

The Colonist.

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SELF-RELIANCE THE WATCHWORD.

The desirability at this particular time of any overtures on the part of Canada looking to reciprocity with the United States, may be questioned. It is already well understood at Washington that the people of this country, irrespective of party, stand ready to enter into any reasonable arrangement for reciprocal trade that is consistent with Canada's position as a part of the British Empire.

If we correctly appreciate the situation, the Dominion government would do well to turn its eyes from the South to the West, which we have been accustomed to call the Orient. The great fact of these closing years of the century is that the portals of Asia are slowly swinging open to the commerce of the world.

Mr. Tarte came out here and discovered Mr. Davies came and confirmed his colleague's report. Mr. Blair played the part of de Soto to Tarte's Columbus and on returning said like the Queen of Sheba after her memorable visit to Solomon.

STREET PAYMENTS.

The best method of paving the streets of Victoria is now before the taxpayers, and connected with it is the matter of sidewalks. The latter is not very difficult. The city of Fredericton, N.B., has tried a very successful experiment at laying asphalt sidewalks.

Known, and all will admit that it can be in any case relied upon as a demerit resort. Asphalt properly laid makes an excellent street, but is open to the objection that if it is made hard enough to resist the wear of heavy traffic it is apt to be too hard to give a sure footing to horses.

The claim is made that it would pay the cities on this coast to import paving blocks from Australia, where a very hard and durable wood can be obtained cheaply; but it is open to doubt if the Australian woods are any better fitted for paving than our own fir, and especially the pitch-soaked butts of the trees.

Before any conclusion is reached on this matter, the city council will doubtless put itself in possession of such information, in addition to that already in the city engineer's office, as is available. By moving in the matter now the council will be in a position to ask for an expression of public opinion in time for consideration of it to be done this summer.

THE BEGINNING OF HISTORY.

To what date should we assign the beginning of history? Not very long ago a little difficulty would have been found in answering this question. The Protestant portion of Christendom accepted the chronology of Bishop Usher, who estimated that, in order to harmonize with the Old Testament records, it was necessary to assume a little over 4,000 years as having elapsed between the creation and the birth of Christ.

During the last twenty years a new element has come up for consideration, namely, the bearing of the ruined cities of Central America and the adjacent portions of South America upon the early history of mankind. Here are the remains of cities so ancient that the legends of the Indian tribes contain no suggestion as to their origin.

ology of Polynesia preserves not even a hint as to who the unknown sculptors were. A French explorer claims to have discovered and deciphered an ancient Mayan record, which gives some general historic data, from which it appears that the Central American ruins antedate those of Egypt.

In the midst of so much uncertainty as to the antiquity of human records, it is satisfactory to know that the explorations now in progress in Babylonia are fixing the dawn of civilization with some slight approach to accuracy. Professor Hilprecht, the historian of the most recent exploratory expedition, says that we can no longer hesitate to date the founding of the temple of Bel and the first settlements in Nippur, somewhere between 6,000 and 7,000 B.C., and probably earlier.

THE CANADIAN PRESS. THE BONDING PRIVILEGE. The idea of bringing the people of Canada to their knees by depriving them of the right of bonding privilege is not absurd for serious consideration. There are some localities in Canada which would look upon such an action with some interest.

THE SPOKANE CHRONICLE continues to be agitated over the alleged intention of the provincial legislature to "pass laws to drive out the American mine owner." It now says that British Columbia will be the sufferers. The Chronicle may make its mind easy. Canadian legislatures are not given to passing laws to drive anyone out of the country who wishes to remain in it and do an honest business.

It is stated in an Ottawa dispatch to the Montreal Gazette that if the United States congress adopts the proposed measure for the exclusion of non-resident Canadians from obtaining employment in that country, Parliament will be asked to enact a law which will be word for word with the American statute, and is added that under such an arrangement Canada would not get the worst of it.

SENATOR MORGAN has broken out in a new place. The Senator is the self-styled guardian of American honor. Americans will, however, take some satisfaction out of the reflection that the senator from Alabama has cried wolf pretty often of late, when there was not even so much as a yellow dog in sight.

DROUGHT is reported from Argentina. If the wheat crop in that country proves to be short the price of grain will go still higher.

A WRITER in one of the late reviews discusses the potential ability of the French navy to inflict damage upon British commerce in the event of war, and reaches the very comfortable conclusion that it could accomplish less than was possible in the old days of sailing ships, and that statistics show was practically nothing, so far as the total volume of trade done by the British merchant marine was concerned.

