## E BENCH CLAIMS

ampede to Dominion Creek and the Discontent Over Its Opening.

enderfoot Miners in Their Exment Last Summer Caused an Entanglement.

t 3,000 people, more or less, have the stampede out to the fumous on creek, says the Yukon Midun. It is the old story of the tentensioned to a fever pitch over golden dreams and sleepless To the uninitiated and to the ers these stampedes have become ous, tiresome and even as buras an old story thrice told conancient history. Stampedes ancient dome have been continuthe holidays on Dominion and creeks, including all their and "pups," until no one of a ce will admit going on sud-The bench claims on Docreek have been prospected favorable points for the past and spring, and so far nothing ng in the line of pay gravel has All the gold seems to ways followed the present river enriching the mires on the main and having no dust to spare to e on the hillsides by means of old Dorado creeks. Holes to bedave been sunk on the benches op-upper Discovery upon No. 2 and above upper, and also upon a dozen s from below upper to the mouth ctors thought at first that the

nk benches opposite 27, 28 and 29 upper Discovery would pan out, turns did not justify the boys to plications for an official record. en the fever had to take its and the rush was ludicrous in its

the official modus operandi by he public were made cognizant of ing of Dominion creek for the bench claims there is much to n pro and con. To go back a few he has to recall the rush of last when the tenderfeet rushed creek, and on account of two claims, the locators, ds and bearing, became entanglerically, and made mistakes about on of their claims when they before the gold commissioner the same. Hence errors beinto certificates, titl by unavoidable mistakes, and lishonest claim seekers took age of the situation, made false umped claims and moved stakes came to such a pass that Gold er Fawcett, in justice to him nd his official position, was comclose the creek to further from upper Discovery to No. 130 Last spring a corps of survey, ade the official survey, took eviand straightened out the muddle reek claims now stand under the uling, and fractions are not open The bench claims were cation. wcett set about arranging the plans ocation. It was first decided to alno locating unless by special permit But upon inquiry this was be an illegal proceeding, as the interfered with the unrestricted of a miner holding a free miner's It could also be construed as to a fixed title to the claim, from year to year. Therefore, r Walsh and Gold Commissioner sett in council decided to open the claims for location in A proclamation was issued and hed with a diagram setting forth hange of programme. The gold comioner understood that the date of ing the creeks was to be the same as te of the drafting of the order, and the 8th was selected, and it was so Major Walsh says he desir-11th to be the date, the same date ed for going into effect of location nits. The copy was submitted to t being busy officially at the time glanced at the notice, and says not observe the date of the 8th. where the error happened over certain publication has gone into and tried to work itself into a Walsh states, concernroyalty on miners' proceeds, both ding and incorrect. It is the opinenerally that the source of most omplaints against the various denents lies not with those in charge uch as it does with the assistants, we may say understrappers. out from the various departments e financial gain of residents which, traced to its source, generally im-

### PUNISHMENT FOR SELFISH-

ites one of the clerks as the guilty

NESS. business men of the British Colbia coast cities are now beginning to lize that they made a serious error opposing the Corbin charter. The o Kootenay Lake. Already the C... Co. has booked freight in carload from eastern points to this route: ve construction is being pushed on railway from Robson to Boundary k. No bona fide effort is being to construct the Penticton rail-The business men of the coast worked to defeat the Corbin charbecause they were afraid the railway n constructed would carry goods purchased from themselves. They w find that they were playing into the nds of the eastern merchants. The tern merchants will soon have direct pection with the rich mining regions Southern British Columbia. st merchants made every effort to the only railway which would give been allowed to build, the road all be now almost completed. Vicand Vancouver merchants could goods direct to Boundary Creek

will be constructed before the Penon road is properly begun. wholesaler will have the advantage. selfish coaster has blindly worked inst his own interest. Under the cirstances he can scarcely expect sym thy from Boundary Creek. people of Victoria are handicap by the moneyed mossbacks. no merit in any scheme that does benefit Victoria to the exclusion of ery other portion of the province eir selfishness isolates their city and tagonizes those who would like to be eir business friends.—Boundary Creek

3. Bamburg, wife and three children, of It Lake City, Utah, are at the Driard.

# PASSED THE EXAMS

Watson, Ralph R.
Loat, Cora H.
Iligginson, Jave E.
Crandell, Oscar A.
Ashworth, Livingstone C.

Third-Class, Grade A.

(Maximum marks, 1,950.)

Grace A...... 

Green, Constance H.
Sm'th, Anrie
Mills, Sarah A.
Clark, Elizabeth A.

Third-Class, Grade B.

