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NEW WESTMINSTER. The steamer Kildonan brought two Roberts traps on Thursday. catch there on Wednesday night, are very encouraging, all the way from 150 to 300 fish to the boat.

It is just ten years ago that the salmon were seen in vast quantities in the neighborhood of Texada island, but that year the catch on the Fraser river was total failure.
From reliable sources it is learned

that the sockeye pack this year on the Fraser is likely to be from fair to middling, and in any case fully double the pack of four years ago, with which year this year corresponds. There are a great many fish in the Gulf and they will soon be ready to ascend the Fraser. The fish caught outside are all filled with unripe ova, and until the ova matures the salmon will not enter the river, When it oes, the fish start in with a rush and that rush may be expected in the course of a week or two, though there will probably be several smaller spurts in the meantime. Packs are small all round so far, but in the aggregate they amount to a good many thousand cases. The largest individual pack is believed to have been made by F. Buotilier & Co., f this city, about 5,000 cases. Ewen & Co., and the Victoria Canning Co. have also put up a good many cases. None

of the Steveston packs are large.
Through the efforts of the member for the district, Mr. Aulay Morrison, the steamer Capilano has been put in commission to replace the buoys at the sand heads, under the superintendence of Capt John Robinson.

> VERNON. Vernon News.

The wheat crop throughout the Okanagan and Spallumcheen valleys is now being harvested, and a considerable quantity of it is already in the stacks. The price starts this year at \$20 per ton. The dwelling house of Mr. Casamir Bonneau, of White Valley, was destroy. ed by fire on Sunday afternoon, and very little of the furniture and other household effects were saved. The origin of the fire is attributed to the usual

Mr. and Mrs. B. Lequime, of Okanathis week. Mr. Lequime thinks that the The company owns four claims, the first average yield of grain and hay will be of them being on the water front. There up to that of former years in most parts of the Mission valley, though in some sections the crops have suffered considerably from the protracted period of

heat and drought. A number of placer claims have recently been staked out on Whiteman's creek, about two miles from the Indian Porteous was in town on Saturday with a quantity of coarse gold which the Everett smelter. Mr. Monckton will had washed from a bench claim on this creek. The dust, which was obtained from 51 pans of dirt, weighed a little over \$11. A number of prospectors left the same day for the creek and will probably all stake claims before re-

Large quantities, of small fruits conpoints along the main line. The Cold- is being made on the Black Bear, stream ranch makes almost daily shipments of respherries, currants, etc., to lessrs. Dennison, Streatfield & Turner | the mine from Sheep Creek. nd others send frequent consignments first shipment of currants and raspber-Anaconda, in the Boundary creek district, and if the fruit stands the stage journey from Penticton in good shape other shipments will follow until the close of the season.

A very favorable assay was received last week by Messrs. Morden & Co., owners of the Morning Glory mineral claim, situated on the west side of Okanagan lake, a few miles from this city. The ore assayed: Gold, \$25.63; silver, \$42.22; copper, \$11.87; total, \$82.72. They are now in about 25 feet on the ledge, which is large in extent, with both side walls well defined. The rock well mineralized throughout though of course it will not all carry as much as the piece from which this assay was obtained. Efforts are being made to organize a company to work this mine, and it is probable that before many months it will be shipping ore in large quantities.

> MIDWAY. Midway Advance.

The Morrison Gold Mining company are making preparations for the sinking of a shaft upon their claim the Morrison m Deadwood camp.

Some .nore locations have been made near Rock creek. Messrs. Thomet and Benerman who returned a few days ago brought in some free milling quartz ed the Metallic.

Vancouver parties, who purchased time ago the Gold Dollar claim in White-Atwood camp, have started a force of men to work to develop it, and as far as known its appearance is very

Mr. Stevens, of Spokane, took a force men into Long Lake camp a few days and will put them to work on the Alice claim, which property he pur-chased some time ago from Mr. Bener-

The Spotted Horse and the Boundary Falls mineral claims have found new owners the past week, Vancouver parties being the purchasers. As the terms have not as yet transpired, it is imposible to state them. The Spotted Horse silver-lead proposition carrying a percentage of gold, is situated at adjoins Greenwood City, and was operty of Mr. James Sutherland and Mr. Covert. The Boundary Falls s situated near the town of that name, and is a similar proposition to the Spot-

Horse. Owing to the extremely dry weather ereps will be light this season in our immediate neighborhood, and as they have natured quickly having is now in full last. Quite a number of ranchers have hit upon the plan of making both ely luxuriantly. Good timothy hay city. stands even now at a premium, and The Butte claim, just east of the court shifts. Another place has been opened

gars anyone to guess.

