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TO MATTE COAST ORE.

Eastern Capital to Be Interested Shortly in the Erection of a Plant.

Van Anda, Treasure Mountains and Malaspina Ores Will Be Treated.

Mr. Edward Blewett, of the Van Anda mine, and Mr. W. G. Tanner, of Spokane, have just purchased a very fine copper property on Jervis Inlet, some sixty miles north of Vancouver. This property is on Treasure mountain and consists of the Lone Jack, Last Chance, Bonanza, Comet and Look Out mines. Mr. Tanner, who is also interested in the Slocan and Rossland districts and is an expert mining man, was highly pleased with the result of his examination of the coast claims mentioned, and now he and Mr. Blewett are congratulating themselves as having secured a big thing.

The Treasure mountain mines are right on the sea, so the question of transportation is already solved. The vein, which is overlaid by an iron capping can be traced for a mile, Mr. Tanner states, and the precipitous mountain over which the vein runs northwest and southeast, has been broken away in places, laying bare an immense ore lode from 10 to 40 feet wide. The iron capping is similar to that found at Rossland, but showing a greater percentage of iron. A tunnel runs in on the south side 80 feet below where the vein is exposed; to crosscut it shows an ore body 25 to 40 feet wide.

Samples were taken at four different places across the vein from 100 to 200 yards apart, on the surface, with assays resulting $15.75, $28.66, $28.15 and $22.48 in copper, silver and gold. This ore is practically self-fluxing.

Another property that Messrs. Blewett and Tanner have purchased outright is on Malaspina straits. The ore body is large and can be traced, Mr. Blewett says, for 3,000 feet. The assays show it to run high in gold and copper.

Messrs. Blewett and Tanner in a day or two leave for the East, for the purpose of interesting capital for the purpose of putting up a matting plant in connection with the Van Anda, Malaspina and Treasure mountains properties.

This matting plant, Mr. Tanner stated yesterday, will be located either on Texada Island or at Vancouver, and will have a capacity of 100 tons a day.

Speaking generally of the wonderful showing of mineral on the Coast, Mr. Tanner remarked that if Victoria people only realized what wonderful mineral resources they had at their doors and had put as much energy into opening them up as had been done even in Boundary Creek, this would be the greatest mining centre of the province. Here on the Coast the question of transportation was a simple one, for the mines lay right at the water, whereas in the interior of the province transportation freights were naturally much more expensive.

On his way East Mr. Blewett stops over at Cripple creek to examine a property there which he has been requested to report upon.

MR. MAXWELL, M. P.

His Attitude Towards Victoria Fully Explained.

Inside of a year at the fullest there must be another appeal to the people by the provincial government. I observe, says a Victoria correspondent of the Vancouver World, that a few self-constituted political missionaries are now hippodroming it through the interior. Very plausible these gentlemen are! They must think that, being such adepts at humbug themselves, they can humbug the public. They would feign make the people of the interior believe that their tour has no political significance. What charlatans they must be! Let anyone read their utterances and then, if he can, place any credence in their assertions. I must give credit to Mr. Maxwell for one thing, and that is his unconcealed hostility to Victoria and everything appertaining thereto. His whole aim, he freely admits, is to smash this city and bring to their marrow bones at his feet, as their Gamaliel and leader, everyone of our citizens. For those who have made Victoria what she is Mr. Maxwell has the most profound contempt. Here I will diverge and ask this hybrid of a politician what has he done during his eight years residence in British Columbia for the city in which he lives, or the province at large? The now somewhat famous letter of Mr. J. W. Brandreth is still, I am told, unanswered. If the member for Burrard can place his finger upon any one thing or act he has done for the benefit of his constituents then I will say he is not worthy of the blame or the censure he is receiving on all sides for his mouthiness, but lack of results. There is a vast distance between a parrot and a beaver. People nowadays have little use for the former, but the latter is known to be industrious, and generally can show substantial results as the fruits of his labor. When the Vancouver vaporer can show anything he has yet done, or even a display of what his countrymen are believed to possess, good common sense, he will avoid the blunders he continually makes, and especially that of endeavoring to sway one class of citizens against the other, and run down one section of the country at the expense of the other, and will be entitled to some consideration at the hands of a thinking and enlightened community.

