writer to the London Chron "There have been signs for that we are hastening toward boom, when any fresh mater be keen reading for the public important to understand the fu ing of the official announcem was behind it-and according ought light in a quarter likely informed. What did I gather? ecutors of Lord Byron were Broughton and Mr. Kinnaird their deaths their authority desc others. The names of the present of that authority I did no Similarly, stewardship over ar ments Lady Byron might have represented to-day.

Speaking generally, and takin Lord and Lady Byron, a variety terial has been in the possessi family. Other material is kno scattered about-letters written poet or by Lady Byron-and now proposed to exercise the approval so far as publica lo cerned. That is to say, if a my a letter to any person, that per not secure the least ownership contents. What was written rems writer's, although the paper and are necessarily the property of ceiver.

"So the law was explained to

when the writer of a letter di ownership in the contents desce ais executors. Here we have the tion in reference to Byron corre ence, and the reason why the presentatives have made their m is simple enough. They wish et the memory of the Byron ny misapprehensions or misune ngs-to obviate the publication utborized or unauthenticated B "Since Byron's death, for instance istinct sets of forgeries are said een palmed off upon the world Byron letters. Again, neither Byr Lady Byron would have cared, pe have some of the letters which they did write. One sees, the the intended effects of the ann ment and the line of law upon w based. As to the latter, it hat an instance in point ares few years ago in reference to posed publication of some of ytton's letters, and then the rig the executor were duly upheld. e curious to see how the Byron ance is affected by what may described as an ultimatum.

The London Times Comments United States New Tariff Schedules.

Thinks a Long Backward Strid Being Taken-The Revenue Expected.

London, March 15 .- The Times is morning nearly a page of wha orts to be the new United States schedules, and, commenting editor upon the same, says:

"A cursory perusal ought to show long, backward strides being take the McKinley tariff. In whatever the matter may be settled it will in erious annoyance and derangeme ousiness for British exporters, as as a corresponding loss for the A cans themselves."

Proceeding to comment on Mr. ey's interviews, the Times compared arnestness of President McKin ith the "nebulosity of Mr. Sherm nd adds that it "cannot unders McKinley's anxiety on the currency ion, because if he looks around on sia, Japan and other countries, he that every nation goes its own its own time on currency may s formidable obstacles to the ion of the bimetallists' dreams. Chicago, March 15 .- The Times old publishes the complete schedu new Dingley tariff law from ington City correspondent. The new tariff bill led to be the most complete legisla submitted to the American con quarter of a century. Boldly I z the situation, the Republican rs of the ways and means con dare in the title that their bill protect the industries

nited States." The new tariff, if enacted as give pected by members of the comm produce an additional revenue ween \$60,000,000 and \$70,000,000 car. Estimates vary from the hi the lowest of the ligures. The ldition to the revenue is expected increase of the sugar duties. source alone an additional reabout \$27,000,000 is anticipated hairman Dingley. Wool is an urce of new revenue. It is estin at the restoration of the wool Il provide an increase of \$14,000 the receipts of the government. oration of the McKinley rates retty sum. The flax, jute and h sundries schedule will add per \$4,000,000 or \$5,000,000, Each ther schedules, with a few except · expected to contribute its quota to increase of revenue, the total incr ing so distributed as to fall lightly on any class of customers, while benefits to be derived from the pr ive features of the law are also all sections of the country. It is expected that the bill will be present the house by Chairman Dingles Tuesday, and that by a week Monday the house will have taken

n earnest its consideration. By the dle of April Speaker Reed expects send the bill to the senate. The Re lican leaders in the senate believe If they be not deceived in this I dent McKinley will meet with successible great aim in the early part of edministration, which is to place

tariff bill upon the statute books

MERCETTE STATES STATES STATES STATES British Columbia. 

VANCOUVER.

Mr. T. Nosse, H. I. J. M.'s consul, left yesterday for a six weeks' trip through the East. Mr. Nosse has lately received enquiries from merchants in Japan as to whether 5,000,000 feet of lumber could be obtained here. Of course Mr. Nosse replied that they could get 50,000,000 if they wanted it, and expects shorely to receive an order for the first men-

tioned amount. In Bransaka's barber shop on Carrall street is exhibited a very promising looking specimen of rock from the Leonard claim on Nelson Island, about 45 miles from Vancouver. Surface assays show \$9, mostly of gold, to the ton, and the lead, which is a strong one, is now being developed and looks as if it would be a good thing.