A day or two ago Mr. James Atwood and Mr. T. Wake returned to town after a two weeks' sojourn up the main Kettle river. They had intended to remain out some time, but were forced to return owing to the flies being so ex-The steamer kalmon from the Point tremely severe upon themselves and their horses. They made a couple of looberts traps on Thursday, oberts traps on Canoe Pass, of the cations, one of which ledges was dis-The reports from Canoe Pass, of the cations, one of which ledges was disfork of Kettle river, a distance of 70 miles from Midway, or about due east from Penticton. The ore in this claim Butte ground from east to west. is silver-lead galena, and the ore body is about 11/2 feet in width. The principal location however, was made nearer Midway, and consists of a ledge of galena, well defined, carrying silver and gold, with signs of copper stain, and of a width of 9 feet, and is traceable for quite a long distance on the location. The samples of ore brought down would tend to show that a very valuable strike has been made.

When a month or two ago a claim was staked out on Pass creek, very few had any idea that this claim would form the necleus around which a camp of large proportions would grow, and yet such is the case, for already a number, of claims have been recorded, and still every day finds new discoveries made, until many are beginning to wonder whether or not the largest of the Boundary creek camps is not now in course or development. Heavy iron capping is characteristic of the camp, beneath which at a few feet in depth, development work shows a splendid sulphide ore. Communication is being furnished by the building of a good trail, and should the Columbia & Western railway ever be built through the district, no doubt it will pass right through the camp, as it is by way of Pass creek the route of the railway is gazetted. No less than eleven claims located in this new camp may be found in last week's record. The new camp is bordered on the south by Summit camp, on the west by Long Lake camp, on the east by the North Fork of Kettle river, and on the north by a yet unexplored region within the confines of which there is plenty Threshing will commence in a few days, of room for prospecting and discovery of

other new mining camps. VANCOUVER. 'The Phillips Arm Quartz Mining Company is actively at work and is now sending up a double shift of men to further develop its property. At present it has run a tunnel in over 1,000 feet and. intends cross-cutting the Jedge, which Mission, were visitors to the city is stated to be about 90 feet in width, is sufficient depth of water for large vessels to go alongside the dump, The ore is easily treated and is stated to run about \$150 to the ton. Work on the properties controlled by Messrs. G. F. Monckton, M.E., and A. J. Colquhoun, M.E., is being pushed rapidly forward and already the ledge is being tapped, eserve on Okanagan lake. Mr. Alax. a trial shipment of 23 sacks of ore being received by the Comox for shipment to

> return to Phillips Arm with another squad of men some time next week. ROSSLAND. The Rosslander.

The name of the Prospector has been changed to the Rosslander. An excavation for the foundation of time to be shipped from this station to a compressor plant for the Le Roi mine Le Roi mine is grading for and buildhe C.P.R. dining cars and hotels, and of Red Mountain to bring water to

In excavating for the foundation of to Calgary and other eastern points. the mill which is to be erected on the Mr. H. F. Dennison on Monday made a Minnie, at the foot of Red Mountain. a fine ledge of ore was uncovered last

> The Buckeye, about 21/2 miles east of Rossland, has a shaft down 32 feet. There is a very fine showing of ore and heavily mineralized ledge matter. Enquiries made at the Le Roi mine

> failed to substantiate the statement published in the Miner last Saturday that the mine was under bond for \$2 500,000. It was emphatically denied by a prominent member of the company that the mine was under bond at all and he also stated that the property is held at a much higher figure than \$2, 500.000.

The Spokesman Review is agitating for a commission of expert surveyors to ascertain if the boundary line be tween British Columbia and Washington is accurately drawn. The Review claims that the 49th parallel is further north, and that Rossland and the rich mining country surrounding it are really in the United States. The immense value of such a slice of territory as the Trail Creek district is worth kicking up

row about. The Imperial Gold Mining company closed a deal last Saturday whereby they become owners of the Boice, which is a full claim adjoining the Imperial on the northwest. The Imperial-Sovereign vein has been traced through the entire length of the Boice. This gives the Imperial company 1500 feet additional ength on the vein. The company are aken from a claim they located and call. having both claims surveyed for crown grant.

