e entire damage done to the build- contents. This is covered by in-

The Byron Leigh Funeral.

neral of the late Byron Leigh was day afternoon. A large number of ds of the deceased were present floral offerings were unusually s and beautiful. The Epworth of the Methodist church sent ful wreath. The members of the O. G. T. lodges were present to st tribute of respect to the memory departed brother Templar. Rev. rden conducted the services and Goddin, Dunnington, Hewett, J. Knoot and H. Knoot acted as ers.

To Dedicate the Cathedral.

Lordship Bishop Lemmens has re- from Portland, where he was at- the Ecclesiastical Conference of the ns of the archdiocese of Portland. he matters discussed at the Council dedication of the new St. Andrew's al, which has recently been com- ere. The date fixed for the open- monies is Sunday, October 30, when hop Gross, of Portland, Or.; Bishop of Idaho; Bishop Junger, of gton; Bishop Durien, of West- and Bishop Lootens, will be pres- assist in the services, which will be ed by Bishop Lemmens. It is that Bishop Brondell, of Helena, may also be present. The ceremony one of unusual impressiveness, con- in accordance with the Roman ritual. A special musical pro- will also be arranged by the choir.

COQUITLAM SEIZURE.

ed States Commission will Take idence in Victoria Before U. S. Consul Myers.

Made Before the Supreme rt Here and the Release of the Skins Ordered.

mission has been issued out of the States District Court of Alaska for pose of taking evidence of parties in the matter of the seizure by the an Government of the Union SS. y's steamer Coquitlam, at Port last June.

since the seizure of the vessel, the have had their heads together to t could be done. The first thing secure the release of the steamer, bject was, after some delay, accom- Bonds were put up for the value essel and cargo, and as soon as these cepted the Coquitlam was released, e down here.

eedings have in the meantime been n, the United States case being in of a lawyer from Washington, D.C., Mr. A. L. Belyea, of Belyea & Gregory, Judge Hughes, of Seattle, are look- r the interests of the steamer own- l charterers. The commission re- o above is for the purpose of taking toria evidence for both prosecution ence, and the work will be com- as soon as possible after the arrival next steamer from Alaska, which ing down the prosecuting attorney.

THE SKINS TO BE RELEASED.

ction has been begun by Messrs. R. P. Thomas Earle and Carne & Munsie the Union Steamship Company of ver, owners of the steamer Coquit- recover possession of a cargo of seal- transferred from schooners in the Pacific. In this suit, notice was n Friday last of a motion to be made Court for an order for the release of ns pending the result of the suit, t security being given by the plain- secure defendants. This motion p for argument yesterday before Mr. Drake, Messrs. E. V. Bodwell, of l & Irving, and A. L. Belyea, of & Gregory, appearing for the plaintiffs, Taylor and A. H. G. Hamersley for fendant company and H. D. Helmc- Messrs. Cox & Hall, the charter- the vessel. After hearing counsel, rt made an order that upon the pay- to court by plaintiffs of the sum of as security for all freight, passenger dead freight and demurrage, the Steamship Company could establish the cargo under its charter, the de- s were to deliver up possession of ns. Embodied in the order was an hat Messrs. Cox & Hall, the charter- he vessel, be made parties defendant ction

order will probably be taken out, and the skins will be forthwith re-

SUPREME COURT.

IN CHAMBERS.

(Before Mr. Justice Crease.

OCTOBER, 10, 1892.

rovincial Controverted Elections Act nending Act—to dismiss petition of Morrison against return of Dr. Watt ber for Cariboo. Abandoned. opeland (deceased)—For leave to sell alf of Lot 57, Victoria, to A. W. or $9,500. Affidavit of value of pro- be put in. Order then to go.

