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Sketches In and About Victoria

AND ELSEWHERE.

BROWNIE.

settle thereon? And you, too, Mr.

the lady stared, speechless with astonish-

ment, as I turned away and left the

store. My thoughts thus started went

off at a tangent, as it were, as I recalled

cleverness in spelling, she would climb,

sailor-like, hand over hand, outside the cage, for polly was seldom a prisoner,

like other friends of a human kind, they

had little differences of opinion some-

times. I remember on one occasion,

whilst polly was on the outside of the

eage, Tom, who was on the table, seized

the opportunity of purloining a tit-bit,

from the bottom of the cage. But poll,

seeing the intended theft out of the cor-

ner of her eye, made a hasty descent,

fled, whilst Poll, seizing her property,

up and down, laughed and cried: "Puss,

call us boys every morning, rattling at

the old-fashioned latch of our bed-room

door until it opened, when he would

the garden with us like a dog and per-

was in the spring time of the present

year that I arrived in Victoria and found

in my home a poor, abject-looking creat-

ure, which, although of the cat family,

seemed to be of a new species. Black

was the prevailing hue of its fur, but

of such a miserable rustiness and ab-

sence of all glossiness that I named him

strange looking creature and learned that

some six months before it had belonged

to a neighbor and was then a plump, playful, half-grown kitten. One day

the master of the house happened to be

cry. He looked around, and in the cup-

up there. But nothing could be seen.

ring, he opened the oven door, when out

crawled the kitten more dead than

alive, its feet blistered, fur scorched and

fond of cats, I at once determined, with

but small prospects of success, to try and

very long, was burning briskly.

lurements.

One morning last summer I started good quantity of the oil. In a wonderfor a walk, clothed in my lightest attire, fully short time a decided improvement with the determination of taking things was evident in his appearance. as coolly as circumstances admitted of started growing, and a ridge or stripe my doing. But it was July, and as warm as that month well could be, so that in back. Indeed, it seemed almost miracuspite of all that I could do I was soon lous to note the rapid change in Brownas damp as though had been in a vapor ie's looks. Longer and taller, broader bath. Presently, whilst trying to keep in the shade, with but partial success, I had become a fine, noble-looking animal, found myself on Douglas street, and it occurred to me that I had a memoranlate owner visited us he could hardly redum in my pocket for our grocer. So alize the fact that this handsome black crossing the road I entered the store. velvet-coated and white shirt-fronted in-Whilst my order was being booked a dividual, with stately walk and dignified lady came in. No! I won't say what pose when seated, whom I introduced to him as Brownie, could be the same she was like, merely to satisfy curiosity on the part of my readers. Let it suffice poor, undersized Tommy whom he had that she was like so many of the Queen left so short a time before. Brownie City's young and fair. The storekeeper, had so endeared himself to one and all alum. looking up from his desk the lady asked of our family that the idea of giving for some fly-paper—or as the French him up was scouted with indignation. Indeed I argued the point and proved to I turned, and gazing at her with sad the satisfaction of everyone, except, persurprise, said: Madam, are you aware that there is a altogether a changed animal, and not the society for the prevention of cruelty to same at all that it was this time last animals? And do you not know that year. He was different in color, size those apparently harmless sheets of and shape, and as to his weight, why, stickiness are sources of long protracted Brownie would weigh down ten such mistorture and lingering death to all the erable, starveling-looking kittens as that

innocent creatures who are tempted to Tommy of former days. Well, that

Storekeeper, are particeps criminis in offering for sale such death-dealing allold. He is seated beside me as I write, and seems to approve of all that The storekeeper feebly grinned, and I have just written about him, UNCLE JOHN. Canadian News. Rev. Mr. Truax, the clerical heretic has announced his withdrawal from the

question was settled, and now Brownie

too, were a favorite delicacy with me,

so at once I commenced to give Brownie

some of my early experiences of animated nature. Always a lover of domestic Methodist church. pets, I and my brother had, at different times, rabbits, guinea pigs, white mice. The death occurred at Windsor Mills tortoise, a magpie and a squirrel, not near Montreal, of Thomas Logan, presito mention canaries and a nightingala, dent of the Canada Paper Company for which songbirds were the pets of my the past twenty years, and well known mothers and sisters. But none of the throughout Canada. especial charges of us boys stayed long A writ asking for \$5000 damages for

with us, as somehow, when the novelty of their possession was over, change or has been issued at Toronto against Thos. exchange with other boys would cause rs to see the last of our late favorites. Ware, widower, aged 60, on behalf of Mrs. Annie Bailey, a widow of 55. Both Always, however, with exceptions, of the parties have grown-up children.

