tory of a Well Established institution.

Only Five Years Old But it is a Healthy Young—

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The Viotoria Hunt club, as at present constituted, is in its fifth year. Weekly paper chases were held during the season previous to the formation of the club. They were organized chiefly by certain officers of the R. E. and R. M. A., who also held a steeplechase meeting at Colwood in '97, which was a great success, not so much on account of the excellence of the racing, as by reason of the diverting incidents of the occasion. Many people will remember how a certain heavyweight approached a fence (the fences were built of boards in those days) at a gradually decreasing pace, his horse meanwhile swerving gently round until broadside to the jump, when the jockey slowly and easily rolled off and over the fence; to presently climb back and vent his displeasure on the inoffensive mount, by fiercely jerking the unfortunate animal in the mouth before proceedings on his some or the sisurity way; and it is also memorable how the race was won by Lightfoot, he being the only horse which according to the stewards—followed the not uncomplicated course.

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It seems to have been a common plan in those days, and also more recently, to pay a man of the farming class, who knew the country, to act as hare, and lay a line with paper; and we are told how he, on his horse, which was no flyer, would throw paper over a fence, but go round by another way himself, picking up the line again on the far side. This method must have necessitated his being given a very considerable amount of law—half a day probably. But researches into ancient history show that in other runs, lold sports men went as hares in the orthodox manner, and to avoid being caught, frequently jumped most mighty fences, and had many hairbreadth escapes from broken necks and other inconsequent injury. Happily neither in ancient nor modern times has any fatal or very darks more or less temporarily disabling have arrived to members.

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The Victoria

Hunt Club

Ments in connection with the weekly runs, and undertook to negotiate with the farmers on the subject of damage. The excellent feeling existing between the farmers of the neighborhood and the club is partly due to Mr. Simpson's unfailing coursesy and tact, and partly to the sportsmanlike feeling among them as a class. Most of the farmers readily grant the required permission to cross their fields.

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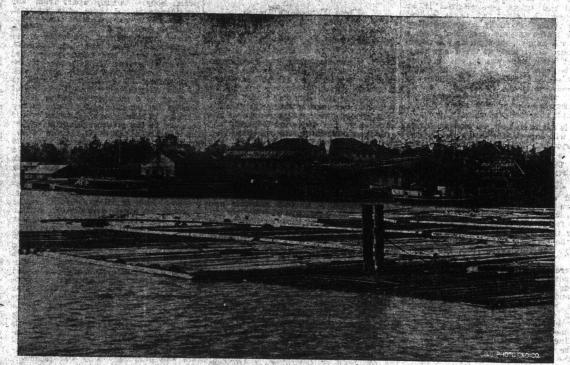


Mr. J. Hardy Simpson and His Mare Jezebel, Winner of the Huntley Park Plate at the Victoria Sweepstakes.

ICTORIA MACHINERY DEPOT COMPANY'S

A Modern Shipbuilding and Engineering Establishment That Gives Employment to Upwards of One Hundred Hands, and Spends \$60,000 a Year in Wages.

' VICTORIA INDUSTRIES"-NO. 4.



VICTORIA MACHINERY DEPOT'S ESTABLISHMENT, VICTORIA, B. C. Photo by Savannah.

