

FOR YUKON TRAVEL

Advantages of a Proposed Route via the Stikine River and Teslin Lake.

Claimed That it Would Make Access to the Gold Fields Much Easier.

Two gentlemen well acquainted with the northern country, who are at present staying in the city, are earnest advocates of the route via the Stikine to the Yukon district.

The facts which these two gentlemen state in regard to the proposed route to the Yukon are certainly very much in its favor.

The route via the Stikine river is easily navigable by properly constructed steamers to Telegraph Creek, or any point in its vicinity.

There are at present two ways of reaching the Yukon, one by St. Michael's and the up-river steamers, and the other by the Chilkoot Pass and the Chilkoot road.

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BRIDGE DESTROYED EAST OF THE ROCKIES

Esquimaux and Nanaimo Railway Bridge Across Niagara Canyon Carried Away.

Road Bridge Across Sooke River Also Succumbs to the Recent Floods.

A huge gap in the Esquimaux & Nanaimo Railway bridge, which spans the Niagara canyon, the carrying way of the truss bridge across the Sooke river at its mouth and several minor wash-outs, are the result of the continuous deluge of rain that has been falling nearly a week.

At eight o'clock this morning the E. & N. passenger train bound north left Victoria station as usual. At the water tank above Goldstream she was flagged by the track walker, who reported that during the night Niagara bridge had been carried away.

The bridge which crossed Niagara canyon was similar in construction to the other trusses in the canyon in the north-bound train which returned from the water from the mountain stream to pass through into the Saanich Arm.

It is understood that no attempt will be made to repair the structure, but the E. & N. R. Co. will at once begin building there one of those modern steel bridges with which they for some time intended to replace all the large wooden trestles on the line.

A large force of men were at once set to work constructing a temporary passage across the canyon, by which passengers can be transferred from one train to another.

While Waugh creek, Goldstream and other streams over which bridges cross are unusually high, no danger of the bridges being carried away is apprehended.

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THE SCHOOL QUESTION SETTLED SATISFACTORILY TO BRANDON LIBERALS.

London, Nov. 13.—Rena Coran, a 4-year-old girl adopted by Mr. George Curriel, has been kidnapped.

Holland Landing, Nov. 13.—John Grant, an old man who lived in a hole in a bank of earth and covered it with leaves and brush, was nearly burned to death by the brush catching fire, and was sent to Toronto for treatment, but is not expected to recover.

St. John's, Nfld., Nov. 13.—The Gloucester halibut schooner Cordova went ashore at Tepeasy yesterday with a cargo of 6000 pounds of halibut on board.

Halifax, Nov. 13.—The British cruiser Crescent, flagship of the North American squadron, has sailed from Halifax for Bermuda with the Vice-Admiral and Lady Erskine on board.

Guelph, Nov. 13.—Rev. Dr. Torrance yesterday celebrated the jubilee of his entry on the work of the ministry. The celebration took place in Chalmers church where a large congregation gathered.

Winnipeg, Nov. 13.—The Brandon Liberal committee have reported favorably on the school terms of settlement as submitted to them by Attorney-General Sifton and endorsed Mr. Sifton as their candidate.

Montreal, Nov. 13.—Minister Tarte has written a letter to Le Cultivateur in which he states that with profound sorrow he saw that the French community of Manitoba is losing strength every day.

There are 51 Catholic schools, and he points out, now closed, and the number of separate schools is thirty, almost equal to that of the schools which operate under the public school act.

It is half an hour in a private school, and half in the other, more than one-half the English population have magnificently equipped and complete systems of education, and their children consequently are better fitted for the battle of life.

Both parties are actively preparing for the provincial elections, which cannot be very far off.

A letter has been received from the secretary who accompanied Li Hung Chang on his recent tour through Canada, expressing on behalf of His Excellency's satisfaction with the arrangements on board the Empress of China while crossing the Pacific Ocean, and thanking the officials for their thoughtful study of their country and their high abilities in fulfilling their manifold duties.