Gaston Hughes, the son of the Mon Gaston Hughes, the son of the Mon-treal Chief of Police, who gave informa-tion of the alleged intention of the three toise, and Jack, the squirrel, both of which continued to retain a hold upon our affections. But all these were the boys to blow up the Nelson monument, out of door pets of us boys, whereas our is out of town. It is understood that he home possessed two long established fais visiting his uncle in New York. vorites, who almost seemed to be mem-The authorities of Grace church, Ot-

bers of our family, a wonderfully clever green parrot and an almost equally ininjunction forbidding the performance of the opera "La Mascotte" unless a telligent gray cat. Indeed, to us children, we had grown up with them, as it were, royalty was paid to Boosey & Co., of and had my opinion as to the reasoning London, who claim to own the copyright powers of animals, especially parrots, been asked, I should stoutly have avowed my belief that they knew as much as The death of Mr. Roderick McLennan a good many people did, and had any one occurred at his residence. Glendonald, on asserted the contrary in my presence I Sunday, after a lingering illness. Mr. should have looked upon that person as McLennan was in his 90th year, and a profane idiot. Why, I remember polly was one of the old pioneers of Glengarry. repeating words of one, two, or even He was the father of Major R. R. Me-

three syllables, in imitation of my first attempts to climb the difficult ladder of A. R. McLennan, M.P. for Glengarry, and Mr. words. And then, having shown her wall. The private bills committee of the Quebec legislature has passed a bill to inand mounting to the top, she would sing out in a loud voice, "Ship ahoy! Ship treal, after eliminating a provision all taken early in the strike. lowing it to be open on Sundays to sell ahoy!" And then, as if in response to an refreshments, tobacco and cigars, etc., answering hail, would halloa, "Send the boat ashore!" Tom Grey, our cat, was cipality and to sell liquors containing no on the friendliest terms with polly; yet,

less than four per cent. alcohol. The quarterly meeting of the Comme cial Travellers' association of Canada was held in Toronto on Saturday. The report showed that the association now has about 36,000 members and \$250,000. The nomination of officers resulted in the re-election of C. C. VanNorman as president by acclamation. Boards for the and despite Tom's quickness in withbranch in Winnipeg and Victoria, B.C., drawing caught him by the tail. With a were elected by acclamation.

howl of agony Tom turned and then Thomas and Allan Pardue advertised that they would secure positions for restored it to the cage, and then dancing typewriters with Toronto firms. They received many replies and answered, up and down, laughed and thom used to puss, puss! Poor pussy!" Tom used to telling the applicants to send 25 cents in silver and the name of the firm wanting typewriters would be sent. In many cases the names sent were fakes. They walk sedately to our bedside, and, jumpgot quite a fine harvest of silver, but ing up, would tap our faces until we now are in the hands of the police on a awoke. He would race up and down charge of fraud.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Comform all sorts of amusing tricks. But pany has arranged to ship 16,000 bushels I must not allow my early recallections of Ontario wheat and about 1000 tons. to keep me too long away from the present. Let me now relate the tale of a from St. John, N.B., as an experiment. ent. Let me now relate the tale trom St. John, N.B., as an experiment. cat, almost a catastrophe, indeed. It The undertaking is important as marking the first effort of the road to use St. John as a winter port for the upper provinces. The Canadian Pacific Company says that it has built a grain elevator at St. John for use, not for ornament.

James H. Metcalfe, M.P. for King-Brownie on the spot, I naturally inquired as to the history of such a recommending that Milan Drennan be ston, has written to Sir John Thompson appointed warden of the Dominion penitentiary at that place. This indicates that Metcalfe expects the present warden will be dismissed or superannuated shortly. Several Orange lodges have that country and Egypt, and the vast ex- no element of finality. The state ought the master of the house happened to be in the kitchen, when he heard a faint in the kitchen, when he heard a faint asking for Drennan's appointment. It one of the most important in the Britboard, thinking that a cat might be shut is also stated that as a result of the investigations by Accountant Foster into many years by Sir William Arthur White shall be compelled to sell. In the case up there. But nothing could be seen. Again the cry was repeated, and this the affairs of the British Columbia peniand the salary attached to it is \$40,000. of landlords having to sell, if three time he fancied it came from near the tentiary, the warden and deputy warden stove. Then, a sudden thought occur- of that institution are likely to be dismissed.