The shaft on the Curlew is down 45 feet, mineralized the whole distance, and showing a good streak of pay ore from six to ten inches wide. There are two ledges crossing the claim, and there are also several outcroppings of ron capping on which no work has ye: been attempted. The ledges are both well defined and have been broken into in places, samples of the ore assaying from \$6 to \$25 in gold and 47 ounces

to 230 ounces silver. Eric and Charles Chaplin, son and nephew of Mr. Henry Chaplin, president of the local government board in the British government, are in the camp, ing on a tour of observation through the province. They have visited most of the leading mines, and have been down

several of the deepest shafts. The city was thronged with Italian laborers this morning, who had come in from the camp on Corbin's Red Mountain railway, which is being built be tween Rossland and Northport. Such an influx naturally excited considerable comment, and an investigation disclosed the fact that the men had struck work after a conference last evening at the camp, a few miles west of here. have been paid \$1.50 a day, and the conclusions arrived at at the meeting was that this was not enough. They deends meet as regards hay, by cutting mand \$2 a day, and until this is granted and putting up large quantities of they have decided to lay down the pick ch-grass, which in this district grows and shovel and take things easy in this

credit to the great mining metropolis after which it is named. During the past three weeks two men, under direction of Manager Walters, have been run-tend to commence building a road from gravel. ning surface crosscuts along the sup- Fort Steele to the mine at an early day, of the discovery shaft. Almost every- They expect to ship ore during the comwhere the vein was covered with a ing month. heavy gravel wash, and the work was necessarily tedious and called for a big amount of faith. Last week this work was terminated. A strong well mineral

ized vein was found to traverse the NEW WESTMINSTER. Mr. E. Hutcherson, of Ladner's, 18 looking very well after his trip to Cal-

Prominent fruit-growers from all parts of the district, who were in the city on Friday, attending an executive meeting of the local fruit unions, unite in agreeing that the plum yield this year will be considerably below the average in all scetions, and less than a half crop in

several. Apples promise well. The long-prayed-for rain has come at last, and is welcome from one end of the district to the other. Apart from the good it will do the growing crops, it 18 particularly timely as a check to the forest fires, which threatened to be very disastrons.

Sunday morning, while Mr. John Hendry, manager of the B.C.M.T. & T. Co., was driving along Columbia street near the Royal City Mills, the horses became frightened and ran away, throwing Mr. Hendry out and smashed the carriage. Fortunately Mr. Hendry was not hurt.

It is stated that the Fraser, this side of North Bend, is teeming with salmon. The Indians in that locality are catching large quantities with dip-nets. The fishing results of the past week have not been altogether unsatisfactory, although the run was nothing to get excited over at any time. In the early part of the week the boats must have averaged between 30 and 40 fish for three days, dwindling down on Friday night. The canneries have all been working regularly but not pushed. All reports agree that the Gulf is full of sockeyes, and the inrush is expected any time after the 5th of August, which was the date of the first rush last year. Notwithstanding that all past records are against an even medium pack in a fourth year, as this is, fully half of the canners are confident of a big run, while the other half don't know what to think.

Although differing on this point the canners are united in agreeing that if the pack is larger than that of 1892, the hatchery will be entitled to the credit. The point raised by Mr. E. M. N. Woods, of this city, at the trial of the case of the municipality of Richmond vs. Hirschberg, before Police Magistrate Atkinson, that Stevenston did not he within the municipality of Richmond. appears to have been well taken and it also appears that the act in describing the boundaries of Richmond leaves out the whole of Lulu island, reducing the municipality to a comparatively few acres in area, Sea island being about all that is left. The fault lies with the parties who prepared the act, and it would seem that somebody has been guilty of gross carelessness. How the mistake has been so long undiscovered is surprising, and the corporation of Richmond finds itself in a very awkward predicament in consequence. The difficulty will be arranged by legislation at the next sitting of the lcoal house," but in the meentime the effects may be very serious unless the government can devise is a question if the present year's taxes can be collected on Lulu island and all the municipal regulations become null and void. The taxes heretofore collected without authority, and the loans floated have been made chargeable to property without the bounds of the corporation. Although the position is a most embarassing one for Richmond. and unless the government can devise

FORT STEELE.

some speedy means of relief it is diffe-

Fort Steele Prospector A cold wave struck Fort Steele on Wednesday, and a heavy frost was the result. Two feet of snow fell at the Dibble mine on Tuesday night. The nountains are covered with the beauti-

It is reported that a new strike of galena has been made near the Mission on the road to Cranbrook.