The investigation before Mr. W. J. Bowser to enquire into certain charges of partizanship in the late Dominion election against Messrs, A. P. Black and J. A. Green, of the postoffice, was resumed in the Dunn hall last night and concluded in less than five minutes. Mr. O. L. Spencer, who prosecuted for the postmaster-general at the previous sesposition, was not present. The case against Mr. Green was called, but the "few the number of drills will be increased." Mr. Bowser asked if any one in the audience had anything to say in support of a thousand tons a day, and the 40-drill more witnesses" were not forthcoming. the charge, and, as no one answered, asked Mr. Green if he had anything to As the latter had nothing more to say the case against him was declared closed. Mr. E. P. Davis, Q.C., appeared for Mr. Black. Mr. Bowser asked if any one had anything to say in support of the charge made against the postmaster-general, to which no one remaster-general, to which no one rehis place to hear evidence and not to

and Cariboo mining companies were of 225 feet. As the tunnel is entering the manager, showed that the water was on aging, the ore so far shot out showing a 125 days, during which time 215,346 much higher percentage of copper than miners' inches were used the amount of any previously encountered. The ore is miners inches were used the amount of any previously encountered. The ore is gold recovered being 1.891.79, ounces, still highly silicious and would concen-The expense of operating the mine was trate beautifully.

\$47.222.03, and the receipts, including Joe Martin, of Winnipeg, accompanied summary of the past season's work: Total time in washing, 125 days and after C.P.R. matters.

1 hour: total water used, 257.723 miners' inches: gross value, \$127,455.24. Mr. Hobson estimates the gross pro duct for the season of 1897 at \$300,000, and the cost of operation at \$92.962.27. aving a probable net profit of \$207,-037 53: At the last annual meeting, held on the 11th of March, 1896, the capital of the company was authorized \$500,000 for the purpose of paying off all liabilities, furnishing the necessary working capital, and placing the pany upon a sound financial basis. This new issue of \$200,000 was at once taken up by the shareholders at par.

NEW WESMINSTER.

As one result of the late blow and the rough water on the Sandheads, it might will also take the initiatory steps for the be mentioned that the bell buoy has organization of the institution. been overturned, and thus rendered prac-

tically useless. Official thermometers recorded 17 dehill and 15 degrees on Columbia street. Further up the river the cold was even more severe, and Thursday morning on her down trip the steamer Bon Accord could not make her landing at Langley as usual on account of the ice which had formed in the slough over night, an unusual occurrence at this time of year. The water in the Fraser river is at present very low. At Sumas the main jods of three months. channel is reported to be so shallow that the river steamers experience considerable difficulty in navigation, and a drop of another inch or two might close navigation. In Harrison river the water in the rapids is only three inches deep, and even small boats, if loaded, cannot be hauled to the lake. Already there are encountered in driving on the upper

this point. Two parties of prospectors left here Thursday morning by the steamer

burn and "Tom" Keary. A lunatic was brought over from Vancouver yesterday, but owing to the asylum being full of patients they were compelled to take the afflicted one to the

A through carload of farm stock has arrived from Woodstock, Ont. for James Kipp, of Chilliwack. The lot consists of 1 cow, 2 calves, 8 hogs, and rakes, mowers, etc. The live stock are

all thoroughbred The first meeting of the stockholders of the Golden Ears Mining Co. (Ld.) was held here on Tuesday. Mr. J. C. Armstrong was elected president and Mr. H. A. Eastman secretary. It was. unanimously decided to push development work on the company's property at Pitt Lake, and, with a view to making an early start, tenders are now being invited for tunnelling. The aver- galena. age assay gives \$50 per ton, the ore resembling closely that of the Le Roi at J. Walker have bought the Silver Bear level to the mill vertex day. Rossland. It is hoped that similar mineral claim on the south fork of Kas- location for the mill yesterday. large bodies of it will be uncovered at lo creek. It adjoins the famous Silver this point.

ROSSLAND.

(Rossland Miner.) The power drill has been working in bonus of \$10,000 on their bargain. the I.X.L. crosscut since Saturday. Tne tunnel is now being advanced at the rate some excellent specimens of free milling of five feet a day.

