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Kenmore, Dec. 29.

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NEW WESTMINSTER.

Mr. H. M. Stramberg, principal of the New Westminster High school, left on Wednesday for Seattle and other Sound ities, where he will spend the holidays. Mayor-elect Scott, who has been confined to the house for a fortnight with whooping cough, is able to be out and bout again as usual. --0-

PHOENIX.

J. W. Stewart, of the firm of P. Welch & Co., contractors for the work on the C. P. R. spurs, says there have been no change whatever in the plans, and that the steel would be laid into Phoenix at the earliest possible time. Tracklaying is going on steadily but owing to the necessity for shovely snow every foot of the way. As soon as a suitable hall can be obtained, the Knights of Pythias will com-

plete organization in Phoenix. NELSON.

There are at present fourteen patients indergoing treatment at the general hos-Sidney Watson, the young man who was badly hurt at the Granite mine, is much better, and in a fair way to re-

It seems probable that the net receipts of the Mansion House fund smoker run close to \$800. G. S. Beer, who has charge of the finances, has yet to hear from several of those who had tickets to dispose of, but since the concert has received some \$30 in subscriptions the fund materially. A husiasts are projecting in the near future for

on the Columbia & ay : rough Bulldog mounds to be cleared out d through it to be Mess. Tye and Sullivan alked through it on Saturday last. The ctual tunnel is 3,000 feet long; with ne approaches at either end it measures ,700 feet. It is expected that the Coumbia & Western road will be taken ver by the operating department of the anadian Pacific railway about the 1st

ebruary. James W. Walker, of Phoenix, was in Nelson on Wednesday, He reports his own thriving.

A wedding took place on Tuesday evening at the church of Mary Immacuate, the contracting parties being Jo- hall. Westminster avenue, on Wednesseph Charbonneau and Hemile Martell. Rev. Father Cote officiated. A rumor is current that the Kootenay

Valley railroad will recommence oper. called to see what plan should be adoptations early in January and that the ed in view of the action of the Presbysteamer Alberta will ply as part of the system. Thomas Brown, who has spent the

past six years in hunting and prospect ng over the mountains of Kootenay and Yale, has been accepted as a member of the mounted contingent which the Federal government will send to South Af-"Tom" Brown, as he is better known by his inmates, was formerly drill instructor for the Nelson company of Rocky Mountain Rifles and worked hard for several days to get a place upon ist, and Mrs. John Reid, choir leader. It

or and the second to be ROSSLAND. There has been a scarcity of wood for

the past month and happily it has at last been brought to an end. The police authorities had a goodly number of individuals gathered in on Tuesday as the result of too much holiday celebration. Most of them were liberated as soon as they were able to properly take care of themselves, and only two were remanded for a day to sober up. Green B. Hitchcock, charged with passing two forged checks on Saturday, was committed to stand his trial

in Nelson at the next assizes. The party of Canadian Pacific surveyors under Mr. G. G. McCarthy, which has for the past two months been surveying a line for a railway between this city and the Velvet mine, on the west slope of Sophie mountain, has just completed its labors. The line as surveyed is 15 miles in length. The grade from Rossland to the top of Sophie mountain is a little over one per cent. From there down the west slope of Sophie mountain the grade is two per cent. There will be ave legs of a switchback on the west side of Sophie mountain to reach the Velvet. The survey starts at the War Eagle switch, and continues west and porth along the side of Red mountain. The longest bridge on the road will be between Red and Spokane mountains. Then it runs along the sides of Spokane and O. K. mountains. The latter mountain is really a portion of Spokane mountain. From O. K. mountain it crosses to the side of Record mountain, and thence along that mountain to the summit of Sophie mountain, and thence by switchbacks to the Velvet mine. It will not be a difficult or a costly road to build. It is understood that but little emains to be done now but to construct

A proposition is on foot to organize a moking concert under the auspices of he Rossland Rifle Company in aid of the Mansion House fund for the relief of those left behind by "Tommy Atkins, he Absent Minded Beggar."