An important order has been issued to \$50,000 per annum! by the Department of Militia. It states whiskers singed. Another minute would that the Major General having observed amount proposed in the Balfour act. The fire which had not been lighted instruction of the unrestricted sale of inwith U. S. officers in pursuit. He is Brussels, Dec. 5.—The correspondent as the fire, which had not been lighted instruction of the unrestricted sale of in- with U. S. officers in pursuit. He is The toxicating liquors, the sale of such liquor charged with being the head of a gang at Rome of the Independence Belge repoor thing was carefully nursed, its blis- in regimental messes and canteens at tered feet anointed with lard, and every camps is henceforth entirely prohibited. United States in preparing bogus certied in this little history, and naturally flicted for a breach of military discipline.

THE MINNESOTA LEGISLATURE Looking After the Alum and Ammonia

Baking Powders. (Portland Oregonian.) A bill for an act in relation to the manufacture and sale of baking powders, to prevent fraud and preserve the public health has been introduced in the ing an action in her behalf baking powders with alum or ammonia, imposing proper penalties to enforce the

Dr. O. S. Binswanger, professor of some time ago of the baking powders found in the Portland stores; the result of which appeared in the Oregonian. Dr. Binswanger then expresses himself as

"I have just finished an analysis of the principal baking powders sold in this market with the following results: "Hercules." This powder contains

"Crystal." This powder contains alum. "Double Quick." This powder contains alum. "Silver Star." This powder contains

"White Lily." This powder contains

ammonia.

"Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder." This is a pure cream of tartar powder haps the late owner, that this cat was and contains neither alum nor ammonia. It will be observed that Dr. Price's was found by Dr. Binswanger to be a pure cream of tartar baking powder and the only brand free from alum, ammonia or any impurity.

Following is a list of the more widely known brands that Dr. Drew, chemist for the Minnesota State Dairy and Food Commission, as well as other chemists of high standing have examined and found to contain alum, some of which contain both alum and ammonia. Many of the alum and ammonia powders are labeled and advertised as "absolutely pure" to mislead the public. The condemned powders given in this list are sold pretty generally through Oregon and

Washington.
"Calumet," "Forest City," "Grant's
Bon Bon," "Hotel," "Globe," "Puritan," "Snow Ball," "Government," "Palace,"
"Loyal," "Columbia," "Home," "Monarch," "Unrivaled," "Chicago Yeast," "Echo," "Perfection," "White Rose," "Hatchet," "Crown."

In addition to the above list there are many brands sold with a prize. It is safe to reject all baking powders sold composed largely of alum and cost but which funds are deposited. few cents per pound. Also refuse any baking powder sold for twenty-five cents a pound or less; it is sure to contain

Surely, nothing but their cheapness could induce the public to experiment with these impure powders at the risk Aside from the question of of health. tawa, have been served with a writ of the health or wholesomeness of these condemned powders, and viewed from the standpoint of economy alone, a pure cream of tartar baking powder such as Dr. Binswanger and other high authorities report Dr. Price's to be, and from its greater known strength and unquestioned purity, should prove more economical to the user in every way.

AMERICAN NEWS NOTES

Daily Chronicle of Events in the Great Republic.

Philadelphia, Dec. 6.-3:35 a. m.-The Lehigh Valley strike has been declared off. President Wilbur says an official statement will be made this morning. corporate the zoological garden at Mon- He has not receded from his position

San Francisco, Dec. 5.—The City of New York is still resting on the rocks at with or without the consent of the muni- Point Bonita. The pontoons have not yet been towed out to her, and it is said the workmen on the steamer have not stated that they are ready for the pontoons. More favorable weather the cannot be made to float she will have to be abandoned.

