LIBERTY VERSUS LICENSE.

No doubt Victorians will appreciate at its true value the stronge article which appeared in the Colonist this morning under the heading "The Liberty of the Press." The contention of the writer is not very clear, but there is no mistaking the fact that he applies a low epithet to one of Victoria's reputable legal gentlemen. It should be known to that on the fair name of British Columbia excuse. The police authorities have very singular notions of their duty," etc. Seattle journalism are not so intensely be elected to sit in its legislature. His admired here that the people desire to exhibition of himself and of his low and see them introduced in British Columbia unpatriotic tastes, and of his monu-doctors, one of whom, Dr. J. D. Helnewspapers. It is outrageous that a mental insolence yesterday in the house mcken, is a police commissioner; the Victoria barrister should be alluded to ought to sicken the people of this pro- police had no power to intervene and as a "shyster lawyer" and to say that vince of him and of men like him, so order the deposition to be taken, as they in Victoria courts "proceedings in which far as their selection for public office could not tell that the woman was going the most infamous rascality is involved" is concerned. The day has gone by to die. The doctors themselves said, uncan be looked for is not the when such parliamentary freaks as Hon, til a few hours before death, that she truth. The report which appeared Mr. Martin can be tolerated with patiin the Colonist yesterday purence; we had better see to it that no police constable know that the woman porting to describe the proceedings at more mountebanks are admitted to our was going to die? When the crisis came the inquest upon the death of Mrs. legislature. Charles Marston, was one of the most dangerous and offensive pieces of report ing we ever saw. It was the Colonist's old game-prejudging the case, pre- for North Yale, chief commissioner of judicing the public mind and acting as lands and works, was one of the three judge in the cause. Therefore this government gentlemen who rose to a is inevitable. Mrs. Marston had no sort of thing has been confined to its edi- question of privilege in the British Co- chance to know this, as she lapsed sudtorial columns. Are we now to have jumbia legislature yesterday on the utdissertations upon the functions of advo terances of the Victoria Daily Timescates in the local columns too, and essays on jurisprudence from the Colon-questioners making a distinct record for would be hard to say where the blame ist reporters' standpoint? Our contem- this side of the Rockies, a record for ought to be placed, but most assuredly porary had better have a care; we plain- which we felt duly proud. Hon. Mr. the Colonist is wrong in charging the ly warn it that scarcely a day passes Martin took exception to the remarks police with the burden of the blame. that it does not publish matter of a we felt constrained to make upon his From our explanation of the law in the character over which litigiously-disposed Chinese versus Canadian speech of case the Colonist will recognize that it persons could make expensive trouble. Tuesday, and he so far forgot what is was in error, and it would be only the A little less preaching about the law of due from one gentleman to another as proper thing to apologise to the police lihel and a little more practice of non- to say that he had been incorrectly re- for the injurious and unthinking comlibellous writing would be welcome from ported. Such is not the case. Our re- men's which appeared in its columns. the Colonist. The Colonist writer speaks porter took down as much of Hon. Mr. authoritatively about the law of libel as Martin's speech as the horribly defecinterpreted in England? No English tive acoustics of the Marble 'Alis would paper would dare to publish a report like allow to be distinctly heard, and that which appeared in the Colonist yes he informs us that the portion terday morning purporting to be a report he took down was, Let of the inquest. Lord Halsbury, Lord worst for Hon, Mr. Martin's side of Chief Justice of England, recently made the case. In fact, Hon. Mr. Martin a very interesting statement to a deputa, would have shown much more sense had tion of English newspaper proprietors he quietly taken his medicine like a where it lay without saying a word while and editors who waited upon him to ob- game little legislator instead of forking the search for it was going on. We are tain his opinion regarding grounds for up this unpleasant affair to his own in- bound to accept Hon. Mr. Turner's ex bringing libel actions, an opinion which evitable damage. We call attention to planation, which seems quite reasonable we recently quoted. Therein his Lordship the letter of an esteemed correspondent and hope that now the letter has been clearly showed that any newspaper in another column to-day; this gentle- published in the Times the people may which departs from what has been the man happened to be seated in the gallery, have a good grasp of the whole dispute established usage of English newspapers news dispassionately and honestly, and ly celebrated authority on cows and standing of the Revelstoke bank affair to comment editorially in a fair manner, refraining from prejudicial and injurious remarks, must expect to learn the inner workings of the law of libel at comsiderable cost. The Colonist asks the newspapers of the province to join with it in asserting the right of free discus- same. sion; the invitation is quite needless and uncalled for; the newspapers of British Columbia can assert that right in the Colonist's perilous methods. Our con- it is what we are all living for. be allowed to flourish unchecked-but.