Rev. Canon Thorpe, of Sherbrooke, announced his acceptance of the bishopric of Algoma at this morning's session of the synod. His consecration will take place either in Christ Church cathedral, or in his own church at Sherbrooke.

Counsel for Grenier, indicted by the grand jury for criminally libelling Hon. Mr. Tarte, this morning renewed the application made a few days ago that a date be fixed for the trial, but this was denied. The request that a second panel of jurors be summoned, as the present one expires early next week, was also refused.

There is no chance now of a retrial. The case will be decided on the 13th of March.

Montreal, Nov. 13.—Judge Lorranger, in the supreme court, gave judgment declaring illegal the early closing law, when adopted by municipalities, which forces dry goods, grocery and other shops to close at 8 o'clock each night.

VENEZUELA'S CLAIM. Minister Says all They Asked For Has Been Conceded.

New York, Nov. 14.—Senator Jose Andrade, minister from Venezuela to the United States, is at the Hotel Savoy. He came here on business and is accompanied by his daughter. When asked whether the draft of the treaty of agreement with reference to the disputed territory claimed by England had been submitted to him he said: "No, it has not been submitted to me. It is not an aware that such a treaty is yet in existence. In the ordinary course it will be submitted to my government for approval. The published statement that the treaty had been drawn and was brought here by me is not correct. Neither have I any intention of returning to Caracas with the treaty. There is much concerning the negotiations that I cannot speak of, but I may say that Venezuela's claim is practically conceded for all we worked for was that the dispute be referred to a fair tribunal. Lord Salisbury's annual comment at the Lord Mayor's banquet, I believe, was brought out by President Cleveland's stand and by the knowledge that the American commission would and must render an adverse report."

JAIL DELIVERY. Frank Crawford on Trial for Murder Breaks Jail.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report

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done both from within and without. There were eight iron bars cut through. The iron was soaped that the saws would make no noise. The escape was made while two guards were on duty.

A GENERAL'S STORY HE RELATES THE NARROW ESCAPE OF HIS DAUGHTER.

Weakness and Run Down by the Oppressive Climate of India She Returned to England—When Her Father Followed He Found Her in a Serious Condition.

From the Hampshire Independent. There is nothing more interesting than the talk of our brave defenders, who have served their Queen and country in far distant lands.

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SPORTING INTELLIGENCE. Events of Interest in the Amateur and Professional Field.

THE TURF. VANDEBILT BUYS HORSES. New York, Nov. 13.—A special to the Herald from Paris says: M. Canille Blanc has sold thirteen yearlings to Mr. W. K. Vanderbilt, who expects to commence racing operations in a short time in France.

SALE OF PALO ALTO STOCK. San Francisco, Nov. 13.—Thirty-five head of thoroughbred yearlings from the Palo Alto farm were sold last night for \$5,705, an average of \$165. The highest price obtained was \$610, which Peter Mitchell gave for Flinders, a chestnut colt by Flambeau-Blanc.

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One of the Terms of the Manitoba Question

Fisheries Commission send Joint Memorandum

Ottawa, Nov. 17.—Clifford Sifton was sworn in as the Interior and member of the Cabinet by Sir Henry Sifton, who is at 10 o'clock this morning's office. Hon. Mr. Sifton's office. Hon. Mr. Sifton's office.

International Fisheries Commission says the report is joint one, they being conclusions. The report by the end of the year.

Commander Spain, of protection fleet, has returned to the coast on below the average. His vessels took out licenses against forty-five last year in this year's license.

Hon. Mr. Davies is for a Hudson Bay spring. A vessel of the sealing fleet will be chartered to escort a cutter to the coast.

The premier has promised to send a school teacher to the coast.

Hon. Clifford Sifton, general of Manitoba, a night and was met by the train was sharp.

The new minister of education will be Mr. Davies.

COASTERS DEPARTURE. Walla Walla has a R. H. Jameson on Her Trip

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AWARDED HIGHEST HONORS—WORLD'S FAIR, DR. PALMER'S CREAM BAKING POWDER

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