Such is the Advice of a Returned Traveller on the Winter Trails.

News of the Grider Party-They are Going in Light and Discontented,

Mr. J. H. Lovejoy, of San Francisco, returned by the Boscowitz this morning, having made the attempt to get into the country first by the Stikine, and secondly by the Skeena, in each case without success. Mr. Lovejoy's opinions, based upon his experiences, make interesting matter, and confirm fully the statement made that travel into the interior by the made that travel into the interior by the Stikine was for the time interrupted. Mr. Lovejoy went up to Wrangel over a month ago, accompanied by two others, intending proceeding up the Stikine. On arrival at Wrangel the party found fifteen hundred pepole encamped, and on making enquiries were told the river was impassable owing to the slush. They did not accept the opinions of others as They returned to Wrangel, and Mr Lovejoy says the feeling at that point was running very high consequent upon the fact that the true state of the case "If the papers had published the true facts of the case in time to save the mad rush which took place to the mouth of the Stikine, the result would have been first that hundreds of men would have wintered in Victoria, much to their own and the city's advantage, and secondly, they would have en tertained none but the best and most kindly feelings to the people of the city, whereas being piled up in a place unfitted for the accommodation of the vast crowds who have camped there, compelled to put in a miserable existence for many dreary weeks, the murmuring against what seems to the men' themselves to have been unscrupulous misrepresentation was both loud and long." Determined, however, not to give up until every possible method of getting in had been tried, Mr. Lovejoy and bis companions made their way down to the mouth of the Skeena and attempted to get in by that route. By canoes they reached Aiyansh, a hundred miles up the river, and then having lightened their loads to the lowest possible margin comtheir supplies to Hazleton. The result was that the trail was found to be of the hardest possible description. Up steep grades and down again to the level, ascents of 500 feet at short dis tances had to be negotiated; in some places there was not enough spow to places there was not enough snow to cover the trail, and the distance made was sometimes not more than one mile quired. He confirms the statements was sometimes not more than one mile a day. Mr. Lovejoy recognized very early in the history of the attempt that success was hardly possible, and determines wide, containing only patches of timber here and there. The province of timber here and there. companions struggling on their way, and figuring it out, as he says, "on a dollar and cents basis," he is satisfied he can return to his home in San Francisco and be comfortable until May, and by taking the Stikine route, then open

for navigation, arrive at Dawson fully

The Grider party, which left here on The Grider party, which left here on the Roscowitz a few weeks ago, was met by Mr. Lovejoy at Aiyansh, and he brings news which tends to confirm the doubts entertained in the city when the party left here, as to the chances of success attending the adventures of the fifty men who placed themselves under Girder's guidance, expecting in return for the sum of \$75 each to be piloted to locality where fabriously rich diggings a locality where fabulously rich diggings existed. Mr. Lovejoy says the men were already murmuring, and they had then only experienced the easiest part of their trip, that by canoe from the mouth of the Skeena to the commencement of the alleged trail. A gentleman in charge of the Indian mission at Aiyansh told Mr. Lovejoy and the members of the Gride: party that it was impossible to get to Hazelton with the trail in the condition Hazelton with the trail in the condition it was then. No pack animals can be used, every pound has to be carried on the traveller's back, and the steep gradients are such that unless a man is in perfect physical condition it is a sheer impressibility for him to get through the same of the principals in the fight and impossibility for him to get through.

Mrs. Grider and another lady in the party were sent back to Port Simpson, it being recognized that for them to

anxious when left behind by the party, desiring to return to her home in California and dreading to leave her hus-band. She was ordered by her husband to remain at Port Simpson. Mr. Love joy fears that when the members of the party learn, as they would immediately they started out from Aiyansh, that the trail was impassable, and that Grider, if he had, as he claimed to have. : knowledge of the country, should have known such to be the case, will make trouble. The position is, in his opinion alarming. Many of the men have not the wherewithal to return, the way for

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ward is blocked, their stock of provision scanty consequent upon the lightening of their burdens to the lovest margin, and if, as seems certain, they find them-selves unable to escape, the result wil probably be rough usage for Mr. Gride.
Mr. Lovejoy says Grider has no knowledge of the task he is undertaking or he would not attempt to take the men in. and he fully expects that all of the party who can raise money to bring them back will return when they have experienced the difficulties of the first four miles of the trail. Criminal responsibility, in Mr. Lovejoy's opinion, rests upon those who recommended the men to attempt to get into the interior with the trails in their present condition.

