VICTORIAN DESCRIBES ITS CHARACTERISTICS

Rich in Natural Resources and Full of Promise for the Future-Best

As briefly mentioned in Monday's Times, Dave Stevens has just returned from an extensive trip to the Cotsa Lake country. Mr. Stevens has furnished the

"The geographical position of this country is now so well known through the medium of previous reports that it unavailable at present; but not so in the northern part of the province, so in the northern part of the province, so a shipping point is much shorter than from some other parts of the country in I will endeavor to convey my impressions I will endeavor to convey my impressions of the country, its climatic conditions, its agricultural and stock raising possibilities, its resources of mineral, timber and industrial times and industrial times. fish, the various routes and its present very pressing needs in the way of trails. As these impressions are from a practical standpoint, gained through a long

vegetation of the country, which have been so often described, and if timbered the growth is poplar and willow, which can be easily cleared, and everywhere, even though this where not too thick, may be seen an abundance of feed. On latter are to be found dense forests of black pine, varied in places by limited will be in the power of the future settlers take country, which contains only a portion of the available lands in the region, although from personal observation and information obtained from others, I am of the opinion that it is one of the best parts of the country which is at present attracting so much attention.

"Uning between Ootsa lake and Francisco Country can be reached. One is by the way of Ashcroft, the other by way of Bella Coola. The distance from Ashcroft to the crossing at the foot of Ootsa lake is over four hundred miles.

south of this range, and in the valleys On the north shore of Ootsa lake is a large area of open country, stretching to the hills. Adjacent to this is a large area of poplar and willow this is a large area of poplar and willow penditure. land, with frequent openings extending south-easterly to Cheslata lake. At vari-

in others widening out to several miles. At different places in the range before mentioned are small valleys stretching across country, in which at intervals are int' about ten miles down Francois lake and extending west and south, is a large extent of black pine and spruce forest which is of little value, but if burned off would provide a foundation for splendid pasture. Nearly all the open land in this country has at

stock. On the north shore of Franco's re also to be found some large areas of land similar to those already

"I consider the Ootsa and Francois is, however, for men who would be satis-fied with medium sized herds. There is reem for many such, but for the invidiual lay. or company who seeks to control thou-

noisture plentiful, irrigation unnecessary and the conditions for draining first class, as the land is nearly all rolling. Against these favorable conditions are the altitude and latitude, the former ranging from 2,200 feet to 2,700 feet, ranging from 2,200 feet to 2,100 feet, and upwards, above sea level; the imminent danger of summer frost and the lateness of the spring. Of the latter I can only speak personally of the present year, in which it certainly was very late, as the leaves were only just coming out on the trees when we left Ooisa on out on the trees when we left Ootsa on the 24th of May, though the grass was in many places eight inches high. How-ever, we were told by the Indians that this was the latest season they had ever known, and we had no reason to doubt their statements, as the same conditions prevailed in the Chilcooten. The agricul-tural resources can only be proved by time and practical demonstration. An additional drawback at present is the distance from market, the lack of trails and roads suitable to transport producover, and the consequent high price of provisions. Of course the latter objects will soon be swept away, but in the Times with the following account of his | meantime the settler must turn to something that will be a source of revenue. In this case stock raising is the alternative, for whatever the agricultural possibilities may be in the future, they are is needless for me to dwell upon it fur- stock. It has been shown that the feed ther than to correct the idea that it lies and pasture are there, and the drive to

industry of this spiendid country. "A few words will suffice as to climate. The snow is light, never exceeding about 20 inches. The Indians say it

feed for winter use. "There is plenty of timber—black pine and spruce—which can be utilized for building and fencing, and though small and scrubby in comparison with the splendid coast forests, plenty can be found large enough to manufacture into lumber. Game is plentiful coairies. of black pine, varied in places by limited areas of spruce. Here no grass is found, not because the soil is incapable of producing it, for in many places where fire ducing it, for in many places where fire in abundance. In the lakes, streams and incomplete the product of the critical forest fine. ducing it, for in many places where are the has burned off the original forest, fine grass for grazing purposes grows. Thus it will be seen that in addition to the excellent pasture at present available, it excellent pasture at present available, it will be future settlers. These no doubt will be one of the future resources of the country. and occupants of the country to transform thousands of acres of this forest land which is in its present state of little out indications of minerals, and as there land which is in its present state of factors of minerals, and as there value, into fine pasture. In considering this it must be remembered by all that this it must be remembered by all that country this year, no doubt something of it is confined to the Ootsa and Francois value will be found. Some large seams province."

attracting so much attention.