Work will be commenced on the Sullivan property about the 1st of August, a shaft will be sunk 100 feet, cross cuts run 100 feet north and south on the lead. The owners of this property will probably put in a concentrator early in the spring. Everything is working like a charm

on the Nip and Tuck claim, plenty of water and moving lots of gravel. J. M. Buxton visited the mine on Wednesday. Captain Goodwin, who is connected with the Boston and Montana smelter, is on a visit to his brother-in-law, George Watson. In an interview with the captain, he remarked that he was here twenty years ago, and at that time thought that the future would show that this district was destined to be one of the largest mining camps on the continent, and what he has seen since he has been here confirms what he thought of the district years before.

The Invicta Company has a large number of men at work. One large giant is working under a pressure of 400 feet, another will be in position in a few days, and by the last of the coming week there will be four giants 12 operation. The electric light plant is working nicely, and the company are

working night and day shifts. On the Dibble group a tunnel was commenced last fall, which is now in 300 feet. In running this tunnel four leads have been cut, and a fifth has been reached, which is on the last chance. the original location, and is without doubt the main lead of the group. The first lead that was reached is 13 feet in width, the ore is a gold quartz carrying silver, which assayed \$169.60 in gold and 86 ounces in silver. The second lead is about a foot in width, the ore is a gray copper very rich in gold and silver, which assayed \$33.70 in gold and 170 are posted at different points where ounces in silven. The third is five feet property is thought to be in danger. of gold quartz. The fourth has three feet of gold quartz. The fifth, which is the Last Chance lead, has just been reached. Its width is not known. The diggings soon again. While the water ore is gray copper and chlorides. Two men who are working on this lead took day to a man and it is believed that an out over \$1,500 worth of ore in two old channel has been struck.

what the price will be before spring beg- house, Columbia avenue, bids fair to do west of the tunnel some 400 feet with a below the Discovery, is being pros good showing of gold quartz, which as under sayed \$3.20 in gold and 3 oz. in silver, gor.

> ASHCROFT. B. C. Mining Journal. At the Cariboo mine fire came near doing much damage, but was unsuccess fully kept off by Supt. Hobson with a

> large force of men.
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> The Cariboo Gold Fields pipe is expected to go-forward yet this season, and a contract has been partially made with the B. X. company for the same. Work will commence of forwarding as soon as the contract is completed. The pipe will be taken to the Soda Creek. and from there will be taken to Ques-

nelle by steamer. The latest by telegraph from Quesnelle about the Pittsburg dredger is that yesterday they steamed up in the Fraser to their ground, some miles above Quesnelle. This machinery has been working successfully in raising gravel. Nothing has been learnt about the amount of gold raised where they started work, but it is not supposed that they did much in that way as they propose to work on their own lease below the Cottonwood canyon.

> LYTTON. B. C. Mining Journal.

J. C. Lual, better known as Dutch Charley, is working his placer mine across the Fraser in a small way and is reported as doing fairly well. He has a small ground sluice and a man or two working with him.

It is reported that Thomas Earle has staked the Van Winkle calim, on which no work has been done for some time. There are numerous claims against the Van Winkle company for labor and supplies, and unless other arrangements are made the plant will be levied on for indebtedness

No satisfactroy returns come down from the dredgers now between this point and Lillooet. So far as they have not been what could be termed a success.

KAMLOOPS.