NIMPKISH RIVER MINES. Many Claims Recorded Along the Banks of That River.

News is brought from Alert Bay by the steamer Boscowitz, which arrived this morning, that a mining boom is in evidence on the Nimpkish river, which runs into the straits of Georgia opposite Alert Bay. A large number of miners did not accept the opinions of others as conclusive, but made their way a tew lory and a company, J. Roflia and partmiles up, only to find that it was utterly impossible for anyone to get through. Seattle men, and Mr. Ashley. Hansen and Anderson, the two Swedes who discovered the placer claims on the Nimp-kish river, are hard at work, and, acthe fact that the true state of the case had been kept back from passengers for Wrangel, and who would have preferred to remain in Victoria until navigation opened rather than have to spend weeks opened rather than have to spend weeks with the passengers had making arrangements to discuss the fact that the true state of the case cording to reports, have struck it rich. Many claims have been recorded near theirs, and all along the river banks men are busily washing for color. W. H. claims, is making arrangements to dispose of his interest to a Seattle company for \$6,000.

A Running Sore Pronounced Incurable By Eight Doctors-Cured by Dr. Chase.

Mr. R. D. Robbins, of 148 Cowan ave., Toronto, says: "I had a bad leg which was simply unsightly. From below the knee to the ankle was one great sore. Eight doctors treated me without benefit. I was induced to try Dr. Chase's Ointment, which cured me, and all that remains to be seen are the

FROM KITIMAT ARM. Mr. J. S. Wilkinson, P.L.S. Returns From the North To-day.

Among the passengers on the Bosco-witz this morning was Mr. J. S. Wilkinson, P.L.S., who has been to the head of Kitimat Arm on a surveying expeditract of land at the head of the Arm to prevent more wholesale locations being made for speculative purposes, which has resulted in the abandonment of several surveying undertakings of private parties. Mr. Wilkinson has personal knowledge of the route between Alice Arm and the Skeena, which he considers far from being so suitable for a railway as that from Kitimat, in fact he found last December that it was impossible to get over more than twenty miles of the distance. The winter at Kitimat has been very mild, the thermometer not registering during the past six weeks more than ten or fifteen degrees of frost, making the conditions of existence

TWO WERE KILLED A Double Murder Reported From Skag-way-Elder Ashore.

Steamer Cleveland, of the Washington and Alaska steamship line, arrived in Tacoma yesterday direct from Skagway and Dyea. She brought the news that on the morning of March 24, the day she left there, two Klondikers were shot and names of the principals in the fight and

An eld clergyman, deploring the fact that so many men are being imposed upon by unscrupulous quacks, is willing to inform any man who is weak and nervous, or suffering from various ef-fects of errors or excesses, how to obtain a perfect and permanent cure. Hav-ing nothing to sell he asks for no money, but is desirous for humanity's sake to help the unfortunate to regain their health and happiness, Perfect secrecy assured. Address with stamp, Rev. A. H. MACFARLANE, Franktown, On-

THE TOWN OF BENNETT.

A letter from Bennett lake states that "this is getting to be the liveliest place in British Columbia. A large number of people are coming through and very many more are working like beavers on the trail to get over by the time the lakes open. Mr. M. King, of Victoria, has arrived with the two mills, twenty horses and the general large outfit of the Vic-toria Yukon Trading Co., for building boats, etc. The mills are being put up on the company's townsite and will be ready to cut lumber soon after the first of April. The company's townsite and Sullivan's location are being surveyed by an engineer, who is also making surveys for the government and other parties. There is going to be quite a demand for lots, and many parties are getting out foundations for buildings, which will go ahead just as soon as the mills can get out the lumber. A drug store, several hotels, quarters for the provincial police, warehouses, etc., will be among the first to go up. 'Bennett' is to be the name of the new town and not 'Portage City'

Harsh purgative remedies are fast giving way to the zentie action and mild effects of Carter's Little Liver Pils. If you try them, they will certainly please you.