our worthy premier in a new and most unpleasant light. Hon. Mr. Turner, to Canadian. Hon. Mr. Martin's vagaries orous, but yet courteous. About this put the matter bluntly, has been guilty of what looks like deliberate ance to the Turner ministry, and if he mind; he hurried off to Revelstoke, and suppression of correspondence calland ordered to be brought down to the house. The portion, or rather the letter, which he is suspected of surpressing, contains out with a "dull, sickening thud." one of the sharpest rebukes ever addressed by one government minister to another government minister, and shows that throughout the discussion of the Revelstoke matter Premier Turner's attitude was most unhappy; he displayed the strangest ignorance of his duties as minister of finance; he lest his temper, he used disrespectful language; he attempted to bully Mr. Tarte into an impossible position; he betrayed unseemly warmth in his remarks, and although the position he had taken up was clearly untenable, utterly unreasonable he clung to it and tried to "bluff" the Dominion minister. We publish the suppres sed letter, and our report of the house shows that Hon. Mr. Turner expressed "surprise" that it had not been sent down along with the others. Is this square dealing? Is this the kind of dodging a minister of the crown should indulge in? The Augean stable across James Bay must be cleaned out without more delay, or the contagion of this miserable, shuffling style of doing business will spread. Our government should be at least apparently homest.

Commissioner of Lands and Works in the cabinet of British Columbia, declared yesterday in committee of the house, and emphasized his remark with a thump with his fist on the desk in front of him that made the writing materials dance a Red river jig, that "Chinamen are superior to Canadians." Mr. Martin's speech was without question the most extraordinary ever delivered in the British Columbia legislature, and as a sample of Turner government philosophy should stand on records of brass. Hon, Mr. Martin, minister of the Crown, said: "It is money we are all after. It is what we are all working for, and it is what we are all living for." Can anydegraded and more beastly view of life than the foregoing horrib's philosophy? This man makes money his god; he one imagine a grosser, a more hopelessly This man makes money his god; he works for it, he lives for it, he is "after" it; but, thank Heaven, he does not voice the sentiments of the majority of the people in this province, in spite of his insolent "we." Hon. Mt. Martin then gloried in his Mongolian predilections; he boasted that he 'employed Chinamen and found them better than any Canadian; getting the Mongols for fifteen dol-

lars a month, upon which beggarly pit- the streets that she died in consequence on the subject and will publish it in a DEATH GUARDS

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CHINESE VERSUS CANADIANS.

Hon. George Bohun Martin, M.P.P. just above Mr. Martin's finely-balanced from the beginning. It is very important for a hundred years, viz., to report the head, and he heard every word that just that they should have a proper under-"rats!" uttered. He can swear to the for this reason: it is one of the queerest truth of the Times' report, which, for pieces of work on the British Columbia the sake of Hon, Mr. Martin's feelings, records. Let us briefly re-state the whole we herewith reproduce:

"Hon. Mr. Martin-Well, you make the proper manner without imitating the It is what we are all working for, and Colonist's perileus methods. Our contemporary need not fear that wrongs will go unrighted and that abuses will charged them all. I have had all kinds did he do? Telegraph at once to Ottawa there is a way of going about these things which every British newspaper must observe.

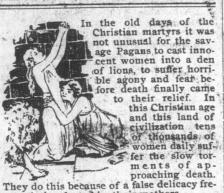
There is a way of going about these on the hon, members came from, and I got them very cheap. Some of them were very good men, indeed, but the were very good men, indeed, but the British Columbia government had no re-PREMIER TURNER SURPRISED. best man I ever had on my ranch was sponsibility in the matter. Hone Mr. a Chinaman who worked for \$15 per Tarte, no doubt wondering mightily what

Certain facts have come out in re- Yet Hon. Mr. Martin has the frontless gard to the Tarte-Turner correspondence assurance to get up in the legislature mildly protesting against the position over the condition of the Revelstoke and say we were not accurate when we taken by our representative. Hom Mr. bank of the Columbia river, that place said that he had declared his opinion Turner sent back a peppery (cayenne) recommits any more of these freakish and there, will it be believed? he told the tics it is not palikely that the cabinet Revelstokers he had changed his mind; door may suddenly be opened one of that he now considered the province was door may suddenly these fine days and something be flung responsible and that he would now glad-

THE MARSTON CASE.