People hereabouts wonder how it comes that there are to be found, any persons who can be so disloyal to their own city as to become room-mates and fellow-campers with Messrs. Maxwell, Templeton and others in their crusade against "poor little Victoria," (vide Mr. Helmcken's utterances). That this is so I need only refer to the articles appearing from day to day in the Times. I know that Mr. Templeman entertains opinions the reverse of favorable as regards Messrs. Maxwell, Templeton and other mainland political agitators. He cannot but see the blunders they are perpetuating daily. Victorians are likewise on to their tactics. When the proper time arrives, the political trumpet will sound the battle-cry, and again, as on previous occasions, British Columbians will declare, by their votes at the ballot box, that they have no use for unpractical men; that they have no part or parcel with demagogues, with those who are perfect nonentities and absolute failures as public men.

KAMLOOPS MINES.

"Lucky Strike" Group Shipping Ore From the Grass Roots.

The Kamloops mining district is progressing at a most satisfactory pace, according to Mr. A. T. Monteith, who recently returned from an eight months' stay in that portion of the province. Mr. Monteith is one of the owners of the Golden Star mine, adjoining the Lucky Strike group, which Mr. John Cobbledick, the well known mining engineer, is now opening. Mr. Cobbledick has made the Lucky Strike a shipper from the start, and although the shaft on the property is only down fifteen feet, sixty sacks of picked ore are already on the dump for shipment, the shaft being in solid ore the whole depth. This ore is of the general character of that found in the Kamloops district, copper and gold. Tests made of trial shipments to Swansea and the Nelson smelter prove the ore to be self-fluxing, and consequently it can be smelted at very slight expense, comparatively speaking.

On the Golden Star a tunnel run in to strike the foot wall shows the ledge to be 40 feet wide, with a pay streak a foot and a half wide. A shaft sunk 15 feet on the foot wall about 100 yards from the tunnel shows ore which assays $53.15 in gold and copper. One of the great advantages of the Kamloops district is that there is no difficulty in shipping, it being possible to drive a wagon to any of the mines.

The Iron Mask is another mine that is showing up a splendid body of ore, and negotiations are pending which are likely to result in its sale for a very large sum.

ALL MEAN THE SAME THING.

You have probably heard people say, "I have such strange pains going about my body that I don't know what to make of them. Sometimes it will be a pain in the forehead, not like an ordinary headache, and then it will go to the breast over the heart, then to the left side, then to the lower part of the back. The pain may stay the whole day or part of a day in the same place, and then move—after the fashion of a travelling exhibition or circus."

Now a pain is objectionable because it is a pain, and often because it worries us in trying to account for it. If it stays too long in one place we begin to think it is the sign of some serious local trouble there. And we always fancy that trouble to be the worst one we ever heard of or read about in the books. The writer has on his left eyelid a little encysted tumor, not half so big as a pea. It has been there more than forty years, and I have ceased long ago to take any notice of it. Yet once I suffered intense mental anxiety because various doctors told me it was bound to develop into a malignant cancer. I'd like to be in a condition to pay them back some time for all the mental suffering their errors caused me.

What I want you to understand from this talk is that these shifting spots of pain spoken of do not mean as many distinct local diseases. You have seen a single thunder cloud in summer dart its electric streaks all over the sky; and there is one ailment, which I will name presently, that has the power to imitate that operation in the body. First we will lend an ear to what Mr. Frank Windle has to say and then try to sum up the subject in such a way I hope as to make it interesting and instructive.

"In November of 1890," he says, "I fell into a low weak state of health. I felt languid, tired and weary, having no energy. My appetite was poor, and after what little I ate I had pain at the chest and side. I gradually got so weak that I could scarcely get about, and was wretchedly nervous. I had also palpitation and pain around the heart.

"I consulted a local doctor, but getting no better went to a specialist at Derby who said that my heart was weak. I took all kinds of medicine, but nothing did me any good.

"I continued to suffer for over a year when a friend recommended me to try Mother Seigel's Curative Syrup. I got a bottle of this medicine from Booth's Drug Stores, Chesterfield, and after taking it a short time I felt it was doing me good.

"My appetite improved and the food agreed with me. I continued with the medicine and got stronger and stronger, the pain leaving me altogether. By taking an occasional dose when needed, I keep in good health. You can publish this statement as you like. (Signed) Frank Windle, Newbold, Chesterfield, April 1st, 1897."