At a general meeting of the Rossland Curling Club the following club skips for the season of 1899-1900 were selected: Messrs. A. B. Cranston, R. Dalby Mor-till, jr., H. H. Smith, J. Elwood, D. B. Bogle and Le Baron de Veber. Mr. M. W. Wood and Dr. D. E. Kerr were chosen as delegates to represent the Rossland Carling Club at the meeting of he Kootenay Curling Association to be ield in Nelson on the 29th inst.

Last Friday Dr. Jakes was summoned o Boomerang Creek, a tributary of the Vest Fork, whence information came hat Chas. Peterson had been seriously niured by a fall of rock in the workings in the Iconoclast mineral claim, owned by himself and others. As a fatal result was feared by those supplying the information Chief Provincial Constable McJynn accompanied the doctor in case a should be found necessary to make himself after a rough journey brough the snow, it was ascertained hat death followed almost immediately the town, and in consequence of information.

Instably the complainant, was just over sixteen years of age, and with the exception of a short time that she lived in the city with her sister, had never been away from home. Her conduct had always been quiet and exemplary. She came down to Vancouver a week ago last Sunday to visit her married sister. The next day he heard from the latter that she had moved, and he accordingly wired to ber to ask if Eliza, the younger sister, had arrived all right. He got a raply that they had seen nothing of her, and so he came down to Vancouver on Tuesday afternoon. With his married daughter he made a thorough search of the town, and in consequence of information. MIDWAY. hat death followed almost immediately the town, and in consequence of informafter the unfortunate man's partner, P. tion he received, he went to the West-

ceased was badly fractured. In his offi- said that the girl was there and that cial capacity as coroner the doctor de-

Care Johnson died of consumption at kind to her. Enderby on Saturday last. She was a The girl herself said that she had gone

REVELSTOKE. Capt. Taylor of the Revelstoke Rifle Company, has passed his final examination for a commission as deutenant commanding the company. He scored the highest average of any officer in the

The contract for the fire hall has been awarded to W. A. Nettle for \$1,560 with an additional \$121 for the chimney. M. Lawrence secured the contract for the galvanized iron roof at \$148.50.

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Mr. D. G. Macdonell stated that he had been consulted by friends of Mr. B. Ross, who was late'y taken to Provincial asylum at New Westminster, with a view of obtaining his remov-al from that institution, on the ground of sanity. Mr. Macdonell is now inves-tioning the matter. tigating the matter."

The two men who were injured on the Catholic church building on Tue: lay afternoon are getting along as well as can b eexpected, and it is thought that they are practically out of danger. Timber Inspector Murray will ship to the East in a few days the large block

of an immense fir tree which he has had cut near Hastings during the past two weeks. A shipment of 14 moose is to be made from Vancouver on January 5th, by the steamer Aorangi. They will be in charge of Chief Factor McDonald, of the Hudson's Bay Company, and are destined for New Zealand. The government of

that colony some time ago communicated with the Premier of the Dominion. asking his assistance in procuring some moose for shipment to New Zealand, for acclimitization. The matter was referred to the Hudson's Bay Company, and t immediate'y undertook the collection of the animals.

A meeting was held in the Foreman day evening, to inaugurate the opening of the new Knox Presbyterian (Independent) church. The meeting had been tery in the misunderstanding with the First Presbyterian church. The following officers were elected: Elders-Messrs. D. McLean, T. Duke, W. Nicholls, A. K. H. Macfarlane and J. Charters. Managers-Messrs, J. A. McNair (chairman and treasurer), Charles Anderson, A. Williamson, W. Duke, J. Charters, J. Sutherland and W. Cowderov. It was recommended to the session that the following appointments be made: Mr. George Sutherland, Sunday school superintendent; Mrs. W. Cowderoy, organwas reported to the meeting that an annual subscription of \$1,000 was gharanteed to meet the minister's salary and other expenses, and that this amount would be considerably augmented at an early date. Upon the question of a place to worship in being brought up. it was resolved to purchase the property known as "The old First Presbyterian church," with the lots facing Cordova street east. This matter was taken up so earnest'y, that the first payment was nearly covered by promises made in the meeting. Mr. Thomas Duke moved

"That Rev. John Reid, jr., be our farst pastor." This was seconded by Mr. J. A. McNair and carried unanimously, and amidst the warmest enthusiasm, Good progress is being made in the filling in front of the Canadian Pacific railway station building. The tracks are being raised there, so as to bring the steps of passenger cars on an exact level with the platform.