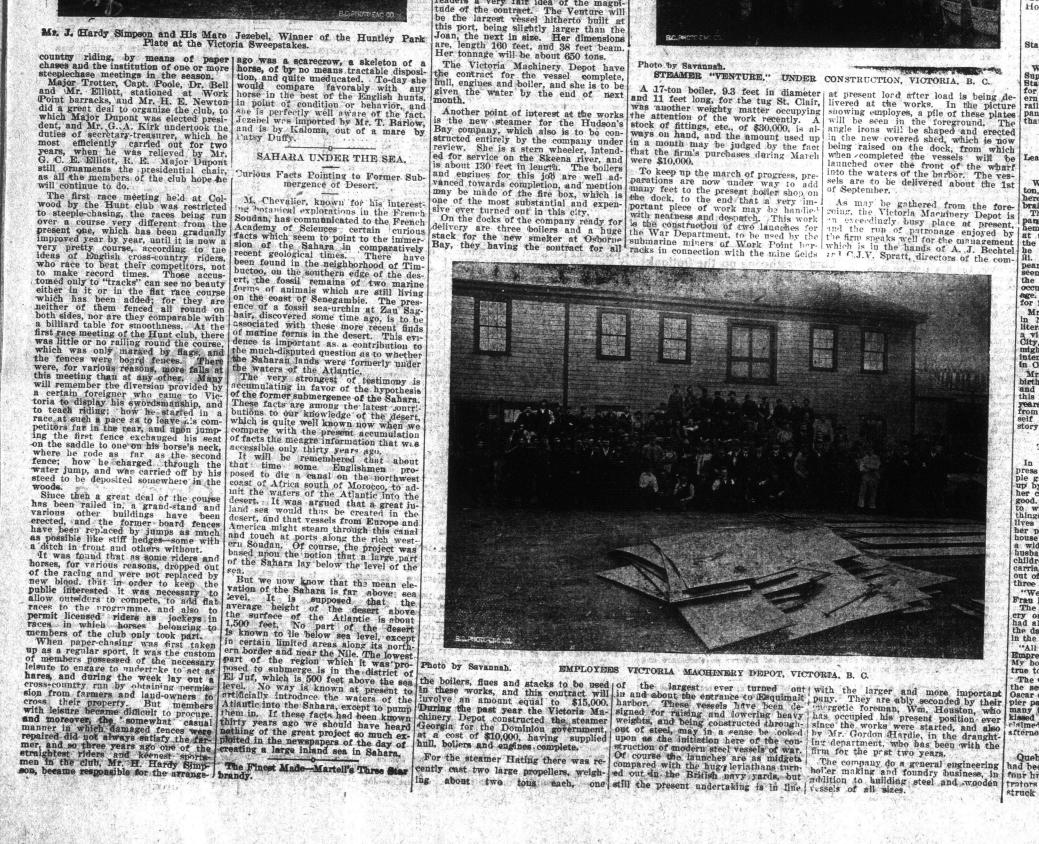
Photo by Savannah. VICTORIA MACHINERY DEPOT'S ESTABLISHMENT, VICTORIA, B. C.

Of the numerous industries grouped around Rock Bay, none present at this time a livelier or more prosperous aspect than does the works of the Victoria Machinery Depot, a cut of whose establishment is shown above. These works were established about 16 years ago by the late Mr. Joseph Spratt and Andrew Gray. Shortly after this Mr. A. Munroe joined the firm, but about six years ago the works were acquired by Mr. Gray, who conducted the business until the year 1899, when the Victoria Machinery Depot as at present organized took hold. To give some idea of the growth of this plant, since the new company's advent, it may be stated that two years ago the average number of hands did not exceed 10, while the total now employed is often upwards of 100 all told. In fact for Wictoria Machinery Depot as a trace of 16 knows per hour.

During the past few months the firm have done a great deal of general overhauling on vessels in these waters, so much so that within the year nearly all the local craft have passed through the hands of the skilled workers of the company. The steamers Amur and Hating are included in this list. 100 all told. In fact few Victorians have

100 all fold. In fact few Victorians nave any idea of the importance to this city of the Victoria Machinery Depot, and the photograph below, showing some of the employees, will be an eye-opener to The pay roll of the company at the present rate will approximate \$60,000 per annum, while the value of the plant, stock, building, etc., is about \$100,000. Only lately four additional water lots were purchased and it is the intention to proceed with the construction of a year. ine railway on this land as soon as the large steamer now being built fo large steamer now being built for Messer. Shaw & Co. is out of the way. These ways will be of about the saurapacity as the one at Esquimalt, and will be capable of handling all sized crafts up to 2,500 tons. The outlay in prospect on this improvement will be rospect on this improvement will be sout \$50,000.

As will be seen from the view of the works given above, the principal item of interest at the yards at present is the construction of the steamer Venture, the hull of which is now well on towards the hull of which is now well an towards completion. A separate illustration of this vessel is here given and will give readers a very fair idea of the magnitude of the contract. The Venture will be the largest vessel hitherto built at this port, being slightly larger than the Joan, the next in size. Her dimensions are, length 160 feet, and 38 feet beam. Her tonnage will be about 650 tons.



The Rocky Mountain Rangers Mining Shows a Revival.

POT COMPANY'S

WORKS ROCK BAY

Kaslo, April 15—(Special)—The local company of Hocky Mountain Rangers has taken a new less of the since Mr. W. J. H. Holmes, son of Col. Holmes, D. O. C., of Victoria, has assumed the command. The corps has for some months been below its "fighing" strength, and, partly owing to a depletion of officers and to the fact that many of the old members were away at their duties in the neighboring mines, it has been impossible to get up a sufficient interest in the matter till the present captain topk command. He has thrown so much energy into the initial proceedings that a drill hall is now in course of erection by the Dominion authorities, and recruits are being enrolled in considerable numbers. So less stan 30 being sworn in last evening. It must not be supposed, however, that Kaslo is unparticite in regard to this matter, for at the present time there are several of her "boys" at the front, and one or two lave received special notice in despatches and another has been forcibly described as a "fighter from hell."