Serious injustice has been done to the police force of Victoria by the statements made in an editorial article which appeared in the Colonist on Wednesday morning. Those statements were:

"It is a gross scandal that the police authorities in this city did not see that the dying deposition of Mrs. Marston was taken. It was the common talk of



quently inculcated by their mothers. There is a marvelous medicine for women HON. MB. MARTIN'S SPEECH.

Hon. George Bohun Martin, Chief
Commissioner of Lands and Works in

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Continue of Principle (Columbia rest and tone to the tortured nerves. Under its magic influence the headaches and pains in the back and sides, the dragging and burning sensations, the nervousness, weakness, lassitude and despondency that result from so-called female weakness are banished. It fits for wifehood and motherhood. Taken during the period of solicitude, it banishes the usual discomforts and makes baby's entry to the world easy and almost painless. It insures the new comer's health and an ample supply of nourishment. Thousands of women have testified to its marvelous merits. All good druggists sell it. Mrs. Ursula Dunham, of Sistersville, Tyler Co., W. Va., writes: "My baby is now nearly a year old. After she was born I had local weakness. I could not stand up. I took three bottles of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription and it has cured me. I can now do all my work."

tance no Canadian could support life. of injuries inflicted by Miss Wolf. The newspapers knew the whole story. Several days ago we could have told all Columbia will tolerate such a man as that has been brought out in evidence this any longer than they can help in but we knew that the police authorities this any longer than they can help in the cabinet of the province? He is monstrously unfit for the place. Will North Yale everlastingly disgrace itself by returning again this money-worshipping, Chinese-favoring minister? It is a blot considerable with the constant of the street of the constant of the street of the constant of the c

> The facts are simply these: The patient was wholly in the hands of the cause the patient became unconscious. It is not a trumpery excuse to say the woman did not request her deposition to be taken, for a dving deposition must be taken at the request of the patient and only when he or she believes that death

PREMIER TURNER EXPLAINS.

Hon. Mr. Turner yesterday in the house honored the Times with a few cursory remarks about that missing letter, which we were unkind enough to suspect had been suppressed. The pre mier says it was not suppressed, but had gone astray in the secretary's bureau

The Dominion government placed \$10, Chinese pay the tax, which is all the same. It is un-English, Mr. Semlin has of the Columbia river at Revelstoke providing that the provincial government appropriated a similar amount.

Finance Minister Turner kindly hisks the people of the province to believe he I em- did not know about this Dominion govaccepting with thanks? Not he; he inparticular kind of a human this finance minister was, wrote Hon. Mr. Turner, ly accept the Dominion government's appropriation-if he could get it-but, alas, he could not. The Dominion government, tired of arguing with so unreasonable a debater, allowed the \$10,500 to drop, and so much is poor, old, misused British Columbia out of pocket.

What we propose as a remedy is, that this amount (\$10,500) be deducted from Hon. Mr. Turner's salary as premier and finance minister, and that the province appropriate a similar amount, making up the necessary \$21,000, and that the work of repairing the bank at Revelstoke be gone on with at once, just as if Hon. Mr. Turner had acted like a sensible man from the start of this ridiculous affair. In this manner, which would be only even-handed, as well as poetic, justice all round, the much-needed work would be done, the credit of the Turner ministry lof which we are most painfully solicitous) would be saved and everybody, even Hon. Mr. Turner, would be perfectly happy. Will Hon. Mr. Turner do this? He lost \$10,500 to the province through his inattention to duty-downright carelessness is the plain English of it-is he man enough to make good the loss out of his own pocket? If he does we shall be the last to charge him with political bribery. We hope Hon. Mr. Turner will make our proposition the subject of a question of privilege in the house next Tuesday, as the country wants to know, and has a perfect right to know.