The orders have been issued by the another lot of shacks on Carrall street. St. Andrew's church. W. Jones, proprietor of the Terminus saloon, was on Thursday fined \$30 and costs for allowing gambling in his prem-ises. The sentence included that fail-ing noise: ing payment, the amount was to be levied by distress, and failing that, a sentence of two months' imprisonment was wirds lately, taking a lot of snow off the to be imposed. The magistrate held that the fact that Jones left someone else in charge of the bar while he was absent,

did not relieve him. The much talked-of question of the extension to the new city wharf at the foot of Heatley avenue was the subject of another heated argument at the meeting of the Board of Works on Thursday. An offer was received from the contractors for the present wharf, Messrs. Campbell, Rannie & Ironsides to build the wharf out another 75 feet so that it

COMMUNICATIONS

moreover he and she had been married cided that death was the result of an The father asekd the particulars and accident, so that an inquest was unnec- was told that they had gone to New Westminster on Monday afternoon, He. found out next morning that this was quite correct. Then he went back and Miss Olding, who for the past term said to Quinn that she was too young gize for my share in spinning out the dishas been in charge of the public school to have been married for three or four at Lumby, left on Saturday for Ross- years yet, and said that he had a notion that the last column (nothing small about ed perhaps? Are they shipped by mail and for 300 feet of work, 200 feet drifting

native of Sweden, and leaves a husband to the Oriental where all the rooms were and four young children to mourn her taken, and she accordingly went right across the street to the Western, There she met Quinn, whom she had known slightly on her previous visit, and he said they could give her a room, He asked her if she had had supper, and upon her saying that she had not, he invited her to supper. He asked her what per cent, in his theoretical papers, she would drink and she took a glass of port wine. He went out and got her a second glass and after that she remembered nothing. Immediately after she awoke in the morning, Quinn said that they must be married and later in the day they drove over to the Royal City, where the ceremony was performed by

> The married sister, who lives in this city, testified that she had heard the quarrel between the couple a day or two after their marriage. The husband had, among other things, pointed out to her how easily she could make money for herself and bim. Vancouver, Dec. 29 -A. M. McDon-

ald, for half a century in the Hudson Bay Co.'s service, and chief factor at Fort Qu'Appelle since 1882, arrived today from Winnipeg. He will leave for New Zealand next week on the Acrangi The hasty departure of the steamer

ALBERNI.

A'berni, Dec. 28 .- Deputy Attorney-General McLean held an investigation last Wednesday in the Court House into the charges made against G. A. Cox, provincial constable. The evidence, which was only meagre, was taken to Victoria to lay before the Attorney-General. On Monday of the same week the new

bell was duly installed in the English church, and rung for the first time on Sunday: Both the churches were being prettily decorated for Christmas. Mr. F. Bishop has opened up a confectionery and restaurant on the main street, and is doing a good business. Mr. Fletcher, government agent, has been sick and in bed, having met with an accident, but we are glad to say he

himself badly on the face. Mr. J. Thomson is spending a few days with his parents in Alberni Messrs, Goward and McLinder have enough to stop them putting in some

returned by the last boat. The gales we have been having recenthave been keeping the linesman on the wire pretty busy. It prevented the Willie going down the cana! on Saturday, but she went the next day as far as Hayes, and brought back some of the men to spend Christmas in Alberni, Both the Alberni and Beaver Creeks school broke up last week. A presentation was made to Miss Watson, who is

leaving the school to be married. One of the largest consignments of The minstrel entertainment was postponed till last Tuesday, when it took place in Huff's hall, and was a great success. The troupe intends to give another entertainment within a month or

The Presbyterian church gave a civic authorities for the destruction of Christmas tree and concert yesterday in A very fine meteor shot over Alberni Tuesday night. It lit up the whole val-

The weather is cold and fine here now, but we have had some very warm mountains.

Gancer Attacks The Middle Aged.