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This city has always celebrated the 24th of May, and a special public meeting was called by Mayor Goodenogth hist week to formulate the programmetor this, year's proceedings. Owing to her vatural advantages in the way of position on the lake, and the beauty of the surrounding scenery, Kaslo has eyery aid that nature can bestow to enhance an occasion. About \$1,500 in prizes is to be given, and the programme will include baseball matches, calithumpian parade, dancing in a specially erected pavilion, sailing and yacht races, rowing, swinming, Caledonian sports, etc.
The revival in the mining industry and the expected fise in the silver-lead market has already borne fruit, and market has already borne fruit, and merchants report that their returns so far this month show a considerable increase over the whole of those of last month. The tonnage of ore shipments from the Kaslo-Slocan district passing through this town also have increased by about 10 per cent. over that of the same time last year; and the new placer diggings on Cooper creek, some 20 miles from here, are attracting attention, and will, it is fully expected, prove to be of decided value.

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There has been a movement on foot for some time to establish a public hospital here under the auspices of the Victorian Order of Nusses. The city council have so far not taken any active steps in the matter, but a number of ladies forming a district committee of the order, and amongst whom are Mrs. John Keen, Mrs. W. J. H. Holmes and Miss Whellams, the latter being formerly a professional nurse in the Winnipeg hospital, have been working quietly in the interest of the movement, and their efforts have been so far rewarded that Lady Minto has expressly asked Miss McLeod, lady superintendent at Ottawa, to pay Kaslo a visit in the near future. It is expected that Miss McLeod will be coming to British Columbia in June.

NEWFOUNDLAND HOUSE.

NEWFOUNDLAND HOUSE. Legislature Prorogued-Closing Speech Is Hopeful.

St. John's, Nfid., April 22.—The colonial legislature prorogned this afternoon. The Governor of Newfoundland, Sir Cavendish Boyle congratulated the colony in his closing speech, on the part of the favorable industrial outlook and foreshadowed excellent results from the measure enacted with respect to the principal industries of the colony.

Standard vessel was firing broadside after broadside, and the siring broadside after broadside, and the sunken Lautaro, which still lay in the fairway to the harbor when the Shearwater was there. Neither vessel struck her flag, however, and the firing continued. There was noise galore, and the struck her flag, however, and the firing smoke ad lib. Surely this was a great fight. At last the firing ended, and the straing steamer was preceding the other line of the harbor—she had evidently been

Queen mine to the Yellowstone company's tenstamp mill will be completed this week and that early next week the plant will be started on the ore from the Queen. The mill has a capacity of 25 tons per day, and it is thought the Queen mine can produce this quantity indefinitely. The Queen has been developed by three tunnels and has a good showing of ore. A trial lot sent to the Nelson smelter gave returns of \$60 per ton. It is not thought that the entire ledge will yield as high values as this.

Britisher, in his choicest Spanish.

"Capture," echoed the South American. That was not apture back. Capture! That might when the wardroom retailed the story of the naval fight, and criticised its features, the officer said nothing until the story ended, and then told of how one gunboat had been captured by the rebels and was lost, and of how the other gunboat had been sent out to salute her. when it was ton. It is not thought that the entire ledge will yield as high values as this. The Queen is under bond to Judge P. learnt th McL. Forin, Archibald Cameron, Gerald turning.

Washington, April 21.—The United States Supreme Court today granted leave to the State of Washington to file an original bill for an injunction against the Great Northern Railway company, the Northern Pacific railway and the Northern Securities company, in accordance with the petition of that State recently filed in the court.

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Leading United States Novelists Succumbe to Paralysis.

Washington, April 20.—Frank R. Stockton, the well known novelist, died suddenly here this morning from hemorrhage of the brain.

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The cause of Mr. Stockton's death was a guest to be sarlous, and the sufferer seemed to be improving, but a change for the was taken suddenly and mysteriously ill. The ailment did not at that time appear to be serious, and the sufferer seemed to be improving, but a change for the worse came this morning, and death occurred at 11 o'clock. He was 68 years of age. The body will be taken to Philadelphia for interment.

Mr. Stockton had spent the past winter in New York, and had done very little.

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Mr. Stockton was a Philadelphian by birth, and in early life was an engraver and draughtsman, but soon abandoned this occupation for journalism. Many years ago, however, he retired wholly from newspaper work and devoted himself to literature. His reputation as a story writer was world wide.