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ncial Controverted Elections Act endment Act—Petition against the f Dr. Watt as member of the Pro- Legislature for Cariboo. Applica- have the petition dismissed on the that the bond for $2,000 security s, is informal. No order made on mons.

erson vs. Cowan—To fix date of Trial fixed for October 31st. Plain- ore date of trial, to deliver to regis- ther particulars mentioned in para- of the summons.

ORTH A GUINEA A BOX."

STILL ROLLING

St. Helens, England, is the seat of a great business,

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THE CITY.

Over the C. P. R.

Five carloads of salmon for the London market went east yesterday over the C.P.R.

Late Shipping.

The ship Bonanza arrived at San Francisco yesterday from Nanaimo and the steamer City of Puebla sailed for Victoria.

A Site Secured.

Mr. More, who is interested in the establishment of chemical works in this city, has secured a fine site for his manufactory in the neighborhood of the Outer wharf.

Who Lost It?

Mr. Paul Menut, of the Driard, has a black fur collar or boa which he picked up on the street yesterday. He will be glad to return it to the owner.

The Order Taken Out.

The order of the court in the matter of the sealskins on board the Coquitlam was yesterday taken out by the plaintiffs' solicitors and the skins will be released at once or so soon as their owners are ready to take delivery.

Indians and Calamity Water.

There were two Indians in the lock-up last night, charged with having intoxicants in their possession—internally and externally. The calamity water is said to have been supplied by Frank Calvert, who is also in custody.

Harper v. Cameron.

In the Divisional Court, yesterday, Mr. C. Wilson moved, in the case of Harper v. Cameron, for a rule *nisi* to have the plaintiffs show cause why the verdict of the jury should not be set aside and a new trial ordered. Judgment was reserved.

Installed Officers.

Dauntless Lodge, C.O.O.F., M.U., installed the following officers last evening: N.G., Bro. Tagg; V.G., Bro. Cumming; Secretary, Brother Bradley; Treasurer, Bro. Pierce; Warden, Bro. Dumbrack; Conductor, Bro. Logan; I.G., Bro. McGillivray.

Incoming Passengers.

The following passengers are on board the City of Puebla, now on her way to Victoria from San Francisco: Miss Grace Rouse, Miss M. Sweeny, Mrs. C. J. Davis, G. P. Clorin, T. G. Challoner, Mrs. H. Westphalen, Rev. W. H. Hopkins, E. B. Hinds, G. Shupe, Mrs. Rowland and daughter.

The City Band.

At a meeting of the Victoria City band, last evening, the following officers were elected: President, J. M. Finn; treasurer, John Gumb; secretary, A. Bantly. The band will continue their weekly practice during the winter. New members are being added, and the band is expected to be second to none in British Columbia next season.

A Change in the Plans.

The members of the St. Saviour's Guild have abandoned the "Pleasant Evening" arrangement for this winter, and will instead listen to a series of instructive lectures on popular subjects, meeting every Monday evening at Rev. Mr. Barber's residence. About 30 or 40 of the young folk enjoyed the social given on Monday evening.

Again in Operation.

The shingle mill on Porter's wharf is again running full blast, under the management of Mr. L. Jamieson, and is turning out a first class article. It is needless to point out that to patronize this industry is keeping money in Victoria, and as the mill is capable of supplying the local market with a better article than has hitherto been sold here, contractors and others should see that their orders are sent to the Victoria mill.

The Mountain Chief.

The Indian sealing craft Mountain Chief, seized some time ago for hunting in the forbidden waters, still remains in custody, and as she leaks somewhat and her skins have not been skilfully salted, it is feared they will be ruined. An effort is being made to have the craft released, and there is every reason to believe that it will be successful. The Mountain Chief was manned exclusively by Indians—men who knew as little about the *modus vivendi* as they do about the inner workings of Edison's laboratory. Had they even suspected that they were doing wrong, and were liable to fine or seizure, they would not have attempted to enter Behring Sea.

A Missing Son.