"Lying between Ootsa lake and Francois lake, which are approximately 50

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same point by the winter trail is 180 miles; by the summer trail 140 miles. hills or low mountains, extending east and west in broken chains. The available land is to be found at the north and of June, on account of deep snow. Horses can be seed on better the summer trail 140 miles. can be used on both these trails, but the difference in distance at once shows that the Bella Coola route is the easiest and penditure of a comparatively small amount of money carefully used, a trail ous other points on the north shore are with the best of grades can be constructed ous other points on the north shore are similar tracts. We could also see in ed over the Bella Coola pass. This would do away with what is called the slide. At places considerable poplar and willow on the south shore of the lake. On the north, or Francois lake, slope of the range, are to be found some large areas of similar land. These practically extend from Chislata lake in a north-easterly direction to Francois lake, in some places narrow, in over the snow and ice. In this way transportation would be much cheaper than by the present method of packing on horses. Besides, if there were a good trail from Bella Coola it would be a to be found open range, poplar and wilmany of the Chilcooten ranchers, and the people of Quesnelle and the Blackwater would make Bella Coola their shipping point, as it is their nearest way out.

'his is a questions that should be carefully looked into by the government Many of the tracks were, I think, exceptionally large, four inches either side of foundation for spiendin pusture. At the control of the country has at some time been cleared by forest fires. There is indisputable evidence of this in made by the Indians, and they certain made by the Indians, and they certain. the open lands along Ootsa lake, as the fires there were of more recent date, along work done. In one stretch they have though occuring many years ago.
"In addition to the land described, there are in places large meadows which flood during the months of May and June, producing fine crops of wild hay, which makes a good winter feed for cross of the stream of the streams. This work was paid for chiefly by two brothers (Indians) who are engaged in packing and trading, but as the days of the Indians which makes a good winter feed for cross of the party of the country are dian as sole occupant of the country are larged in packing and trading, but as the days of the Indians who are engaged in packing and trading, but as the days of the Indians who are engaged in packing and trading, but as the days of the Indians who are engaged in packing the reason which makes a good winter feed for the museum is due. I think to the pervousness of the dian as sole occupant of the country are now past, their promitive ways forced back by the advancing wave of civilization, and their places taken by making the country are industrial to divide up into two parties, but the tion, and their places taken by white Indians did not wish to be separated, and men from far and wide, we sure'y can-consequently we had to travel together, consider the Ootsa and Francois of the development of the suimal, tame or wild. I hope that you a friend recommended Dr. Williams'

many such, but for the invidiual lay.

If would advise all who contemplate you at once and show you their tracks, and run unlimited numcian the place as the range. bers, this is not the place, as the ranges are broken, and in any event would be broken in on by settlers the same as in all other parts of the country. The days of the large stock ranges covering immense areas of country will soon be passed, to be followed by more owners with smaller herds which undoubtedly will be a greater benefit to the country at large. "From an agricultural point I am not "From an agricultura bers, this is not the place, as the ranges | country with the idea of settling, not to | past 20 years, there ought to be good trouble has disappeared and he is now prepared to speak, as at present its who have some capital, backed up by fore night fall, possibilities are an unknown quantity, energy and determination to overcome "The Indians

THE NEW COUNTY COURT JUDGES.



PETER S. LAMPMAN.

F. M'B. YOUNG.

ndition of Gen. Maximo Gomez has

MAY BUY.

Granby Company Is Believed to Be Ready to Purchase Additional Property.

Greenwood. June 16 .- A very strong

and authoritative rumor is to the effect that the Granby Company has offered

\$480,000 on time purchase for the property of the Montreal & Boston Consoli

dated at Phoenix, in the event of the present endeavor to raise the necessary

capital by New Dominion Copper Co

CROPS IN WEST.

Twenty Years.

Winnipeg, June 15 .- B. S. Jenkins, genera

superintendent of C. P. R. telegraphs, re-

covering the Souris, Arcola, Pheasant Hills

and looking better than it has in any season

or the past twenty years, and uniformly

AN ACHING BACK

The Trouble Usually due to Impure Blood

and Clogged Kidneys

That weary, dragging backache

drive out the poison. They cleanse the

kidneys and stimulate them to healthy

action. Then your backaches vanish.

Johnson, of Ohio, N. S., who says: "My

son, now eighteen years old, suffered with kidney trouble, from severe pains

in the back, and passed sleepless nights

We tried several medicines, but they did not help him. In fact he was growing

Pink Pills, and this was the first medi-

trouble. He continued to use the pills for a couple of months, and I am now

and main lines sections as far west as Re

gina, chiefly by motor car. Mr. Jenkins re

ed at any time.

falling through.

good everywhere.