At the 150-foot level the third crosscut to the vein will be run. The shaft on the Copper Queen, which adjoins the Mayflower on the west and belongs to the Eastern Mining syndicate of Toronto, is now down 33 feet. The bottom of the shaft is arsenical iron oce with stringers of clean galena running

\$70 in all values. The east shaft on the Great Western is now down 40 feet and is still all in ore, as it has been from the surface. On the surface it assayed a trace in gold, at a depth of 12 feet it went \$6, 20 feet down it averaged \$12 and now runs over \$16, and possibly not far from \$20

through it. This clean ore averages over

The showing on the Evening Star is very encouraging at present. Readers of the Miner will remember that on Mr. Nichols taking charge of the property he began a new shaft on the vein near the old Bailey shaft. After sinking about 20 feet he began a drift towards the Bailey shaft and this now shows four feet of \$40 ore. The mine recently shipped a carload or two to the Trail

The Black Bear compressor started vesterday pumping air into the mine and worked very satisfactorily. Nine drills were put on in various workings of the

output.
The lower or No. 1 tunnel on the Mente Cristo broke into the main vein on Tuesday rather unexpectedly. Had the ledge kept the same dip as from the surface to the No. 2 tunnel it would have been necessary to run about 20 feet further, but below the No. 2 level considerably. The tunnel is in 480 feet, once to near evidence and not in considerably. The tunner is in 450 feet, onte and declared the case against with 650 feet more to run to reach the east end line of the claim. The face of The annual meetings of the Horsefly the tunnel is at a depth from the surface vein at an angle it will be several days held on Wednesday. At the former before the hanging wall side is reached. the report of Mr. J. B. Hobson, the At present the showing is most encour-

gold recovered, profits from stores, by Mrs. Martin, arrived in the city resboarding bonse, saw mill, etc., amount, terday in the interests of the Canadian ed to \$32,187.51. The total value of the Pacific. As soon as he arrived here up gold recovered was \$32.640.02, but the went to see the San Francisco, and last freight and insurance charges on same night was in good humor over the report cost \$977.72. The inventory showed of the engineer of the property. The cost \$977.72. The inventory showed that there were on hand at the mine on December 1st. 1896. stores, etc., valued at \$17.412 50. Mr. Hobson eswall of the ledge would be struck very timates that working a ten-stamp mill soon from present indications. Mr. Maron the cement gravel will give a profit in declined to discuss politics, saying on the coment graver will give a prout that he was out of it, as only a rich man of \$53,000 for 1897 and of \$106,000 for that he was out of it, as only a rich man 1898. Mr. Hobson's report to the could follow politics and retain his in-

The advantages and disadvantages of the establishment of a mining exchange in this city have been the subject of many conversations among the leading the general opinion has crystallized into a belief that the time has now arrived for the foundation of such an institution. On Friday afternoon a meeting of brokers will be held to decide upon movement, and to give those who think the time inopportune for such a step chance to state their reasons. It does not appear, however, that there are any in opposition, and in all probability the meeting on Friday will not only be unanimous in its decision as to the ad- 000. visability of having an exchange, but

Rossland Record. The group of mining claims comprisgrees of frost Wednesday night on the ing the Delight, Calgary, Atlantic, Glenshee, Dollie and Woodstock mineral claims on Toad mountain, one mile west from the Silver King, have been bonded by Neil McLeod, Mrs. Margaret Mc-Leod and R. G. McLeod to Francis Mc-Laughlin, of Rossland, for \$45,000. The terms of the bond are \$250 cash, \$250 in 20 days, \$4,500 on July 1 and the alance in four equal payments at per-

Rossland Miner.

The Le Roi shipped 194 tons to the Trail smelter last week.

The lower tunnel of the Jumbo has No. 1 ledge, the capping of which was feet or more to the main vein yet.

a full crew of men to begin working a ously pushed, with good prospects. Transfer for Harrison lake. Amongst double shift on the property. The wathe party were "Jack" Grant, W. Black-ter is all pumped out and the shaft is ready for sinking. A contract was let yesterday by the

of Quartz creek.

the Ethel shaft to the 100 toot level had not before been satisfactory. and do 60 feet of cross-cutting on the vein, was in yesterday and reported for this province, was in town on Monthat the gang had managed to get in day. Nothing can be done on the work their supplies over the snow and was at the canyon until the ice goes out. As

now ready for work.