Mr. V. E. Ottoway, of No. 5 Broughton street, is very desirous of learning the present whereabouts of Mr. E. S. Green, who about nine months ago was located at 23 Bastion street, Victoria. Up to that time Green was in communication with his family in England, but about six months ago letters addressed to him in this city were marked "not called for" in the post office. Mrs. Ottoway, who is in England, has written to her husband that young Green's mother is almost heart-broken over the failure to hear from her son, and asking him to try to locate him. E. S. Green is about 25 years of age, and when last heard from was engaged in some branch of photography.

Some Misunderstanding.

There seems to have been some misunderstanding yesterday as to what cases were ses down for the Divisional Court. The first case, that of Harper and Cameron, was not disposed of until about 3:30 o'clock and then no one was ready to go on except Messrs. Belyea and Walls in —— v. Giles. The Colverwell v. Moss appeal was withdrawn and that *in re* Land Registry Act was struck off. While their Lordships were discussing whether to strike the appeal in Sinclair v. Lorimer off, Mr. Irving, of Bodwell & Irving, who was to move, came in and after a few minutes more delay this case was taken up and occupied the balance of the day. Hereafter a list of the cases for Divisional Court will be posted on the door of the registrar's office.

Anniversary Services.

There was a very large attendance at the Y. M. C. A. parlors last evening, the occasion being the anniversary services of the Association. After the opening hymn, Bible reading and prayer, the following interesting programme was presented:—

Vocal Duet....Mrs. Harris and Mrs. Helmcken
Address....Chairman
Vocal Solo....Miss Arrowsmith
Reading of Reports....
Piano Duet...Mrs. O'Brien and Miss Arrowsmith
Address....Rev. K. Duncan
Vocal Solo....Miss Arrowsmith
Address....Mr. Dummett
Closing hymn and Benediction.

The Travelling Secretary, Mr. Dummett, and Rev. Dr. Duncan in their addresses paid especial attention to the work of the Association and the objects to be attained by keeping the Victoria branch in a flourishing condition as regards membership, funds and work. From the reports presented, it was shown that the estimated expenditure for the year is $3,531, of which about $2,000 will have to be raised by subscription. The officers are, however, sanguine of being able to make better showing by the next anniversary.

West—Cherney.

A private wedding was celebrated at the residence of Mr. Skene Lowe, Carr street, last evening, the contracting parties being Dr. A. C. West, of this city, to Miss Maggie Cherney, of Sarnia, Ont. Bishop Cridge performed the ceremony, and the "best man" and bridesmaid were Mr. Archie and Miss Maggie Lowe. The bride only arrived from the East on the Yosemite last evening, and will preside over a new home which the doctor has prepared for her on South Turner street.

Piled on the Rocks.

While getting out of the way of the Kingston last evening, the little gasoline launch recently brought to this city by Mr. Hughberg, of San Francisco, ran on the rocks opposite Sehl's Point, and came within an ace of drowning her three passengers. Mr. Hughberg had taken the launch out around the San Pedro to test her machinery, and it was upon his return that the accident occurred. On realizing his position he at once called for assistance, which did not reach him for fully three-quarters of an hour. The boat still remains where she struck, having her bottom badly smashed.

"Asleep at the Switch."

One of the most amusing scenes in the Divisional Court yesterday was when one of the lawyers engaged in a case went fast asleep in his chair while waiting for the case to be called. The Chief Justice and Mr. Justice Drake were upon the bench at the time. When the case was called Sir Matthew asked with the least show of mirth:

"Do you move, Mr. ——?"

Mr. —— did not move.

A lawyer sitting next to him shook his arm and the sleeper woke. The first *move* then was to re-*move* the wig, and this motion was followed a few seconds later by another motion to have the aforesaid wig replaced on the "docket." By this time everyone was in convulsions of laughter, notwithstanding the dignity of the Divisional Court. Sir Matthew now repeats his question:

"Do you move Mr. ——?" and the reply is, "No, my lord, my learned friend, Mr. ——, moved," and then in a monotone, "Did I snore?"