THE EMPRESS OF GERMANY. In Germany everybody loves their Empress with the same love that English people give to Queen Alexandra. She is held up by every mother in the Fatherland to her children as an example of all that is good. She herself has taught her children to wait upon themselves and do useful things, and has endeavored to make their lives simple and unostentatious as far as her position will allow. In a quiet little house in the suburbs of Potsdam there lives a widow, Frau Frommel by name, whose husband was a pastor to the Emperor's children. One afternoon quite recently a carriage drove up to her front door, and out of it stepped the Empress, followed by three of her sons.

"We have come to take tea with you, Frau Frommel," said the Empress, smiling. The good woman knew not whether to cry or laugh, for, as she explained, she had allowed all her servants to go out for the day, and there was no one but herself in the house to do what was necessary.

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"All the better," good naturedly said the Empress. "We shall be all the merrier. My boys and I will make the tea." And, true to her word, they did. The Crown Prince made up a rearing fire, the second boy set the table, and young Oscar cut the bread. There was not a happier party that sat down to tea in all Germany that afternoon, and as the Empress kissed Fran Frommel good-bye, she exclaimed: "I haven't had such a pleasant afternoon for months!—Chicago Journal.

QUEBEC STRIKE.

Quebec, April 22.—After the noon gun had been fired from the citadel yesterday, four hundred workmen employed by contrators for, buildings throughout the city struck for higher wages.

men, and pay about \$60,000 yearly in wages.

Rev. Dr. Cyrus Brooks, 91 years of age, the oldest Methodist minister in the United States, is dead at his home in St. Paul, Minn.

The Shearwater At Esquimalt

Stoop-of-War Reaches Nevel Station-Similar to

Naval Engagement at Pagama as Seen From the New

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steamers steamed up close to each other and then the air was clouded with the smoke of many guis. Each vessel was firing broadside after broadside, and the officers looked to see if one was sunk, like the sunken Lautaro, which still lay in the fairway to the beauty of the sunker to the lay in the fairway to the lay in the fairwa QUEEN MINE.

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Nelson, April 22—(Special)—A special from Ymir states that the surface transway from the main shaft of the Queen mine to the Yellowstone company's ten-stamp mill will be completed this week and that early next week the plant will be started.

sent out to salute her, when learnt that she had escaped and was re Hopkins and Mr. Holmes for \$50,000.

To Fight Merger.

State of Washington Allowed to File Bill For Injunction.

Washington, April 21.—The United States Supreme Court today granted leave to the until the correspondent boarded the supreme court today granted leave to the states of the Shearwater continued her voyage towards Victoria. The story was not learned by those of the Shearwater until the correspondent boarded the supreme court today granted leave to the supreme court today gra

Intil the correspondent boarded the sloop-of-war at San Diego, and there the officers learned of how the Amphion and the Protet had steomed between the rebel gunboats and the city of Panama, and saved the South American capital from being bombarded. The voyage from San Diego up to Vic-

The officers are mostly men new to this station, the only one who has visited the port before being Paymaster Percy J. Ling, who was on H. M. S. Pheasant during her commission at Esquimalt. The list in full is as follows: Commander, Chas. H. Umfreville; lieutenant, Gerald Ducat; navigating lieutenant, Philip S. R. Conron; lieutenant, Frank S. Rose; surgeon, Robert B. Scribner; paymaster, Percy J. Ling; gunner, Hugh C. Pook; and artificer engineer, A. F. R. Northcott.

FOURTH CONTINGENT.

Five Hundred Men Camped in Halifax-More Recruits Leave. Halifax, N. S., April 22.-Steamship Halifax, N. S., April 22.—Steamship Cestrian arrived today from Boston to take the first division of the Fourth contingent to South Africa. Five hundred men are in camp here ready to sail when the ship is fitted out.

Toronto, Ont., April 22.—Col. Otter resterday received word that some men of the permanent force would be allowed to volunteer for South Africa. Forty names have been sent to Ottawa of men who wish to go.

Montreal, April 22.—One hundred and thirty recruits for the Fourth contingent left here today for Halifax. They came from Ottawa.

ASK BONUS.

Hamilton Offered Chancé to Secure Implement Factory. Hamilton, Ont., April 22 .- (Special.)-

Hamilton, Ont., April 22.—(Special.)— Hamilton has been offered the chance of securing the Canadian branch of the manufactory of the Deering Harvester Co., of Chicago, now located at Brock-ville. The chief requirement is a bonus of \$50,000. The company employ 125 men, and par about \$60,000 vector is

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