

enemy, president of the bank, are in Vancouver and expected to accompany him in a day or two.

PROVINCIAL NEWS.

SANDON. Twenty-eight Nova Scotians arrived in Sandon on one train the other day.

CASCADE CITY. The C.P.R. surveyors have been at work for the past week, surveying between this place and the coast.

PORT STEELES. The railway has reached here and where railways have not, it is stated here that the C. P. R. is cutting the route to Port Steele via Golden and the route to Nest Pass. It is also reported that the Great Northern is cutting a route to this point via Kalspell and Bonner's Ferry.

NELSON. Nelson took another step forward in her progress when the magnificent new Hotel Hume was thrown open to the public.

GRAND FORKS. Mr. J. F. Hemenway, superintendent of the Grand Forks, seriously ill with a fever.

REVELSTOCK. A quiet wedding took place last week in St. Peter's church in Revelstoke.

SURREY CENTRE. News has been received here from the Royal City logging camp along the railway, that John Perdue, a hook tender, has not with an accident by which he severed the ends of his two fingers.

CASCADE CITY. Quite a number of buildings are being put up this spring. Among the most prominent are on the street.

ASHICOET. John Harris, of the 150-Mile House, has received orders from the provincial government to immediately proceed to Hazelton with a force of men, and to use all the means at his disposal to bring about a cessation of hostilities.

KUSKONOOK. Post Office Inspector Fletcher has visited Kuskonook and made arrangements for the opening of a post office at the new town at the end of the lake early in the summer.

ROSSLAND. Police Magistrate Jordan has dismissed charges of jury against R. E. Darrow. The charge grew out of the fact that Darrow, who is a prospector, was when locating the mine, claiming that the ground which the location was filed was vacant, when in point of fact it was already covered by the Luckenbach claim.

THE TURF. Meeting of Flyers. R. Brown of New York, and Jas. A. By of Chicago, were arranged for a race between the crack pair of stallions, 2:30 1/2 and Gunette 2:35 1/4.

NEW RAILWAY FOG SIGNAL. Curious railway danger or fog signal has been invented in Chiswick, England, which has been adopted by the Western Railway.

LOSS AT MARE ISLAND NARY YARD. Loss at Mare Island Navy Yard Total Quarter of a Million.

THE EARTHQUAKE'S DAMAGE. Loss at Mare Island Navy Yard Total Quarter of a Million.

COULDN'T HEAD HIM OFF. During the visit of a political gentleman to Kentucky his servant came to him one morning and announced the coldest weather of the season.

DOES HE PLAY "A HOT TIME"? There is a palatial in London named "The Hot Time," and they say he draws all the music out of the instrument he uses.

story of the Beban family, this item from the Miner is of interest.

LILLOOET CLAIMS

Report Showing the Work Done on a Number of Valuable Properties.

The Coming Season Will Be a Busy One Throughout the Bridge River District

(Special correspondence of the Times.) Lillooet, B. C., March 28.—Mr. William Young, one of the owners of the Blackfoot mineral claim, starts for his claim on Cadwallader creek this morning.

KAMLOOPS. Mr. Ira E. McNutt, who walked from Spokane on February 12th, to start over the Kamloops route to Tsasin lake, gives particulars of his journey.

KAMLOOPS. In conversation with Mr. Allan Cameron, C.P.R. district freight agent, last week, the Sentinel learned that practically the whole of the bacon and beans required for the Yukon trade were being supplied from United States points.

KAMLOOPS. Mr. Cameron further stated that practically the entire supply of the coast cities comes from Washington and Oregon, though small shipments of fed mutton from Calgary have found a ready market.

THE KLONDIKE NURSES. The Names of the Ladies Who Are to be Sent to the Yukon.

Government House, Ottawa, March 28th, 1898. To the Editor: It may interest your readers to know that the four nurses who are to form the first contingent sent forward for service in the Klondike have been appointed, and that the Dominion government have kindly arranged that they should accompany the detachment of Canadian troops, which is shortly to start for the Yukon.

SAN JOSE SCALE ACT. Provisions of the Act Prohibiting Importation of Certain Nursery Stock.

Collector Mills has received copies of the San Jose Scale Act, prohibiting the importation of certain nursery stock from the United States, Australia, Japan and the Hawaiian Islands.

Under the San Jose Scale Act, passed 18th March, 1888, as per schedule "A" hereto, the importation into Canada of any plants, plants, vines, cuttings, cuttings of buds, commonly called nursery stock, is prohibited, and any nursery stock so imported shall be forfeited to the crown.

By an order-in-council, approved 18th March, 1898, the following countries, in the said act prohibiting the importation of nursery stock is declared to apply to: United States of America, Japan, and the Hawaiian Islands.