THE PEOPLE'S DECISION

On the Two Loan By-Laws Submitted at the Polls Yesterday.

The Streets Loan Passes But the Drainage Measure Fails to Carry.

The voting on the "Surface Drainage" and "Streets Loan" by-laws yesterday was slow from first to last. A general apathy appeared to characterize the proceedings.

A ratepayer would drop in, look around, retire and prepare a vote, cast it and go out without showing the slightest interest in the proceedings. The usual knots of ward talkers about the doors were entirely absent.

At about 2:30 p. m. the voting stood:

	Ballots Cast.
North ward	150
Central ward	80
South ward	130
Total	360

As the hour for closing the polls grew near the votes began to come in a little faster, so that by 4 p. m. nearly 500 votes had been cast. The results by wards are as follows:

NORTH WARD—	For.	Ag'st.	Total.
Surface Drains	107	92	199
Streets Loan	134	81	215
CENTRAL WARD—			
Surface Drains	51	56	107
Streets Loan	62	43	105
SOUTH WARD—			
Surface Drains	92	68	160
Streets Loan	118	53	171

TOTALS.

	For.	Ag'st.
Surface Drains	250	216
Streets Loan	314	177

As a three-fifths majority is required to pass this class of by-laws it will be seen that the Streets Loan by-law passed by 19, and the Surface Drainage by-law lacking 30 votes in its favor, was lost.

About ten people gathered to hear the returns read. Among them were Aldermen Lovell and Humber.

HOME SWEET HOME.

Departure of H. M. S. Nymphe for Vancouver, Where She will Re-Commission.

She Leaves Esquimalt Harbor Flying the Long Pennant Which Tells the Story.

H. M. S. Nymphe left Esquimalt Harbor, yesterday morning, at 9:30 o'clock, for Vancouver, where she will pay off her present crew and re-commission with a new lot of men now *en route* from England, on the troopship Tyne.

As is customary when a change of this kind is made, the Nymphe was given a cheering "send off" by the fleet. The hour of starting was fixed at 9.30 o'clock, and sharp on time the engines were set at work, bringing up the listless colors to the light breeze.

Five minutes later the Nymphe was opposite the drydock, where H. M. S. Warspite, the flagship, is in dock. The Warspite band was stationed near the gates of the dock, and when the Nymphe came round into position, the familiar air of "Home, Sweet Home!" was played.

The Nymphe then dipped her colors, and the marines, all drawn up on deck in full uniform saluted, the flagship responding. A moment later the band struck up a lively sailor air, "Home again to Plymouth," and just as the Nymphe was leaving the harbor the tune was changed to "Auld Lang Syne."

The Nymphe had floating from her masthead the homeward bound pennant, this being her last port before her crew is paid off and new men and officers man her. She will be in Vancouver for several weeks, during which time the change will be made.

Answer to Correspondent.

Edgar Lake—In 1886 the population of Melbourne, Australia, was 365,000; in 1881 it was 282,947.

NEWS OF THE PROVINCE.

Railway Enterprise in the Kootenay District—Canadian Capital Wanted for the Mines.

Fatalities at Nanaimo—Westminster Criminal Court—Kamloops' Show—Lardeau Riches.

(Special to the COLONIST.)

VANCOUVER.

VANCOUVER, Oct. 10.—Father Fay has gone away and Father Fayard has come to take charge of the Catholic church here.

The contents of the strong box at the C. P. R. Hotel, North Bend were stolen on Saturday.

Captain Marshall and the officers of the Empress of India while on a hunting trip to the North Arm of Burrard Inlet, bagged three mountain goats.

Margaret Mather, Canada's famous tragedienne, played The Lady of Lyons tonight to a crowded house. She had excellent support and was well received.