Blair, J. Alfred.
Wilson, Elizabeth
John, Alice
Tingley, Brydone L.
Smith, Mabel
Butler, Claud H.
Fenton, Suste A.
McMordie, Robert A.
Mitchell, Charles A.

ohnson, Margaret A.....

Henderson, Alice G
Lovering, Herbert S
Netherby, Belle
Sinclair, Isabella
Howell, Ada M
Evans, Jennie
('ameron, Sadie
Ross, Barbara
Johnson, Margaret G

With Rich Miners and Much Gold.

of the Alaska Commercial Company's steamer Alice and of those who sailed on

her for the outside. She landed at Dawson

on July 6th, having occupied a year in

reaching that city. She wintered about 70 nules up the river. The water was so

low in the Yukon as she came up that it

freight below Circle City. The Alice left

"The handshakings and partings, the

good-byes and halloes, created a lively im-

pression, and equalled in interest and activity the departures of the famous Cunard-

ers from New York city. Fully \$500,000

in gold dust was shipped out, of which

sum the Alaska Commercial Company sent

\$96,000. Among the kings of Fil Dorado

who took passage on the Alice were Antone

Standard, Humboldt Yates, John Erickson

and Neil McKay. The aggregate pile of

this quartette represented the greater part-

Autone Standard and bride, nee Miss

Violet Raymond, a variety actress, had

their pile encased in five strong tin boxes.

Standard brought out about \$60,000, while

his wife's wealth is estimated at about

Nos. 4, 5 and 6 on El Dorado, and No. 40

above, on Bonanza, preferring to separate

and handle them himself. Mrs. Standard

upon her bridal trip has a collection of

\$5,000 in large and assorted nuggets, which

she personally collected from the dumps, and also a metallic chest containing \$32,000.

In diamonds and dust, her wealth is figur-

ed at \$50,000, the result of a sojourn in the

Yukon country of one year. They will stop

at the Palace Hotel, San Francisco, for a

few months, and then travel eastward, en

route for Vienna, Paris and other European

John Erickson, of No. 10, and Humboldt

Gates, of No. 28, El Dorado, were the other

two whose sack of gold dust, approximat-

ed, equalled Standard's pile, Humboldt Gates leaves for Eureka, Humboldt County,

California, in company with his relative,

C. W. Hall, of Dominion creek. 'Phey will

return next spring. Gates owns No. 28, El

Dorado, 12 and 24, below, Hunker, and

Every man carries a penknife, but not one in twenty carries a good one.

A man who owes everybody was worrying on the streets to-day about Hobson.

Soon after a man nasses 40 he begins

noise.

There is about as much interest in the average friend's letter as there is in a college yell.

When a young man volunteers and leaves for the front it is easy to pick out his steady.—Atchison Globe.

THE GUN.

To Wind Up Blusiness.

be held to-morrow evening at the office

of Weiler Bros., for the pupose of con-

sidering the hunters' picnic and to wind, up the business in connection with the club for the season of 1898.

A meing of the Victoria Gun Club will

claims on Sulphur and Dominion creeks."

remain in California for the winter

capitals.

\$50,000. He has a divided half interest in

for the Yukon mouth the day after her

arrival. The Midnight Sun says:

was found necessary to land half of he

Bailey, Adelaide S. Halliday, James A. McDougall, Archena J. (Signed.)

Olding, Harriet E... Cleveland, Jane M... Teetzle, Edward E.. Matthews, William Knight, Margaret D. Slyewr'ght, William

Street, Flossie P...

(Maximum marks, 1,950.)

Pringle, Ella K. Obt.
Sylvester, Lou'se M. Robinson, Nellie A. Carmichael, Annie E.

Mill'gan, Rose A...
Gcostery, George F.
Renwick, Lilian R.
Thornber, Charles L.
McTaggart, Isabella
Wolfenden, Mabel
Carter, Ethel J.
Johnston, Augustus

Award in the Competitionfor Teachers' Certificates in Provincial Public Schools.

A Unique Performance by a Victorian -Seventy-Six Per Cent. of the Possible Total.

The results of the examination of candidates for teachers' certificates, commenced on July 4th and finished a little over two weeks ago, were made known Knight, William A..... by the Department of Education on Saturday afternoon. Two hundred and twenty-five have been successful in obtaining the requisite number of marks and are now duly qualified to accept positions in the public schools of the

The task of examination this year was somewhat more severe than has been customary and the consideration of the consideration of the more Jane very large number of papers submitted has consequently been a work of considerable magnitude, the examiners, Ven. Archdencon Scriven, M.A. (Oxon.), Rev. W. D. Barber, M.A., Rev. Professor Whittington, M.A., B.Sc., Mr. John W. Church, M.A., with the Superintendent of Education, having been engaged almost continuously since the conclusion of McIver, Henrietta

Swan, Clara W.