It took the Colonist a column and a half this morning to express all its chagrin, rage, spite and malice over losing the Jack Carr story. The article is an editorial, though on the front page, and is devoted to wholesale blackguarding of Carr, atrocious attacks on the characters of the manager, and editor of the Times and to misrepresentation so gross that even a yellow journal might blush a delicate orange to use it. Poor Colonist, can't take a defeat gracefully and must resort to the gutters for materials to defend its reputation. The Colonist says Carr's story is of no value. Sour grapes! Hee haw!

Legislator Harry D. Helmcken, stand up. Sir, what are you doing to hurry the government in bringing down the correspondence relating to the Songhees Atlanta Constitution. Indian reserve, asked for any time this good long while back? Have the clerks who are bringing it down fallen asleep, or are they only dead? The people wait Times has some startling information gowns and lay them away in air-tight boxes. This fills them with perfume.

Mr. Joseph Hunter, M.P. for Comox. complained in the British Columbia legislature yesterday that the Times had compresed his masterly speech on the policy of the E. and N. Railway and other matters, which he delivered a few days ago, into six lines. We "acknowledge the corn" with some palpitation of pardonable pride: it was as fine a bit of condensation as ever appeared in a coast paper, "though we say it as shouldn't, pre'aps," and-it was all the speech was worth.

When the negotiations were in progress between John Carr, the U.S. mail correspondents of the big American pa-

YELLOW YOWLER.

The professor did not succeed in buying Carr's story, although he offered two thousand dollars cash for it. For further particulars and harrowing details as to the sequel see to-day's Colonist.

QUESNELLE TRAGEDY

Extraordinary Conduct of the Authorities After the Disaster Was Reported.

Alleged That They Refused the Offer of Help to Rescue the Unfortunate Men.

which is being built there, offered the authorities the assistance of his men to go to the rescue, but their services were refused by the J. P. on the plea of its being of no use putting the government to any expense. Several days after Mr. Hobson's men, who had been broading the services were drinking hard. They were drunk and quarrelsome and could hardly keep the road. It seemed as if they must perish if Hobson's men, who had been brooding over this calamity, left their work and went to search on their own account, and very soon unearthed two of the bodies; that of J. Rich and W. Allan— the body of McLean they did not find. When they reported the finding of the bodies they were told to bury them

had said the previous day in the debate on the Chinese clause." He denied that he had said a Chinaman was as good as a Canadian. I was present and heard Mr. Martin make his remarkable speechand took particular notice of what he did say, as his remarks and attitude struck me so forcibly that I remarked what a pitiable condition the premier must what a piliable condition the premier must be in to have to retain such a specimen of humanity as a cabinet minister. If the premier had a spark of political in-dependence left in him he would have, immediately risen in his place in the house and politely called on the chief commissioner of lands and works to commissioner of lands and works to place in his hands his resignation as a member of the cabinet. But the Hon. Mr. Martin says: "the members of the government are in perfect harmony," therefore the government as a govern-ment must approve of the chief commissioner's actions and remarks. Mr. Mar-tin in the course of his remarks said: "I employ Chinamen to work on my ranch; the heat man I ever had to work for me was a Chinaman, and I only paid him \$15 a month; he was better than any Canadian or white man I ever had in

this remark the premier turned and said to him: "Is that so?" And the Hon-G. B. Martin replied: "Yes it is so, and I am not ashamed to say so."
A CLOSE SPECTATOR.

DO NOT BE FOOLED With the idea that any preparation your druggist may put up and try to sell you will purify your blood like Hood's Sarsa-This medicine has a reputation

he replied—"dat is, I had de posishun of cook, but ter tell de truth, I didn't wuk at it. "Why?"

To Have One's Garments Sweet-Scent-ed-Make suchet bags and slip them into the linings of dresses. They will, if good at first keep their scent for a year or more. Fold the bodices of the scented

Terrors of a Midnight Stampede to a New Field-Mad Rush to Swede Creek.