Mr. Windle mentions having had pain in the chest, side, and around the heart. Probably, if he had expected you and I would have taken an interest in the subject, he could have extended this short list and told us of pains, more or less frequent and intense in other parts of his body. For indigestion and dyspepsia (the disease he suffered from) nearly always stir up these scattered disturbances, often making the sufferer think he is afflicted with not less than a dozen different kinds of complaints.

This it does by first weakening, and then poisoning the nerves. And as it takes but an instant for an electric flash to leap clear across the Heavens from east to west, so the baneful influence created in the torpid and diseased stomach, will sometimes send a thrill of pain from head to foot. Dyspepsia may make the sufferer fancy he has organic heart trouble, as in Mr. Windle's case; organic kidney trouble, as in many instances; local diseases of the nerves of the brain; organic ailments of the lungs and so on, when, as a matter of fact, all these pains and disorders are merely results and symptoms of the inflammation in the stomach, and the general upset of the associated digestive machinery.

When the loaded and livid thunder cloud has shot away all its arrows, and unburdened itself of all its surplus water, the atmosphere clears and nature becomes balanced and serene. Even so when Mother Seigel's Syrup has sweetened and strengthened the stomach, the seemingly unaccountable and alarming pains in various parts of the body die away and vanish, and that wonderful arrangement the human system, works in harmony with itself, as nature meant it should. For as a mighty ship is controlled by a very small helm, so is that mightier construction, called *man* operated to success or failure by his body's own management of what he eats and drinks.

CENTENNIAL church goers are looking forward with much interest to three events soon to transpire in connection with the history and social work of that congregation. One is a concert to be given entirely by the Sunday school on Wednesday evening, and which in consideration of the choice programme now under preparation, promises much for the entertainment of those attending. The other events are the anniversary of the church and the annual tea meeting on the Tuesday following or on the first Tuesday in October. The pulpit on the morning of the third will be taken by Rev. J. C. Speer, while it will be occupied in the evening by Rev. R. H. Swinnerton. After the tea meeting on Tuesday evening a fine musical and literary programme is to be provided, to be followed with speeches from both clerical and lay speakers.

WORTHY OF HONOR.

Three Bluejackets of the Amphion Risk Their Lives to Save a Messmate.

Fatal Accident on the Cruiser Marks the Completion of Her Comox Trip.

Richard Wuddicor, a young seaman of H.M.S. Amphion, met with a terrible accident on Wednesday while his ship was en route home from Comox, receiving so serious injury that he expired a few hours later, at 8 o'clock in the evening. The incident besides affording an instance of the dangers of a sailor's life even in time of peace, illustrates with equal force how ready are the tars wearing the uniforms of Britain's Queen to risk their lives at the call of duty or humanity.

Wuddicor was aloft, and in some unaccountable manner lost his hold of the rigging and fell from the maintop head. His fall was broken, for he struck the iron cross-trees in descending and three of his ribs were thereby crushed in.

Thus maimed, his quivering body plunged into the sea, and almost coincident with the splash three of his sailor companions, who had with horrified eyes witnessed the fall, went over the side, not waiting even to discard their cumbersome boots.

They realized that their mate had been badly hurt, so they did not approach or seize him in the way usually adopted in dealing with the drowning. Two supported the insensible man gently; while the third kept his head above water until the rescue boat received all four and conveyed them back to the ship.

There it was found that Wuddicor had sustained a compound fracture of three ribs, which protruded through the side; his thigh had also been broken, as well as his foot and one hand. Everything that surgical care and kind attention could suggest was done, but saving the sailor's life was beyond human power. He died, as stated above, after taking a cup of tea and an egg, and expressing himself as "doing fine," and very thankful to his attendants for their gentle ministrations.

The victim of this unfortunate mishap was but nineteen years of age, and had no parents living. His body was brought back to Esquimalt yesterday with the ship, and the interment will probably take place to-day at the Naval cemetery, in Skinner's Bottom.

The cruise just completed by the Amphion has been of about three weeks' duration, Comox being visited for the customary firing practice. To-day the ship goes into dock for inspection, remaining on the blocks some days. She is now the senior ship in port, the flagship having taken her departure for Guatemala yesterday morning.

HE FOUGHT THE TURKS.

One of the Greek Foreign Legion Now Visiting Victoria.

