

WEEKLY BRITISH COLONIST.

The Weekly Colonist.

Tuesday, May 17, 1864.

FROM BRITISH COLUMBIA.

The steamer Enterprise arrived from New Westminster Wednesday afternoon at 2 p.m., bringing a few passengers and about \$70,000 in treasure.

The news from Cariboo, as will be seen by our letters from William's Creek, published elsewhere, and also by the items below, is very interesting, and augurs well for the success of the miners during the ensuing season.

From Shuswap the news is very unavailing; the miners were leaving that region for the richer gold fields of Cariboo.

The Colonist says—

Burnett's Express, Mr. Pool, messenger left Williams Creek on the morning of the 2nd inst., reaching Yale in 6½ days and bringing down \$20,000 in treasure. From Mr. Pool and passengers we have the following items of mining news to communicate:

WELSH AND CARIBOO CO.

The great excitement lately has been the Welsh and Cariboo claims; they are situated below Barkerville, adjoining each other. The Welsh Company are washing some pay dirt they took last fall, which pays well; they were obliged to lay slate boxes to convey water for washing and turning the wheel; several hundred feet from the lower end of Camerontown, to the upper right through the centre of the street, which has caused some trouble with parties who had lost lots from the government. Camerontown is more like a hamlet than a town; several parties had to raise their houses out of the water several feet.

THE GOLD COMMISSIONERS.

The arrival of Judge P. O'Reilly is daily

expected at present.

THE GOLD COMPANY.

Let me now, Mr. Editor, say, with all truth, what are the prospects for this season. We are all happy with the gold miners, and are, as far as we can judge, in general success. Now there has been a mining season been opened under more favorable circumstances. The driving tunnel is going on, and proceeds rapidly towards the low end of the cañon. The three different bed-rock flumes are concentrated in a single one, to be called the Albion Company. They have bought Cunningham's charter, and that of F. Fifeord, but by the meeting held this afternoon the work has to be pushed on with vigor, and strenuous efforts made to comply with the different changes demanded to or bought by the Albion Co.

FIELD OF GOLD.

On the creek the drift comes forth daily, and before three weeks it will circulate freely.

THE WELCH COMPANY.

We are all happy with the Welch and

STOUT'S GULCH.

The death of Stout's Gulch excitement has died a natural death, and the work is being done in a quiet and orderly manner.

McARTHUR'S GULCH.

In McArthur's Gulch several Companies are at work, but nothing new since last week.

THE ENTERPRISE COMPANY.

The Enterprise Company have commenced again; also the Montreal—both situated below McArthur's Gulch—was commenced again.

THE PRINCE OF WALES CO.

The Prince of Wales Co. have nearly down with a new shaft.

THE BED ROCK CO.

The Bed Rock Co. are doing well.

THE SAGE MILLER CO.

The Sage Miller Co. are also doing well.

THE WILLIAMS CREEK CO.

The Williams Creek Co. are doing almost entirely free from work.

THE ROAD CO.

The roads are laid to an improved condition.

THE RAILROAD CO.

The railroad is progressing well.

WEATHER.

Weather here very warm during the day, slight frost at night; snow disappearing fast.

EVERY DAY LIFE IN CARIBOO.

[From A FREQUENT CORRESPONDENT.]

WILLIAMS CREEK, 1st May, 1864.

Editor BRITISH COLONIST.—Sir—I am permitted by Mr. Poole, our genllyman expressman, to pen a few lines for your paper, which Caribooites say is not sent to the miners.

The roads are laid to an improved condition.

On Lownes' Cornish Co. are doing well.

The Saxe Miller Co. are also doing well.

Snow is fast disappearing from the ground, the west end of Williams Creek being almost entirely free from it.

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The miners are making a regular trip.

Williams Creek, day after day, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, at the same time.

A gentleman who has wintered in Cariboo informs us that he has spent a pleasant winter in Canada West than the last winter has been. It is the general impression that but few of the companies will suspend operations next winter.

BRITISH GOLD MELT ITEMS.

[From the Columbian.]

The steamer Lillooet arrived from Yale and Deas on Monday morning, bringing down some treasure and a small Express.

Mr. Chavis, Master of the steamer Lillooet, has saved a large quantity of Harroway Gold.

There are now over 1500 men, and

singular to say we have not 4 cases of sick men.

The only ones to record loss are Mrs. Curry, whose delicate constitution could not agree with the high atmosphere of these mountains, and a Frenchman, T. B. Malin, who broke his leg some two weeks ago.

He is under the care of our good and kind Dr. Bell, just now recovering.

GRAND CROWN.

Most likely you have made aware

that we have here a Literary Association.

The members of this society exert

themselves to keep up the reading room.

At the same time, however, they

are not so much interested in the

reading room as in the

library.

McNeal, who was committed for assault

on Seymour at Yale, has been sent on to

Richmond in charge of Constable Evans, to

try him for the general charge.

The Caledonia Company have not been

working for some time, on account of being

blown out with water; they expect to

be working again in a day or two.

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The Never Sweat Company have sunk a

new shaft adjoining the Caledonia Company,

and have bottomed, but on account of being

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GEORGE CLELING & CO. LTD.

[From our regular Correspondent.]

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