The Beaver company has made an inCapt. Troop will make a trip of investinow ready for work. teresting strike on its property down gation up the river in a boat. below the O. K. In excavating for a Mr. G. F. Clink, of Wetaskinwin, foundation for a blacksmith shop, about came in on Sunday's train. He intends 40 feet from the tunnel, a new ledge was uncovered. It showed quartz and 10,000 feet into Fergusin at once, and

Belle on the north, the one from which the "Swedes" are making shipments at present. The purchase price of the property was \$25,000, and it is said the buyers have already been offered a J. W. Handlin brought in yesterday

a controlling interest in the Elise com-pany yesterday made its second payment feet and then the bonders abandoned The Ruby Gold Mining Company have

be shipping ore, and he says he has al- Wednesday afternoon of last week, and Miss McKenzie, who were occur Fort Steele at 6 a.m. daily for Jennings, ready 30 tons of it on the dump. Mr. H. W. Koster expired at the Cold-pants of the government building at the Montana. Cariboo creek, the centre of a newly stream hotel from the effects of an op-

pened section of the Slocan mining di- previous night. vision, gives promise of rivalling the Mr. W. F. Cameron, contractor, who older and more thoroughly developed section of the same district on the east trip near the Silver Star mine, brought side of Slocan lake. Not until the in a few sheets of excellent looking spring and summer of 1896 did the mica which he found and will endeavor people of Kootenay country even know to more definitely locate as soon as the of the existence of extensive, rich snow goes off the mountain. and well-defined ledges on the west side Mr. A. Postill and others, who have of Slocan lake. It is now, however, been advancing the idea of a co-opera-well known that at least four different tive farmers' pork-packing establishgroups on Cariboo creek have given as ment, are still working on the scheme,

ning from \$90 to \$218 in all values. The event of the week at the War Eagle was the making of connections between the No. 2 and No. 1 tunnels, through the No. 3 ore chute. This gives a very large block of ore ready to break down. The main shaft is now down 125 feet below tunnel No. 2, and yesterday they started to drift both ways, east and west, on the vein. These drifts at the bottom of the shaft will give as nuch ore to break down as the company has mined during the past eight months. Between the two tunnels there are in addition many thousands of tons of ore ready to break down. The shipments, however, will continue at about 250 tons per week for some time to

Both the Le Roi and War Eagle shipletter to Mr. Corbin that his road los-300 tons of freight last month and month if the road did not give better practical miners. During the whole of the War Eagle had 175 tons the winter the Cariboo Mining and trouble on the Red Mountain railway is served with cars as quickly as they need them.

(Rossland Record.) Crawford Wright is in town for a few days, arriving Tuesday evening from Salmo, and reports that great excitement was occasioned by the discovery of placer diggings in that quiet little town. Workmen while excavating the cellar under the store of C. W. Petersen, now in course of construction by J. H. Oliver of Spokane, found gold nuggets to the value of from \$8 to \$10. As soon as the news leaked out staking placer mines was the rage, hotels, stores and offices being left open while the owners were away staking claims. J. H. Dondlut discovered the location start at what was once the mouth of the north fork of the Salmon river, which is included within the limit of the townsite grant, til it strikes the railroad and then following up the old dry bed in the di-rection of the north fork. It has every indication of being good placer ground, as the position is in a natural basin, and an abundance of water can be had at

SLOCAN CITY.

Hope, situated on Springer Creek, near

from the main surface showing in a tunnel seven feet deep a rich ledge of ga- G. M. Sproat, Victoria, B. C. the top and 16 inches at the bottom.

small and continuous streak of rich viously granted and recorded mineral quartz pockets of rich ore have been claims. It also comes within the the solid ore run \$53 in gold and 143 way reserve. ounces of silver to the ton. The proan open cut on the lead.

parties, has recently shipped some ore remaining 450 feet in No. 5 tunnel to got into ore. This is supposed to be the from the same. The galena went 178 ed the tunnel will be 950 feet ounces in silver and 55 per cent. lead. in length, at which point it The carbonates went 220 ounces in sil- will strike the ore body at a depth of two parties of prospectors delayed at cross-cut tunnel. It is one hundred ver and 31 per cent, lead. The 12 tons, 600 feet. At present the mill is turning The Elise company yesterday sent out ment work at the mine is being vigor which are being shipped to the Omaha

> REVELSTOKE. (Revelstoke Herald.)