Reeve Sexsmith was not present at Saturday's meeting of Richmond council, and accounts amounting to $2,300, which he had refused to sign were passed, Councillor Kidd, chairman of the finance committee, being authorized to sign checks for payment. An auditor has been appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor.

WESTMINSTER.

NEW WESTMINSTER, Oct. 10. — Eight prisoners appeared before Judge Bole in the Criminal court to-day. The cases of Antonio Caro, cutting and wounding, and Charlie, a Chinaman, were postponed till Monday next. McMillan, for mutilating cattle, had his sentence postponed. T. B. Smith, for stealing $110, had his sentence suspended, being released on bail. Wm. McDonald, burglary at Yale, sentence reserved. John Bell elected to be tried summarily on a charge of breaking into a hardware store in Vancouver, and pleaded guilty. Sentence was reserved. On a charge of burglarizing a dry goods store at Vancouver, the prisoner elected for the Assizes. Alexander McDonald, Bell's confederate, pleaded guilty. Sentence was reserved. Robert Maloney, for conspiracy to rob McNeely's safe at Ladner's, elected to be tried summarily. Trial Monday.

D. G. Smith, for the theft of $110 from G. Gilchrist, was found guilty, but has been allowed to go on his own recognizances, as he returned all the money but $14.

Capt. Pittendrigh, went up to North Bend, yesterday, to hold an inquest on a murdered Indian. No particulars are obtainable.

The public meeting, on Saturday, to discuss water works matters was very quiet. Apparently the Loan by-law for $75,000 to finish the work and provide funds for the city section will pass on Thursday.

NANAIMO.

NANAIMO, Oct. 10.—Early on Sunday morning several young men on Victoria Crescent were making night hideous, when Special Constable Brown appeared and ordered them to keep quiet and go home. James Phew grabbed the constable. Some of Phew's friends attacked Brown, who was handled very roughly. They struck him several blows on the head. The constable drew his revolver, which settled the dispute. Phew and another man named Aiken were in the Police Court this morning, and fined $20 and costs each.

James Chardy, a carpenter, fell from the spire of the new school, on Campbell street, a distance of fifty feet. His spine was severely injured. He is supposed to have overbalanced himself and fell backwards, striking the rocky ground. He died in a few hours afterwards. He was a native of Lincoln, Eng., aged 25. His only relative here was one brother.

The pioneer lady of this city, Mrs. John Scales, died here at her residence yesterday. The funeral takes place to-morrow. She came to this province in 1859 from Kent, England.

Saturday was pay day at the mines, and is said to have been a very large one. It was the first of a series of monthly pays, which it is expected will be found to work to better advantage than pay every two weeks.

William Anderson, while out hunting in a boat, reached for his gun, which he caught hold of by the muzzle. On drawing it towards him the gun exploded, tearing away the muscles of his arm and inflicting a severe and painful wound.

Messrs. Whitfield & Foster, real estate and commission merchants, have opened business in the Green Block.

Arrived—Str. Wellington; str. St. Paul. Sailed—Str. Alki.

Capt. Salmond on his last trip to San Francisco took with him a number of trout from Nanaimo river, frozen in large blocks of ice. They were highly enjoyed by his friends. He intends taking a larger quantity next time.

KOOTENAY LAKE.

PILOT BAY, Oct. 7.—Henry Rose, just returned from the divide at eastern head of Crawford Creek, reports having fallen in with the locator of the C.P.R. survey, now in progress in find an easy route to Pilot Bay, on the east shore of the lake. He was examined as to his knowledge of the country, and, being intimately acquainted with its features, was able to show the engineer that no obstacles existed to the construction of a railroad in that direction. The divide is estimated to be about 700 or 800 feet and the hillsides are not steep; no snowslides take place along the entire route, which would thus lie along a practicable side-hill the whole way.