Men and Women Join in the Wild Scramble Over Dangerous Ice-Locked Trails.

carrier from St. Michael's, and the local Joaquin Miller in San Francisco Examiner. Examiner Cabin, Dawson City, N.W.T., well known here for his genial and frisky ways, received from his paper in 'Frisco this pretty little billet doux:

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Professor Jawbones,

Victoria. pers, in regard to the Andree story, one February 20, 1890.—We had hoped that the off those correspondents. a gentleman stampenes were over and done with and

struck a trail and followed it to the end, and then came to bawson in a wild state of excitement. This wild excitement came of excitement. This wild excitement came, suddenly upon him after following the trail up the creek and finding the men secretly sinking a hole. Soon after the Swedes, finding they had been discovered, came to town and told their friends. Their friends told other friends and cautioned them to be discreet; but the two—honest, quiet and good men, so reputed—had no great prospect to show or promises to hold out. They had been busy for some time sinking a hole in the bed of the creek, which they believed from the looks of it had in it pure gold. The little prospect on being weighed tipped the gold scales at exactly 90 cents—a little thing to upset the town; but things are strung to such a tension here that it seems no longer necessary to discover gold. You have only to discover a creek to inflame the Klondike heart to a blogger and yet 90 cents to the first and only blaze; and yet 90 cents to the first and only pan that the young men took time to wash out after being discovered would not have been laughed at in the days of gold in Cali-

The boys had hoped to have all their friends stake first. Fortunately for their plans, only one man besides themselves knew where the new creek was. The town was busy getting ready for a long-distance run. Every man laid in rations for quite The Workmen Themselves Quit Their
Labors to Recover the Bodies
and Bury Them.

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To the Editor:—Hvaing read in your columns some weeks ago of a snowslide near the Forks of Quesnelle, and since that an item saying that nothing more that an item saying that nothing more that an item saying that nothing more that two of the bodies have been found. The morning after the disaster for the individual of the morning after the disaster.

The moon's up, "to a man dancing with a girl. That was as if Maebeth's wilches had been disturbed at the boiling of their brew. Every girl was gone in a troped the girl, and it was as if Maebeth's wilches had been disturbed at the boiling of their brew. Every girl was gone in a troped the girl, and it was as if Maebeth's wilches had been disturbed at the boiling of their brew. Every girl was gone in a troped the girl, and it was as if Maebeth's wilches had been disturbed at the boiling of their brew. Every girl was gone in a troped the girl, and it was as if Maebeth's wilches had been disturbed at the boiling of their brew. Every girl was gone in a troped the girl, and it was as if Maebeth's wilches had been disturbed at the boiling of their brew. Every girl was gone in a troped the girl, and it was as if Maebeth's wilches had been disturbed at the boiling of their brew. Every girl was gone in a troped the girl, and it was as if Maebeth's wilches had been disturbed at the boiling of their brew. Every girl was gone in a troped the girl and the moss averages 55 cents for the bill is a shaft to feet to bedrock, in which is a shaft to feet to bedrock, in the form of the same prospects were found. A little lower down the hill is a shaft 45 feet deep, in which is a shaft 45 feet deep, in which is a shaft 45 feet deep, in which is a feet deep, in which is a shaft 45 feet deep, in whic

left to themselves; but seeing other parties coming on behind I hastened on until across the river, and got a look at the mouth of the new El Dorado. It is certainly a very promising creek in breadth, contour of ably be prospected within a few mising creek in breadth, contour of untains, direction of flow, and all that, and not unlike the larger stream, the Bo-

nanza. It was now full dawn, and the parties where they were told to bury them where they were, in their blankets, and that if they took them to Quesnelle it must be at their own expense. This, however did not deter them from the control of the creek than could find claims, even if they staked up to the mountain head. The crowd came back slowly, so were the country that they are the country that they are the country that they have the country that they are the country that they are already coming back, as more people had gone up the creek than could find claims, even if they staked up to the mountain head. The crowd came back slowly, so well and the parties of the country that they are already coming back, as more people had gone up the creek than could find claim, even if they staked up to the mountain head. however, did not deter them from put-ting the golden rule into force, and these ting the golden rule into force, and these good-hearted men did take them to the Forks and gave them a decent burial. Their conduct is to be admired by the whole community, and the heaviest censure should fall upon those who refused the aid that was proffered at the time of the calamity.

MATER.

Forks of Quesnelle, B. C., April 2.

WHAT HON. MR. MARTIN SAID.