George Ramswell and Andrew Eric-Rossland Development Company to run son made a promising find near Laurie a tunnel 200 feet in on the Ivanhoe last Friday. The ledge is on the same claim, which is on Round Mountain, slope as the Lanark mine, and the first about a mile and a half from the mouth four shots disclosed two feet of galena. They had discovered the ledge before, R. Magill, who has a contract to sink last year, but the surface indications Mr. F. C. Gamble, Dominion engineer

another later on at the St. Leon Hot the Reddin-Jackson company and F. Springs on Arrow Lake. Mr. Clink

Vernon News

The shaft on the Bon Diable mine is now down over eighty-five feet, and work is being steadily pushed ahead. Lumby is still without a mail service, as no person has yet been found willing ore from the Tamarac, on Wild Horse
The syndicate that recently acquired creek. This property was bonded for had built at Okanagan Landing for lake

recently returned from a prospecting

says on practically surface rock, run- and it is probable that their ideas will take tangible shape this spring. It is suggested that the matter be fully discussed at next meeting of the agricultural society, and an effort then made to place the project on a business footing,

MIDWAY.

Midway Advance. Operations were commenced on Midway's irrigation system on Thursday last, Mr. Glaze, the contractor, putting a gang of men to work on Boundary creek ouilding the wing dam, which will turn the water of the creek into the irrigation flume.

Quite a number of men are getting ready their outlits, and prospecting trips will soon be the order of the day. The neighborhood of Christina lake will receive much attention at the hands ments showed a dropping off this week, of prospectors this summer. The Simthe cause in both instances being a lack likameen country is also attracting at of cars. Captain Hall wrote a strong tention, and will no doubt be the scene of much exploration.

At present the district is suffering would lose three times that amount this for the want of a greater number of ready for Trail. During last week the Milling Company at Camp McKinney Columbia & Western lost shipments be has been short-handed, and in all the cause of the heavy snow, but in addition to this the road has not sufficient are in demand. Quartz miners of exvard facilities and this is going to be perience coming to the province at the remedied as soon as possible. The present time might be sure of work at remunerative wages, and there is no owing to the lack of a switch engine in reason to believe the demand will slackthe yards here. Without a switch engine the Le Roi people cannot get is a prospect of hundreds of men being needed in the near future throughout

the country. od Following swiftly upon the acquisition of the Afice and Emma mines in Camp McKinney comes the news of another deal in which Mr. G. B. Mc-Auley figures, as it is stated a few days ago he acquired the Maple Leaf claim from Mr. James Lynch. The Maple Leaf is looked upon as one of the best claims on the Cariboo vein, outside of the Cariboo itself. It joins the Alice on the west, and I'es between it and Eureka. Mr. Lynch seems to have en the first to understand the trend the Cariboo vein, as he located along while the others took their 600x1.500 feet lecations north and south, or across the vein. The acquisition of the Maple Lenf and other claims gives Mr. Mc-Aulev and his associates control of over 3.000 feet of ground through which the running diagonally through the town un-famous ledge runs. The purchase con-til it strikes the railroad and then fol-sideration of the Man's Leaf is under

SANDON.

Sandon, March 9.—The jumping of the brokers, and within the past few days all seasons of the year at a reasonable townsite of Sandon was the result of an expense. The people of Salmo feel jubi- erroneous report of the decision of Judge land over the discovery, as, coupled with Forin. The clause which they failed to the immense ore bodies of the adjacent include in his decision was "That the hills, they think there is a bright future owner of a mineral claim had the exclusive for their town.