The appointment of Peter S. Lampman to the County court bench, of Victoria, is a source of deep gratification to his host of friends in the profession of law and out of it. He is one of the most popular members of the local bar, and possesses in a marked degree the and possesses in a marked degree the local bar, and possesses in a marked degree the local bar, and possesses in a marked degree the local bar, and possesses in a marked degree the local bar. and possesses in a market described and possesses in a market described with a sessential qualifications for the position. Mr. Young then entered Queen's Uni-Judge Lampman is a native of Thorold, versity, Kingston, graduating in 1887. experience in agricultural pursuits and a usually comes in January and disappears wide and intimate knowledge of the provement of Dalvid Columbia Language L

Coola route, as the shortest and best. At Bella Coola are several stores where all necessary outfit can be purchased at reasonable figures; horses also can be secured either for hire or purchase, and "In conclusion I would say that there is a spleudid opportunity for many of our own people if they would only avail themselves of it, but it is sliding past

them, and they will awake to the fact soon that they are again too late. We met over fifty people on the trail during the few days occupied in coming to the coast, the greater portion of whom were our enterprising cousins from the south of the 49th parallel. They will secure the cream of what there is and reap a

SEARCHING FOR CARIBOU.

Exploring Party Discovered Many Traces on Queen Charlotte Islands.

Referring to the vexed question of the Island. Rev. C. Harrison, S. M., at Massett, writes to the deputy minister of agriculture as follows:

"With the object of definitely settling the doubtful question re the existence of caribou on Queen Charlotte Islands, on March 1st I engaged a ten-ton schooner and started from Lthum Island for the

"One and a half miles from the heach. after going over two high hills through thick sallal, etc., we came to the first swamp. After that we passed through many open sage and low bush cranberr swamps, some large and others small, separated from each othet by small forests of dwarfy cedar growth from quarter to half a mile through. In each swamp and in the woods we saw innumerable fresh tracks of caribon their manure and the places whereby they had rested, also two well-worn trails leading towards the West Coast range of mountains. We walked in a straight direction

In all we must have walked 40 miles hunting to and fro. "The tracks were quite fresh, as the moss in many cases was still pressed down where they had been walking.

lake.

country than they. Their efforts should will be able to get up a hunting party he duplicated, and that too without dethese cine that reached the cause of the

CONSERVATIVES IN SOME VERY STRAIGHT

TALK WAS INDULGED IN President Mable Resigns as Protest Against Government's Actions-Pre-

mier Criticizes Association.

The Liberal-Conservative Association held its annual meeting Friday night in the Eagles' hall. W. Mable presided, and in his introductory speech took great credit to the officers for having last year lifted the association out of debt. Mr. Mable severely arraigned the provincial government for its conduct toward the party, and especially as to its system of appointments. He resigned as a protest against the government's policy.

A. E. McPhillips, K. C., was unanimously elected president for the ensuing year. By this selection the wing of the party which endorsed Premier McBride and his government wins out against what has been known as the old wing of

the party.
Mr. McPhillips is no compromise the fight which has gone on between the he new president is recognized by the be as follows: old wing as one of the greatest sinners n their eyes.

For the three vice-presidents the fol-

lowing were nominated: Alderman J. A. Douglas, J. W. Bolden, Leonard Tait, H. Bishop and J. T. Croot. Messrs. Bishop, Douglas and Bolden were elected by balot. T. Cashmore was unanimously reelected secretary.

H. F. W. Behnsen declined to serve as reasurer, and Leonard Tait was unaniselected for the office. The following executive was selected: Jos. Brown, P. Riddle, G. Penketh, Jos. Phillips, R. E. Gosnell, W. H. Price, H. D. Helmcken, K. C., C. M. Cookson, A. E. Lewis, H. Robertson, J. T. Croot, Thomas Futcher, R. Ryan, E. C. Bag-shawe and D. M. Rogers.

Martin Burrell, the defeated Conser-vative candidate for Yale-Cariboo, who

was present by invitation, was the speaker of the evening. He made eulogistic reference to the work of the late Sir John A. Macdonald.

steadily grown worse. The extraordinary improvement in his condition early Mr. Burrell spoke in favor of party in the week caused hope of his temporary recovery at least, but it is now apparent lines in the country. He charged the Liberals with failing to carry out their any information not already known that the gangrene, resulting from the anti-election promises. As a proof that about trails, etc., can be obtained.

As a proof that abscess on his hand for which he unparty lines had worked well in British derwent an operation at Santiago early in May, is retarding the action of the sesement Act and the new School Act heart and other organs, with the result that the general's death may be expectshowed courage to introduce these bills,

which were unpopular.