To the Editor:—In reading the report in this morning's Colonist of yesterday's proceedings in the legislature I notice that the Hon. Mr. Martin in speaking to question of privilege, said "the Times newspaper had published a most untruthful statement in regard to what he had said the previous day in the debate on the Chinese clause." He denied that he had said a Chinaman was as good as a Canadian. I was present and head good as a canadian. I was present and shock them to the hospital. I was in the gold commissioner's office was taken to the hospital. I was in the gold commissioner's office sent a number and date for record was a woman. The gold commissioner took the silp of paper, looked it over and shook his head, as he pushed back the paper to the girl, turned about and went on with his work at his desk. The great crowd of stampeders had waited outside to see what the strict, church-going gold commissioner would do. They had all staked on Sunday, and not a soul thought of it until after it work at his desk. The great crowd of stampeders had waited outside to see what the strict, church-going gold commissioner would do. They had all staked on Sunday, and not a soul thought of it until after it work at his desk. Sunday, and not a soul thought of it until after it work at his desk. Sunday, and not a soul thought of it until after it work at his desk. Sunday, and not a soul thought of it until after it work at his desk. Sunday, and not a soul thought of it until after it work at his desk. Sunday, and not a soul thought of it until after it work at his desk. Sunday had not a soul thought of it until after it work at his desk. Sunday had not a soul thought of

never go back, and here is something rather notable. Men will break their necks, almotable. Men will break their necks, almost, to get to a creek when a big stampede is, on, and yet not nearly all of them stake when they get there. They walk about, look things over and half the time quietly let the place alone. The same with the stampede to Swedish creek. They all staked, but after getting back they lost interest and don't seem to care whether they record their claims or not.

As the news of the big find on American creek spread the gang of rich pirates at Circle, which has kept all the lower palisades in turmoil for the last six months, came up the Yukon to American creek, and as soon as the Dawson parties had staked

September, saying that he had chosen it as a site for one of the military posts he had been sent into the country to establishing the state of the same of the military posts he will be the saying that he had chosen it as St. Andrew's Church Sunday St. Andrew's Church St. Andr n site for one of the military nosts he had been sent into the country to establish.

The personal supervision of educated pharmacists who know the nature, quality and medicinal effect of all the ingredients used. Hood's Sarsaparilla absolutely cures all forms of blood disease when other medicines fail to do any good. It is the World's Great Spring Medicine and the One True Blood Purifier.

An old colored citizen, hearing the rumors of war with Spain, applied for the position of cook in the army.

"What experience have you had?" he was asked.

"I wuz cook in de confedrit army, suh," he replied—"dat is, I had de posision of cook but ter tell de stath I diddle ample.

"A three-pound nugget has inst been found."

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Mrs. Donald Crawford, Edinburgh. 10 20

Mr. John M. Garland, Ottawa 25 00

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Mr. Hossack, Ottawa 44

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ever vet made.

A three-pound nugget has just been found on Skockum gulch, and another man stone to say that the Mounted Police have found the poor old man who was lost in the mounted. tains. He is badly frozen and may die. MOUNTAIN-SIDE PLACERS.

Miners Believe the District the Bed of an Ancient, River. By R. C. Kirk.

Examiner Cabin, Dawson, N.W.T., Feb. 17.—For five days scores of men have been

stampeding to Swede guich, a tributary of the Yukon, located about eight miles from Dawson, so that now the entire guich, which is about eighteen miles in length, has been staked.

The weather has been intensely cold, the thermometer at the barracks register. The weather has been intensely contermometer at the barracks register degrees below zero, and a stiff gabeen blowing. Men have lost their cheeks, ears and feet frozen, and the great suffering among the stampede now transpires that Swede gulch was ed to 500-foot claims late last fail the name of O. K. gulch. The gold missioner, realizing this mistake, has ed the hundred or more certifier. ed the hundred or more certificates regranted for claims thereon, and refu niow further filings.

The theory that the gold in the Klondik reeks originally came from the bed of an ancient river was strengthened three ago by a rich strike made on the mount

side, between Big and Little gulches, near Discovery claim, creek, at-an elevation of 300 feet present creek bed. \$15 to the pan in the gravel and the no indication of bed rock. The m has been stampeded and bench cl now been staked to the summit. workers, who were cutting timber for nanza creek claims. The woodchor laughed at these miners, because of Victoria.