> Chicago, Dec. 5.-In the Cronin case today the twelfth juror was secured. The jury were then sworn in by the clerk of the court and admonished as to their high and solemn duty. When the jurors had retired from the court room ex-Judge Wing informed the court that counsel for the state had intimated to him that Mrs. Andrew Foy would be a witness for the prosecution, and if it he would move that the court instruct

the jury. Washington, Dec. 5.-The revival of retake their holdings. the rumor to-day that Sir Julian London, Dec. 5.—In a letter on the Irish Pauncefote, minister to the United States land question, Right Hon. Joseph Chamfrom England, was to be transferred to berlain, the Liberal Unionist leader in casion of inquiry at the embassy at this views of the subject have undergone no city as to the truth of the story. The change. He does not seek, however, reply to the question was that "Sir Julian knows nothing about it now." The views. It is his belief that the solution post assigned to him by the latest re- of the question must be found through ports is that of ambassador to Turkey, purchase only. Dual ownership by which, by reason of the relation between | means of the tenant fixing authority, has When the rank of Sir Julian was raised | fourths of the tenants refuse to buy, the to that of ambassador, it is understood state will purchase. The landlord will the salary was increased from \$30,000 get a fair value for his property, exclud-

of conspirators against the laws of the ports to that paper, under reserve, that camps is henceforth entirely prohibited. Officers commanding camps of instruction will be held responsible for the blough Tommy recovered his health to a certain extent, his growth was checked, and his coat continued miserably thin and dingy-looking. Some short time afterward. Tommy's master moved into the country and left his unfortunate cat in the care of a neighbor, in whose in the care of a neighbor, in whose in the care of a neighbor, in whose charge I now beheld it. Much interest ed in this little history, and naturally for the control and the country as may be infinitely prohibited. Officers commanding camps of instruction composition with be defined responsible for the proper carrying out of this order, and they together with the officer commanding camps of instruction comton with the interest ficates, enabling Chinamen to visit their own country and return under the class distinction of merchants. He is reported to have a fake tea store on Harrison avenue, and on the payment of a certain at the ficates, enabling Chinamen to visit their control of the construction composition with the care of a bedicating.

A "Trust" Which is Popular.

There is a great deal of indignation feit against trusts. The Sugar Trust, the Standard Oil Trust, the Welsh Tin Plate Trust, and other combination of the kind of the control of t try free from the restrictions on Chinese and it is a subject of controversy whether but small prospects of success, to try and cure it. It occurred to me that since coddiver oil was good for consumptive human beings, some similar remedy might be efficacious in pussy's case. Sardines, for smuggling natives into this country. of trust against which no one has anything It is also stated on the authority of offito say. That is the trust the public reposes

justice on the charge of murder, and that he killed a Chinaman in San Francisco several years ago, because the latter had stolen the affections of a Chinese maiden from him.

New York, Dec. 5.-Judge McAdam, of the superior court, to-day appointed Albert Rupman, the guardian of Mrs. Sela Nicolaus, for the purpose of bring-Legislature at St. Paul. The bill is in- Geo. J. Gould on a check for \$40,000. tended to prevent the adulteration of Mrs. Nicolaus was 18 years of age on may 28th last. She says in her petition, on which the order appointing guardian was granted, that in March she was the owner of a paper or order for the payment of money, a check made chemistry, etc., medical department University of Oregon, made an examination states that when she was possessed of this check Gould wrongfully obtained it and appropriated it to his own use. Hence she says she has been damaged to the extent of \$40,000. She therefore asks leave of the court to bring an action against Mr. Gould for the recovery of the check or its value.

New York, Dec. 5.-London sent some sensational rumors about Atchison before the opening of business here, cable advices alleging that a receivership for the company was imminent. It was said the company had been unable to borrow money to meet the \$3,600,000 interest due Jan. 1st next. London backed its ppinion of Atchison's financial condition by selling. Atchison securities sold at their lowest in the first hour of business, when the stock touched 18 7-8. The market generally closed weak; total sales, 194,558 shares. The net losses ranged from 1-4 to 2 per cent. The pressure to sell Atchison abated when it was announced that President Reinardt had cashled from London that the stocked to borrow william Nivens and Albert Behne, two of the owners of the Idaho, a shipping mine in Slocan district, passed through Nelson last week on their way from Spokane. They report the Idaho koaking fine, with eighteen inches of ore in one of the owners of the Idaho, a shipping mine in Slocan district, passed through Nelson last week on their way from Spokane. They report the Idaho koaking fine, with eighteen inches to fore in one of the owners of the Idaho, a shipping mine in Slocan district, passed through Nelson last week on their way from Spokane. They report the Idaho koaking fine, with eighteen inches of ore in one of the owners of the Idaho, a shipping mine in Slocan district, passed through Nelson last week on their way from Spokane. They report the Idaho koaking fine, with eighteen inches for in Slocan district, passed through Nelson last week on their way from Spokane. They report the Idaho koaking fine, with eighteen inches for in Slocan district, passed through Nelson last week on their way from Spokane. They report the Idaho koaking fine, with eighteen inches for in one of the owners of the Idaho, a shipping mine in Slocan district, passed through Nelson last week on their way from Spokane. They report the Idaho koaking fine, with eighteen inches for in one of the upper tunnels and two feet in the other. Both tunnels are in about almet week on their way from Spokane. They report the Idaho koaking fine, with eighteen inches for in one of the owners of the Idaho koaking fine, with eighteen in Slocan distri the company had been unable to borrow cabled from London that the stories about the financial embarrassment of the company were unfounded.