The Inland Sentinel. John T. Noble, of Seattle, who went that if suitable railway rates could be obtained (\$2.50 a ton to the coast) the gypsum deposits in this vicinity would be worked to the extent of a trainload a week. But the freight rate is too high to admit of profitable working. A. S. Gross and James T. Noble, of Seattle, with ten men and an outfit of 25 horses, start up the North Thompson to-morrow for the mica mines at Tete Jaune Cache. They expect to be in there for perhaps a couple of months, and have taken all the necessary equipment to make a thorough test of the property. If the vein is as strong as bring out at least two tons of mica on their return. Mr. Noble states that the demand for mica for electrical purposes s daily increasing, and good blocks of the mineral will fetch \$5 per pound readily. The capital being put into the

Tete Jaune Cache property, amounting

to \$30,000, if the mine turns out all-

right, is coming from English sources. Charles E. Brown's ranch is on the west side of the North Thompson river, about 25 miles from this city. Last ing a flume, carrying it around the base some means of relief. For instance, it fall he put in 40 acres of early red Clawson wheat, and to-day he has, nearly ready for the reaper, as fine a field of grain as could be seen anywhere. The stalks stand on an average nearly five feet high, and every head is heavily and well filled. This variety of wheat was introduced here from New York by Mr. Brown several years ago, when he got small sample for trial. It has done, as the above results show, remarkably well. It is from ten days to two weeks cult to forsee the trcubles which may earlier than the varieties usually grown in this country. The field mentioned above was sown the first week in September, and was ready to cut for fodder by the tenth of June. No irrigation is used on the farm. Mr. Brown thinks it would pay the ranchers to go

in for fall wheat, and intends offering his crop this year for sale for seeding Messrs. Berkeley and Holley, have been living at Bella Vista, Frank Allingham's place on the North Thompson, arrived in town to-day. They report the approaches to Assiniboine Bluff almost impassable, and on Mosquito Flat strip most others for it has a great the trail has been washed away, so that they were compelled to cut their way through the underbrush. This will be bad news for the party starting up for the mica mines at Tete Jaune Cache. The labor and delay of portaging their big outfit at the bluff will be a serious matter to them. The chief commissioner of lands and works should lose no time in making improvements at this point. Time and again representations as to the necessity of this work have been sent to Victoria, but nothing effective has been done.

BARKERVILLE.

B. C. Mining Journal. During the first two weeks bush fires have been raging in the district. On Antler and Cunningham creeks miles of first class timber has been consumed by the flames. Prospectors' cabins and outfits have been burned and the men barely able to escape with their lives, having to take to the creeks for protection. Fire has been raging for the past two days just below town near the reduction works. Yesterday all the available men working for the Cariboo Gold Fields Company were called to the scene of the fire, and under the direction of the manager, A. D. Whittier and Superintendent Frank Rivers they did some gallant work, being instrumental in saving the reduction works and also the lumber yard belonging to the Cariboo Gold Fields Company. Excitement ran high in town during the night of the fire, some of the storekeepers storing their goods in their cellars for safety The wind blowing towards town cause the alarm. It is now thought that all danger to the town is past, but a close watch is kept during the night and men Work on the Discovery ditch on Val ley creek is nearly completed and the owners expect to be able to work in the

the management of Peter McGre-They have the shaft down nearly

posed course of the vein east and west of the discovery shaft. Almost everyof the discovery shaft. Almost everyfirst time since starting some fifteen years ago. They have just struck bed-

cleaned up nearly 400 ounces for the season, going beyond the expectation of all who know the ground. John Butts, who owns the claim above very good coarse gold was brought into

Newton's, cleaned up some 300 ounces, which goes to show that old Cariboo still contains lots of the metal.

The body of Arata Mankichi, a Jap- stocked next month. anese fisherman of the Fraser, was found on the beach of Lasqueti island. Mayor Davison has called a public ported to be the reason. meeting to be held in the Nanaimo Opera House on Wednesday evening to discuss the question of restricting the ces of silver. influx of Chinese to this province.

GOLDEN.

Golden Era A. C. and W. G. Mitchell-Innes, accompanied by Mr. Stanley, a mining expert, have gone up to examine the Hid- of Carpenter Creek. den Treasure which was recently purchased from W. McNeish.

The damage done by the high water to the government bridge has been repaired. The thanks of the community the C. P. R. surveyors are down the are due the provincial government for river about 16 miles from Slocan City. that magnifient new bridge which they In conjunction with the government promised.

The long promised wagon road to Donald was commenced on Monday. This road was to have been made a year ago last spring, and a bridge across the Blackberry was promised this year, but kind of prospecting, and the sooner the us usual the provincial government is iron hand of the law is placed upon them

slow in fulfilling promises.