If you cannot succeed in buying the Individual and their friends and the curious public became eager to know where they lamrascal.

Citement is this:

Two Swedes had disappeared from their digging placer claims on the mounts and the smoke of their fires caused able wonder and merriment among on the creek claims below. able wonder and merriment among the men on the creek claims below.

But on Tuesday last the miners struck on the creek claims below.

But on Tuesday last the miners good pay. Their shaft had pierced it for nineteen feet, every foet of wit to be thawed before it could be Then they encountered frozen gravifirst three feet was waste; the lapaid, and on Tuesday they washed in two pans. The news spread rapi before the sun had set 400 men. whom came hastening up the mountain st from the creek claims below, stampeded

Now the mountain is staked from creek to summit.

The gold is coarse and well worn. One of the stampeders picked a 75 cent nugget from the dump, and others are said to have done the same. Hopkins does not know how far he is from bedrock, so that the wealth of the claim cannot be estimated.

The strike, together with the developments of the month, goes to previously. ments of the month, goes to protheory that the channel of an ancie. lies half way to the summit of the of hills that forms the left-hand way of Bonanza creek and that the gold Dorado (which may be considered thustion of Bonanza of Bonanza creek and that the gold Dorado (which may be considered thustion of Bonanza creek and that the gold Dorado (which may be considered thustion of Bonanza creek and that the gold Dorado (which may be considered the considered thustion of Bonanza creek and that the gold Dorado (which may be considered the considered the considered the considered that the considered the ld channel into the present creek Between El Dorado and Big gulch lies a mountain upon which gol been found in paying quantities. is a shaft not far from the summ feet to bedrock, in which \$3 prosper found. A little lower down the hil shaft 45 feet deep, in which the former the content of the same than the same t

gulch, and good prospects have already been found near the mouth of it. On a point of now been partially staked and it will prolably be prospected within a few weeks. Down in the fifties on lower Bonanza a miner has struck fair pay on the hillside, and it is urged that this is a continuation of the ancient channel.

The theory of the ancient channel presumes that at one time a river of considerable size flowed through the country at an elevation of several hundred feet aboye the present height of Bonanza creek and the Klondike and Yukon rivers. As time wore on the typography of the country underwent a great change. The present channels of Bonanza and El Dorado creeks were formed much deeper than they now are. Feeders or small tributaries broke through the mountain range, carrying with them Down in the fifties on lower Bonanza the mountain range, carrying with then some of the gold in this ancient channel By the combined action of the frosts in winter and the heat and the rain of sur winter and the first and the rain of salimer, the rayines were afterwards gradually worn away, the debris covering the gold that was first denosited on the rocky bottom of the guiches. The theory is also strengthened by the rich finds of gold that are made in the places immediately below the confluence of these small tributaries with Bonanza and El Dorado creeks. This is particularly true of the claims immediately below Adams and Boulder creeks and Big and Little Skookum gulches. Time will tell if this half-theoretical, half-proctical ancient channel extends the enpractical, ancient channel extends the entire length of the Bonanza and El Dorado bills. If it does the wealth of the Klon

dike mines will not be told for half a score of years. KLONDIKE NURSES.

The Subscription List Opened and Already Generously Supported.

The Times has been requested by the Countess of Aberdeen to publish the wing list of subscriptions to the fund for Klondike nurses: Hon. Sir Henri Joly de Lotbiniere. \$ 50 00 A Friend in County of Russell.... Mrs. E. H. King, Montreal..... Mrs. A. E. Malloch, Hamilton.... sades in turmoll for the last six months, came up the Yukon to American creek, and as soon as the Dawson parties had staked and turned home for supplies and equipments these pirates, not finding claims that they liked quite so well as the Dawson belongings, called a miners' meeting. This is one of their little pleasantries. These river pirates always call a miners' meeting when they propose to plunder a steamboat break open a jail, or take possession of a steamer and run it on their own account. At this miners' meeting the chief pirate staked and recorded by non-residents, who had their homes in a foreign country, their claims should be declared forfeited and subjected to location. Of course, the motion was unanimously carried, and all the claims were staked by the pirates.