One of a mineral claim had the exclusive well known Rossland mining man who and burying the body between Clear-their town. Judge Walkem has granted an injunc- and Chinese. Had Hepburn stuck to his us by Mr. J. S. Foss, the party who tion against Cameron, the first man to wager, Carey woult have been at an ex- buried the body. It was, it is Mr. Foss' start building on the property he had pense of \$12 a day in excess of his opstaked out. This has a tendency to Tom Tobin and W. Callahan have quiet the excitement and now all stakes bonded the Almo, St. Aubin and Forlorn and shacks have been thrown off the ground. A crown grant was issued for the Lily B., to James Gilhooley for \$30,- the property October 5, 1895. In regard to the land claimed by F. M. O'Brien, a quicker. It is to be hoped this incident Foss found the body of an enormous A rich strike was made on the Lily B. letter received last week from the com-last Wednesday. Two hundred feet missioner of lands and works reads as to the value of Chinese labor.

lena was struck measuring 14 inches at Dear Sir,-I have the honor to ache top and 16 inches at the bottom. knowledge the receipt of your letter of The Conundrum group, on Ten Mile the 24th ulto., and in reply beg to say creek, is being thoroughly developed by that the lands applied for by Mr. F. M. Hughes Bros. The lead in the granite O'Brien, near Sandon, are not open to is three feet wide, and in addition to a purchase, a part of it overlapping prefound in the ledge matter. Assays from boundaries of the Kaslo & Slocan rail-

(Signed) perty is being opened up by a tunnel and Deputy Commissioner of Lands and Works. J. E. Mitchell, manager of the The air compressor recently purchased Charleston mine near Whitewater, by the Slocan Star has been set up and owned by himself and some Winnipeg the drills are now rapidly cutting the

to the smelter and has received returns reach the ore chute when complet shipped netted them \$1,450. Develop- out about 30 tens of concentrates per day, smelter. The monthly pay rolls show an average of 100 men employed at the mine and mill, with wages account of between \$10,000 and \$12,000 per month.

> BOUNDARY CREEK. Boundary Creek, March 11.-The pre-

iminary hearing into the charge of unawfully wounding laid against Wm. G. sanitary inspector, etc., etc., at Midway, took place vesterday at Greenwood bewounded man nor the accused represented by counsel, but I. H. Hallett, solicitor, of Greenwood, was present terest of the now famous "citizens' comthan the bare facts relating to the shooting, which have already appeared in the public press. Dr., Jakes, of Greenwood, who had been in constant attendance upon Mr. McMynn for days before the infortunate occurrence, testified as to the latter's serious illness and disregard of instructions in insisting upon resuming work in his office the day before the shooting occurred. Of not less interest, as suggesting a possible motive for the clamerons attacks upon Mr. McMynn, was the evidence of James Kerr, J.P. to the effect that upon hearing of the shooting he went to Hood and asked him to lay an information against that offion account of the purchase.

The deepest shaft in the south belt is down 35 feet on the foot wall, with no hanging wall in sight. He has about four feet of this free milling ore, as any reason of being perpendicular it shows some nice galena in the bottom.

The Ruby Gold Mining Company have let a contract to sink another twenty—
is feet and then the bonders abandone!

The Ruby Gold Mining Company have let a contract to sink another twenty—
is five feet on the shaft. Their rock continues to lay an information against that office on the shaft. Their rock continues to lay an information against that office feet on the shaft. Their rock continues to lay an information against that office feet on the shaft. Their rock continues to lay an information against that office feet on the shaft. Their rock continues to lay an information against that office feet on the shaft. Their rock continues to lay an information against that office feet on the shaft. Their rock continues to lay an information against that office feet on the shaft. Their rock continues to lay an information against that office feet on the shaft. Their rock continues to lay an information against that office feet on the shaft. Their rock continues to lay an information against that office feet on the shaft. Their rock continues to lay an information against that office feet on the shaft. Their rock continues to lay an information against that office feet on the shaft. Their rock continues to lay an information against that office feet on the shaft. Their rock continues to lay an information against that office feet on the shaft. Their rock continues to lay an information against that office feet on the shaft. Their rock continues to lay an information against that office feet on the shaft. Their rock continues to lay an information against that office feet on the shaft against that office feet on the shaft. Their rock continues the lay an information against that office feet on the shaft. Their rock continues the lay an information against that office f