A mining expert now operating in this country on behalf of Victoria and Vancouver capitalists confirms the news, which, he states, is derived first hand from the officials at Vancouver, that the C.P.R. are inclined to abandon the route from Crow's Nest Pass down the Goat river and across the Kootenay, and save some 70 miles of road building, with easier grades along the St. Mary's river and Crawford creek, through a rich mineral belt, coming out as above stated, at Pilot Bay.

The importance of this probable location of Pilot Bay on the C.P.R. cannot, of course, be overestimated; good and easy approaches to the lake level can be obtained, and, though the area of flat land is not very large and is in private hands, every facility required can easily be afforded.

One of the latest discoveries in this immediate locality is a vein of free milling gold quartz on the west side of Crawford Bay, within two miles on an air line of Pilot Bay. It is very good looking rock, and a careful assay by Mr. R. H. Cavill, of Nelson, yields six dollars in gold per ton. Joseph Poirier, the locator, has already put some holes in the reef and finds it improving as it deepens. All these new strikes illustrate the extent of mineral in this country. Hardly a point has been touched without yielding a prospect which, if developed, would probably give sound commercial results. How long will have to elapse before Canadian capital will become fully convinced of the perfectly legitimate business which can even now be done in the purchase and development of the mines and mineral claims of this West Kootenay country? Are all these propositions to be entertained only by Americans? Is Spokane to continue to be the mart and exchange for this portion of British Columbia? In what city can be seen such specimens of our mineral wealth as have sufficed to cause the investment of many thousands of American money in this district.

Happily, evidences are not wanting that light on the subject is beginning to dawn on the minds of our wealthy men. The presence here of Mr. William Waters in the interests of capitalists this side "the line" is a healthy sign of it. This gentleman's experience extends from Alaska to Chihuahua in Mexico; he appears to be a man of sound judgment, well informed not only as regards the mineralogical aspect of proposals put before him, but also as to the financial possibilities of each case. He expresses a deeply reasoned conviction that there is no district in North America which can compare with West Kootenay in mineral wealth; and that here, in the very near future, must be the most extensive mining camp the world has ever seen. Out of the whole district his preference is for that part of it, at the divide between the waters of Crawford Creek and St. Mary's River, back of Pilot Bay; and his reason for this preference is that, whereas, the stratification around the lake shore and in the Slocan country is much contorted and shaken up, on this divide the ledges are traceable for miles, being true fissure veins and having well defined hanging and foot walls. And here it is that the rich strikes of antimonial silver have recently been made.

KAMLOOPS.

(From the Sentinel.)

Lillooet was startled on the 30th ult., by the news of the sudden death of Mr. P. H. Ward, caused by the bursting of a blood vessel *en route* to Clinton, to consult a doctor. No one except the stage driver was with him at the time. He was a general favorite and will be greatly missed. The funeral was very largely attended. He followed mining pursuits since 1858, principally at Big Bar, and was one of the discoverers of the Bonanza Mineral claim, in which he held an interest; was also partner with Mr. E. S. Peters in a hydraulic mine at Lillooet, which he worked during the last three years; was a native of the Mohawk Valley, but became a British subject.

The annual meeting of the Agricultural Society was held in the Exhibition building on the evening of the 5th inst., President J. T. Edwards in the chair. The following persons were elected officers for the coming year: President, Walter B. Gladwin, Ashcroft; 1st vice-president, C. A. Semlin, Cache Creek; 2nd vice-president, J. T. Edwards, Kamloops; treasurer, J. J. Mackay, Ashcroft; secretary, J. W. Burr, Ashcroft; directors, William Walker, Thomas Morgan, Bonaparte; E. Dougherty, J. C. Barnes, Ashcroft; Charles Pennie, Penniestown; J. R. Hull, Kamloops; J. S. Smith, Clinton; R. Carson, Pavilion; A. B. Ferguson, Savona; J. B. Greaves, Douglas Lake; William Morrison, 150-Mile House; S. Moore, Nicola.

