GOLD FROM THE CLONDYKE.

Arrival of the Steamer Portland at Seattle With the Latest News from the New Eldorado.

RICHES OF THE FAR-FAMED MONTE CRISTO

Many Miners Return Laden With

· Gorged With the Glittering Yellow Metal.

Intense Excitement in Seattle-Hundreds Prepare to Leave at Once for the New Gold Fields.

(From. the Seattle Times.)

The steamship Portland, from St. about \$100,000, and brought out nearly Michaels, arrived at the dock this morn-\$20,000. He went up last year with the ing, bringing miners from the far-famed Warren Bros., of New York, and has Clondyke, having in their possession al- been working with them on several most enough gold to startle the world, claims. He invested a good many thou-and variously estimated at from a half sand dollars in property on the Clondyke to a ton's weight. There were sixty before coming down. niners on board, who came down the P. B. Weare. The vision of gold aboard came back with \$3,000. He went into given in a special letter to the Times of to look after his interests and keep men men and amounts that came down the at work during the winter.

Small amounts deposited with purser of P. W. Weare, \$177,500. Held by miners in state rooms: Wm. Stanley, Seattle\$112,000 25.000 Wm. Sloan, Nanaimo..... John Wilkenson, Nanaimo. 25,000 2.500 3.000

Clondyke 3,000 While it is a fact that imagination has run rife and reports of the gold fields have beeen trebled and quadrupled as the story is told and re-told, there remains no doubt but that much gold has been taken out of the Clondyke, and many men, to whom a fifty cent piece once looked like a cart wheel, are independently wealthy. Few of the men who came down on the steamer Portland care to talk of their finds. Some of them say one thing at one corner and another thing at another, while others simply talk in general terms and will

say nothing. One man who is said to have down with \$65,000 denies that it is true, the Hotel Diller. He left a buckskin while his friends declare that he really sack in the safe containing \$3,000 in One man who is said to have come the mint at San Francisco. Another man who is reported to have come down with \$112,000 says that he came down with but \$20,000, although he admits that he values his holdings at over \$100, 000. And thus it goes. It is well for Seattle people in general who have a foothold here to consider well and investigate thoroughly before they catch the fever and start off blindly for the frozen wastes of the worth.

The passenger list of returning Yukoners comprises the following: Mrs. E. Gage. C. Berry and wife, Inspector Strickland and wife, Sergeant Hayne, Sergeant Engel, Corporal Newbrook, Constanble Jenkins, Constable Telford, F. Fiscater, A. McKenzie, C.A. Branan, O. Finstean, H. Anderson, W. Sloan, J. Johnson, C. E. Meyer, A. Gray, Worden, R. H. Blake, W. Stanley, W. Sims. R. McNulty, J. Hatterman, J. Anderson, Victoria Lord, F. Bellinger, M. Hall, Miss E. Meller, J. E. Boncher, N. Mercer, T. Moran, J. C. Clements, H. Olsen, H. Protean, H. Dore, M. Kelly, H. Granthier, B. E. Picket, C. Silverlock, P. Cotelann, J. Bergwin, F. Fobler, C. Anderson and wife, J. Moffett, C. H. Loveland, C. Eucher, C. Anderson, J. Coylies, F. Ticknor, J. E. Fairburn, Miss Suvoroff, Miss P. Tuti-koff, Miss P. Block, Miss D. Rienken, Miss A. Reinken.

STATEMENTS FROM THE MEN. Various Amounts of Gold Brought Out With Them.

Individual statements from the men themselves were taken on the street this morning concerning the amount of dust they brought out and the time were engaged in mining it. Their state-ments in brief are as follows:

Thomas Moran, of Montreal, brought work. He still has interests in several claims, and his partner is looking after his interests until next spring, when Moran goes back.

Victor Lord, an old Olympia logging man, brings out \$10,000 after four years

creek, amounts to about \$25,000. He worked fiften men at \$15 per day all winter on one of his claims. Murcler one story has it that the amount 18 years worked three months last winter on a 000. Another is that it is \$96,000, and gings. They say work will be plenty this next winter. Three steamboats nave winter on one of his claims. Murcier

H. Dore, an old Sound logger, who Yukon to St. Michaels on the steamer formerly made Seattle his headquarters, the Weare as described by an eye-wit- the country about three years ago and was almost too glittering for be- purchased interests in five claims. He lief. Here are some of the figures as has hired a manager at \$400 a month

> Joseph Cazlais, of Montana, has from \$17,000 to \$20,000. He has been on the river nine years, and is not going back. He sold out all his property before he came down. He explains his small amount of money by saying that he drank up all he made for a number of years each winter.

