To Advertise Victoria.

Public Meeting Unanimously Decides to Form a Permanent Fund.

the subscribers, and to Victoria by mak-vance the interests of Victoria by mak-ing more generally known the attrac-tions and advantages of Victoria and of the city known.

Wr. Noah Shakespeare was in favor of Mr. Noah Shakespeare was in favor of Creek and is helf for American capitalists

or these was the class who wished the very best accommodation and was willing to pay for it the second class was that of people not so wealthy who wanted good accommodation at a more moderate price; and the third class was the family trade. He did not say this to discuss the hotel accommodation, but simply to te'l what the transportation men in the East had said. Then there was the question of transportation, and as an instance of this he pointed out that one railway in New Brunswick had spent one million dollars in improving the service for summer tourists; and the manager had told him it was the most profitable money the road had ever expended. Mr. Lugrin, for the benefit of the meeting, showed a number of folders and publications of St. John, N. B., and Halifax, advertising the advantages of those cities. One way by which the city could be advertised was by the committee subscribing at a result of the committee of their lives was passed. Howard Gould, who happ med to steam into the harbor of Alexandrosk, Russia, on his yacht last July just as the celebration of the founding of the new town of that name was in progress, has received from the Russian government a handsome bronze medal commemorative of the event. Everybody thought Mr. Gould had attended the celebration purposely, and he was received with great honor.

BABIES TORTURED.

By flaming, itching eczema find comfort and permanent cure in Dr. Chase's Ointment, a preparation which has a record of cures unparalleled in the history of medicine. Eczema, salt rheum, tetter, content and permanent cure in Dr. Chase's Ointment, a preparation which has a record of cures unparalleled in the history of medicine. Eczema, salt rheum, tetter, content and permanent cure in Dr. Chase's Ointment.

duced rate for a number of the city newspapers, say a thousand copies for a certain period. For this the papers could occasionally print illustrated articles on the city and its industries and resources, and the papers should be circulated in the hotels throughout the country, so that the city could be kept prominently to the front. He would repeat what he had already said at former meetings—that one of the truest ways of advertising the city was by regular every-day commercial advertising in the city newspapers by the business men. It was worth more to the city than any other kind of advertising that could be suggested.

THE MINES OF CARIBOO. of Results and Prospects De-

veloped by Operations of Past Season.

From the Ashcroft Journal. Work has closed down for the season

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Suggestions on How Best to Attract Profitable Attention to This City.

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The movement to secure a permanent expanisation for the avitement adversaging of the advantages of the city of Victoria was taken up with enhusiasm at the public meeting held in the board of trade rooms lest night, and it was decided to form a committee to carry on the work. A great many practical suggestions were made, and the prevailing feeling was that the citizens of Victoria, by working harmoniously together, could do a great deal towards advantage the prosperity of Victoria, harmoniously together, could of a great deal towards advantage the prosperity of Victoria, harmoniously together, could of a great deal towards advantage the prosperity of Victoria, harmoniously together, could not a great deal towards advantage the prosperity of Victoria, harmoniously together, could not a great deal towards advantage the prosperity of Victoria, harmoniously together, could do a great deal towards advantage the prosperity of Victoria, the object which every clitican has at heart.

Mayor Redfern being chosen chairman and Mr. F. Elworthy secretary, the notice calling the meeting was conded for the country of the

the city known.

Mr. Noah Shakespeare was in favor of advantages of Victoria and of Vancouver Island, and by such other to advance the end desired."

Mr. Shallcross agreed with the Mayor of advertising could better that the work of advertising could better be done by a committee of citizens than by the mayor and council. A united by the citizens; the city and spok

advantages as a watering place should be made known; capitalists should have their attention drawn to the Island's resources and Victoria's splendid position as a port and its commercial advantages should be set out. The mineral resources of Vancouver Island should be promi-

soon find ourselves on Summit creek, and it is here that claim owners reach the summit of expectation. While there is a certain amount of prospecting always going on here, it is to Messrs. Hamshaw and Young's properties that we must look for real development. A considerable amount of shaft sinking and drifting has been done, and while the ground is proportied in the public mind by referring to the people interested in keeping the road open as a small coterie of disaffected proposed. and while the ground is not yet entirely proven, it is understood that encouraging prospects have been struck. The amount of work in the way of ditching, pipe lines, etc., that has been accomplished, as well as the prompt way in which the necessary plant has been brought in and installed certainly speaks well for Mr. Hamshaw's persplicacity and energy and entitles him to success.

Letters to the Editor.