On Tuesday evening a number of the friends of Mr. Justice Walkem honored him with a dinner at the Grand Pacific hotel Kamloops.

Messrs. P. M. Walker, Hugh Ross, F. W. Robinson and Andrew Parks have returned from the Lardeau. They bring the news of a fine discovery of mineral by Mr. Thomas Horne near the head of Lardeau Creek, who has named it the "Horne Ledge." It is from 20 to 30 feet wide, with an iron cap. Nine claims are already located on it, all showing excellent mineral. The creek cuts the Rob Roy to a depth of 20 feet, and the face of the rock shows solid galena 20 feet in width, the remainder being hematite iron and quartz, which is believed to carry a fair percentage of gold.

Mr. Parks recorded a claim on Thursday called the Haley, near the head of Haley Creek, which he says shows up well, the ledge being 30 feet in width and carrying gold and silver.

Eli Carpenter and partner have located three claims on the west shore of Trout Lake.

Mr. P. Lambrich, of the Cariboo Hill Mine, says he has driven 45 feet, and has struck at least 12 inches of good sulphuret ore, which assays very well. Some hundred pounds have been brought in for assay and treatment.

KOOTENAY.

(From the Revelstoke Star.)

Owing to the melting of the snow last week the Columbia rose about seven feet at Revelstoke, and carried away the framework of a scow which was being built on the beach.

Koski, a Finlander, charged with shooting near Revelstoke with intent to kill, pleaded guilty at Kamloops assizes, and was sentenced to five years in the penitentiary.

H. N. Coursier, who recently visited some of the mining claims in the Lardeau, brought back with him a piece of rock casually picked up from the dump at one of the claims. Being curious to know what it would sample he sent it to Mr. W. Pellew Harvey, Golden, for assay, and has received the result—732oz. 8dwt. silver per ton.

Mr. Law, of Golden, who has been authorized to collect specimens of mineral from the two Kootenays for the Chicago fair, will make up a fine collection of ores from the Lardeau and Slocan.

A meeting of miners was held at Illecillewaet on Thursday night to consider the working of the Mineral Act. Mr. Anderson was called to the chair, and Professor Watson was appointed secretary. It was proposed by Captain Banfield, and carried unanimously: "That a committee be appointed to draft a petition to the Legislative Assembly praying them to repeal the present act and re-enact the old laws of 1891." The meeting was almost unanimous in the opinion that the owner of a mining location should have the right to follow his lode in all its dips, spurs and angles. Professor Watson, Captain Banfield and Messrs. Fowler and McArthur will form the committee.

The latest discovery in the Slocan has been made by Harry Thomas, finding a magnificent ledge of galena cropping up in good shape. Prospectors and men competent to judge say he has made a rich find.

J. E. Long and partner have discovered a very rich-looking ledge of galena near Bear Lake, Slocan. The ledge is a large one, with four feet of solid ore. Mr. Long expects the assay will show the ore to be of exceeding richness.

John Stauber, who came up from the Lardeau on Friday, brought with him a number of skins, including two bears, eight minks, nine wolves (seven feet long), three wolverines and 50 martens. Mr. Stauber has a silver mine on which he has done all the assessment work this summer, a large ranch, and also finds time to make trails, go trapping and do a great deal of prospecting.

THE LARDEAU.

(From the Golden Era.)

Messrs. Burns and Gainer, from the Lardeau, report the discovery of two more ledges on the north fork of Lardeau creek, and about twelve miles north-east of Trout lake. One of these ledges has been measured 26 feet in width, with 4 feet of solid galena, and was traced for over 3,000 feet. Like most of the Lardeau minerals, the ore from this ledge is rich in gold, carrying $45.65 gold and $103 silver per ton. The other ledge is 14 feet in width, with 3 feet of solid mineral, carrying over $26 in gold and $68 in silver to the ton. They say they are the grandest prospects they have ever met with.