New York, Dec. 6.-The sixth annual convention of the Guarantee Ticket Brokers' association of the United States be gins here to-day. President Fleishman. of Buffalo, will preside over to-day's session, the business being the revision of the by-laws. This afternoon and evening will be spent in sight-seeing.

GENERAL DISPATCHES.

News in Brief From Various Parts of the World. Rome, Dec. 5-The Credit Mobilier has received a foreign offer to assist in forming a new concern, securing provincial connections and easing the liquidation. The court at Rome made a rule to-day empowering the Credit Mobilier's foreign with a prize, as the tests show they are | branches to cash its checks against

> London, Dec. 5.—The Liverpool chamber of commerce has sent a petition to the House of Commons protesting against the Employers' Liability bill as adverse to the shipping interest.

Paris, Dec. 5.—Marshal Canrobert has received a telegraphic message of friendship from the admiral and sailors of the Russian fleet in the Black sea. The snow accompanied by wind. Paris, Dec. 5.-Marshal Canrobert has telegram was communicated to President arnot, who replied, thanking the "noble Russian nation" for its careful preserva-Czar, to his family, the Russian navy and

that the delay is caused by the fact that the principal agricultural department wreckers can hardly expect, and if she to 8 francs. The proposed increase of

should appear that she was not a prop- the National league in this city this evener person to testify against the accused ing. He said that, since the Matthews' the prosecution to eliminate from the government had shown no intention to opening address to the jury all mention carry out the commission's recommendaof Mrs. Foy's evidence in the estimation tions. The National League wished to expected to give. This was the real possible, but if peace was to be obtained f Mrs. Foy's evidence in the esti nation, only by keeping unhappy evicted tenants of the defence was demonstrated by the in their present position, it would not be long argument of Attorney King and maintained by them. (Applause.) When the cases he cited to keep her story from the proper time came, the League would not neglect to advise evicted tenants to

one of the European courts, was the oc- the House of Commons, declares that his ing anything for the compulsory sale of Boston, Dec. 5.-Chin Gin, known as the first grant allotted. The effect of "Old Sport," a well-known Chinaman, the operation ought not to exceed the King Humbert, in view of the unpopu-

mmigration. He is furthermore charge there are more trusts in England than in ed with being the leader of the gang re- America, and whether protection or fre cently captured near the Canadian line trade fosters them. But there is one form

KOOTENAY CROPPINGS.

The Hebdomadal Budget From the Mining Camps.

IN THE INLAND MINERAL REGION

Faral Accident at the Slocan-New Mail

The wrecked steamer State of Idaho is The wrecked steamer State of Idaho is now almost entirely under water at Buchanan's mill at Kaslo. Owing to the non-arrival of necessary tackle, nothing is being done to haul her out of the water.

C. E. Perry, the civil engineer, is making arrangements with W. F. Teetzel to complete the survey of the New Denver townsite. He will begin work next week.

The Jackson trail from Bell's cappo' to

Eighteen inches of snow fell at Kaslo during the week, the fall at Nelson being about the same. The only point in the lake country at which there is no snow is the stretch between Cedar and Coffee creeks at Ainsworth. For some reason, snow never falls there.

After the steam barge Illecillewaet was safely beached her chief engineer got out his bagpipes and played "Lochaber No More." What the captain did is not report-G. H. Williams, the Kaslo druggist who recently made an assignment, is now manager of the Kaslo Drug Co.

The Canadian Facific's telegraph line is now working from Nelson to Revelstoke, and the rate on night messages to Victoria is but 60 cents, as against \$2 when the messages were sent round by way of Seattle. sages were sent round by way of Seattle.