Men and Women Between 40 and 60 the Most Frequent Subjects of Deadly Disease.

wharf out another 75 feet so that it would have a good depth of water at low tide, for \$4,000. After a discussion Ald. Foreman moved and Ald. McPhaiden seconded, that the work be gone on with immediately, the contract being let on the terms before mentioned. Ald. Grant alone voted nay, and the motion was carried. The contractors, who were present, were instructed to go right ahead with the work.

The case of William Quinn, charged with giving intoxicating liquor to Eliza Gazley with the intention of seduction, began in the police court on Thursday afternoon. The first witness called was Mr. Henry Gazley, who lives near Mission, on the Fraser river. He said that his daughter, the complainant, was just over sixteen years of age, and with the exception of a short time that she lived

ISLANDS MAIL SERVICE. ---To the Editor:-In replying to Mr. Ham-

liton's extraordinary letter in your weekly of the 22nd inst., I take occasion to apolocussion. I call your attention to the fact building stone, etc., sent by mall, register- Bros. on the Good Hope calls altogether land, where she has secured a position. to take her away from him. Quinn re-land, where she has secured a position. to take her away from him. Quinn re-land, where she has secured a position. to take her away from him. Quinn re-land, where she has secured a position. To take her away from him. Quinn re-land, where she has secured a position. To take her away from him. Quinn re-land be almost exclusively to personal compliments than the framers of the petition that all to myself, and it suddenly dawns upon me such products are shipped to their destina- 100 feet sinking a winze from the same that by the influence of some weird and tion in scows, or, if for foreign markets, spot. The following are some of the uncanny phenomenon, which I cannot even are put right on board the ocean-going assays taken: From the outcrop on the attempt to understand, I have suddenly vessel, and the insertion of such ridiculous claim—\$60, \$3, \$12, \$4. From the vein

> am charged is that I am alleged to have H. L. Robertson, and as, by repeating the referred to your correspondent as being reference, he evidently regards this fact on the Dominion mineral claim on the wife of Westminster," "an occasional resident," "an outsider," "a malcontent," "a pose I must not resent the intrusion. He politician," "an agitator," "a Boer." I further states that I have lost the charac John, Beaton is having cabins erected freely admit using the first four epithets teristics of a gentleman and have left my with which I am credited, but, sir, are principles in the Old Country. Possibly I these scandalous and offensive terms? If never had either, "I sincerely trust I running a tunnel (which is now in 18 I never make use of stronger, I must in- never had either in any sense of which feet) in on the vein, and at the end of deed be about the politest farmer that ever Mr. Hamilton would approve. I believe, the tunnel a sample of ore ran \$37.50 drove a voke of steers. That I called Mr. however, I did bring from the Old Country If. politician, agitator or Beer I absolutely, some slight fragments of good taste which \$37.20 in gold. Mr. Beaton will deny. I have read my last letter through restrain me as with bands of steel from work the property himself; together with a Church of England clergyman, she and cannot find the terms employed at all. referring to the private and personal rela-I certainly observed in a letter to a Main-land paper that Messrs. Hamilton & Menzies stuck to their guns with the tenacity of Boers, and the context shows that I made the comparison in a complimentary sense. I might have said with the tenacity of "Britons," but this would probably bave offended Mr. Hamilton still more, as to his distorted vision Britain is the land. To the Editor:—I decept your gentle hint not of Peel and Gladstone, Blake and Nelto be as brief as possible, and will not son, but, parrexcellence, of the undefied take up too much of your washing to be as brief as possible, and will not take up too much of your washington of the undefied take up too much of your washington of the undefied take up too much of your washington. Hooley. I distinctly deny having accused hour Westminster correspondent, to say Mr. Hamilton of the use of such terms as the least, is breezy, wherein he seems to "heelers," neither did I credit him with the flowers appears to be seif satisfied over the fact Belle, Forest City, Cornish and Squadof rhetoric on the subject of monopolies. that I am young; such is the case, at ron claims. The principal work done so

more suggestive of Milton.

gaged be peanuts, cigars, three-shies-aattempting to do so from memory, but the mistakes are purely verbal and do not affect the merits of the question in the least. I said "daily mail" instead of "daily steamboat connection," but how the P. M. G. Tan ensure the one without granting the wher your correspondent will "no attempt to dictate to which company the contract should be given." "Dictation" is hardly the spirit in which "petiis to be given, the land portion of the shore of the

across the trail. A few weeks ago, seeing small hopes so a daily service, he—this stoppages, why, I have seen the Nanaimo petitioner for a daily stermboat connection steamer almost as long as that at two content with a decent semi-weekly service, crew (who, I presume, will outnumber the one to be carried by the new boat) were and "understands" that we are to have not loafing either, but taking in and out hand to resume operations. freight ever taken, for the West Coast the daily service. Note the word "under-freight bustly.