PARTY LINES DISCUSSED. Sir: I decline to believe that the writer who signed himself "Browning Smith" in Monday's Times is what he professes to be, a Conservative. I refuse further to believe that "Smith" is his true and lawful name; but I do think that, ashamed of the cognomen bestowed upon him by his forbears he has stolen the highly respectable patronymic of "Smith," to pose as the guide, philosoper and friend of the Conservative party in the province, and by false professions of loyalty and good will seeks to to encourage that party in a course that will inevitably lead them to destruction in a forceful manner with the platform adopted by the late convention, and I fail to ed by the late convention, and I fall to see that the position you have taken has been in the slightest degree shaken by "Smith's" letter. On the contrary, I think that his selection of the Liberal organ as the vehicle of his sentiments— an organ which has adonted as its polian organ which has adopted as its political ereed the principle of "no party lines in British Columbia politics" is the very best evidence that could be given of his insincerity and general unworthiness. I am one of many Conservatives who believe that the recent convention who believe that the recent convention was a mistake. I will go further and say that no convention was ever held in the province that was not a mistake and where a decent regard for party fealty failed to influence the members of the convention after they had retired from the hall. Take the opposition con-vention held in 1897 at Vancouver, where Messrs. Cotton and Semlin formulated a manifesto that excited the cachinnatory organs of their own party papers, and which had scarcely been promulgated before one of the authors was detected in the very act of selling himself to the then government. Call to mind the Liberal convention held at Westminster in the fall of 1897. Alexander Henderson, the present attorney-general, moved a resource of their own party papers, and CRAIGFLOWER ROAD.

Sir: Much has been written during the past few weeks about the vexed question of the Craigflower road. I beg to point out that when this matter was before the necessary attorney-general, moved a resource of the salmon packing in the North, was swept by fire on Friday last, only the large cannery of Robert Cunning-tour that when this matter was before the necessary attorney and what, escaping. A large hotel, three a manifesto that excited the cachinnato the Turner administration and accepted a generous sum of money from that party's treasury to defray his election expenses. When the legislature met he deserted the party that had returned him and supported their opponents. The Conservative convention of 1898 adopted a resolution in favor of party lines, with the object of influencing the New Brunswick elections, where party lines were introduced for the first time by the Conservatives. What was the result? Only five Conservatives were returned to a second not belong to private individuals. In spite of this admission, an attempt to occupy this crown land is being made by Rev. Mr. Ellison, who has removed the sidewalk built by the provincial government on crown land, and is fencing the roadway.

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It is significant of the progressive, indication to be discussed, and in order to thwart justice to the ratepayers and prevent the quashing of the by-law, admitted in court before Mr. Justice Drake that the road was crown land, and therefore could not belong to private individuals. In spite of this admission, an attempt to occupy this crown land is being made by Rev. Mr. Ellison, who has removed the sidewalk built by the provincial government on crown land, and is fencing the roadway. effort must be made to the very best transcontinental railway one getting well into the ancient channel, the world were now object, the better to would be with one object, the better to show the advantages of such a committee an proposed. To do this swort in the fill of the property the committee and proposed. To do this swort in the fill of the property the committee and proposed. To do this swort in the fill of the property the committee and proposed to the fill of the property the committee and the fill of the fill of the property the committee and the fill of the mark hower, explicitly, about a point of the Color course and Copyright a gooding point of the Color to wear and the color to we

VICTORIA Y. M. C. A. To the Editor: Mention was made recently in the local press that if an effort was put forward to place the now defunct Victoria Y. M. C. A. on a solid basis the work would be a success. As one who has had wide experience in Y. M. C. A. work, I do not hesitate to state that with united effort on the part of every Christian young man the work could not be other than a huge success. Let every male member of each church in Victoria contribute not only his little mite (for that is not all that is needed), mite (for that is not all that is needed), but his time and talents to the work and but his time and talents to the work and most excellent results will accrue therefrom. Permit me to state to those who acres; 221 reserves from lease and license, annual lease, etc., were notified in cense, etc., were no retary of the new association, and would acres. The revocations of reserves of do my utmost towards making the work this class numbered 343, and affected an of province that was not a instance, as followed by the success it deserves, at the same time conserving its distinctly undenomination of a failed to influence the members of convention after they had retired the half. Take the exposition convention after they had retired the half. Take the exposition convention after they had retired the half. Take the exposition convention after they had retired the members of the convention after they had retired the members of the convention after they had retired the convention convention after the convention convention after the convention convention after the convention convention convention after the convention izers would address me as follows:

HAROLD BURNETT, Box 444, Victoria.

present attorney-general, moved a resolution of non-confidence in the Turner administration. Before six months had come and gone the same gentleman stood as a candidate pledged to the support of the Turner administration and accepted a generous sum of money from that

the much-maligned residents of Victoria West want to take forcible possession of his property, because he has never owned it.