> J. E. Boucher goes back to Wisconsin worth \$12,000 after three years on the Yukon. His partner, C. B. Turgeon, is looking after his interests till next spring.

Joe Bergeoin, a Seattle logger, has been on the Yukon for five years and brings out between \$14,000 and \$15,000. He is working a number of men at \$15 per day. W. E. Ricotte, of Montreal, has \$23, 000 for his nine years' work on the river. He leaves several claims in charge of his partner and will return in the spring. T. J. Kelley, of California, has between \$15,000 and \$17,000, and is one of the youngest men in the party. He will say othing about his experience on the river, but is going direct to California, Cash Amcher, a Swiss, has \$8,000. He

went in two years ago and has been working on a claim for half the proceeds. Henry Proteau, a Frenchman who coarse gold. He has the credit here of being the original discoverer of the Bonanza Creek diggings, which were the first on the Clondyke. He will not wait till spring, but will go right back as soon

as he attends to some business matters

C. Worden, partner of William Stanley, said: "I went to the Yukon a year ago. have an interest in a claim on Bonanza Creek. How much did I bring out? Weil,

put down any amount-it will be all right. Have we \$25,000? That's a little too high. You say \$15,000 or \$20,000 be far out of the way. My home is in Jefferson County, New York. Mr. Stanley lives here in Seattle. I am going back in the spring."

are quoted as follows: John Wilkinson, Nanaimo, B. C.: "I went into the Clondyke a year ago last spring with my partner, William Sloan. We located Claims 14 and 15 on Eldon ado Creek, and we have since sold No. 14: I brought out \$25,000. I shall go

back again in the spring." Mr. Wilkinson had his gold in a leather gripsack, and in carrying it out of the social hall of the steamer, in spite of the fact that he had three straps around the bag, the main handlepiece broke and he had to secure a broad strap before he ould carry his treasure ashore."

Henry Anderson refused to talk, hurrying aft to get away, but it was said by companions that he brought down \$65,000, and that he had a claim like a river of gold. He sold out a half interest for \$45,000 cash. In six hours' shoveling he secured 1025 ounces from his

P. Coteland: "I had a daim and sold it for \$600. The parties who bought it were offered \$10,000, but refused to rake will tell you of it as it really is. out \$20,000, the proceeds of five years' it. I have been working for Wilkiuson work. He still has interests in several and Sloan, and have not brought out very much money."
R. H. Lake: "I was in the Yukon

three years, but have not been mining. I have come home on business but will go back in the spring, for it is too good claim. It is hard to believe, but when

ler. Inspector Strickland is very rational proportion. Good stoves and tents are cent about the money he brought out, and hard to get at any price, with 25 cents one story has it that the amount is \$1.30. per pound more on them out at the dig-Inspector Strickland is very rati-

told a friend of ours that he would probably stay, and that is how I found it out.

Sold it last summer for \$700—that is, his share—to Phillip Kenney. Fred Hart Of course, he is going in on business for and Bill Haas were his partners and it the Northwest Transportation and Trading Company, but he will look after a little private business, too. Some very wealthy men came back with the steamwealthy men came back with the steamer. One has \$96,000. Hardly any have less than \$15,000. The country is enormously rich. The present gold diggings are only a small part of it, and there is little doubt that there are millions appears to the country for the bought of the country for the country is entry to the country for the country is entry to the country for the country is entry to the country to the country to the country is entry to the country to little doubt that there are millions apon to boom the country for the benefit of the millions that are only waiting for the mine holders to get cheap labor. This is miners to come and dig it out. The re- as I see things, and I think it is right. ports from the Clondyke are not much exaggerated, for I have talked with people whom I know to be truthful. Do I think there is danger of a famine this | Creek diggings, but will come up on the winter? Such a thing as a famine can- last boat to Dawson City, and one of us not occur in Alaska. Everybody has is going to take care of things here and plenty of money and the company has get ready for winter work. taken a much larger amount of provisions in than it did last year, and so has the Alaska Commercial Company. Many have gone over the divide who have taken their 'grub' with them. I am going to telegraph right away to my father-in law and tell him all about it."