The Steamer Thistle Returns to Port From Skagway and Dyea This Morning.

Islander and Australia Sail for the North-Many Vessels To Leave T -- Night.

From Thursday's Daily. The various wharfingers whose busi ness it is to look after the freight piled in the warehouses and sheds of the waterfront are busy, for many vessels are preparing for departure. At the C.P.N. wharf, where the Islander is loading for Skagway, Juneau and Wrangel, the greatest animation is to be seen, Miners and others are writing their marks on berths and piling their personal baggage into their staterooms; 'longshoremen are rushing the freight aboard; in fact, everyone connected with the vessel is busy. She will sail this evening with Commodore Irving in command. She will have about 75 passengers from this port, and a full cargo of general freight. Her passenger list will be greatly swelled at Vancouver, where 100 passengers are awaiting her. To-morrow evening three other steamers sail, the Princess Louise and Boscowitz for Naas and British Columbia way ports, the Willapa for Cape Scott, Quatsino, Clayoquot, Kyrquot and other West Coast points, The two former vessels are at the outer wharf loading tin for the canneries. Both will have as passengers, besides a number of residents of the northern country and some prospectors, large crowds of Chinese cannery employees. The Willaps will have as passengers

Steamer Australia is expected to arrive at the outer wharf this evening on her way to Alaskan ports. Other arrivals looked for this evening are the City of Topeka on her way from Portland northward, and the Pakshan from Vancouver to load for Skagway, Dyea, Juneau, and Wrangel. She will sail to morow evening. The Cottage sail to-morow evening. The Cottag City is also billed to sail to morrow even on the Alaskan mail route.

several Danes bound for the Cape Scott settlement, many miners and prospec-tors bound for Clayoquot and Nootka, and Captains Hackett and Coles, who

go back to Port San Juan to join their

Steamer Boscowitz arrived from Naas ther throughout. She will return north to-morrow night.

River steamer Victorian, one of the new stern wheelers being built at the Star shipyard for the Maitland-Kersey company, was launched yesterday. She draws five inches forward and ten inch-

Canadian Australian liner Miowera is not expected to arrive until Saturday, having been delayed several days at Wellington, New Zealand.

schooner Geneva, Captain O'Leary, was spoken off Crescent City, Ca., two weeks ago, with 450 skins on

From Friday's Daily. Steamer Australia sailed from the outer wharf this afternoon for the north with 250 passengers, 30 horses and 800 tons of general freight. Among the pas sengers were Clarence J. Berry and wife, two fortunate miners who came down on the first trip of the steamer Portland from St. Michaels last summer. They are on their way back to the famous Berry claims on Bonanon Creek. While the Australia was at Port Townsend last night one of her passengers met with a serious accident which compelled the abandonment of his intended trip to the gold zelds, The unfortunate man, A. Lawton, of Port Townsend, was going on board in the darkness, when he walked into an unprotected, open, unlighted hatchway and fell to the next deck head first, and was unconscious from the effects of his fell. which compelled the abandonment of his intended trip to the gold zelds, The un-

gel narrows with her crank shaft broken. Hermosa is at anchor and helpless. Having no canvas she is unable to proceed. Captain Trelathan has sent to

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R. D. Robbins, 148 Cowan Ave., Toronto, Ont.—Cured of an Eczematous Sore extending from knee to ankle. Eight doctors failed. Dr. Chase's Ointment cured. Miss Anna A. Howey, Eden, Ont.—Cured of Catarrh of 10 years' standing and Catarrhal Sore Throat by Dr. Chase's Catarrh Cure.

Mrs. Jos. Querin, Ethel, Ont.

—Cured of Eczema of the Head and
Face from which she suffered 9 years.
Head a mass of scabs. Dr. Chase's
Ointment cured her.

Dr. Chase's remedies may be had of all dealers, or Edmanson, Bates & Co., Toronto, Ont.

the Sound for a tug to bring his vessel down. The Lorne with the bark Richard III in tow was seen in Wright Sound, and the river steamers Mist and Ramona

Steamer Islander sailed for Skagway and other Alaskan ports about midnight last night in command of Capt. John Irving. She had on board 75 passengers, to be increased to about 200 the vessel leaves Vancouver. To-night the steamer Princess Louise, Boscowitz and Willapa will sail, the two first named going to Naas and other British Columbia ports and the latter to Cape Scott and West

The record for March consists of 131, clearances and 121 entries, deep sea; and 111 clearances and 107 entries, constwise. The increase in the number is largely due to the northern business, although interest has not been confined to that branch of trade in shipping cirto that branch of trade in shipping cir-cles. Considerable activity has prevailed in charters, several baving been entered into, principally for salmon carrying.