Murray, Jessie M.

Wriglesworth, Annie L.

Johnstone, Marion B.

Vlement, Mabel M.

Whelen, Mary E J.

Vood, Mabel V.

urner, Bertha examination in making their award. Especial mention must be made of the wonderfully good performance of Miss Nellie Evelyn Marchant, daughter of ex-Alderman Marchant, and a Victorian whose marked success in so severe an examination is the highest possible testi-mony to the excellence of the system of ation in vogue in the high school, ain 3,400 marks in a possible 4,550 phenomenal performance and is so ed by the examiners, and, considthe wide range of subjects included, Miss Marchant is justly entitled to the lest possible commendation for her coughness as a student and for the ee of application which so unique a ormance as the securing of 76 per of the possible total is so sufficient evidence of. It is also worthy of cal mention that Miss Marchant is years old, the earliest age at which anyone may enter into competi-tion for the coveted certificate. The full report of the examiners fol-

Lovering, James E. Breadleston, Maud E. Coghlan, Leonora M. Butler, Gladys A. K. Bowman, Ida Rose. First-Class, Grade A Bissett, Mary E., B.A., St. Francis Xavler oliege, Nova Scotia, 1898.
Edmison, Matilda K., B.A., University of 1898. Mrs. Wilhelmina W., B.A., University of Stitt, Eleanor H..... Henderson, Olive ..... Brethour, Gertrude L. Elliott, Charles G., B.A., University of 1898. Alfred E., B.A., McGill Univer-Manitona, Alfred E., B.A., according Gordon, Alfred E., B.A., University of sity, Montreal, 1898.

Mandson, George A., B.A., University of Queen's College, Kingston, 1898.

(Maximum marks, 4,550.)

Obtained.

3,460

Marchant, Nellie E..... 3,460 First-Class, Grade B. (Maximum marks, 3,750.)
Obtained

Bennie, Isabel 27.77

Monk, James K. 2,442

Spers, Mary E. 2,293

The following holders of Second-Class, Grade A, certificates passed the additional standard now required for First-Class, Grade B, certificates:
Frank Pauline A, now cade B, certifica.
Frank, Pauline.
Grant, Lillan M.
Tull, Robert J.
Ting, Mary L.
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Ting, Mary L. Hartt, Flora E.
Lawson, Maria.
Le Feuvre, Eva A.
Le Page, Ethel L.
Mercer, Thomas C.
Macfarlane, Rachel McK.
Macdarlane, Rachel McK.

MacTavish, Donald N.
McTavish, Peter Is.
Pepe, S. C. Ruth.
Ramsay, Jennie.
Southcott, Florence.
Strople, Norton.

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	Dykes Watson	
	Kendall George	1
	Mebius, Jeannette 2,119	
	McMahan, Mrs. Emma C 2.166	6
	McDiarmid, Peter A 2.146	
	McIntrye, James A 2.103	1
	Campbell, Leonard A 2,100	
	Dell, Mabel 2,065 Hunter, Douglas McD 2,052	
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o.	Rlair, Wesley A	1
	Clement, Samuel B	1
	Stevenson, Clarinda E. 2.042 Macratlane, Minnie J. 2.032	10
	Caspell Edmund 2.017	1
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	Fraser, Henry A 1,990	1
	Sexsmith, Frances L	1
	McPhail, Archibald A	1
	Turner, George D	
	Tompkins, William L. 1,970 Nason, Mary A. 1,967	
	Nason, Mary A 1,967	4
	Lawson, Winifred C	1
	Fraser, Katharine N	4
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	Fraser, James D	1
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	Page, Philip H	
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#### on, Augusta J..... Second-Class, Grade B.

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(Maximum marks, 2	2.560.)
Kidd, Ruby M. Walker, Maud M. R. Fisher, Arthur G. Allison, Dorothy Ball, George W.	Obtained
Kidd, Ruby M	1.67
Walker Mand M P	1.50
Fisher Anthon C	1 50
Allicon Date G	1 50
Hall Corotny	1.05
Johnstone, Jean P.	1,56
Godson, Mabel	1.54
Godson, Mabel Colquhoun, Josephine	1,53
Letts, Albert Phoenix, Albert E.	1.53
Phoenix Albert E	1 59
McInnes, Phoebe A	1.51
Melhuish, Hester E.	1 51
Sharples Tiller To the T	4 24
Sharples, Elizabeth J	
Warren, Clara C.  McQueen, Annie W.  Millard, Gertrude R.  Marshall Sarah	
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Millard, Gertrude R	1,50
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White, Charles J. Jesse, Edith M. McQueen, Jessie	1 45
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Fleming Door W	1 4
Newland, Catherine A. Fleming, Pearl W. Gundin, Makel	
Gaudin, Mabel A	1.4
Tibbatts, Emilie	1.4
McCallum, Ada E	1,4
Reid, Jenima Clement, William J Christensen, Corl M. P.	1,4
Mement, William J.	1.4
Christensen, Carl M. B.	1.4

Marguerite E.