A man with an interesting little history is at present staying at the Dominion hotel in the person of Mr. J. R. White, who until a short time ago was known as Sergeant Conway of the Greek Foreign Legion. Mr. White was one of those who, eager to see a little war service and with a feeling of warm sympathy for the Hellenes in their struggle against the Turk, enrolled himself in the foreign legion to help the forces of King George. He got the war service all right, but about all the recompense he received for his services amounted to 30 francs, though he carries with him some souvenirs in the shape of severe wounds.

It may be stated in the first place that Mr. White's change of name while fighting the Turks was simply due to the fact that he feared to make his friends anxious in case anything happened to him, and therefore Sergeant Conway was the cognomen he chose as a nom de guerre.

Sergeant Conway had plenty of hard knocks and saw the seamy side of a soldier's life, with all the horrors of battle and the misfortunes of defeat. He served in the fore front, and was present at the big battles, including Pharsala and Domokos. At Domokos the foreign legion suffered severely, all but 40 men being killed by the onslaughts of the Turks. Sergeant Conway was a most unfortunate soldier in the way of wounds, for he was wounded in three different places, and when shot at Domokos and lying disabled in a ditch, he watched 20,000 Turks march past him. As a souvenir of his fighting days, the Sergeant has with him a bullet which he caught in his arm during the progress of an action and carried off the field with him, to be extracted later in hospital. After many weeks of suffering in a Greek hospital, Sergt. Conway finally recovered sufficiently to reach Athens, and then to his disgust found that the civilian clothes and outfit he had brought with him from England had been looted. So with 30 francs as pay, a feeling of disgust at the wretched showing the Greek army made, Sergeant Conway resumed his name of White, and left Athens on June 8.

He has a very poor opinion of the Greek forces, the main body of the army being, he says, composed not of Greeks, but of Levantines, whose cowardice soon knocked out of the foreign legion all the sympathy and ardor with which they had started in their efforts to assist in the war against the Turks.

THE DUKE OF YORK

Appointed Commodore of the Cruisers and Likely to Visit the Colonies.

LONDON, Sept. 23.—His Royal Highness the Duke of York has been appointed commodore of the cruisers and will take command of the first class cruiser Terrible next April. According to the Times, which makes this announcement, he will go with two fast second class cruisers for a twelve months cruise, during which he will visit the principal colonies of the empire.

"She was his stenographer before they were married. I wonder how they got along."

"I heard her say the other day that she misses her salary very much.—New York Evening Journal.

WILL TRY ONCE MORE.

Past Experience Does Not Promise Success for the Portland-Oriental Line.

Vladivostok a Port of Call—Sealskin Prices Advance on Short Supply.

Referring to the establishment of a new steamship line between Portland and the Orient, the Oregonian says: "The inauguration of the present line, with the sailing of its first steamer yesterday from the Orient for this port, makes the fourth attempt to establish a line of steamers out of Portland in connection with the O. R. & N. The first attempt was made by the Upton line, which started a monthly service out of this port March 3, 1890, and struggled along in an unprofitable existence until September, 1892, when the contract was canceled, and the line died a natural death. For the following two and a half years Portland had no Oriental line; then Samuel Samuels, of Yokohama, made a second attempt in that direction, and started a line of steamers March 6, 1895, on a short contract. They succeeded themselves, after a very brief existence, November 27, 1895, and struggled against fate, finally withdrawing from the line last January, but continuing to run an occasional steamer, the Monmouthshire, which left last week, being the last of the line. The permanency of the present new line is assured for a number of years, and the results will be watched with interest." President Mohler, of the O. R. & N., when in Minneapolis last week, when questioned by the Minneapolis Times relative to his new line to China, said: "There has recently been inaugurated a line for the purpose of direct passenger and freight service between Asiatic points and Portland, which line will be extended to Vladivostok, in Siberia, upon the completion of the Siberian railway. This will make Portland as important a gateway for a trip around the world as New York. Whether the new line will patronize Victoria as did the old is a matter not yet known.

SEALING PROBABILITIES.

Few sealing seasons have passed with less news of the vessels engaged in the industry than has been received so far this year. And this season is now practically over. How successful the fleet has been can only be guessed at from a letter written by Capt. Sieward, at Ounalaska, on August 25, and published in part in the COLONIST some days ago, in which it was stated that the weather was then getting foggy, and that the Siewerd's catch of 714 skins make her top-liner so far as known. There is a possibility, in view of the Behring sea remaining placid, that the fleet will be absent until the middle of next month, but the probability of their early return seems more reasonable to suppose. The fleet is not so large by several vessels as last year's, and catches are small, the influence of a poor supply in the sealskin market should be very stimulating. Something seems to have affected it already, for, it is said, prices have materially advanced.