A military nost will be built at Mission creek, into which American creek empties, as soon as possible, and then the rightful locators will get their property without trouble. I base this nositive statement that a nost will be established there upon the fact that Cantain Ray pointed out this spot fact that Cantain Ray pointed out this spot stood on the deek of a passing steamer last stood on the deek of a passing steamer of Aberdeen. Government House, or to Mrs. Edward Griffin, the Russell House, Ottawa.

"I am very much inclined to suspect that you misled me when you said you had experience on the stage," rem stage manager of the Dashing Daisies Burlesque Company.

Why isn't my work satisfactory?"
inquired the comedian. "Yes. but you took it very good-naturedly when the manager said he'd pay you part of your salary now and the rest later."—Washington Star.

A BIG BATTLE ON THE

British and Egyptian Troop ingly Defeat the Dervis at Athara.

Mahmoud, Dervish Comman tured-Two Thousand Dead Thousand Prisoners

Cairo, Egypt, April 9.—The brigade in the defeat of the de Athara and the capture of Mah dervish commander, and 4,00 ollowers, lost, in addition to killed, in rank and file many wounded. The Egyptians wounded. The Egyptians los killed and 14 officers and 319 n ed. The dervishes lost about

Athabara Camp at Nubia, The British and Egyptian troceach other until late last night capture of the dervish, posit river bed and the thick bush river are full of the dervish (Thursday night the Sirdar is that he was sure every man is would do his duty, but he would all remember God. The dervish fire was very too high, and the British loss

before reaching the zereba. (
ray had his horse killed und
was wounded in the arm,
behaved with the greatest by prisoners say they lost hea nbardment before the adv the enemy tried to break river at an early stage, but ack by dervish horsemen. Nothing was visible in front tion except a solitary, wabblin in the trenches large numbers donkeys and camel proved how the effect of the British fire. zereba there was an astonishi of earthworks, every goat seeing had its own shelter and tre "I have been all over the tion and estimate that the de than 2,000. The night march as that of Tel-el-Kebir. Our ed funreal silence on nearing zereba at Makheiba. No smol mitted. Egyptians, Soudanese strove to be first in the glori to be first in the attack. As brigades claim the honor. The ed with such terrific fire the dropped on all sides. It was a fusilade as troops were eve to face. Mahmoud's army w wiped out. Four thousand ers have been taken prisoners self has been caught hiding in a bed. He is a tail, dignin looking black Baggagaria, at old, with a shaveu head. W was dressed in a richly embr enemy were in deep trenche hind the zereba. Kınshari R head of his men. Ten guns The prisoners say that Osm early during the bombarding thorities can yesterday's ba brilliant ever fought in the thing having been carried st our huen or check. Wh was suched by Maxims Shraphens, the Dervisues na a reply.

BIG DRY DOCK OUT Leaks Discovered That W

Use For Some Months will not be able to receive big battlesnips of the nav

Two leaks have been this dock within 48 ho standing the fact that n has been spent trying to ready to receive the big the north Atlantic squade found necessary to make terations to insure the st

The leaks were discove ter the water had been to small enclosure jest ou proper Wednesday morning irst test made under the Naval Constructor F. T. in charge of the construc at the Brooklyn naval y ter rushed into the open s force and ran over a sea

of the dock.
When the accident Constructor Bowles ord turned off, and the pum motion to relieve the pre No report was made. Bunce, commandant of or the navy department fied of it.

According to Construct will take at least six w

lock can be put in reading battleship or any other v The big dock was inte lusively for the recept pattleships.

SPORTING INTEL YACHTIN

Capt. Clarke has been mna of the sailing com toria Yacht Club. The ecommended that race held on alternate Satur race on May 7.

VICTORIA HUN The entries for the Vic races on April 16th at C exception of those for must be in not later Wednesday, April 13th the secretary Mr. G. A trance fee is \$2.50 for for the farmers' race,

SWORD CHAMP On Easter Monday grounds Mr. IIvan de M swordsman of America, Frank Elliott will me and final bout for the Canada.

LEGAL INTELI The legal difficulties of of the steam tug Czar the courts. It will be in the defendant's app court in Dunsmuir v. Kumbia Gold Fields Co. the court ordered the p tug to the defenda 2nd April, and she was April. On the 5th Apri ced his second and obtained an order

Drake restraining the interfering with his p