Mrs. Gage met her brother, Mr. Ply
Weare, at St. Michael's. He has returned with Mr. Gage to Forty Mile.

ONE OF THE \$5,000 BOYS.

Mr. J. E. Boucher, of Wisconsin, was een in his stateroom on board the Portland by a Times representative, and the following conversation occurred. Mr. Boucher was somewhat excited and in a burry, a very natural state of mind for a successful miner upon touching the Michael's island, ninety miles north of wharf with \$6,000 in his clothes and a the mouth of the Yukon, the evening valuable claim on the Clondyke. The Times man said:

"Good morning. Are you one of the ucky ones?" The Wisconsin man made a dive under

boat was lucky." "How much have all of you brought

"None at all," replied the miner as he rolled three double blankets into a heap. "None at all? Why, I thought you said you were lucky?" "None at all in comparison to what is

there," and never a grin at the scarcasm in the remark! "Oh! That's different. Any of, you status of the Cuban struggle. At the status of the Yukon steamer P. fellows going back?" "Nine out of ten of us will go back." The blankets were nearly strapped and

there was another excursion under the bunk. When he came back the Times man said: nan said:
"Did you bring out much?" "Orly a little. Just eQugh to go home for the winter. I am going back next

spring." 'How much do you call 'only a little'?" "I brought out about \$6,000. I invested a lot up there. I am going home to winter's labor of these men. From in-Wisconsin for the winter."

ows back with you?" "No. Everyone who goes into that country should go on his own responsibility. He must go well outfitted and field. Within two or three weeks word. prepared for hard work. I don't want was got to Forty-Mile and Circle City, any men to go on my say-so." And the man who had brought out "only a little thought to be a grubstake rumor, and to go home for the winter" scooted down the gangplank with his blankets.

EIGHTY-FIVE POUNDS IN A DAY. In Seven Hours Three men Shoveled in \$17,000 in Placer Gold.

The following self-explanatory letter has been received by R. W. Barto from a well-known former Seattle man now in

Skookum Gulch, Bonanza District, R. W. Barto, Seattle: Dear Sir-I have been expecting to hear from you for some time. I had the hardest trip of my life last winter, but I think I will make some money. We have a claim each -anything that suits you-and you won't on Skookum Gulch, tributary of Bonanza, I dare say the richest diggings in the world. You have heard something about it, no doubt, but not half what it really is. I will not say much about it to you, Others who came down on the steamer as I don't want to excite you. The richest thing I know of is No. 30, on Eldorado Creek, a tributary of Bonauza. Three men shoveled in eighty-five pounds weight in gold dust in seven hours. Lbat considered good ground here. Living has been very plain and expensive here this winter. Flour is \$1.50

per pound, or \$54 a sack. Dried fruit is \$1.25 per pound and bacon the same. I will close, hoping to hear from you soon. Yours. JOE GOLDSMITH.

Baking Powder Cans and Pickle Jus Full.

COAL OIL CANS FULL.

The following letter was received by Policeman Payton Brown from a man whom he guarantees speaks accurately and truthfully on all subjects. It was written at Dawson City on June 17, and mailed at St. Michael's June 28: "Dear Sir: You requested me to in form you all I could on the country.

have arrived safely and sound.

caught up and went ahead of most all

that went over the summit before us.

We have been out and seen the mines.

There are miners that have taken our \$150,000 last winter in 150 feet of their on various parts of the Yukon. He owns a half interest in two claims and will return in the spring.

M. N. Murcier, of Shelton, Mason County, came out with about \$16,000. He purchased several interests before tearnings of Claim No. 9, on Edorado creek, amounts to about \$25,000. He lays would get through a square foot of the claim.

Ira McNulty, a young man from San.

Francisco, brings out \$21,000. He went in three years ago and purchased for a song a half interest in the claim which he has been working.

The dollaim 73, above Discovery, on the police have good and purchased for a say how much money any of us brought out, but all of the police have good are striking out in every direction. You are striking out in every direction. You are striking out in every direction. You said if I could insure you \$10 a day you not in the claim which has been working.

are P. C. Engel, H. N. Jenkins, E. New- | would come up. A man is sure of noth- take into consideration that all claims | days. The people that passed had would come and cut would come and cut ing, but if a man wants to stand be there are taken. There are plenty of wood for him and brought him water.