burst of fury against the latter was at first incomprehensible to many. Indignation meetings were held, subscription lists were hawked around to raise money to defray the expenses of prosecution considered good property, and it is the (the assets of the province being consid-intention to start work on the claims as ered inadequate for the purpose) and strong resolutions were passed and sent the summary dismissal and punishment of the offending official. The excitement over, it is now-seen that the promoters and directors of the storm against the recorder were a few whom he had offended in his official capacity, the larger majority really caring but little for the affair and, consequently, throwing the weight of their sympathy, in true British Columbia style, with the party whose side appeared to be stronger. Mr. Mc Mynn is an excellent official, uniformly obliging and courteous and gives perfect satisfaction to the vast majority of persons who come in contact with him

officially. If the rumor is true that Mr. Almond. J.P., has been appointed mining recordr for the proposed new mining division of Grand Forks, people will wonder how it came about that a government so stupid should have made an appointment so excellent. If there is an "amhiguity" in this appointment, it is cer-tainly favorable to the province, as Mr. Almond has the confidence of the whole Kettle River community.

KAMLOOPS. The Inland Sentinel.

Charles Smith died at the Provincial Home on Tuesday afternoon of ganrene, aged 55 years. He was a narive of Glasgow, Scotland. For some time previous to his death Smith had not een in his right mind. Deceased was interred in the burial ground adjoining

Rich strikes have been made on the Evening Star claim, property of J. H. Morrison, and on the Chieftain No. 2 claim, property of R. H. Lee, within the past week. No better ore than is now being taken from these claims can be seen in any camp in British Columbia. The strike on the Chieftain capsed considerable excitement in town, and in spite of three feet of snow large numbers of business men hustled to the vicinity to stake off fractions, "snow bank extensions" Jim Russell calls

Wednesday last John Hepburn publicly wagered F. P. Carey \$500 that he could sink a 100-foot shaft quicker and at less expense with Chinese labor than with white. Carey took him up on the spot and wanted papers of agree X., and on Thursday 25 more arrived ment signed right away, the money to ment signed right away, the money to be put up at the same time. Hepburn asked for time to consider the proposition, though it was his own. All day to Clinton on Monday's stage and the consideration of the constant of the Thursday Hepburn thought. This morning he informed Carey that he would withdraw his wager, having come to to lose \$500, as well as pay for the is supposed to be the result of frost durwork done by both outfits, a condition ing the cold spell last fall.
of his original offer. F. P. Carey is a

The information relativ absolute confidence of winning the \$500. Practical mining men claim that one white man can do the work of any three Chinese, and do it better and other champ a few miles away. Mr. will serve to enlighten certain parties

REVELSTOKE.

(Revelstoke Herald.) of ore for assay. Among the specimens were some from the Silver Chief group, which was located last fall on

Ferguson. The Lanark tramway is running, but everything is not completed. There was a little mix up among the buckets yesterday and one is buried in the snow if the entire-witdth of the ledge, 20 feet somewhere yet. The two spans, 3,000 or more, would with depth be of a qualfeet each, are the longest in America, ity to ship or concentrate. They have

if not in the world. Thursday evening. The only other quartz being found and work is being business of importance transacted was done to demonstrate the extent of the the appointment of a committee con- ore. It now looks as though a good sisting of Messrs. Sibbald. H. Brown, Haig, Wells, and Cowan. report on the proposed charter of the Revelstoke Water Works, Electric Revelstoke Water Works, Electric afternoon by Sergeant Walker and Light and Power Company. Mr. Kel-brought to the city lockup. He was lie has wired to stay proceedings on charged with stealing some blankets. the bill till further communications

were received from the board. Red Plume group The claims which back of the Pool group and about two miles from Ferguson on the north branch of the Lardeau river, consists of McMynn, chief constable, mining re-ccrder, county court registrar, regis-and White Rose. The ledge is fifty trar of births, deaths and marriages, feet wide on the surface and the ore is a sulphide containing from surface assays all the way from a trace to \$15 in fore C. A. R. Lambly, stipendiary ma- gold, and as much as 20 ounces in silgistrate at Osoyoos, and Mr. Hodgson, ver and 30 per cent. copper. The ore J. P., of Greenwood. Neither the is exactly the same as that of the War were | Eagle and Le Roi and will have to be treated the same. The property, which is but little known, has been bonded by to watch the case, presumably in the in- the discoverers to the London and Van couver Finance and Development Committee of that place. The evidence of the injured man, Hood, and his associate, Bill Lewis, disclosed nothing more active development work will commence next season.