The President of the Big Yukon Commercial Co. Talks of the Conditions in and Near Dawson.

His Company Will Build a Stamp Mill If Good Quartz Strikes Are Made.

P. B. Weare, president of the N. A. T. & T. Co., has been in Dawson for more than two weeks, says the Yukon Midnight Sun of July 14th, a copy of which was received by the steamer City of Seattle; and during that time he has been a very busy man. He has been occupied in examining the work done by his company in its variosu branches during the past year. He has walked the rourd of all the most important creeks, studied the placer question and examinto the quartz propositions. He has occupied his mind with the transportation problem, and from all this study of detail and new conditions has arrived at conclusions which cannot fail to interest and be of value to the public.

It is, therefore, a gratification to us to discover in Mr. Weare an optimist of

to discover in Mr. Weare an optimist of the most positive sort. His faith in Dawson, in the placers, in the quartz propositions, and in general business here, is prodigious, and we feel that we serve the public in sowing it broadcast. Relative to his inspection of the creeks Mr. Weare expressed himself as favorally surprised at finding an outlook which in his opinion would keep Dawson in a progressive and healthy condition for 25 years at least without an other discovery. The prospects on Do-minion and on Hunker, he claims, are such as to warrant the prediction that they will equal Bonanza and El Dorado. Not all the discoveries can be worked with profit under the existing expensive methods, but more economical work is bound to come, and with its advent the field of profit will be wonderfully broad-

For three years Mr. Weare's company has had a force of quartz prospectors in the field. Reports from these, he says, are very satisfactory, and while there are no immediate plans for the erection of a stamp mill, he only awaits the discovery of a ledge of a sufficient breadth to decide to put in a mill of 250 stamps. Give us a quartz proposition of sufficient Give us a quartz proposition of sufficient size, he says, assaying \$2 to \$6 a ton, and we will put in a mill. Those who have been claiming that quartz must go \$25 to the ton in this region to pay for operating will no doubt be surprised at this statement. The indications are good for paying quartz just optically and development in in posite the city, and development is in progress now. Shoud a ledge of large dimensions be uncovered over there, it would mean big things for Dawson. On the subject of fuel for large operations in mining Mr. Weare has no misgiving at alk. He says the fuel question could scarcely be more satisfactory, wood and coal both being within easy access in large quantities. A difficulty which has hitherto been both an annoyance and a hindrance to the entire community will be entirely removed when the light draft steamers are put on the river between here and Fort Yukon. The heavier boats will run the supplies and provisions to that point, and the lighter boats will have no difficulty in navigating the shal-low water on this side,

Mr. Weare's company have four such boats in tow on their way to St. Michaels from Dutch Harbor, where they were built during the past winter. In addition to these they have put on five Renewal Certificates for Length of Service. S. D. POPE, LL.D.
AUSTIN SCRIVEN, M.A. (Oxon.)
WILLIAM D. BARBER, M.A.
R. WHITTINGTON, M.A., B. Sc.
JOHN W. CHURCH, M.A.
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With Rich Miners and Much Gold.

In the Yukon Midnight Sun of July 14th the following account is given of the sailing far in the lead in point of development, but he had firm faith in the greatness of the American side.

A NICE LITTLE TRICK. How the Cassiar Election is Being Run -Date of Election Not Known.

Among the passengers on the steamer Cutch, which returned from the north yesterday was W. McCraney, who had been electioneering in Cassiar constitu-ency, says the Province. "With regard to the elections," he

said to a Province reporter last evening, "the government have assumed such absolute power in Cassiar that the electors know little or nothing about what is going on. Contrary to all law and custom no proclamation giving the date of the election has been posted up throughout the constituency, and or-dinary electors are entirely in the dark as to whether the elections will come off on the day appointed or not.