> stands" we are to have a daily service, he venting you from making a mess of ours; sets about to prove it possible, and does so and as to the length of time you spent to his satisfaction. He first of all assumes "with your horny hands chopping out a that a 10-knot boat (builders' specifica- clearing when I was a little boy, far, far tion) will, under ordinary conditions, aver- away," etc., your efforts must not have age anything like that speed in her daily been attended with much success, as I can lusiness year in and year out; any steam boat man willetell him a different story. which your correspondent has yet been days a garden patch. I am glad you appuilty of. He proposes to call at the wharves on the "east side of Salt Spring," the depriving those on the west side of all steamboat connection. Note that well their behalf, all steamboat connection. Note that well their behalf. my friends at Burgoyne Bay and Vesuvi-us Bay, and bless the happy morn when favors, and in order to account for the Mr. Hamilton and his friends awoke to the bitterness of Mr. Hamilton's latest offufact that you look upon steamers as a sion, in the words of the immortal bard: nuisance and undertook to deliver you

I showed in my last letter that there choleric years bring with them. was no provision in the new contract for a Mainland service, and I note that the petition calls for no service between Salt Spring Island and Nanatmo, such as has been afforded for many years by the present carriers, and which is of great importance to the Salt Spring farmers, Nanalmo being about the best market on the Coast. I suppose that this Nanaimo con-nection, like that with the Mainland, is "goned away mit der lager beer away in ler ewigkeit," but, happy thought! steamer might be sent to Nanaimo on the seventh day of the week to give the captain, and crew a pleasant outing after the labors of the other six, Mr. Hamilton denies having thrown mud-at the C. P. N. Why, sir, mud is the basis of the petition which uses the words "very unsatisfactory," "desultory," and "unrellable," as descriptive of the present service. If this be not mud-slinging, I am at a loss to know what other epithet to

apply That I have thrown mad at the V. & S. Co. I deny. I have mude no reference torthe service it gives. I am perfectly satisfied with the way it treats me, having met with nothing but fair dealing and courtesy from its officials. What I have said is that I do not believe, owing to difficulties beyond its control, it could afford as acceptable a steamer service as we now enjoy. What if its trains are occasionally a bit late? Such is the woolly West, and with the very slight traffic on roads of this sort I do not in the least censure the managers for stopping their train at Elk Lake or elsewhere to pick up a dollar or two, as they sometimes do, and if Messrs. H. and M. would accept the occasional delays of the C. P. N. Co.'s boats in the same philosophical spirit; the cause of this correspondence would never have arisen.

BOWMANVILLE, ONT. have done. In my last letter I showed lumcheen, first prize for wheat,

you the utter faisity of the references to

the production of build-

mously increased by the inauguration of better transportation facilities." Oh, fie! gentlemen. How can you tell the guileless P. M. G. such whoppers? Are been trusformed from a mild and innomatter in a document intended to be taken where crosscut by tunnel—\$48, \$72, \$6. From outcrop on the Stanley claim—

The abominable conduct with which I Mr. Hamilton mentions the fact that Mr.

Moresby Island, Dec. 25th, 1899.