FORT STEELE: Fort Steele Prospector

J. C. Durick and A. Doyle, of Fort Steele, have bonded the Alberta mineral claim to Captain F. P. Armstrong, of Golden, for \$1,000; \$500 cash, \$500 on the 15th of April. The Alberta is situate on Perry creek and is a gold pro-

We have been informed that it is the intention of the International and Up-per Columbia Navigation Companies to establish daily communication between Fort Steele and Jennings during the coming summer. A new boat has been contracted for; her capacity is to be 100 tons, and she will be the lightest draught steamer on the Kootenay river. We understand that the boats will leave

time of the shooting, will be taken.

Considering the well known reluctance of Hood to take the initiative in instituting criminal proceedings against the reason for the out
S. Frizzell, of Fort Steele, have nonce the Gem and Stoney mineral claims to Messrs. Smith, Harris and Williams, of Spokane, for \$20,000. The Gem is the stone of the Hamlet, "one northern extension of the Hamlet, "one of the famous Sullivan group," and the Storey lies north of the Gem. These claims are silver-lead propositions and considered good property, and it is the

soon as possible.

E. C. Smith and others interested in to the Atterney-General, the superintent the Galore and Lowlander claims, situ-dent of police and others, demanding are east of the Sullivan group, are closing a bond. The consideration is up in the thousands.

S. Young reports that a Spokane syndicate are seeking a bond on the Mc-Ginty group of claims on Perry creek. The bond is for \$20,000.

CARIBOO.

B. C. Mining Journal. This week we were visited by a good old eastern snow storm. Quite a quuntity fell and the roads were drifted considerably, making the hauling for a few days very heavy. The late breaking up of the winter is a good omen for plenty of water for irrigation and mining. There must be at present nearly three

feet of snow on the level. Near the Cottonwood there are about seventy men at work on the lumber for the Baker flume. The mill runs night and day. It is expected that in a few weeks more the quantity of lumber regired will be sawed, amounting to about one million feet. Mr. Baker is at present in London and will be back in April. Mr. Betts is in charge of the tunneling and engineering work generally.

The Cariboo Gold Fields Company

have at last reached bedrock with their long tunnel, 2,700 feet, and much of i in bad ground. Nearly all of the gravel gone through carries gold from 1/2 to as high as 3 ounces to the set of timbers. The hydraulic elevator will be put in place as soon as the ground can be gotten ready, and it is hoped that the company may be able to do some work in the way of washing during the season of '97, but they have much to do. There is no doubt in the mind of anyone in this section that vast amounts of gold will be found on bedrock from the old vorked-out claims down past the juncion of Williams creek with Willow riv er and down Willow river past the work so ably carried on by Mr. Laird. The French capitalists here are very much pleased with the outlook, don't speak very highly of the climate.

> ASHCROFT. B. C. Mining Journal.

The thermometer registered 25 de Clinton Thursday morning. On Wednesday night twenty men for the Horsefly minc arrived and were sent

forward the next morning by the B.C.

and have also gone forward by the same will from that point spend some days investigating the trouble that has been somewhat prevalent with cattle of late the conclusion that he could not afford It is generally mamifested in the feet and

The information relative to finding opinion, the body of the lost German was known as Karl and was lost in the early spring while going from his own camp on the upper Clearwater to angrizzley bear a short distance from the body, and as the rifle was empty thinks the German met his death as a result of an attempt to kill the bear. It will be remembered by the readers of the Journal that Mr. J. S. Mitchell, some Mr. J. Kirkpatrick came up from the lower country on Wednesday with a lot Mr. Foss had buried the unfortunate prospector, and had surmised that the man Karl was buried there by Indians. The Bonaparte mines are reported as Gainer Creek, about eight miles from looking better. With depth the pay streak is widening and the quality improving. In the quartz alongside of the pay are small particles of native copper showing, and it now looks as now nearly 1,000 feet of tunnels and Fourteen new members were elected shafts driven or sunk. Near Mund rf's at the meeting of the board of trade on camp would be established at that point.

> -Lawrence Moody was arrested this Yesterday evening some Japanese came to the lockup and reported that they had of lost some blankets, and these Moody is lie half a mile accused of stealing are probably the ones lost by the Jananese

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