He advised the exercise of charity in judging the present government.

Premier McBride, who was present, was also asked to address the meeting. He sadly referred to the good old days when Victoria was a Conservative stronghold. He advised the association to keep prepared for elections, The Premier also blamed the association for various alleged offences, and indulged in me pretty hot criticism, which was not well received by the members.

CROPS IN WEST.

The Premier replied and was followed by short speeches by Hon. Chas. Wilson, Hon. R. F. Green and Hon. F. J. Ful-

The meeting closed with the customary cheers for the King, Mr. Borden and

CROP REPORTS.

Hon. R. McBride.

orts the crop to be in magnificent condition | Bulletin Issued. By Manitoba Department of Agriculture-Increased Area Under Wheat.

Winnipeg, June 16 .- A crop bulletin issued by the Manitoba department of agricuture to-night estimates an increased area of 231,353 acres of wheat in crop his year. The increased area in oats is 87.665 acres, and barley 71,254 acres. Total increase in grain crops 384,298 That weary, dragging backache is acres. Total area wheat under crop, more dangerous than you think. It 2,643.588 acres; barley, 432,298 acres; points straight to deadly kidney trou-oats, 1,031,239 acres. Total area under ble. Your kidneys ache because your grain crop, 4,147,765 acres; total area about 12 miles towards Jalan river and blood is bad, and filtering through has under all crops, 4,256,826. Live stock clogged them with filthy inflammatory of all classes came through the winter in Canada will be exporting \$300,000,000 fair condition. Owing to wet weather per year in agricultural products to poisons. Common purging bachache sowing of oats and barley was considerpills can never cure you. They only ex ably delayed. Wheat was sown in good cite the kidneys; they can't possibly time and in a good seed bed, and prostouch the cause of the trouble in the blood. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are the at this time of year. Prospects for satisonly positive cure for aching kidneys. factory year in dairying are bright and general conditions good.

FRENCH TRIALS.

Race to Select Automobilist to Enter Contest For James Gordon Bennet Cup. Paris, June 16 .- Twenty-four contest-

nts in the French trials for the James Gordon Bennett international auto cup started at 6 o'clock this morning over the Auvergue course. Thery, the winner of he was followed by others at intervals Dispatches from all along the course

Thery finished first, covering the 550 cial decision is not yet announced owing

to the difference of time at the starting. MAN KILLED.

prepared to speak, as at present its possibilities are an unknown quantity, there having been no practical demonstration of what can be grown in the country in the way of grains and vegetables. Theoretically, agriculture should represent this country is the contest of civilization, it must be borne for a possibilities are an unknown quantity, are night fall.

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MEN SELECTED FOR NEW FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Mayor and Fire Wardens Have Made the Choice From Among the Applicants.

The Mayor and fire wardens met or Saturday and selected the men who will compose the staff of the fire department two sections ever since Colonel Prior was after July 1st, when it becomes a full dismissed from office. On the contrary, paid force. The line-up of the men will

Chief-T. Watson. Assistant chief-H. P. McDowell. Captains—truck company, C. Palmer; ose company, Geo. E. Moss.
Electrician—W. B. McMicking.

Engineers—Geo. Lund and T. Gollins.
Drivers—F. L. Henry, C. Taylor, A.
H. Phipps, R. C. Wood, Frank Henry,
T. H. Hodges, John Gardner and Jos.

Relief Drivers-D. S. Mowat and C Firemen, 1st class-H. Norman, Litchcock and O. Gildemeister,

medicines. The court held that instead of suffering finanical loss he had made a gain, and awarded him only \$48.20 for funeral expenses, etc.

The Virginian's Mails. mails could reach here via New York. Unfounded.

F. X. St. Charles, president of the

turned from a trip to Great Britain. He says anti-Chamberlainites, instead of advocating a policy which would give migration as an alternative system. All the Americans he met while away were opposed to the Chamberlain policy, as the tariff would close the British market to them, as the Canadian tariff closed the Canadian market and compelled Americans to build factories here. firmly believes that in seven years time per year in agricultural products to Great Britain. We may expect that this will be put under a ten per cent. tariff at least, so that the farmers will contribute \$30,000,000 to the British exchequer. He is confident that Chamberlain's policy will prevail in England sooner than the opponents

BELLINGHAM NEWS.

Important Changes in Connection With the Improvement Company-Congresomen Did Not Call.

expect.

(Special to the Times.)