Mrs. Ely A. Gage is a guest at the Hohardships he is bound to get more or less men there now to work the claims this He lay where he could reach the stove Mrs. Ely A. Gage is a guest at the Hotel Butler. She went north with the steamer Portland and returned from St. of women came over the trail this spring. have leased ground to parties going up what little he wanted to eat. I went to get any soll ell this spring. The store with the store wit

There is lots of money here and where there is lots of it a man can get a l. tle. Two of us are going down to the Birch

"Excuse mistakes and dirt, as I am seated on the ground, writing on my knee and fighting mosquities at the same

WORTH THOUSANDS. An Eastern Newspaper Man Investi-

H. A. Stanley, president of the Evening Herald company, of Binghamton, creeks. Just as I was leaving reports of finds being made on Dominion creek, interests of the Associated Press, his own paper and other publications, under date of July 1st, writes the Times as follows:

The Alaska Commercial Company's steamer Excelsior reached this, St. Michael's island, ninety miles north of of June 26th, four hours ahead of the North American Trading and Transpertation . company's steamer Portland. Both steamers had some difficulty in pushing their way through the vast floes the bunk for a blanket and replied on of floating ice, but arrived in good condifion, the Portland coming to anchorage "We were all lucky. Every man on the at 12:15 a.m. of the 27th. The natives and few whites of the island were overjoyed to hear from the outside world and came forth in kyaks and boats t hear the news. A young man named Beecher, who had pushed his way down from the Clondyke region, had met a man, a half-breed, who had heard that McKinley was elected, but it remained for the steamer to confirm this report and to tell of the Corbett-Fitzsimmons B. Weare, of the N. A. T. & T. Co. came into sight, and brought the details of the greatest gold strike in the world's history. Also some forty miners, with more than a million dollars of dust and nuggets, the first wash-up of this strike. How much the company brought on its own account it is impossible to learn, On the 29th the Alice, of the A. C. Co., brought in twenty-five miners and half a million of gold, the fruits of the "Going to take a lot of Wisconsin fel-learns that the first of these great strikes terviews with these men Mr. Stanley was made by George Cormack on the

> no one paid any attention to it. The first authentic news was received at Circle City December 15th, when J. M. Wilson, agent of the A. C. Co. at St. Michael's, and Thos. O'Brien. a trader, brought facts and prospects to back them Then the stampede commenced, and those who made the 300 miles of trail first got the best claims. Circle City was, and is, practically deserted, and Dawson, the chief town of the Clondylle region, is booming. The Bonanza runs into the Clondyke two and a half miles above Dawson; the Eldorado is another branch. Each of these has other branches called respectively Hunter creek. Indian creek, Stuart and Dominion. Enormously rich finds have been made on all, the last being Dominion creek, on which as rich strikes as an were made June 6th to 10th of th In all, probably 1,000 locations have been made, 300 being the number on Dominion. Of 200 each on Eldorado and Hunker, not a single blank has been frawn. The latest strikes have not yet begun to send out gold, and will not hefore next spring, as the water is now too high to work. The main work is done winters by drifting, i.e.; building fires on the ground and digging out the earth the spring, only enough dust or nuggets being faken during the winter to pay The sight on board the Weare was one such as few people ever have or ever will see. Of the forty-five haggard, unkempt, and half-starved miners there was not a man but had gold in such quantities as would cause one to doubt the evidence of their eyes. had deposited a portion or all their holdings with the purser. Those having least did this, those having most preferring to stand guard over their isure, which they kept in their statems. With the purser was \$177,500, property of fourteen men. Those were caring for themselves, in some instances refused to talk. Some of them,

KELLY'S CONSERVATIVE VIEW. A Seattle Man's Advice to Intending

however, talked freely and showed their

Prospectors. chael Kelly, bronzed, robust and as full of genial good nature and spirits as ever, came down on the Portland. Everyone knows or should know Mike Kelly, pioneer of South Park, ex-constable of the precinct. He went up on the steamer leaving here March 25th, and arrived at Dawson City June 9th, tayed but a few days and started home He spent two months there last son, and his son has been up there sing all winter. His son sold one of rec claims they owned for \$10.000, but the same claim had been hold by Kelly re to Ron. Crawford, Treat, Harmon distance, and a settlement had to be added a misable to all. Kelly brought me \$3,000 in drast, and his son is in there and will sell the other two discome out if he can this fall. the Times reporter Kelly said:
"So far as the reports as to Bonanza and Eldorado are copeared A

tel Butler. She went north with the steamer Portland and returned from Nt. Michaels. Mr. Gage has gone up the river.