STEAMERS FROM SKAGWAY.

The steamers Al-Ki and George W. Elder arrived at Departure Bay yesterday morning from Skagway. No news of importance was to be obtained excepting further reports as to the frightful condition of Skagway trail. The COLONIST representative interviewed several passengers, but the news they had was nearly all brought by the Queen the day before. J. Halverson, the band leader, and several other Nanaimo men returned thoroughly disgusted with the prospect against making the trip this year. The Elder left for Portland and the Al-Ki for Seattle after coaling.

MARINE NOTES.

It was noon yesterday before the Willamette came in from the Sound, and she sailed for the North a few hours later. She received no passengers from Victoria and had but 60 from the Sound. Her freight from Victoria comprised no other shipment than that consisting of groceries and amounting to 45 tons measurement, forwarded to Telegraph creek by Thomas Earl & Co.

AT New York on the morning of the 22nd inst., Dr. James Ellard, formerly of Westminster, but now practising in Brooklyn, was married to Miss Victoria L. Heathfield, of Victoria.

TUESDAY evening at the residence of Mr. D. F. McCrimmon, Tennyson avenue, the Rev. Dr. Campbell, in the presence of a large number of friends, united in marriage Mr. Levi Long, of the electric tram car staff, and Miss Mary Johnstone. The bridegroom was supported by Mr. A. McCrimmon and the bridesmaid was Miss K. C. McCrimmon. The bride was becomingly attired in a handsome gown of cream silk and lace and the bridesmaid in a very pretty dress of India muslin, trimmed with baby ribbon and lace. The house was beautifully decorated for the occasion with ivy, flowers and evergreens. After dinner the happy couple drove to their own home, at 44 Princess avenue, amidst a shower of good wishes of their friends. The following is a list of the presents made to the bride: A handsome dinner set by Thomas Bros. & Grant; silver butter cooler, Mr. A. F. McCrimmon; embroidered sofa pillow, Mr. and Mrs. G. Porter and Miss Beston; musical clock, Mr. F. K. Stacy; fruit dish, Mrs. D. J. McIntosh; silver-plated lamp, Mr. and Mrs. Waites; china mustard pot, Miss Mary McCrimmon; silver butter knife, Mr. A. McIntosh; half dozen silver spoons, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. McDonald; silver butter knife and sugar spoon, Mrs. and Miss Arthur; cut glass sugar bowl, Mr. and Mrs. H. McDermid; Japanese tea tray, Miss K. McCrimmon; syrup jug, Miss McDonald; ornamental fruit dish, Mrs. R. C. McRae; china chocolate jug, Miss Lillie Vaughan; silver butter dish, Mr. A. O. Fraser; pair Japanese vases, Mr. A. McCrimmon; silver pickle dish, Mr. and Mrs. Foote; silver card receiver, employes of Thomas Bros. & Grant; clock, Mr. and Mrs. McD. F. Crimmon; silver cake basket, Mr. D. J. McIntosh; Japanese 5 o'clock tea set, Mrs. Aird, of Los Angeles; two pictures, Mr. D. McLennan and Miss McKenzie.

THE HILLS GAVE WAY.

Landslide Near Ashcroft Threatens Inundation of the Thompson Valley.

Hon. George B. Martin Tells of a Former and Similar Disastrous Flood.

All along the valley of the Thompson river for twenty miles below the railway town of Ashcroft, the residents are moving their families and belongings in haste into the mountains fearful of a repetition of the memorable inundation of 1880, which now seems imminent.

The flood of seventeen years ago was caused by a landslide blocking the narrow gorge, and on Wednesday rumblings in the near by hills presaged a second calamity. The big gravel mountain one mile below the city had suddenly tired of its place of residence and commenced to move. At one o'clock in the night a large portion of the pine clad mountain broke off, and started with a rumble like thunder toward the Thompson river.

The section first in motion was about half a mile square and some 400 or 500 feet high. Its motion was slow at first, but increased as the immense strip of land advanced towards the water, and there found its progress arrested.

Within two hours from the time the first contribution was made to the river bed, the Thompson is said to have raised nine inches, and if the slide continues until this morning, a contingency that seems all but certain, the river will be completely closed, and the entire valley, containing a population of fully one thousand, will be inundated.