A MOVEMENT is on foot in New Brunswick to erect a memorial to the late Sir Leonard Tilley. For forty years Sir Leonard was closely identified with the affairs of his native province, and his connection with Dominion politics is a part of the history of Canada. He was almost the last survivor of that brilliant galaxy of men who were prominent in the public life of New Brunswick between fifty and thirty years ago.

THE VANCOUVER WORLD is shocked over the "levity" of the COLONIST article the proposition of the Kamloops Sentinel to take three representatives away from the present session of the legislature. The COLONIST extends to the WORLD an expression of its distinguished consideration and hopes it distinguishes itself.

THE MONTREAL STAR pleads for tariff legislation at the earliest possible day. The Star does not appear to want any particular changes, but only that whatever changes are made should be made with as little delay as possible. This is good sense.

A smaller is only desirable upon two conditions: That it can be located here by the help of only moderate and reasonable civic assistance, and that it can be profitably operated when built. Except on these conditions Vancouver is better off without a smelter.—News-Advertiser.

THE LAND ACT relating to agricultural lands requires that a pre-emptory notice of his intention to become such a tenant, or to acquire the land by purchase, should not be made with respect to applicants for mineral claims.—Vestminster Columbian.

BY WAY OF VARIETY. Schoolboy—I always envied Caesar. Teacher—Yes, he was a great general. Schoolboy—Yes, but he didn't have to study Latin.—Somerville Journal.

A PRESSING QUESTION.



HOW TO LIVE THE CHEAPEST?

That is a question we are answering every day. All our customers know that we have the choicest Groceries at the lowest prices. Anyone can see that by looking over the following prices:—

21 lbs. best Granulated Sugar, 81. A few more Potatoes at 81 a sack. Bontler's Canned Goods, 13 tins for 81. Ontario Apples, 8 lbs. for 25c. Sardines in Mustard, 2 large tins for 25c. Fresh Eggs from reliable farmers, 2 doz. for 55c.

Dixie H. Ross & Co., Government St.

VICTORIA'S STREETS.

Citizens Are Anxiously Waiting to See What the New Council Will Do. Mayor Redfern Favors Macadam Experience in Other Cities of Paving Material.

Now that the new city council are settling down into their places, people will naturally look forward to some movement towards putting the streets in proper repair. Mayor Redfern made this question one of the leading features of his campaign speeches, and also of his inaugural address at the meeting of the council on Monday evening.

Questioned yesterday as to his views upon the best method of giving the people good streets, His Worship said: "As you know, one of the principal planks in my election platform was that the streets of the city should be put in the best possible condition. I have requested the city engineer to prepare some estimate of the principal streets that require attention, so that I may be in a position to present it to the council and ask them to take action."

Another person who had something to say on street-paving yesterday was Mr. F. Barham, the manager of the British Columbia Pottery Co. "I read with much interest," he said, "the editorial in this morning's COLONIST on the subject of street pavements, and though I agree with much there stated, I must beg leave to differ with some of the remarks on the subject of asphalt sidewalks. In the first place I do not think that the people of Victoria want to try any more 'experiments' in this matter. They have, I think, already convinced themselves by sundry and costly experiments that it is not a success here, whatever it may be elsewhere. In the second place, I venture to doubt that any pavement, laid in the manner you describe, would stand the settlement of the earth, filling, of which there would be a good deal, if, in all probability, cause the surface of the sidewalks to crack and break up, as has happened in many instances; and the rats, also, would be a source of danger to the durability of the pavement, as they are to look upon under the sidewalk as the most desirable location in the city. You are possibly not aware that the city authorities now require a substantial foundation of stone filling and concrete under any permanent sidewalk, which of course considerably increases the first cost, though it makes a thoroughly good and reliable job when done properly. I should like to call your attention to a piece of vitrified brick sidewalk, manufactured and laid by the company, opposite the Five Sisters' Block, about six months ago. It is on a stone and concrete foundation, as required by the city engineer, and cost, including everything, \$1.50 per square yard, put down by day work. I am inclined to think that from the remarks which are almost daily made to me and by people who are qualified to pass an opinion on such work, that it is already considered to be a success."

With regard to brick paving for streets I have no personal experience of these, though I have made what has been done in the United States in this direction a matter of study, and the general verdict seems to be in favor of brick paving in preference to any other material for city streets. I shall be very pleased to give anyone, taking an interest in this subject all the information I have at my disposal."

Table with columns: Material, Found in, Cost. Rows include Bituminous rock, Granite curbing, Douglas fir, etc.