On Monday last, about dark, a young man named Louie Sams was killed while working on the sleigh road near the Slocan Star mine. Much of the timber where he was at work had been blown down by the wind, and he was standing under a fallen tree, one end of which rested on a stump about twenty feet high. From some tribooked for cause the tree slipped from the stump, and in falling struck Sams, on the back of the head. The injury was so serious that he was dead in an hour. Mr. Sams was about 28 years old, and was one of the most robust men in the Slocan. He was from the Lake Superior country, having worked there for Byron N. White, the manager of the Slocan Star. He has a brother in Butte, Montana, who telegraphed that the body be sent back to Lake Superior for burial.

A very heavy snowfall, with nigh wind

The manager of the Selkirk Transporta-tion company was in New Denver on the 23rd, arranging for a through stage line from Kaslo.

tion of the monument erected to the Frenchmen who fell at the Malakoff, and expressing personal good wishes to the The beef all went into the hills. Czar, to his family, the Russian navy and the Russian sailors.

London, Dec. 5.—The Berlin correspondent of the United Press says that, in conversation with a prominent Centrist.

elstoke or Nakusp.

The men at work on the road to Three Forks for the government were paid off on the 15th. The road is in a very rough condition, but on the 17th a team went through to Three Forks with 600 feet of lumber. A temporary bridge has been built over the creek in the box canyon by Contractor McMartin. This was smashed to pieces by boulders from the grade on the 18th, but, on the 19th it was put in working order again. Mr. McMartin claims there will be good steighing over the road just as soon order again. Mr. McMartin claims there will be good stellghing over the road just as soon as a little more snow has fallen. It may be blocked from time to time by sildes and rolling rocks from the railway grade, but all danger from this source will be over in about a month.

A project has been set on foot to construct a sleigh road from New Denver to struct a sleigh road from New Denver to tap the Grady group of mines and bring it into direct touch with the railroad without transhipment by water. The government has promised assistance. A good sleigh road wold cost about \$2,000. The route has been surveyed and is reported on favorably. The scheme is popular in New Denver, but property owners in Silverton are not so enthusiastic.

J. A. Finch has been in New Denver once J. A. Finch has been in New Denver once more. No work will be done this winter on the Reid & Robinson and Jenny Lind, but Mr. Finch is interested in the Mammoth, a fractional extension of the Mountain Chief, on which and on the Egypt, an adjoining claim, considerable hunting for the Mountain Chief ledge will be done this winter.

Far more solid development work and far shipments.

Trouble is brewing on the Nakusp & Slocan railway. The paymaster has not been along the road for weeks and weeks. It is impossible to get time cheques cashed except at Nakusp, and there it is a matter of great difficulty. Numbers of September time cheques have not yet been cashed. The wildest rumors are affoat, one being that all work will soon be closed down for want of money, and another that the financial management of the construction com-

isolated individuals.

A happy thought struck a New Denvercitizen recently. It was that the town should petition the post office inspector to discontinue the mail service altogether, and allow the citizens to arrange by contract for a mail service from Nelson or from some other point. If the unfortunate citizens had any hope at all that such a petitive forms. Sold by Langley & Co.

tion would be granted they would take action at once, but they have suffered so long that the spirit of hope has died within

Bill Alperson of Spokane and Paul Gaston of Palouse City have purchased the Golden Queen, a Trail Creek mineral claim, at a price stated to be \$7,000, of which \$2,500 was cash. The claim is close to the War Eagle, and it may be worked this winter. It is "developed" by five or six fifteen-foot holes, the ore being a copper sulphide carrying gold.

Byron N White manager of the Sleep.

rying gold.

Byron N. White, manager of the Slocan Star mine, in Slocan district, was in Nelson this week. He says that the owners of the big boulder are breaking it up and sacking it for shipment. The boulder is estimated to weigh about 125 tons, and 40 tons were in sacks when he left. A sleigh road is being built to the Slocan Star, and it was expected that it would be completed so that ore could be hauled over it the fore part of next week. The ore will be hauled to Three Forks, where it will probably remain until the railway is completed next summer. summer.

(Kaslo-Slocan Examiner.) There is a movement on foot to establish a mail route between Kaslo and New Den-

site. He will begin work next week.

The Jackson trail from Bell's camp to the mines on the eastern slope of the South Fork is impassable, and will not be used for ore shipments this winter. This means that all the ore from the Noble Five, Rico, the Blue Bird and other mines in that locality, will come out by way of Three Forks.