"Of course the government have their agents throughout the whole district by the dozens, all having a good time at someone's expense. These heelers, of course, know what is going on, but take good care that the public generally are kept in the dark. The man who says he was notified that he was appoint deputy returning officer in Rivers Inlet. informed me on the 26th inst. that he had received no instructions from the returning officer, although it was reported that the election was to take place there

"The government are bringing on the elections in different parts of the district on different dates. Polling at Rivers Inlet, it is reported, will be on the ers Inlet, it is reported, will be on the 30th; on the Skeena and Naas rivers August 6th is the date reported. At Glenora and further, north it is known only by the government and returning officer when it will take place. This makes it very convenient for the government heelers to follow in the wake of the returning officer, and see that as many electors as possible are that as many electors as possible are properly fixed for the occasion.

"It is understood that the returning officer, who is a Mr. Alexander, of Port Simpson, will take the steamer and start at Rivers Inlet on the 30th, poll the vote there, then proceed to the Skeena, Simpson and Naas, and poll the vote there on August 6th. He will then go north by casy stages to Glanora, Teslin, Bennett, and poll the votes in these places, so that it may be the last of September or October before it will be known who are October before it will be known who are the members for Cassiar.

"There are three men running for Cassiar, McTavish, Clifford and Capt. Irvng. The general opinion is that Mc-lavish and Chifford will be elected. If McTavish is elected he will support the opposition, while Clifford states most emphatically that that he is absolutely independent, and will support the party that does justice to Cassiar, which, he claims, it has not received in the past. "I am told that Capt. Irving has stated repeatedly that he is in no way bound to the Turner government, in fact he expresses himself as very much opposed

to the larger part of the government's

Mr. McCraney spoke in high terms of traise about the accommodation which was provided on the Cutch. All the passergers, he said, expressed their appreciation of its ciation of it.

The Fishing Industry. While up north Mr. McCraney visited many of the fishing industries and reports that they are all in a most prosperous condition. All the canners state that a full pack will be put up this sea-

Walter Ker, of Brackman & Ker, who returned yesterday after a ten days' cruise on the Cutch up north, stated to-day that there was very little excitement in regard to the election in Cassiar. No one he met at different points in the north seemed to have any idea as to the result of the elections, although the opinion was expressed in several quarters that Capt. John Irving, the government candidate, was not so popular as in years past. Mr. McTavish, who is running as an oppositionist, is said to have a fair chance of being elected. As a rale the people of Cassiar are not taking much interest in the contest.
"The political outlook along the Sti-

kine river for the opposition is O. K.," said J. H. Russell, who has just returned from the north, to the Province this norning. "The Stikine river yoters will go dead against the government. As to the outcome of the whole of the riding, I, think that one government and one op-position supporter will be elected. Mc-

Tavish is a sure winner.

"The way in which the government is acting in holding the elections at different places is adversely commented upon. In some places they do not know when they are to be held. The election at Cleaner is set for August 6th, McTar. Glenora is set for August 6th. McTavish is an oppositionist out and out, and mark my word, he will be elected."

## Provincial News.

VANCOUVER.

Vancouver, July 28.-G. I. Wilson re ceived word to-day that the traps at the salmon banks averaged 20,000 each yesterday. This means that the Fraser river run will be all right, after all, as 20,000 to the trap breaks all previous records. The Cutch came in to-night bringing word that the pack in the north would be nearly a full one. Wadnorth would be nearly a full one. ham's campery at Rivers inlet had put up 15,000 when the Cutch passed with very favorable prospects of reaching the 20,000 mark. All the other canneries were putting up big packs.

At this morning's convention of the Christian Endeavor Society Rev. Mr. Winchester, of Victoria, delivered an address on the "Power of the Holy Spirit." The convention closed this evening.

Vanalstine pleaded guilty to the charge of bigamy before Judge Bole to-day,

Mrs. Perry, of Vancouver, whom Van-

alstine married while he had another wife living in California, wished the prosecution dropped, but the court would not consent and judgment will be passed Vanalstine on Friday next.

The provisional committee chosen to take the initial steps in establishing a home for nurses in Vancouver met yesterday in the Art Historical Society's rooms. The Vancouver allotment of the fund raised for the Victorian Order of Nurses' scheme, namely, \$970, will be devoted to the Home project, Vancouver citizens to be relied upon for the \$2,000 per annum needed for current expenses. Committees on house furnishings, fi-ance, supplies and housekeeping were ap-

orthcoming plebiscite and to struggle to have enforced the laws for the better observation of the Sabbath in British

J. B. Myers, formerly connected with Vice-President Shaughnessy's staff at Montreal, and later an employee of the Montreal, and later an employee of the later and interest of the last been missing for a week, and it is feared that he has been drowned. Myers was in search of a position in the newspaper world, but failing of success became despondent.

John Beattie, Jos. Bellmoe and Joe Allison have been charged with assaulting and robbing John Beatton, taking from him \$625.