"Mr. Gage told me he would come out this fall," said Mrs. Gage, "but I learned from other sources that he may not. He told a friend of ours that he would probnot go out to find anything for themselves and would have to remain till the sow got off next season and the sun down the trail yesterday. They found opened up the country so that they could that by packing their goods about threeopened up the country so that they could get by packing uneir goods about threeget out to prospect. By that time the grub they take in would be eaten up, money exhausted probably, especially if to build the boat until they get to the money exhausted probably, especially if they bought of the company. It would be almost impossible to take grub over the summit now. A man would have the claims there are somewhat abandon- tirely gone in all the lakes. The weather

"Many of my friends are wondering bright sunshine during the day.

The old-timers say this trip has been

pects, but had not been followed up enough to show when I left, and the same is true of Gold Bottom and Bear us almost creek, were current. The finds ran from 10 cents to \$1.25 a pan. On Henderson creek, two and a half miles below the mouth of Stewart river, finds are also reported. Some of the boys who went in with me stopped there. They have not gone down to bedrock, but got as high as 25 cents to the pan in the gravel.
"My advice to people going in would

be to go next spring by Dyea; take a nice little outfit; leave about the middle of March; get used to the hardships. and if he is able to prospect for himself he can prespect from the foot of Marsh or Mud lake even before he gets to the Canyon. Finds may be made as good as any yet reported below, as the country has never been prospected much

"All the people who went in with me had arrived safely and were well pleased with the outlook. None were discour-

Mr. Kelly estimated that the gold brought out by the Portland would be omewhere between \$400,000 and \$700. 000, divided mostly among the forty miners who helped make up the list of sixty passengers.

which passed through Seattle two years and had exactly the same experience as ago evidently struck it rich in the north. between Bennett and Taggish. We are Five of the twenty guards returned on now camped at the foot of Mud Lake, the Portland with gold amounting to \$200,000, according to M. H. E. Hayne, sergeant major of the detachment. The morning. Will probably have some exother fifteen remained in Alaska to engage in mining. They went up for two gage in mining. They went up for two May 15.—Well, we are now encamped at White Horse Rapids, with the canyon months ago by a detachment that went in and rapids behind, for which we are over the range from Sitka. The guards thankful. Since May 11 we have been men were handicapped in not being able fixing our boat and making our way to do their own work and making their money in speculation. They staked but claims and with the spring rush sold them for large amounts. They also emthan usual, and the canyon and rapids than usual. ployed men to work claims they held. The five guards who came down on the Portland will go to their headquarters in the Northwest Territory and receive their discharge.

LETTER FROM A SEATTLE MAN H. T. Hannon Writes From Foot of Lake Bennett.

Mr. H. T. Hannon, who left Seattle shore could keep her from going very on the steamer Mexico recently for Dawson City and the Clondyke, has written the rapids with all our goods. a letter to his wife, giving some of his experiences. The Times has permission to make the following paragraphs pub- tell you I lost "Sport" when we were lic, which will be of great interest to camped at the foot of Mud Lake. He

men contemplating the trip: Foot of Lake Bennett, Alaska. May 3rd, 1897. I wrote you about a week ago, when we were encamped at the head of this lake, building our boat. Well, we had the boat. Well, when I got to the cana pleasant camp, and finished our boat | you and we all got out of the boat in just four days, and on May 1st loaded to see what we had to go through with it on our sleds and put all our outfit in and when about half way down I heard the boat, hoisted a big sail and started a dog howling away down on the rocks down over Lake Bennett at the rate below. I made up my mind that it was of five or six miles an hour. When "Sport" and called him. I heard a about half way down the lake we came splash and running further along the to an island, and noticing that all the rocks I saw it was "Sport." He swam sled tracks went to the left of the is- about half way down and climbed on land, of course we followed, but as we some rocks again, but when we were rounding the island our sled and down with the boat he had got clear boat broke through the ice, and as we through and was waiting for us below had not intended to calk our boat until we reached water, she began to fill, and the canyon for more than twenty-for better believe that there was some tall scratching to save our goods from a ducking. The only things in the whole their boat, took off his harness and outfit that got wet were my poor satchel, tended to take him down to the rapids which filled with water; my sugar sack, and leave him there until I came down. which was covered about five minutes, and one of my potato sacks also. The sugar has hardened, so that we will have last they had seen of him. I got his har cube sugar to sweeten our coffee with. ness. The potatoes I spread on a tarpaulin in Ma the sun the balance of the day, and day, making 30 miles in seven hours they seem to be all right. We got our and we are now on the shores of Line sled and boat up on strong ice as soon Barge. We are liable to stay here two as possible, and went to the shore and weeks, as the ice is too thin and broken camped for the rest of the day and