William Nivens and Albert Bahva trace. The Kootenay lake saw mill received an order this week from the No. 1 mine at Ainsworth to furnish 7,000 feet of cedar lumber of special dimensions. The lumber is intended to be used in constructing a large flume for that valuable ore producer of the Ainsworth camp. Game seems to be plentiful. Several caribou were shot this week in the vicinity of Crawford's bay, and the Independence manages to keep game in stock most of the time.

A new road to the sampling works is about completed, which will give an all down grade for loaded teams to the sampler. The road bears off to the left from the east end of the stretch of corduroy on the hill near Jackson's place and continues around the hill to the sampler on Kaslo bay. All the available horses and teams are just now "raw hiding" ore to the wagon road (or properly speaking the sled road) from the different mines. from the different mines.

The owners of the Noble Five mine are preparing for an extensive winter's work, and are shipping in plenty of supplies. Among other things over 1,000 feet of track iron was sent up to that mine this week.

The sled road to Three Forks is now in first-class condition. The road bed is well beaten and traffic is heavy.

The last ore shipment made from the Dardanelles mine consisted of 19 tons, and was estimated at 310 ounces of silver to the force of mean at the

The force of men on the wagon road under the foremanship of Mr. Beebe has completed the work of repairing and disbanded.

List Tuesday night was the coldest of the season so far. The mercury went down to 8 degrees below zero.

Quite a number of sled teams have been busy hanling wood to the different residences about town this week. Several parties are providing their winter's supply.

The Selkirk Transportation Commany is The Selkirk Transportation Company is coming to the front again. This week daily stage service through to New Denver was established.

Kaslo is to have another railway to the mines, that is provided the applicants for an act to incorporate proceed to construct the road after they get the charter. Bodwell & Irving of Victoria are acting as solicitors for the applicants. (The Miner.)

The first two messages from Nelson to the coast, over the C. P. R. telegraph company's through service to the coast was sent on Thursday morning from the office of J. H.

Bowes.

The public is about to be placed in possession of a prospectus of the Nelson Hydraulic mining company. The syndicate consists of J. A. Kirk, J. F. Ritchie, R. B. Dougan, F. M. McLeod, John Elliott, J. F. Hume, R. J. Bealey, and G. W. Richardson, and was formed for the purpose of acquiring and developing the Boulder placer claim on Forty-nine creek, about eight miles west of Nelson. The company has secured adjoining properties to the Boulder and now have a continuous claim of one and one quarter miles in length, which is held under a five years lease from the government.

Those who are acquinted with the Slocan egguis, member de de principal agricultural department of France, said in an interview to-day that he intends to propose in the chamber of the corr duty from 5 since selegitage or reference of the correct of the corr

policy was warmly applauded except from the Socialist benches, General discussion of the motion of M. Groussol for general amnesty was closed, and the chamber, by a vote of 257 to 226, refused to discuss the clauses of the motion. It will thus be seen that the new government had a majority of only 31 in the first engagement it had with its oppo-

nents. Cape Town, Dec. 5.—Reports from Buluwayo are that Maj. Forbes is still pursuing Lobengula and expects to overtake him soon. Many Indunas are ready to disarm. After the capture of Lobengula it is expected the whole nation will submit.

London, Dec. 5.—The Geographical Journal publishes letters exchanged between Dr. Nansen, now attempting to cross the Arctic ocean, and Russian Admiral Marakoff. In one of these letters the latter says: "I agree with Nansen's scheme in the essential point that if he trusts himself to the ice drift more permanent investment of capital is taking place in the Slocan this winter than last, and it is altogether free from the unhealthy excitement of last winter. This is proved by the records that are being made daily as well as by the statistics of ore ney will be sure to enrich science. In 1894 an expedition should be sent with provisions to Franz Josef Land. To facilitate search Nansen should place signals along the route he follows, like the Jeanette. Nansen's ship may be carried past several islands, and signals and other means that may be helpful should be agreed on." Dr. Nansen replied: "Whenever I am able to approach the coast, I propose to leave cairns in Montevideo, Dec. 5.-It is said in Rio that Mello sailed for Santos with the intention of lending aid to the rebel forces in Rio Grande do Sul. The insurgentsleft in Rio bay have fortified Cabras island with the guns and ammunition which they had time to take off the Javary before she sank.