Again, "Taxpayer" is trying to missicad the public mind by referring to the rount one, possession open as a small coterie of disaffected open as a state on the much of loss offered for sale during 1898, and comprising all classes of land, was 6,390, while the areas of offered for sale during as mumber of lots offered for sale during a total sum of folloga? 38, 8d. There were 745 applications for special leases of sale during a total sum of folloga? 38, 8d. There were 745 applications for special leases of sale during a total sum of folloga? 38, 8d. There were 745 applications for specia These details represent only a portion of the work of the New South Wales land department during a single year, but they show how steadily the progress of pastoral and agricultural settlement in that colony is being maintained. Land suitable for mixed farming seems to be most in request. The conditions of lease or purchase are so varied that the convenience of almost every class of settler becomes readily met. The main principle underlaying the system appears to be the prevention of occupiers obtaining, by lease of purchase, more land than they can turn to profitable account. Care is taken that the available lands shall not be thrown open if there is no apparent defect of inducing some of the Orange forming lively and encouraging reading. Thench work is quite novel in Boer tactics and some curiosity is evinced as to who may be directing it and as to what is still to be shown. Nevertheless both at Mafeking and Kimberley coaditions at Mafeking forming lively and encouraging reading. Thench work is quite novel in Boer tactics and some curiosity is evinced as to who may be directing it and as to what is still to be shown. Nevertheless both at Mafeking and Kimberley coaditions at Mafeking forming lively and encouraging reading. Thench work is quite novel in Boer tactics and some curiosity is evinced as to who may be directing it and as to what is still to be shown. Nevertheless both at Mafeking and Kimberley coaditions at Mafeking and some curiosity is evinced as to who may be directing it and as to what is still to be shown. Nevertheless both at Mafeking and Kimberley coaditions at Mafeking and some curiosity is evinced as to who may be directing it and as to what is still to be shown. Nevertheless both at Mafeking and Kimberley coaditions at Mafeking and some curiosity is evinced as to who may be directing it and as to what is still to be shown. Nevertheless both at Mafeking and Kimberley coaditions at Mafeking and some curiosity is evinced as to who may be directing it and as to what is still to be shown. Neverth taken that the available lands shall not be thrown open if there is no apparent demand for them. Thus, in 1898, the total number of reserves from sale of various purposes notified was 1,273, comprising an area of 1,232,410 acres, while the re 1898, comprising a total area of 443,698

> PORT ESSINGTON BURNED. Disaster to the Village but Cannery an Wharf Escape.

were consumed, the loss aggregating \$75,000, with insurance of \$29,000—chiefly placed with companies represented by R. P. Rithet & Co., Ltd.

devouring element, the hotel had been reduced to a heap of smoking ashes, and the fire had leaped the narrow village street, to lick up the company to the fire had leaped the narrow village street, camp on the angular returned to Col. Spreckley's

Free State **Troops** Leaving

Reported to Have Business at Home More Urgent Than at Ladysmith.

Buller Almost Ready for Advance From Durban-Kimberley and Rhodesia.

By Associated Press.

London, Nov. 16 (5 a.m.)-The most interesting and in fact the only news of the war now comes from the western frontier, the accounts of Col. Baden-Powell's brilliant exploits at Mafeking forming lively and encouraging reading

and to return to their own territory, and also to be accountable for the stackness of the attempts on Ladysmith defences

HEAVY BOER LOSSES Another despatch ways it is reported that in the attack on Free State force at Dewdorp the Boers lost 300 in killed and wounded.

If the reports that the Free burghers are tired of the affairs and are going home should prove true the face would be most important, as their re-tirement would probably compel Gen Joubert to withdraw northward. Tha the Boers are entrenched so closely to Ladysmith is held in some quarters to indicate that they are running short of ammunition and guns. THE ADVANCE FROM DURBAN

All Gen. Buller's arrangements for the advance from Durban, it is reported, are practically completed and report says it may be expected in a few days. The war office has received several despatches war once has received several despatches relating to military details but it is not likely that these will be published. The whereabouts of Gen. Buller is not publicly known here but he is believed to be Col. Plumer, it is thought, has aban-

doned the attempt to relieve Mafeking. RHODESIA'S STOUT RESISTANCE. Capetown, Nov. 10.—A despatch from Buluwayo dated November 3 says: An armored train proceeded south, close to Machudi, where a culvert was found damaged. The Basuto police, the despatch adds, report that a party of Boers have been looting and damaging

property.