Two mining deals have been consum: mated this week. Mr. Clohecy, who has been here for some time looking up properties in the McMurdo district, has purchased the Crown Point claim on McMurdo Creek and J. P. on Vermont Creek. from Messrs. Rury and Comiskey, for an influential American syndicate. They are good silver-lead properties also carrying gold.

ROSSLAND

Rossland Record. W. H. B. Anderson and Fred Honeynorth to the mica mines this week, says | ford, employes of the White House, un- | the R. E. Lee has already been made, dertook to come down the Columbia from the new camp of Monte Carlo to This property was bonded last winter Trail on a raft. They were carried down to Larsen, Welch and Stewart for \$35,past Northport and went through the 000. Little Dalles. They had a remarkable

escape from death. Messrs. Paterson & Johnson yesterday on Columbia avenue, occupied by Thomas & Smith, to Thomas Dunn, of Van-

couver, for \$4,000. There are several people in the camp who are feeling alarmed, owing to the went out six weeks ago, with only ten has been represented, they expect to days' supplies, no money and who have not been seen or heard of since. Two of them. Howe and Shipley, belonged to Portland, Oregon, and their relatives are feeling anxious.

At the mouth of the tunnel of the Mayflower a winze is being sunk on the vein ad is down 12 feet, exposing 18 inches of solid ore, a sample of which can be see at his office. It is a fine galena, copper and iron ore, characteristic of that section of the South belt. The Homestake and Blue Bird have similar rock. It is a high grade ore. Three assays made on the 25th of this month gave 146 ounces in silver and \$8 in gold. 82 ounces silver and \$9 gold, and 84 ownces in silver and \$7 in gold. car load of ore from the Mayflower netted the company \$56 per ton, after paying freight and treatment charges of of \$13.50. This ore was shipped to the

Tacoma smelter. In the north it is agreed by mining men that there is a great ledge or vein -east and west-extending from the Commander, through the Great West Centre Star, War Eagle, Jumbo and Westward. In the south there is a title to get the money for the bond. parallel ledge, commencing at the Sunset and extending through the Nest Egg, Firefly, Freeborn, Palo Alto and through brush and fallen timber to the Deadwood. The Sunset has not much work done on it, but the assays are high. It is held at \$50,000. The Nest Egg is a fine property and held at a high price. It is improving with addiany work done, but it bids fair to outcutting and can not be bought under a very high figure. The Freeborn has the an indication that most of the claims Firefly ledge passing through it from are alive. west to east. It is said to be owned by a wealthy syndicate from Seattle. It has a shaft down 30 feet-not on the Firefly ledge, but to the south of it on another vein. It has rich gold ore, but has not struck the galena found in the Homestake and other properties to the south of it. The Palo Alto is a great property, but we can't find out much about it. Its showings, however, are all that can be wished for. The Deadwood is further east. It is bonded for \$50, 000 and is worked by an English syn-

QUESNELLE FORKS.

B. C. Mining Journal. Quite a little stir was produced short time ago by specimens of cinnabar found in the sluice boxes of the Maud company. The ore is of very high grade and is found in the form of pebbles and nuggets and stays behind with the gold,

gold from that place in which all miners center of the earth. He finds that, are so strongly interested, somewhere. The Cariboo mine is in full blast and is doing splendid work this season. The center below a certain superficial depth, modus operandi of working the top dirt the pressure augments with one downsems to be very effectual and they are uncovering a lot of pay dirt, which 1741 degrees at 175,000 atmosphere should give a very handsome clean up. Through hard work they have kept the bush fires in check and all danger from that source is probably past A good rainfall is badly needed now to supplement water supplies and put out forest

fires in this vicinity. The hill claims back of the Forks are closed for the season, after a very successful run. How the gold got up on that mountain is a favorite theme for

The Fishback claims on the North Fork are being represented, Wm. Dolley's being in charge of prospecting lasted they washed up nearly \$15 per work and reports splendid prospects from all parts of this large property. To The Enterprise, which lies directly judge by the amount of old works the

Chinese must have had a bonanza along the river front of this claim. Mr. Hermon, C.E., is getting the necessary measurements for building dams this fall at the outlets of their lakes and reservoirs The Waverley claim, on Grouse creek, and also preparing for clearing the inder the supervision of J. Pomeroy, right of way for their ditch line from Duck creek to the claims.