Steamer Pakshan will arrive from Vancouver about midnight to-night. She will sail for Alaska early to-morrow morning. Steamer City of Seattles of the same line will follow to-morrow afternoon, also the Cottage City, the mail boat of the P. C. S.S. Co.'s line. She will call at the ports on the mail route only.

British ship Lord Ripon, Richards, master, 2627 tons, 135 days from Liver-pool, arrived at Esquimalt this morning, consigned to Balfour, Guthrie & Co. with general cargo.

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A Prophecy That the Yield for the Season Will Be Twenty-Five Millions.

ing for Juneau, Sitka and other points This is Based on an Estimate Made by Mr. Ogilvie for the Government.

> (Joaquin Miller in S. F. Examiner.) Klondike Mines, Examiner Cabin, Feb. 17, 1898.—How will she cut up? What will be the spring catch? How shall we wash? Such are the expressions of the miners as they gather about the table in this cabin over pipes and tea. All of which means an eager query as to what this or that man thinks will be the amount of gold taken out of the Klondike gold mines in the spring. And if men here are so eager to know at this early date what we will probably have in sight in gold dust when we wash up in May, the waiting world without may want to know all it can on the subject. have estimates all the way from \$19,000,-

on up to \$30,000,000. These two figures mark the minimum and maximum that I have heard from thoughtful men.

You may remember that last year Mr. Oglivie, the Dominion givernment explorer and surveyor of this country, was asked by a Bonanza miner to make an estimate of what still remained of his claim, taking the result of a fraction already washed out as a basis of calculation for the gold still remaining on the ground as yet unfouched.

Mr. Oglivie in his official report of 1897 is very wary and accurate. He is now minister of the interior in Candda. I have followed his reports carefully since coming into this country in my request for cold, frozen facts and have found him as accurate as a problem in Euclid. There need be but little, if any, guesswork in taking his calculation as a basis, not only of this one claim, but for the whole creek as far as opened. For this one claim, while it has not only kept up, but increased its yield, is not richer than others. It is hardly up to the average. Mr. Oglivie estimated from the gold taken out that the gold in the ground was far above \$2,000. Out. Let us take just half of that, though the claims have increased rather than diminshed in prospect, and see what we will have left.

There are 80 claims that are being worked below discovery claim. To say nothing Ogilvie, the Dominion givernment explorer and surveyor of this country, was asked by

perfect physical condition it is a sheer impossibility for him to get through the party were sent back to Port Simpson, it being recognized that for them to make the attempt was madness, and by the party, who discarded everything in their burdens it was possible to get along without.

Mrs. Grider and another lady in the party were sent back to Port Simpson and the party were sent back to Port Simpson to confirm the doubts of Grider's alleged knowledge. A man at Port Simpson had been in commanication with Grider in California, and the lattent with Grider in California, and the lattent of the gardy and asked him to send him as many samples of ore and dust as he could, and the personal knowledge of which enabled him to persuade his companions to part with \$75 each. Mrs. Grider was most and personal to the party was many men are being imposed of the fact that so many men are being imposed to the party was most of the affray.

The Cleveland passed and spoke the fact the party was taken to his fall to the next deck head first, and was unconscious from the effects of his fall to the next deck head first, and was unconscious from the effects of his fall to the next deck head first, and was unconscious from the effects of his fall to the next deck head first, and was unconscious from the effects of his fall to the next deck head first, and was unconscious from the effects of his fall to the next deck head first, and was unconscious from the effects of his fall to the next deck head first, and was unconscious from the effects of his fall to the next deck head first, and was unconscious from the effects of his fall to reveral hours. He was taken to his the seamer deck. Cast Staurday have been a streampt and the value destinated the first and unconscious from the effects of his fall to reversal hours. He was taken to his the cleveland ansign work. The late the had a frell to the next deck head first, and was unconscious from the effects of his fall to the next deck head first, and was unconscious from the effects of his fa

I have not been up and down Hunker creek much of late, but Mr. Canovan, who is now surveying the mining claims of Hunker, assures me that Hunker is a marvel of richness. Bear creek, too, is going to astonish you in the spring. This is the dark horse. But let us put Hunker and Bear creeks, and Gold Bottom and all others down for \$5,000,000 and you have \$25,000,000 on the very lowest calculations.