A Fort Tuli despatch under date of Friday, November 3, says there is great activity in the Boer camp south of here. to lick up the row of stores and cabins, as well as the home of Mr. George Cunning.

"The man leaped the narrow village street, camp on the enemy advancing in force well as the home of Mr. George Cunning." every horse and mule, but not touching a man. The Boers number 400. It appears that the Boers surrounded Bychstore, where a small party stul-bornly resisted, ultimately retiring

An officer and five troopers are missing from Spreckley's force, which had been out on a day's reconnoitering, and which had several skirmishes on returning Fort Tuli. reconnoitering, and which

London, Nov. 16 .- The Time lishes the following despatch from Bulk wayo, dated Thursday, November

the chas appeared on the ground, it seems to be the general impression, thought, but come method of excavation other than the one in use must be installed before such that all every the continuent area of this seems that all elevator to be operated with a water for the extinent area of this seems to supply.

CAPT. GAUDIN'S ANSWER.

Sir: I find that in self-defence I same the requires too much we may be met about wash-up time smillingly trotting into town with may rime smillingly trotting into town with may remove the state of the case and going through Downey process and trenches, from all of which was and trenches, from all of which wash counted that the carefully avoids the points at the caref

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Story of the De ation of T in Ala

The steamer Dany here yesterday morn ber of the passenger Anglian, which was Selwyn on her last The party included C Canadian; H. G. Tr Anglian; Capt. Bow Capt. Parsons of the several others. They October 16, and when caught in the ice sta There were 22 of the There was about six it the ground, and at toold; but this did no much as did the mile made travelling vergeorge Gilbert, the che Canadian, had his and had to be left at stations while seven of stations, while seven along the route. Di river opened again a through to White Ho several days after thos Marsh lake was froz party came out over thereby making a big tain says with the tratton, of which not since she went under steamers are now in ters. The Gleaner an still running on Benn trips to Cariboo Crossis There were in all 38

Danube, and Purser \$40,000 in gold, of w \$11,000 and R. A. Ja A late issue of the tells of the arrival the ler with a startling from starvation of M and two Frenchmen. of 1898," the Skage "Lawler, together wi-mentioned and a fifth son, started out to pro-waters of the Mosqu Christmas time they range and began Bonanza river. A bithe cold was intense. Frenchmen became so other two men and without provisions and ing and blankets and After the storm Lawle followed their footst They found messages telling the sad story suffering. After a ti ing party came upon former comrades. Dithere before them. Corolled in his blankets, to a mere skeleton, v one of the Frenchn stove was a kettle co mass that told its own filled with the rawhide shoes, which the stary empted to boil for foo A short distance fr beside the trail, was f the other Frenchman. had stripped every part the bones. A little f body was found in a Securely buckled are

as if in mockery at its ness in that solitude d skin belt containing \$ "The bodies were buricould be, and a well-kn took charge of the gold a to send them, if he can, of the deceased." On November 8 the weather at different Yukon: Bennett-Clear, caln 20 above.

Atlin-Clear, calm; Tagish-Cloudy, calm 20 above. White Horse—Partly south wind cold Lower Labarge - No loudy, cold-Hootalingua—Cloudy, eter, 8 above.

Big Salmon—Cloudy, Five Fingers—Clear, ca eter, 8 above. Fort Selkirk—Cloudy, c eter, 4 above.
Selwyn-Cloudy, calm

> nometer, 5 above.
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> Dawson—Fine, clear; JIM WARDNER'S

> Ogilvie-Cloudy, northw

The Western Romancer I York With a Story of From the New York Wo. Col. James F. Wardner notel yesterday fresh fro to the for Northwest o-day regale his frier ful stories of the Cape "I've struck it rich the tain," said Col. Wardn he pulled a handful or ranging in size from a precious metal egg from his pockets "The Klondike region gold fields of C got to do up there is to whick up gold.
"I left New York in Jan

missioned to prospect in Sailing from Seattle on reached Bennett Lake t appent the winter prospectin Atlin country, reaching D July 1. I soon saw that of staked out, country overruand claims worked to the "I heard of rich discovery of the staked of the sta "I heard of rich discov Nome. Taking a steamer, the Yukon to St. Michael embarked for the new gol of 1,7000 miles from Day "I went into the digging several claims that have bonanzas. Here is one is worth \$250. No one cs great wealth that dies of great wealth that lies al Nome beach. Anvil City of the richest mining cam of the earth, "You hardly see a man