The board of horticulture met on the

The board of horticulture met on the 28th at Agassiz and passed a resolution that no infected fruit be allowed to pass ough the province. Six new quarantine officers were appointed for different

Dr. Terwange, the French scientist, left to-day for Skagway, whence he will start with four others in a balloon to look for Andree. look for Andree.

The fruit growers met at Agassiz on the 28th and the following were appointed as judges on fruit for the fall fairs throughout the province: Kamloops, Salmon Arm, Vernon and Kelowua, T. G. Earle and T. A. Sharp; Richmond, Thomas Cunningham; Delta and Chilliwack, R. M. Palmer; Duncan's, T. A. Sharp; Nanaimo, T. A. Sharp and G. H. Hadwen. Those for Surrey, Langley and Mission City have

Surrey, Langley and Mission City have yet to be appointed. Vancouver, July 30.—Marine insurance men are putting up rates rapidly owing to the number of accidents of late. In several instances risks have been rersed absolutely. Others have been

taken at a ten per cent. rate. A story comes from Chilliwack that a large deposit of free milling rock has been located averaging \$200, but numerous specimens are running from \$3,000 to \$10,000 to the ton.
The following ladies and gentlemen

The following ladies and gentlemen comprise the committee chosen to take the initial step in forming a District Training Home for nurses of the Victorian order: Dr. Ely, Dr. Brydon-Jack, the Mayor, Dr. Pearson. Dr. Monroe, Mr. Salisbury, Ald. McQueen, Rev. E. D. McLaren, Rev. L. N. Tucker, Ven. Archdeacon Pentreath, Father Domnand the executive of the local council. The Westminster school board is devising ways and means for increasing the capacity of the schools, as the pupils the capacity of the schools, as the pupils are becoming too crowded in the present buildings. The Conservative association in West-

minster have convened and elected offi-cers. They will give Hon. Geo. E. Foster a reception on his visit to the coast. The sunken steamer Cleeve is being raised and repaired. She is to be lifted between barges and taken to the and let go again to be patched up at low

The Rev. Field-Yolland is leaving Westminster owing to ill-health.

NEW WESTMINSTER. New Westminster, July 29.—Sir W. Markby and Lady Markby, of Oxford, England, and Mr. A. Acland, came to the Royal City yesterday and were conducted by Mayor Ovens over the Cleeve

cannery, with which they were very much pleased.

Mr. John Hendry, general manager of the B. C. M. T. and T. Company, will leave here on Saturday for Sdyney, Aus-

Chief Ackerman has presented to the Chief Ackerman has presented to the library museum an interesting relic, in the form of an old English Church Prayer Book and "Companion to the Altar," of the date of 1712, nearly two centuries ago. The volume, which has a hame and a date some years later than its publication, written on a my leaf, is as venerable looking as its ago devotes

derotes.

A quiet wedding took place on Wednesday evening at the residence of Mr.

T. Preston, Twelfth street, when Miss J. Maud Preston was united in marriage to Mr. Sydney Gregory, one of the popular conductors of the Tramway Company. Company. The eeremony was conducted by Rev. Mr. Bowell, pastor of the West End Methodist church, Miss Fan-Mr. Will am Gregory, brother of the groom, acting as best man. The bride was the recipient of many handsome

presents.

The remains of the late John Oliver, a miner who was killed on Friday in an accident at the Silver King mine were escorted to the Canadian Pacific railway depot last Sunday evening by the members of the Nelson lodge of Odd I'ellows, and were shipped to his former home in Iron Mountain, Michigan. The unfortunate miner was a member of the Odd Fellows order, and leaves a wife and family to mourn his untimely death. The details of the accedent are as fol-

lows:
Oliver and his mate, Harris, had set off a blast, and being in a hurry to finish up their work on the shift, returned too soon to find out the result of turned too soon to find out the result of the shot. Finding the gas from the dis-charge too strong they attempted to re-trace their steps, but both fell in the tunnel overcome by the fumes. When he fell, Oliver's candle did not go out, but fell on his body, setting fire to his clothing. When found shortly afterwards by the next shift going to work

Joseph Piane, an Italian, appeared be fore Police Magistrate Crease last Monday on a charge preferred by Chief of Police McKinnon, of carrying concealed weapons. He was fined \$25 and costs

and the weapon, a 41-calibre Colt's revolver, was confiscated.

The council has decided to purchase 40 acres of land from the Canadian Pacific railway Company for cemetery purposes. Mayor Houston has been authorized to close the deal at a price not to exceed \$30 per acre. The land is situated to the south of the city.

Some of those who opposed the passage of the Electric Light by-law will

sage of the Electric Light by-law will make an effort to quash the by-law in the courts. In the event of their succeeding the by-law will probably be submitted to the ratepayers again.