In 1880 the slide occurred further down the river, holding the water pent for fully thirty hours and causing great damage to property as well as the loss of one life.

Hon. George B. Martin, chief commissioner of lands and works, was seen last evening concerning the present slide, and inasmuch as he had heard nothing of it previously, was greatly surprised. The slide, which occurred years ago, he had a vivid recollection of. Then the river was dammed all the way from Savonas, to Ashcroft, and the overflowing waters reached an altitude of forty feet, a height of which Harper's will to this day bear testimony in the way of a high water mark which appears on its third story.

Among the greatest damage to property accruing was the complete destruction of Barne's big granery and 100 tons of wheat stowed within. The flood, Hon. Mr. Martin says, was caused by the ranchers on the bench lands irrigating their farms until the water reaching bed rock loosened the earth foundations with the consequence that the mountain slid down into the Thompson with a mighty sweep.

Immediately afterwards a large force of men were set to work at releasing the pent up waters and in less than thirty hours the troublous currents were finding their natural course down the Thompson. Mr. Martin says he remembers one flood in the history of British Columbia, where some patches of potatoes which had been growing on the side of a mountain were found a considerable distance away on the opposite side of the river. On this occasion the slide carried such momentum that the river never stopped it, the whole potatoe crop being removed comparatively undisturbed.

THE CITY.

SIDNEY RUSSEL ALMOND, mining recorder at Grand Forks, has been appointed a registrar of marriages.

REV. DR. DICKEY, the first missionary appointed by the general assembly of the Presbyterian church of Canada, to labor in the Yukon gold fields, will occupy the pulpit of Rev. Dr. Campbell's church on Sunday next.

A MAN named Offerman was arrested last night, charged by Maud Lord with stealing some articles of jewelry from her when he was in town two weeks ago. Offerman claims that it is simply a case of blackmail.

THE Alberni Gold Development Syndicate, Ltd., has just received a license as an extra-provincial company, the fact being duly noted in the Gazette of yesterday. James Armstrong, of Alberni, is attorney for the company, which will have its head offices at Alberni, and is capitalized at £15,000 in £10 shares.

LAST evening at the First Presbyterian church manse, Rev. Dr. Campbell solemnized the marriage of Mr. Bethnel Huntley Kirkpatrick, of Port Renfrew, and Miss Ellen Pennington Clarke. The bride arrived from Liverpool last Saturday evening. The happy couple will leave early next week for their home at Port Renfrew.

HAVING followed close on the "heels" of the Spiritualist dance, the Daughters of England had not a very large attendance at their "social hop" in the A.O.U.W. hall last night. To the music of the Collister orchestra, however, splendid amusement was enjoyed. A supper at between 11 and 12 o'clock was partaken of and this and other features of the dance were proved to be under the management of very capable hands.

A TRIAL shipment of thirteen tons of ore from the Champion claim, Mineral Hill, Alberni, has just been put through the mill at the Victoria Metallurgical Works with excellent results. The ore was taken out from the surface in two shifts and was shipped without sorting so as to give an idea of the surface value average from wall to wall. The result is the mill run assay was $28 a ton and of this $22.42 a ton was saved. For a surface showing without sorting this is remarkably good.

GEORGE CESSFORD, a well known young man living in Victoria West, was held up on Point Ellice bridge as he was proceeding homeward on Wednesday night. He passed a man lounging over the fence at Captain Grant's residence at the entrance to the bridge, but thought nothing of it till he looked back and saw the man following him. Just across the bridge Mr. Cessford encountered a second man, who suddenly emerged from the bushes, and presenting a six-shooter ordered Cessford to halt, a command that was promptly obeyed. The man with the weapon, on looking at Cessford more closely, appeared to have wanted some one else, for he immediately afterwards told Cessford to move on, permission which was gladly taken.

GOATS, other than the lodge variety, are not to be found in Victoria to-day, the Rosalie having taken the last of the species to be found here, for duty on the Klondyke trails. It is not an easy thing to get fifty or sixty goats in this part of the world, and accordingly even as high as $50 was paid by the gentlemen who look to the sure-footed billies to carry their supplies into the treasure-land.

WON LUNG, a Chinese gardener, who is anything but a consumptive in appearance, was before magistrate Macrae in the city police court yesterday morning, the charge against him being that he had diverted a natural watercourse so as to utilize it in the improvement of his vegetable patch. The offence was admitted, although the accused explained that he had erred unintentionally, and he was allowed to go without paying a penalty, it being agreed that the dam he had constructed and which caused all the trouble, will be removed at once.