THE ISLANDS MAIL SERVICE.

ngof the use of such terms as the least, is breezy, wherein he seems to The Hillside group on Round mountailers," "paid agents," resemble some of his fellow townsmen. He, tain, consists of Hillside, Bee, Southern Charmer for Victoria yesterday, where by fifteen sacks of English mail and eight passengers were left behind, has caused a great deal of unfavorable companies. The passage in which reference was made though it is well-night and you other, etc., etc.," and it is information affects the islands mail service is quite beyond my town share and not appropriate his feeble comprehensions. However, it only his own share and not appropriate his feeble comprehension. However, it only form of a new tunnel to be run in on the pires, however, that a telephonic despatch "censor d" in the Evans-Coleman wharf office was the cause of all the of Mr. Menzies. Hear that great man on was appointed one of a committee to draft monopolies: "He is a ways to be found a petition, etc. New, sir, if we take the on the side of liberty and freedom, he has total number of residents of North Pender, yet explored on Round mountain. On no use for monopolies." I withdraw we find that they do not aggregate more the surface where the new tunnel is to Hampden; the sublimity of the thought than 20, that is to say, if the whole male be started some quartz has been taken and the dignity of the language are surely population were in attendance and all out which assayed \$9.80 in gold. Supmanimous on the subject of a new mail plies have been taken in for the winter Mr. Hamilton thanks me for giving him service, via Sidney, which I know for a and a cabin and blacksmith shop have free advertisement of his business, and I certainty is far from being the case. In been erected. Four men are at work am most pleased to find I have been of my humble opinion, the proper steps to under the charge of Dan Frazer. service to him. I certainly mentioned have taken in such an important matter that he has a stand in Westminster, but would have been to call representative whether the commerce in which he is en. l'ass, thus obtaining the concensus of penny, or monuments, I left to the pene opinion of the whole district; whereas by tration of the public. I regret that I quot the methods employed quite a number ed from the petition incorrectly through were in total ignorance of the fact that the Postmaster-General had been petitioned, etc., thus causing offence to numbers. who, like myself, decline to allow either Mr. Hamilton or his friends to regulate our mail matters, especially when we are quite satisfied with the present service. Your correspondent tells us that "that as much better now. He fell and cut perhaps explain. He states that there was part of the petition referring to Salt Spring was worded by a respected restdent of that island." Onlte so! but I de cline to believe form a moment "the retions" are drawn up, but in effect this is spected resident" intended that the set-Messis. Goward and McLinder have been working on the McLaughlin Range been working the construction of the McLaughlin Range been working the service been worked by the service by the service been worked by the service b mineral claim. The snow was not bad Sidney as the route by which the service communication, which appears to be the case, if we can place any faith in Mr. Hamilton's statements. Mr. Huff paid a visit to Victoria and appropriation goes at once to the V. & S. true, these men will have much to thank Co., and asynfor the steamboat service, this worthy, and no doubt will hold his could any one attempt it unless in com-plete concert with and dependence on the As to the best being able to make the

railway company for through rates, ter run in nine or ten hours, it may be able minal facilities, train connections, etc., to do so, but, th my opinion, the distance is underestimated by your correspondent; Now for a few more "red herrings" that is to say, if shertakes in North Sult expressed himself in the press as quite wharves alone on that island, and her wharves alone on that island, and her crew (who, I presume, will outnumber the one to be carried by the new boat) were the company operating have \$10,000 on

Now that your correspondent "under- attentions to your own affairs, thus preperfectly well remember the size (eleven years ago), the magnificent proportions, of Now comes the most colosial piece of gall which we would style in the progressive

"We must look from his age to receive the unruly waywardness that infirm and

H. L. ROBERTSON. Moresby Island, Dec. 25th, 1899. OFFICERS INSTALLED. Vancouver-Quadra Lodge A. R. & A. M.

Hold Their Annual Installation. Worshipful District Deputy Grand Mas ter Geo. Glover installed the officers of the above lodge on the evening of St. John's festival, in the Masonic temple. There wa a large attendance of members, and the ceremony was conducted with the usual attention to the rites of the order. The

officers for the ensuing year are; W. Bro. Churles E. Stallard, I.P.M. W. Bro. Fred. V. Robertson, W.M. Bro. Thomas Horne, S.W.. Bro. Edward B. Paul, J.W. Bro. J. B. Lovell, treasurer. W. Bro. A. Maxwell Muir, secretary. Bro. A. W. Carrie, director of cere

Bro. W. F. Carey Pope, senior deacon. Bro. Wm. Parcell, junior dencon. Bro. Jas! Blackwood! senior steward." Bro. Jos. Randolph junior steward. Bro. Richard Drake, inner gnard. Bro. F. Stockham, tyler.