A Mr. Holbrook desires to erect a crematory to be in operation in about two months, which would be sufficient to consume all the night soil and garbage collected round the city. Of bage collected round the city. Of course Mr. Holbrook would like some protection in the matter and would vish the city to undertake not to erect any creamatory in opposition to him and to give him the work of scavenger for the city at the scale of prices now in existence, and if at any time the city wishes to take over the business it can do so on paying Mr. Holbrook the actual cost price, allowing for wear and tear. The cost of the creamatory

#### ROSSLAND.

ance, supplies and househelping was, elected treasurer, and Mr. Salisbury was, elected treasurer, and Mr. Bourne secretary protein.

A.C., has let the contracts for the erection of three buildings for that company. One is a general office structure, a second is a laboratory and assay office, and convertion for the convertion of the co The three buildings are to be located on Nickel Plate flat, at a point not far from the Red Mountain depot. The contracts for the general office building and the laboratory have been let to McPhee & Dunlop, while W. R. Spence will build the cottage. The ground dimensions the general office building will be 68x36 feet over all, and there will be two stories. The ground floor will contain the laboratory managing director in the laboratory have been let to McPhee & Dunlop, while W. R. Spence will build the meetings.

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Mr. G. H. Maurer, managing director in the laboratory have been let to McPhee & Dunlop, while we will be favored to support the institutes and make them to support the institutes and make them do practical value to themselves. They were now very popular in Ontario and doing a great work. It paid to attend the meetings.

FAIRVIEW. ies. The ground floor will contain the offices of the general superintendent, the financial manager, the mining surveyor, etc. The upper story is to be used for residential purposes by some of the offi-cers of the company. The style of archi-tecture will be colonial. The cottage in-tended for the chief mining engineer, W.

A. Carlyle, will have ground dimensions of 32x50 feet, and will contain five of 32x50 feet, and will contain five rooms. The assay office and laboratory will occupy 38x45 feet of space and be a one story structure conveniently arranged for the purposes intended. All three of the buildings will be heated with steam radiators, and the steam will be supplied from the compressor plant of the company. The plumbing will be first-class. The terms on which the contracts were let are withheld.

KAMLOOPS. Mr. F. J. Deane, M.P.P., has issued the following address to the electors of North Yale:
"I desire to thank you very sincerely

for the honor you have conferred upon me in electing me as your representa-tive in the provincial legislature. It will be my earnest effort to endeavor in every way possible to promote the best interests of this riding. You are yell acquainted with the principles 1 stood for, your votes endorsed the stand I took, and it will be my aim to prove to you that your confidence was not misplaced. I wish to thank the members of my central and subcommittees for the splendid services they rendered in a very arduous campaign. Now that the election is over and the result definitely known, I trust that those who opposed my candidature will join with my friends and supporters in assisting me to safeguard and advance the interests of the whole constituency. For the time being, party strife is at an end. It is the interests of the electorate as a whole that have to be considered. Within a few weeks the characteristic of this experience will give way to the old order of things will give way to the new. The present opposition party thoroughly united and bent upon carry ing into effect the policy upon which they appealed to the country, will assume the reins of government, and I am ornfident that every elector of North Yale, and of the province at large, will heartily welcome the change."

### KASLO.

The board of trade has addressed a communication to Premier Sir Wilfrid Laurier, and to the Hon. Messrs. Field-Laurier, and to the Hon. Messrs. Fielding, Paterson and Tarte, inviting these ministers of the Dominion cabinet to themselves before the next meeting of the Dominion parliament, that they may have an opportunity to investigate the present conditions, and the needs of the mining industry of this section of the mining industry of the mining industry of this section of the mining industry of the mi British Columbia, and especially to consider what may be done by the Dominion parliament to promote the treatment of silver-lead ores in Canada. The members of the cabinet invited expressed to the delegation sent to Ottawa by Kaslo hat rack in the hall, etc.—Medical and Nelson, their willingness to come to ord.

policy, so the government has no right to claim either Clifford or Irving if either one is elected.

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"The government is defeated without the world. ing men of the country. The invitation has now been sent.

There was considerable swearing done in town last Monday week, but it was not of the profane variety. Pursuant to the notice sent out by Capt. Reid, the members of the newly organized haslo rifle company met and subscribed to the oath of allegiance, and considered everal business matters.

Several business matters.

Thirty-seven young men signed the official roll, which had been sent-from Victoria by lieut.-Col. Peters for the purpose. As soon as the other eight names are attached the roster of the company will be complete.

