; O'Brien creek has not been much worked, as it is only this summer that it was discovered; Napoleon creek has only been worked this season, and has shown up well so far; Canon creek has been worked by a few men two seasons and has paid \$12 or \$14 per day; Madison creek is new, worked only one season; Sixty-Mile creek is 120 miles south of Cadahay. About sixty miles of this creek is in the Northwest Territories. Gold creek is good. This is the second season. Miller's creek is also being worked and has proved the best creek in the country so far. Glazier creek has only been worked this season, and so far the returns have been good. Last summer two men worked this creek, and made \$21 a day each. They are still working there. These are also in American territory.

EAST OF THE YUKON.

"On the east side of the Yukon, the Stewart, Pelly, Hootalinka, Big and Little Salmon rivers are wholly in the Northwest Territories. The Stewart is all bar digging up to the present, and so far has proved to be the best paying. The Pelly is doubtful at present. Hootalinka has done fairly well and much is expected from it in the future. Both on the Stewart and Pelly many men have been working this summer. The Big and Little Salmon have also paid well to the few who have been working. These are all bar diggings. One reason why more men are not at work on these rivers is the difficulty of getting in provisions. The miners as a rule have faith in the future of the country, not that gold is in any one place in large quantities, but appears to be all through it, and that it only requires exploring and opening up.

"From the time one leaves Juneau to Port Burrow the country is full of mineral wealth, chiefly gold, but there is also silver and copper to be found. DIFFICULTIES OF ACCESS.
"What the miners require and complain of is not having, in a comparatively easy route by which they can get in their supplies at a reasonable cost in quantities sufficient to last them a year. At present their supplies are limited to what they can pack in the exorbitant prices charged by the traders and which are far in advance of a fair profit. It takes what a man makes to keep him, and very few have enough to get out of the country, except at the cost of much suffering, hardship and danger. This refers to men coming in and going out in one season.

Tramways on the portages between lakes Linderman and Bennett at the canon of White Horse would be a great help to small parties, as they are not able to portage their boats alone, and may not have had the experience to run the canon or swift water below. The cost would not be great. The miners are of the opinion that the rocks in the channel of the Five Finger could be removed in winter when the water is low. This would make navigation safe for a steamer coming down; then there would be uninterrupted navigable water to the foot of the White Horse, a distance of about 2,300 miles from the mouth of the river. Some of the old miners are not in favor of having the route made too easy, as they say it would bring in a class of men who will not work for their living, but would simply come in to prey on those who do. They refer more particularly to gamblers and men of that stamp, who are so numerous in American mining districts. This is partly selfish, as miners like to keep good things to themselves.

CLIMATE AND SOIL.
The seasons here are extremes. In winter the cold has reached 77 degrees below