John Shaw and John Sands, who have been working on the trail recently constructed by Mr. J. W. Haskins, from Trout Lade to the group of 10 claims located by him and others on the big ledge near the head waters of Healy Creek, state that the whole of the claims show magnificent mineral, especially the Abbott, King William, Victoria, Stella, Isabella and Alice. A few shots fired in the Victoria exposed 12 feet of metal, principally galena and grey copper. On the Stella and Abbott there are in sight, 30 feet and 40 feet of mineral respectively, while the King William close by shows up just as good.

Mr. Harrison, an English assayer, who recently went into the Lardeau with Mr. T. L. Haig, of Revelstoke, has discovered some rich mineral near the head of Healy Creek, and located a claim thereon.

Chas. F. Blackburn and Robt. L. Blackburn arrived up on the steamer Columbia on Saturday, and left for Seattle Monday Monday night. Mr. C. F. Blackburn has spent the season in the Lardeau district and made a number of valuable discoveries, and several locations have been made by the party. The distinguishing feature of the Lardeau country, says Mr. Blackburn, is that it is a gold-bearing galena district. Most of the lodes carry a quantity of gold associated with the galena silver ores. He is well pleased with the mining outlook in the Lardeau, and will be on hand early next season to begin operations on the locations secured.

THE HALCYON THIS TIME.

Fined $800 by Collector Milne for Violations of Canadian Shipping Law.

Her Captain's Plea, Like that of the San Jose's Master, "Stress of Weather."

The schooner Halcyon has been for a long time a mystery in Victoria, and a source of trouble to the custom house authorities. Her movements have been "suspicious," and more than once has she got off by the merest technicality. Some eight or ten days ago she entered these waters and, having hovered around for several days, was seized. Her master, Capt. Collins, avers that he came in through stress of weather, but that he had been here before under somewhat similar circumstances he did not deny. During a four days' investigation in the custom house the captain was examined at length, and in reply to a question as to his mission, said that he was bound for the "North seas."

The answer was considered evasive, and when requested to state what his mission was he replied "Hunting."

"Hunting for what?" was asked.

"For duck," answered the master of the schooner.

The answer was regarded as significant, and the reluctance of the officers of the schooner when questioned as to details was marked.

"They came from San Francisco for a foreign port," was considered an indefinite reply when minute details were being looked for.

The Halcyon has, it is charged, made numerous calls to Victoria, and when she leaves there is supposed to be a diminution in the Chinese population, and also in the normal stock-in-trade of opium.

Indeed, she has been for long among the most prominent of the "suspects," and there is only the present conviction registered against her. She is known positively to have been at Hill's Island, near Sidney Island, and to have "communicated with shore." She is also known to have anchored off Barclay Sound and to have made similar communication without having reported to to the Customs as in duty bound.

During the investigation these facts were so clearly established that the master of the schooner did not attempt to bring any refuting evidence. He has had three Japs on board and a Chinese cook, none of whom are now available.

The captain's statement is that on the last occasion he came in through stress of weather, and while he admits having passed Esquimalt and Victoria, he says that he would have made another port had he had the charts to enable him to do so.

Collector Milne, upon the facts in proof, has fined the vessel $800, which has to be paid within 30 days, otherwise she will be confiscated.

TORONTO, Oct. 11.—The following special cable from London appeared in this morning's Globe: Canadian cattle at Islington to-day were a trifle under 6d. The trade is slightly brisker for the best quality. There are large supplies of Canadians at all the Scotch markets. Clearance was made at lower prices.

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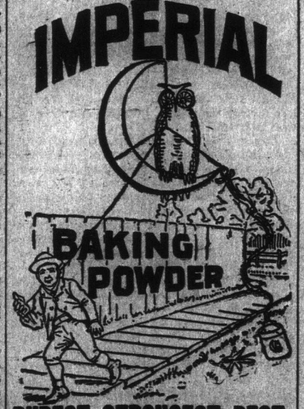

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