A VERY entertaining parlor meeting, under the auspices of the W. C. T. U., was held at the residence of Mrs. William Grant, Point Ellice, yesterday. About seventy ladies were present, forty-four of whom were new members, the direct result of the previous weeks' crusade. An address of welcome was given to the new members by Mrs. Jenkins. This was followed by a reading, "A Notable Tree Planting," given by Mrs. Gould. Mrs. Clyde sang a beautiful solo, "The City of God," in her usual sweet way. Mrs. John Robson was unanimously chosen as a provincial life member of the W. C. T. U. Dr. Hathaway being present, addressed a few well chosen words to the ladies.

THAT the late Christian William Kammerer was widely known and much respected as a scrupulous business man was a fact that at his funeral yesterday afternoon was borne testimony to by all attending. The funeral, which was a very large one, was conducted by Rt. Rev. Bishop Cridge. It took place from the residence, at 177 Pandora street, and among the mourners were the members of the Pioneer Society, of which Mr. Kammerer had been a much respected member. Those who acted as pall-bearers were: Messrs. John Graham, W. H. Bone, Alex. Wilson, T. J. Partridge, John Robertson, Richard Collister, Thomas Shotbolt and Mayor Redfern.

IN THOS. SHOTBOLT'S drug store window on Johnson street are shown a dozen apples, which are attracting much attention because of their remarkable size, fine appearance and delicious flavor. An average sample measured 13½ inches in circumference and weighed 20 ounces. They are said to be of the Red Bettheimer variety. The apples were grown by Mr. Thomas Williams, Victoria West. Their many excellent qualities would indicate that they are of a class that should be extensively cultivated, as a ready market is available both at home and abroad. In Thomas Bros. & Grant's store are two samples of apples, grown at Gordon Head. Mr. Isaac Somers shows some fine looking Gloria Mundis, one of which weighed 23½ ounces. Mr. W. C. Grant exhibits some Alexanders which are also of remarkably fine appearance.

THE congregation of St. Barnabas church each year take great pains for the success of their harvest home festival, and so yesterday the church looked very pretty, decked out with the fruits of the harvest. The ladies of the congregation had made the font a lovely bower of green, with rosy cheeked apples peeping out temptingly here and there, and bright flowers, mostly of the new chrysanthemum-like asters, were twined with the green and placed in little bunches. Grain was placed upon the wall in nice designs and also twined the chancel screen, while fruits were used to beautify the chancel. There were services in the morning, forenoon and evening, the latter being attended by so many people that the whole church was crowded. The evening service was of a particularly bright character, Rev. Fiennes Clinton preaching, and Ven. Archdeacon Scriven and Rev. J. B. Haslam, the rector, assisting in the service.

AS THE result of a little prospecting trip lately Mr. John Braden, M.P.P., has to show some as fine specimens of steel galena as ever gladdened the heart of a miner. Though not at present ready to make known the whereabouts of the find, Mr. Braden says it is not more than seventy miles from Victoria and on Vancouver island. He and two partners have staked out and recorded their claims, and consequently have the ground all safe. Where the ledge is laid bear on the hillside it shows twenty feet wide and banded. The body is immense and in such a favorable position that a tunnel can be driven right in on the face of the ore. The assays go high in silver and, as is sometimes the case with lead ore in this province, copper pyrites can be seen mixed with the galena. The ore also carries gold and in some of the pieces brought down as samples free gold was to be seen. The intention is to open up the property promptly.

FARMERS' INSTITUTES.

TO THE EDITOR:—Allow me to correct a false impression you have derived from the wording of Mr. McBride's letter, which appeared in your issue of the 22nd instant. The meaning of the last paragraph of the letter is, that inasmuch as the Farmers' Institute Act gives the institutes powers and functions formerly assumed by the Farmers' Alliance, the latter body has now decided to conduct its affairs on a political basis.

There is no Farmers' Institute organized in Richmond as yet, so, apart from my personal knowledge of the matter, Mr. McBride's meaning is obvious. I have been very careful in my capacity of acting superintendent of Farmers' Institutes to impress upon the farmers the necessity of adhering to the provisions of the act as to the avoidance of politics in the institutes formed under the act.

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