By an order-in-council, approved 18th March, 1898 (as per schedule "C" hereto), Greenhouse plants, with the exception of certain ferns, orchids, cacti, chrysanthemums, azaleas, begonias and carnations, but not roses or any other woody plants.

Herbaceous perennials (the tops of which are in water, such as peonies, phlox, delphiniums, peonies, ranunculus, etc.), and all other true bulbs, including caladium, iris, anthurus, dahlias, etc.

Customs officers are requested to strictly enforce the provisions of the law prohibiting the importation of nursery stock and to seize all trees, shrubs, plants, cuttings, cuttings of buds, commonly called nursery stock, when imported from the countries mentioned in the schedule of the said act, reporting all seizures in the usual way, on form K. B.

DON'T. Don't drop insinuations. A bigger man may pick them up. Don't pick out for your friend's man whose dog will follow him. Don't think all books are saleable because they are bound in vellum.

His IDEA OF GENIUS. "No," he said, "there are no women geniuses and I don't know of any." "Mrs. Browning was a genius, wasn't she?" "She thought she was; but she'd hardly be heard of now if she hadn't married Robert Browning."

CONTRIBUTION MAY BE SENT FOR THE "VICTORIAN ORDER KLONDIKE EXPEDITION" either to our treasurer, Mrs. Edwin Griffin, Russell House, Ottawa, or to myself direct. They will be acknowledged both personally and in our daily newspapers. I remain, yours faithfully, ISHBEAL ABERDEEN.

GULF CABLE.

Experts Looking Over the Route Between Mainland and Island.

Mr. James Wilson, superintendent of the C.P.R. telegraph lines, accompanied by Mr. Jerrard, who will have charge of the cable from Point Grey (Vancouver) to Departure Bay (Nanaimo) paid a visit to the Bay yesterday afternoon to see which place would be the best landing point, says the Nanaimo Free Press.

It is expected that the cable will be kept on the northwest side of the bay. The cable will have three wires, one of which will be used exclusively for the Nanaimo business, so as to prevent interruption by Victoria or Vancouver messages.

AN IMPOSING PILE. The New Premises for Messrs. Weller Bros. Now Under Construction.

In response to advertisement in the paper every contractor who has been busy figuring on the plans for these premises, which, next to the Five Sisters block, erected by the same architect, will be the largest business premises in Victoria. The new buildings will occupy the most commanding site in town, at the corner of Government and Broughton streets.

The construction is altogether a departure from that generally adopted in Victoria, being a wide, airy, open construction, with heavy, massive timbers that cannot be seriously affected by fire, instead of the light timberwork so commonly used.

One of the main features in these premises is the arrangement of the openings on Government and Broughton streets, giving light and ventilation to the interior. The building is a two-story structure, with a separate freight elevator provides for handling the goods.

Desultory Fighting Is Still Going on in the Eastern Provinces. An Ugly Temper Displayed by Havana—Demands of Ultra-Loyalists.

New York, April 1.—A despatch to the Tribune from Havana says: Progress towards settling the Cuban question cannot be reported from Cuba. So little is known here of the negotiations between the two governments that the most violent among the Spanish classes are disposed to wait full information.

Desultory fighting goes on in the Eastern provinces with usual disproportion, according to official reports, between the number of insurgents killed and the number of Spanish soldiers wounded, while the mortality among the horses continues heavy. This is all there is of the military situation on which Spain might base her pretension that her arms are making headway.

As to the armistice nothing has been done, and Gen. Blanco apparently is able to do nothing until he changes his method. The two agents of the government who are acting under Gen. Pando's directions in trying to open negotiations, according to official reports, are Gen. Blanco and Gen. Gomez, except openly and Gen. Gomez, according to the latest advices from him, does not expect such an admission. He seems to think the best method of settling the question, which will have to be done within two days after leaving the Spanish lines, around Sancti Spiritus, in Santa Clara province.

But any negotiations, either direct or through agents, will be arranged that the independence of Cuba depended upon the temper of the Spanish classes in Cuba it is an ugly one. The report on the Maine disaster has been so thoroughly discounted in advance that its publication caused no demonstration here.

Nevertheless violence and passionate objections are made to it and ignorance is played on, inflaming minds to believe that the finding of exterior explosion was made by the American board for the purpose of giving the United States a grievance against Spain. The falsehood that Capt. Sigsbee and his officers were not on board and that the report on the Maine disaster in itself is not going to cause war between the two countries.

Demands of Ultra-Loyalists. The irritation of the ultra-royalists shows itself in another manner. The Conservatives, who say they are giving

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SITUATION IN CUBA. The government patriotic support because of the aggression of the United States, are demanding that succor to the reconcentrados be stopped and that necessary, which they propose to deny, it be given by their own authority. No heed will be paid to this demand. Gen. Blanco could not heed it without further exposing to the world the utter impotence of Spanish power in Cuba and the inability of the government to feed the starving population.