Afterwards the company adjourned to the supper room, where an enjoyable time was passed, the usual leval and Masonic toasts he being duly honored.

Prizes have been awarded by Commissioner Robertson to boys and girls for the hundred heads of wheat and oats bearing the largest number of seeds. British Columbia took first prize for both wheat and oats. Albert Norton, Salt Spring Island, receives the first prize for oats; R. G. McLennan, Beaver Point, a master spirit, entialmed and treasured Spring Island, receives the first prize for One more pearl from the petition and I third; Donald and David Graham, Spal- up on purpose to a life beyond life. Mil

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To so Ymir. The contract taken by the Petersen \$48, \$54.

tionships of my opponent, or, in fact, to anything but his fitness to discuss the matter at all and the arguments he adduces.

TAIT.

Messrs, Finch & Campbell, who sire developing the Hennessy group of claims at the head of Midge creek, have run in the constant of the c one tunnel for 100 feet, where the fedge was encountered. A shaft was then sunk upon the ledge from the tunitel level, which was out down 60 feet. The

East Kootenay. Work is progressing on the Estella. In small force being at present employed in development work.

The British America Corporation is driving a tunnel in on the Treasury Box, a good proposition of immense size, which now begins to look like a producing mine. The North Star mine will shortly be equipped with a 5-drill compressor, body of solid ore 25 feet thick has been

The Big Chief Mines, Limited, has just been organized in Montreal for the purpose of developing the Big Chief group on Boulder creek. The tunnel on the Dupont is new in

142 feet and the crosscut 37 feet. In run-uing the crosscut it was ascertained that will now be directed to running on the Up Wild Horse creek and its tributaries

there has been more or less development

going on all summer, but the work for the nost part has been suspended for the win-The Perry Creek Gold Mining & Milling Company is actively pushing development, with a considerable force of men, and

plant is installed in good substantial buildings. The John L. was being developed all

was on board the Queen City on her last stands." Surely he, who has his finger on Only too pleased, dear Mr. Hamilton, to trip. Most of it was unloaded at A!— "the very pulse of the machine," ought to help advertise your business, if the inwhich has done some hundreds of feet of creased profits would only confine your ledge of copper-bearing quartz near the month of Perry creek, is now arranging a

contract to sink 500 feet.

The Montana is owned largely by tana parties. A contract for about 60 feet of shaft and crosscut has just been completed, but another contract will be le shortly. This is a promising claim. The Chickamonstone group passed into June 1st, and on the 9th work was commenced and has continued without inter mission, and up to the present time nearly 600 feet of work in tunnels, shafts, winzes, crosscuts and open cuts has been done. In the process of development a large amount of shipping ore has been taken out, only waiting the time it can be taken to the railroad. At present 16 men are employed, and the management hope to increase the force to 25 men soon after

January 1st. On the Minnie M. and Tiger one tunnel of 40 feet has been driven, showing ore all of the way. Another of 25 feet was run on the ledge with ore the entire distance. Besides these are several open cuts showing ore. In all, there has been 200 feet of work done, but aside that mentioned nothing has been done in the development of the property.

BRITISH CAVALRY IN NATAL.

I chanced (writes a correspondent in the Sketch) upon a professional rough-rider and bushman who knew Natal the other day, and he delivered himself, of ter this wise: "Our cavalry are bound to fail in the north of Natal, and they have, The surface of that country is very dif-ferent from a parade ground, and a man may know all the evolutions in the world and yet be little use for his pro-per work-scouting. The art consists, roughly, in having a good horse and leaving him alone. The horse must be born on bills, and be able to climb up an absountely perpendicular precipice, in a snowsform, carrying a chest of drawers, a cart wheel, or a couple of scythes and four or five large panes of plate-glass." I hinted that there might be cavalry orses which might fail to come aptito al. these requirements.

"Yes. Then the saddle should be with special one, and the rider able to judge from the twittering of a sparrow; front of him that there are four Dutchmen, say, riding bay horses and armed; with Mauser rifles a hundred and fifty yards ahead."

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