Bellingham. June 17 .- President H. H. Taylor, of the Bellingham Bay & British Columbia Railroad Company and of the Beilingham Bay Improvement Company, ar- cash value of \$20,000, including \$2,000 to rived last night from San Francisco. He announces that at a meeting of officers and directors of the Improvement Company quarter miles. show that Thery is making 80 kilometres | that corporation will be divided into three an hour, with Wagner making the next | separate companies, one to operate a large cargo sawmill, one to control the extensive realty interests, including a large part of alcometres in 7 hours 42 minutes. Sizs the townsite of this city, and one to dewas second and Caillois third. The offi- | velop the electric power project, for which a plant is being erected at Nooksak falls, near Mount Baker.

failure of the party of American congress-men, returning on the Cottage City from has extended rapidly. There are 2,000 men Alaska, to call here yesterday, as had been out here now and in the New Jersey plants.



Ferrated Emulsion

If you have a chronic cough, or are "rundown," try our Ferrated Emulsion. Makes the weak strong. \$1 bottle.

Cyrus H. Bowes. · CHEMIST,

98 Government St., near Yates St. WANTED-A ranch worker and good milker; give wages. Address Jas. Dougan, Cobble Hill, E. & N. Railway.

Firemen, 1st class—H. Norman, V. Latchcock and O. Gildemeister.

Firemen, 2nd class—E. Pedersen, J. O'Brien, J. Sprinkling, G. Mitchell, W. R. Henry, C. Luscombe, A. J. Arnason, an. J. B. Wood.

Office and errand boy—J. Lund.

MONTREAL NOTES.

Judge's Ruling in Action Arising Out of Woman's Death—Merger Story Denied.

Montreal, June 16.—A man who has a sickly wife is lucky to get rid of her; that is the apparent meaning of the judgment rendered this morning by Judge Hobidoux. Jules Des Lauriers was a tenant of P. T. Brennan. Mrs. Dest Lauriers and some of her neighbors were leaning against the balcony railing one day last summer when it gave way and three people were thrown to the ground, forty feet below. Mrs. Dest Lauriers sued for \$10,000 damages. During the trial he went on the stand and testified that his wife was a sickly woman and that it took about all he could earn to pay the doctor's bills and medicines. The court held that instead of suffering finanical loss he had made

Notice is hereby given that, 60 days after date, I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land, situated on the Coast District, Range a vote of confidence in the leadership of R. L. Borden, and in Hon. R. McBride as provincial head of the party, was carried.

The Premier replied and was followed

Mails by the ex-Allan line steamer Virginian reached here this morning, six days and seventeen hours from the time she received them at Moville, and quicker by some hours than the same taining 72 acres more or less.
W. D. M'INTOSH, JR. March 21st. 1905.

Hochelaga Bank, says the rumor that his bank is to merge with the Bank Provinciale, Bank of St. John's and Bank of St. Hyacinthe, with a capital of ten millions, is a pure invention from begining to end. Mr. Prendergast, general manager of the Bank of Hochelaga, also denied the whole story.

R. Meighen's Views.

Robert Meighen, president of the Lake of the Woods Milling Company, has returned from a trip to Great Britsin He

ADVENTURERS OF ENGLAND TRAD-ING INTO HUDSON'S BAY. SECOND-HAND PIANO FOR SALE-\$185.

This Instrument has been used by a teacher and is theroughly well made. Will be delivered free to any wharf or railway station in B. C. Hicks & Lovick Plano Co., 88 Government street, Victoris; 123 Hastings street, Vancouver. We have others. Write us for catalogue.

WILL EXCHANGE fine city lot and spot cash for good farming land on Island or Islands. Address B., Times Office.

THE SUBURBAN HANDICAP. Blue Ribbon Turf Event Will Be Decided at Sheepshead Bay.

New York, June 15 .- America's blue ribbon turf event, the twenty-second Sub-urban handicap, will be decided to-day at Sheepshead Bay. Twelve thoroughbreds. including most of this season's best handicap racers 3-year-old and upwards, will run for the \$20,000 purse. Beldame, from the stable of August Belmont, and James R. Keene's Brooklyn hand cap winner Delhi, are the top weights, but they will be the public favorites, while many have selected John E. Madden's plaudit colt, Al-

The handleap, which has a guaranteed the second horse, and \$1,000 for third, will be run over the distance of one and 'one-

Thousands of Members of Brotherhood of Foundry Employees Idle. New lorg. June 15 .- A strike inaugurated

Intense indignation exists here at the Foundry Employees against the New York

\$1.00

LETTER

Norway's

Christia address to people gei the stort the long June 13th ing, M. B acter. B the unal storthing solving text is as Your M spectfully Sweden's

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