The Victoria company are busy putting up a big dam at the outlet of Spanrock and are getting good pay. ish lake. This is a splendid water privi-L. Newton, of Stouts Gulch, has lege and will furnish abundance of water for all their claims. The Meathers, Moor and Black Bear companies are all at work and some

NEW DENVER.

town last week there.

The Ledge.
The Bondholder and Crusader will be R. Marpole did not take up any of his options. Scarcity of money is re-In stripping the ledge of the Argenta

ore was uncovered that assays 204 oun-An open cut on the California shows nine inches of ore on one side of the cut, and two and a half feet on the

Work has been commenced on the Dolly Varden, a claim on the north fork

Prospectors proclaim that thieves are becoming numerous in the hills.

they are cleaning out the trail to Slocan crossing.

Complaints of claim jumping in the Slocan are becoming numerous. Some men seem to make a business of this the better it will be for the peace of

the camp. After running a tunel 206 feet, the ledge of the Two Friends was tapped 80 feet from the surface on Monday. ledge is three feet wide and has a foot of ore. Capt. Woods came to Denver on Tuesday to procure an ore care and

other supplies. On Wilson Creek John Delaney and Jim Marino have a tunnel in 20 feet on the Ferry, and report their ore as assaying 60 ounces silver, 70 per cent. lead.

and \$4 in gold. The second payment on the bond of although it is not due until Saturday.

Billy Brasch and his partner Alexander Harrison have located three gold claims south of the Crusader, and beclosed a deal for the sale of the premises tween the main forks of Lemon Creek.

They will work them immediately. Several prospectors are arriving Slocan Lake camps from the Alpine and Crusader mountains and report rich strikes of free milling gold rock. Specinon-return of three prospectors who mens of great richness are quite common, but it is too early to say whether the lead from which they were taken

will pay to work. A claim owned by Geo. Henderson and Noise, the Swede, about two miles from Slocan City, is showing up well. The shaft is 15 feet deep and in two and a half feet of free milling gold quartz. The average of this lead exceeds \$40 a ton. Specimens now and then are exceedingly rich. A box full of specimens at the mouth of the shaft will in itself amount to considerable wealth. The owners refuse all offers to bond or purchase, and intend to put in a stamp mill and work it themselv Kirkwood and McKinnon have expos

ed an enormous body of concentrating dry ore on the Speculator, a claim between the Arlington and Enterprise On Springer Creek, assessment work on the Black Prince, or Catardin, has shown a body of ore five feet wide, and 18 inches of it solid shipping ore, with the balance concentrating galena and black sulphurets. It is reported that the Dunbar syndicate has bonded the claims which are in dispute from both parties, and will proceed with development, the first parties to produce the

It is a little over two years since a band of gold hunters pushed their way banks of Cariboo creek and located several miles of placer ground. When it was found that placer mining would not pay attention was turned to quartz and the first claim of that kind was staked tional work. The Firefly has scarcely on July 30, 1894. In a year 128 claims had been recorded, and up to date 256 have been placed on the records at Naledge opened up by the new railroad kusp. So far this year assessment work has been done on 100 prospects which is

> The Black Prince is a snow location adjoining the Two Friends. The location was made last March by I etc Shonberg. The posts are 16 feet in the air. The first part of this month Jim Grey and Long John Thomas made a discovery of a foot of ore, and being unable to find any sign of any other claim. located the Catardin. The Black Prince claims the ground and the Catardin claims the Black Prince has no "rock in place." A lawsuit is the cutcome. and as it will be the first one under the claim jumping clause of the mineral act, it will be watched with interest.

> > HEAT OF THE EARTH.

In connection with his geological and cosmological investigations, Professor Clarence King has constructed a series of temperature gradients, as they are termed: that is, tables with a diagraowing to its great density. It appears matic representations of temperature to have traveled in company with the and pressure from the surface to the while there is really a very slight change of temperature from the surface to the ward sweep to the centre, thus it passes pressure; it appears, therefore, that the empire of heat over pressure is confined only to the superficial layer of the earth, that of pressure over heat being not far below the surface and increasing stead ily downward to the centre. The temperature of the earth, as a globe, according to Prefessor King's investigations, ever exceeded 2,000 degrees, Cent, very dense substances, such as metals and the central portions are made up of and their compounds.

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