The wash-up may be much more and it may be less, but this is the nearest I can come to it by figures. You will not find it all coming out from Dawson on the first boat, nor the second, nor the third. I reckon that the big trading companies here will handle most of the gold dust, and it is not probable that it will be all hazarded on any first, second or third boat, but will get to tide water gradually and as the managers think the best way to get the troublesome stuff to the mint.

But away with mines, miners and mining, cares of all sorts. The sun is out. The sunlight is not nearly so warm-hearted and kindly as the California sunlight, but it is sure enough sunlight, and we are glad—glad to the heart, all of us. It came in with the storm, and such a storm! The wind came tearing up the Yukon a week ago and blew a gale so terrific night and day that you could hardly get from one house to another in Dawson.

Strangely enough, this terrific wind blew in the sunshine and warm weather—it is nearly warm here now—at least it seems so to us; all night and this morning the mercury stood at zero, and we have the door open to get fresh air as we sit at our table at work—this warm weather wind blew straight in from the north, right up out of the Arctic circle, right past the North Pole perhaps. Whet a land of contradic-

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of the Arctic circle, right past the Nort Pole perhaps. What a land of contradic

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tions! The rivers freeze first on the bottom, instead of on the top, or on the surface, as in our lands, and the Yukou is shut up at the mouth first and is last to break up there in the spring, unlike all other well-regulated rivers. And now comes this other contradiction, right in the teeth of all outside precedent. I have noted that the south winds are cold winds, the coldest that ever man confronted. And now, we have this terrific north wind and find that, whether from the North Pole or whatever land or sea it comes, it is the warmest wind we have yet had.

The latest news from down the Yukon

OF INTEREST TO MEN-

The attention of the reader is called to attractive little book lately published by an attractive little book lately published by that eminent Expert Physician, G. H. Bobertz, M.D. 252 Woodward Ave. Detroit, Mich. This book is one of genuine interest to every man and its plain and honest advice will certainly be of the greatest value to any one desirous of securing perfect health and vigor. A request for a free and sealed copy will be compiled with, if addressed as above and the Victoria, B.O., Times mentioned.

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The head office of the company is situate at the city of Seattle, King County, State of Washington.

The amount of capital of the company is thirty-five thousand, dollars, divided into

thirty-five thousand dollars, divided into thirty-five thousand shares of one dollar The head office of the company in this province is situate at Victoria, and W. H. Bone, stationer, whose address is Victoria, aforesaid, is the attorney for the com-

pany.

The time of the existence of the company is fifty years. The objects for which the company has been established are:

To transact a general transportation and trading business in Alaska, British Columbia and the Northwest Territory of the Dominion of Canada, and upon the waters in and continuous thereto: to nurchase accompany the statement of the continuous thereto: to nurchase accompany the statement of the company thereto: to nurchase accompany the statement of the company is statement. minon of Canada, and upon the waters in and contiguous thereto; to purchase, acquire, construct, hold, lease, mortgage, eperate and sell steamboats and boats of every description, saw mills, wharves, warehouses and all buildings and works necessary or convenient; to purchase, acquire, sell and trade in general merchandise, goods and lands; to borrow and loan money upon every form of security; and to give goods and lands; to borrow and loan money upon every form of security, and to give and take mortgages, deeds of trust and pledges of every kind and character, and generally to do all acts and possess such powers as are in any manner incident to the business of transportation and trading; to manage, operate, build and make any and all such improvements as shall tend to the increasing of values, adding to facilities, developing and improving of the company's property and in making investments of every kind and character, in either real or personal property, whether for the company itself or as agents for other parties.

Given under my band and seal of office

Given under my band and seal of office at Victoria, province of British Columbia, this 21st day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety eight. (Seal) Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.