The three commissioned officers are Capt. George D. Reid, First Lieutenant W. J. Twiss and Second Lieutenant Jno. P. Vroom. In addition there will be six non-commissioned officers—three sercommissioned officers—three sergeants and three corporals. Ten names of members have been recommended for these six positions, and the officers will appoint them.

appoint them.
The city council has expressed its willingness to allow the rifle company to use a part of the basement of the new city building when completed as an armory, and the matter of a suitable drill hall is also under consideration.

LULU ISLAND.

The cancers are offering 15 cents per fish, but still the fish do not come in sat-isfactory numbers. This is provoking to the canners and also to the fishermen. but evidently it is the way of the fish. It is a serious matter to the owners of 43 cannenies and 8,000 fishermen, but the fish are unsympathetic and inconsiderate. The fear, however, is that vengeance will be meted out to them when they do come. Each of the canneries has got a few hundred cases put up, but they must have the thousands. The scason will now be a very short one, as it must close within a month

A few changes have taken place in the personnel of the cannery owners. The Imperial Cannery is at work this year under the management of Mr. Wm. Mc-Call, acting for Messrs. Robert Ward & his body was frightfully burned, and he only lived a short time after being taken out. Dr. Forin was at once summoned from Nelson, but before reaching the mine the unfortunate man had expired.

Henric is also badly burned, but will remark the command of Mr. Houston and will do its full share of work this scame. Mr. Costello's company are now son, Mr. Costello's company are now running the Colonial cannery, and Mr. McPherson has bought out Mr. Good-McPherson has bought out Mr. Good-murphy's interest in the Wilkiston can-

nery.

Although it is understood that the experiment last year with freezing fish for the London market was fairly successful there is no word so far of further work being done this year in that direc-tion—in fact the fear now is that this season's pack is to be a short one and that there are not, therefore, the supplies available for freezing.

This is a season of joy for the farmers.

They are revelling in the abundance of their crops, and in the beautiful weather for haymaking.

They are hard at work reaping a crop that will range from 3 to 4 tone per acre, and it is all in prime condition. The haymaking will not be finished when they will have to start harvesting a very heavy grain crop. The danger is that in some cases the crop will be too heavy and that it will break down before the mower can be put to work. The present bright sunshine is favoring early turity, however, and strengthening stems greatly. The potato crop also looks to be very abundant, and the dry season is favoring the quality as well as the quantity of the crop. I have seen several samples of the crop that can certainly not be improved on by Ashcroft or any

other district.

Professor Fletcher, entomologist, charmed those who were able to get to hear his address to the local institute. John Honeyman, architect for the B. with his favorite theme—the farmers' enemies in plants and insects—than the learned professor. He revels in it and gives many most valuable hints and di-

Mr. G. H. Maurer, managing director of the Smuggler Gold Mining Company, is expected in on the next stage. will be accompanied by the mill con-tractor, and it is hoped that the long delays in mill construction will find an end in a few days, and that a new policy of vigorous development and con-struction will supplant the old system of promises. The mine looks well and seems only to need development to prove

a first-class dividend payer.

Work on the Stemwinder progresses steadily, and the ore seems to be improving in value as the work goes on.

The Morning Star is being worked again and the ore is hauled to the Joe Dandy mill. The cost of milling and hauling is \$4.50, so that the work should pay even if it does not go more than \$6.50 per ton, and the ore is supposed to double that value.

The new government buildings are going ahead in fine style.—Midway Ad-

### GOLDEN.

Death has removed G. H. Woodley. He was born in Tavistock, Devonshire, England, and came to this country with his parents when a child. His earlier years were spent in and around Port Hope, from there he went to Toronto, thence to Detroit. In the fall of 1892 he came to Golden.

Says the Era: Now that the election is over and there are no more votes to be bought with government moneys, instructions have been given to stop the public works in hand. H. G. Lowe has been instructed to cease work on the Beaver trail to the Bennison mine, and J. A. Good left Golden on Tuesday morning to clear up the work which he had in hand on the Golden-Fort Steele Death has removed G. H. Woodley. had in hand on the Golden-Fort Steele

### CRANBROOK.

The town is rapidly growing. Real estate values have doubled within the The Bank of Montreal and the Can-adian Bank of Commerce have located branches here.

GREENWOOD. A daily mail service is to be estab lished between here and Grand Forks.

A woman of slight build and medium height, dressed in mourning, calls to see the doctor, who treated her husband and little girl two and one-half years ago. She is a glib talker and tells the servant that husband and girl are both dead. bring her a glass of ice water. the maid returns the would-be patient is gone. The doctor, when he returns, misses a sheet of postage stamps from his desk drawer, an umbrella from the