Next day we came to the foot of the are eighteen tents here, all waiting as it goes.

I am as stout and rugged as a mule. Can eat anything and everything that comes my way. Yesterday we passed B. B. Rockway's party and again today they passed us, but we are really ahead of them, inasmuch as we have our boat completed, and they have theirs about one boat in four or five yet to build, and I don't see how they will get past the water ahead of us withont a boat.

We overtook Mr. Kelly's party at this place, and we will probably all move down together the day after to-morrow. This afternoon I saw a tent on the hore 100 yards from us. I could see shore 100 yards from us. I could see smoke from the stovepipe, but the tent was tied up in front, and no one seemed to be stirring. I finally went to the door and callled. I heard a feeble voice say, "What do you want." I knew from the voice that the man was sick, I went in the door and learned that he had been in bed in his tent alone for eleven The others of the police who returned said if I could insure you \$10 a day you, not been exaggerated, but people must been in bed in his tent alone for ele

wood for him and brought him water, panions deserted him eleven days ago. May 4.—Brockaway's party moved

to pack—and seventy-five pounds is a start on our journey to-morrow. Of good pack—over a road he could haul course we will have to pull her out on 1,000 pounds over by waiting till next the ice when we come to ice, and put her While in my estimation the back in the water again when we come river route is not the surest route of to water. How many times we will getting in, if people go that way I would have to do this it is impossible to sayadvise them to stop at Birch creek—as perhaps many times before the ice is ened—and they would have a better show on this side of the mountains has been fine, freezing a little at night, clear and

of business. I may go back next spring, as I have some interests there yet. I will still live in South Park and will be roads. Until the lakes were reached no pleased to give information to all who man could pull more than 150 pounds "Hunker creek showed some good pros- age amount of the miner's outlit is 750 age amount of the miner's outfit is 750

Joe Barret has been encamped near us almost every day since leaving Dyea until we reached Lake Linderman. We left him behind on that lake. He has quite a large outfit, and will probably now wait for the ice to leave the lake before going on.

Mr. Minick we have not seen for a week. He and his family passed us on Lake Linderman, and he is now somewhere below on the trail. His wife and children were all well and enjoying the trip. The women all seem to stand the trip better than the men, as

they do not have the hard pulling to do. May 11 .- I have had no opportunity to send this back on the trail, so I will add a few lines to show what we have been at, and where we are now. We are now at the foot of Mud Lake, having crossed Taggish and Mud since the above was written. The first day after leaving Bennet we passed over four miles of shallow water, where we had to jump out in the water about every half mile and pull our boat over sand bars. We then struck good ice in Lake Taggish, pulled our boat out, loaded it. on the sleds, with the outfit, hoisted a big sail and came down Taggish flying, When about three-fourths of the way down we ran into thin ice and down we went, but the boat was caulked and no injury was done. We then camped all MOUNTED POLICE TURN MINERS. | night on shore and the next two days were spent in feeling our way down to The detachment of mounted police the foot. Here we came to open water,

> are much more dangerous. We ran the canyon in good shape with our goods in the boat, but at this stage of water no boat can live in the White Horse, so we packed past it, and let our boat down over the rapids with lines. That is, two men went in the boat and the others held on to a long line from the shore. The two men in the boat could keep her off the rocks with poles and the two on morrow we will start down the river again for Lake Le Barge. I forgot to followed a boat down the river while I was getting dinner. I saw him going and called him. He turned around as though he was coming back, and I went into the tent again, but he kept on after He had been lying on those rocks hours. We overtook the parties he fo lowed and they said they took him