NOTICE

Pursuant to the by-laws of the said company, notice is hereby given that the general meeting of the Victoria Lumber and Manufacturing Company, Limited, will be held at the office of the company, No. 4 held at the office of the company. No. 4
Broughton street, in the city of Victoria,
B. C., on Monday, the fourth day of April,
1898, at 11 o'clock a.m. of that day, for
the purpose of choosing directors for the
ensuing year, and for the transaction of
other business that may be brought before said meeting. Immediately after their
election, the board of directors will meet
to elect officers for the ensuing year, and
for the transaction of such other business for the transaction of such other as may be brought before them. March 7th, 1898.

WM. H. PHIPPS

NOTICE is hereby given that two months after date I intend to make application to the chief commissioner of lands and works for permission to purchase one hundred and sixty acres of land situate in Coast District, and described as follows: Commencing at a post on the west shore of Kitimat Arm, about one mile north of the land applied for by Messrs. Todd. Donohoe and Stevens: thence west forty chains; thence north forty chains: these east forty chains (more or less), to shore line; thence following the shore line in a southerly direction to the point of commencement. JAMES S. MURRAY. Victoria, B. C., 24th, Feb., 1898.

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Ohio Wiped Out by Sudden Flood.

Three Hundred Lives Report The Utmost Destitut Prevails.

St. Louis, Mo., April 4.-By ing of a lever last evening the of Shawneetown was wiped of and between two and three

lives were lost.
Evansville, Ind., April 4. pey of Shawneetown appea gress for aid this morning, for tute people of this stricken ci the town is absolutely destr being not enough in the to meal. He says 300 people at All the goods in the city are the situation is distressing treme. This city sent two loads of provisions last n should reach Shawneetown th Five Hundred Drow

Later-Springfield, Ills., Governor Tanner to-day rece lowing messages relative to

neetown disaster: "Ridgeway, Ills., April 4.gave way under the levee a The loss of life is nearly o our population. We have n to feed our people for one tents and clothing for living, to bury the dead. Help us (Signed) M. Carney, mayor. "Carmi, Ills., April 4.-Ge man, a reliable merchant town, just confirms the repelevee break last night. He mayor sent him to Ridgews est point of communication, sage in his name to you t provisions and burial casket ly via East St. Louis and E a train for Ridgeway will Goetzman says the scene i the Johnstown flood. Five ple are drowned and all pro The remainder of the peoplevee and housetops. Rain distress. (Signed) John M. dent of the White Count

Company." Chicago, Ill., April 4.-A The disaster at Shav which occurred at six o'cl ing, caused by the bresking government levee, ; situate above the town, was ver both as segards loss of life tion of property. A stress 12 to 20 feet deep, carry current of the flood raised descended on the unsuspe

a great rush, like a tidal There was no slow rising give warning. Houses on were lifted up and rolled Almost all of them were to ters and the inhabitants them. Nearer the centre some brick structures stopp of water for a few minu two-thirds of the building from their foundations ar reeningly out into the curre

After a few minutes the situation was added to by fire of a large house that down stream with the other the roofs were already being thrown off by collis floating houses, but the this floating firebrand add ror. As it struck one ho other in its zig-zag course fire and the unfortunate compelled to trust them mercy of the sweeping wa pieces to avoid a more te

The break in the levee miles of valley land, cut of ion with two railroads, t Ohio Southwestern and th Nashville. The first rus water slackened so houses were still standin quickly seen that the fran not long stand the steady

By means of rafts and the cold waters 70 or 8 transferred from their g and the roofs of the flat the Gallatin county bank stone building, and the buildings would withstand and undermining, but w courier who rode for he Junction left Shawneeto two buildings showed abo the lower part of the tow force was being thrown It was doubtful if they lapse and throw the ref

Besides the hundred or on the roofs of the two it is known that nearly o habitants, managed one wake their way to the of the town or to the hou section of the village itself survived the sudden burs but the first, and in so second floors were under Those who made away with the clothes they were the water rusnhed upon to time to secure either tre ing. The scene in the str per end of the town, where men were struggling age and water to the high gro ring babies on their heads ter was ter was up to their neck ming on half-floating odd lumber from their homes floating down the river were struggling vainly the roaring waters, was