up to go upon it, and we will have wait for the ice to leave the lake. The lake and found open water for several lake and found open water for several miles, so that we are now calking our boat, and will take to the water as far parties left on the ice several days ago the control of the co parties left on the ice several days ag but we do not think they will be abl to get over. We can see some tent down the shore of the lake eight or te miles, which we think are theirs. The trip so far has been one full hardships and dangers, much more than usual. Some accident happens comes through the canyon. Two differ ent parties camped by our side wer thrown out of their boats and the con of the boats scattered all along the shore, but no lives have been lost a far as I am able to learn, but I fee many lives will be lost before all through. The cause of it is the low stage of the water. The old timers who have been in before say you can go right along without danger, and the new-comber will rush into the danger without realising how it is, and when it is too late to back out has to take the conse-However, the old timers are in the

but when they started to run the canyon

he jumped overboard and that was the

May 17.-We came down river y

same fix, and are even to get into troubl an old timer started out a ahead of us, and before h us to be sure and follow of the river, but we took of ment and when we saw the seemed to follow the left that side, and when we go the old timer had not arr not for several hours. the right bank at some po-river divided, and ran rou-and he got up on a sand ba drag his boat for some m stand we are over the me

May 19.—Pulled up yet Indian village, where we a ed, and all of "Dog Town to-day. We can get no count of the ice closing An old Indian says: "Lot camped way down lake w to go out. Ice leave soon Indians are called the and are considerably mo than the Puget Sound In few men are in the village being out hunting except th very old men. They are provisions, and are arou the time trying to trade s ticle, such as skins and

May 24-We are now end west shore of the lake, a miles down, having followe far. Yesterday the wind c north and shifted the ice s enclosed, and cannot get This is the Queen's birthda cupants of the twenty-five ed here are celebrating it. have to wait a week or ten fore we can get out of La After we get out of this lal up only eight days to mak our journey. Of all that Mexico not over ten or twe of us; the balance are with Dawson City, Ju

We reached this place about 3 p.m., safe and sou mishap of any kind. The above showed us encamped in Lake Le Barge, with around us. On the 26th up and found that the ice l ed entirely, so me rigegd up boat and started down the l the end of the lake that d the river blocked with ice. next morning it was clear, on our river navigation, fr and perils. The first thin the river is shallow and full it was with the utmost dilig that we were able to stee the rocks and sand bars. fifty miles of beautiful rive until we came to the Terri gers. This is a place where narrowed by the mountain close on both sides, and the through five narrow channel 30 feet wide. Each channe pendicular wall of rock on the bottom of each, except of rocks that no boat can in safety. This one is all parties managing the boat un management. We ran up to before we knew it, but fou there waiting for us to help We ran to shore, and these to our boat through for us. The shead of us, and had heard we did not know how to han with paddles, Indian fashio is the only safe way to go th they had waited there until to assist us. From there to we made quick time. Fro Barge to Dawson City we miles per day, which is pret

Well, I suppose you would something about the minin The mines of the Clondyke No such placer mines hav discovered before. Many mer ed up hundreds of thousand during the winter, and a more lesser amounts. Every with excitement. Provision scarce and dear. I sold topounds of bacon that was a r \$18. Many miners have lasti two months on beans even the boat came in to-day City with provisions, and I will be much cheaper now. good eight months' supply. no fears.

I will have to send this or nail, as that is the only wa mail in or out of this place. will be established here in

AROUND THE EXPRESS The excitement oround the ces was intense. Great cro the street in front of both Pacific and Great Northern special detail of police was each. The officials of neither a position to give out inform amount of gold received by was easily learned that the N cific received somewhere fr 1500 pounds. The Great No. 700-pound shipment for San and at least 300 pounds With the amounts that have up in various other places, bank vaults and the like it is that the toal amount of gold the Portland is very near 25 This would easily make a tot

express offices, but will be to Francisco by the miners then THE EPWORTH LEA

000. It is claimed that at les

worth of gold will not be ship

Toronto, July 17 .- The feat morning's Epworth Leagu were the church rallies, mon ings being held in Massey H Methodist Episcopal church. was presided over by the Arthur Edwards, of Chicago. church the Canadian Metho der Dr. Carman, the gene ident. Rev. Dr. J. B. S Ottawa, led the opening exe the Metropolitan Bishop Spartanburg, S. C., presided Rev. Tallahasee, of Florida, votional exercises. This a onster open air mass meeting the exhibition grounds, or se match and singing ed choirs of the city. riotic service was held, rernor Atkinson, of Wes , and Governor H sylvania, was among the