FAMINE IN RHODESIA.

Amendment in the House of Commons Censuring the Government for Releasing Irish

Panic in Bombay as Bad Distress in the Argentine.

LONDON, Jan. 22.—A Capuchin to the Daily Mail says "ports have been received that famine exists in Rhodesia. The territory emancipated native workers have been starving and the natives are flocking away and exhibiting the carcasses of the dead from the rind which were buried six months. They devour these and, as a result, a terrible mortality prevails there."

Sir Henry Howarth's amendment to the House of Commons censuring the government for releasing prisoners caused an unexpected Sir Henry Howarth is a Toronto master of the art of speaking of "star chambers," and used other phrases and also suggested that the ministers were slandering him. He then read extracts from Irish newspapers to the effect that the Nationalist shouts of the "C" langher.

A dispatch from Bombay to Mail says: "Fifty doctors of medical services have arrived there. There are now four thousand engaged in cleaning and purifying the town. The panic here is as great. The appalling statistics of the plague drives the natives to flight. No further cases have been reported. The government have, over speedily burning of the infected and this is taken as a strong favor in similar measures elsewhere."

INDIAN RELIEF WORK. JERVLUM, Punjab, Jan. 22.—A correspondent who is visiting in the district in India, accompanying the official mission of the same work, has arrived with vast relief work known as Canal, about which no less than 12,000 persons, either aged or infirm, are waiting for relief. A pond near there the only one of the kind, and called the spectacle of a great number of the sick, old and children was noticeable.

After visiting the tent the mission traversed the district along a double line of mat with grass. The market was grain dealers and heaps of hay, maize and other crops were ground in front of the huts. It was remarked, had fallen still the recent rains, causing a shift for the better in the district, but in spite of this prices are very high, the cheapest wheat being 10s. 6d. per bushel. The market is full of charge, and from out of the flesh and other luxuries were to be seen. The price of opium and children was noticeable.

Hospital tents have been set up for the care of the sick, and present there has been no use of them. The officials of the mission made an inspection of the quarter consisting of long rows of huts thirty feet apart. They on both sides of a broad street, and the huts were built to accommodate fifty persons, who are under supervision of different clerks. The huts were built by women were built by a digger, and others were built by the excavated earth in basins. The workers healthy, vigorous, cheerful lot. The cost of the huts, built with the tasks allotted them, and when glancing at their children, many of them were apparently as strong as their parents. At the registering department officials had another paper qualifying them for employment on the works. In these lists were the names, caste, age and amount of wages to be paid. The different sections of the greatest order and discipline on all sides, and a cheerfulness and regularity whole proceedings which reflected upon all concerned. Finally, the officials visited the huts for the helpless non-workers again there was evidence of on the part of the government. The same extreme cleanliness in and about the huts, and equal care possible was bestowed these needing attention.

MONTREAL, Jan. 21.—At the banquet to-night Hon. Mr. LaFontaine, who has been in the United States were desirable, was made an offer of £750,000, but the owners asked £850,000. An effort is now being made to split the difference.

A BIG MINING DEAL.

Grant Gowen Syndicate Purchase Several of the Channe Mining Company's Claims.

The Size of the Sale Will Direct Increased Attention to Coast Mines.

That the coast mining districts of British Columbia are coming to the front and attracting the notice of capitalists is shown by a large sale that was completed yesterday.

Mr. Willis, who is at present staying at the Driad, remarked yesterday that his company were this week starting up camps on the White Pine and Excelsior, two of the other claims owned by them.

Yesterday's issue of the Gazette contains another long list of newly incorporated companies organized to prosecute mining operations within the province.

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SLIPS INTO THE WATER

A New Craft From the Clyde Yard Makes a Pretty Launch Yesterday.

Tug "Mamie" of Vancouver Purchased—Cargo of the Outward Bound "Tacoma."

Just seventeen days from the day her keel was laid in the Clyde shipyard, the new cannery steamer for Finlay, Durham & Brodie glided into the waters of the upper harbor yesterday afternoon.

PRACTICAL CHARITY.

The B. C. Benevolent Society Complete a Quarter Century of Useful Work.

Officers Chosen for the Current Term—The Retiring President's Review.

The British Columbia Benevolent Society yesterday completed their twenty-fifth year of active philanthropic work.

Some alarm has been expressed for the safety of the American steamer "Mamie," of Vancouver, from Victoria in future.

The Northern Pacific steamer "Mamie" is loading outward cargo, and will probably sail to-morrow.

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THE CITY.

Chief Justice Davie Has Completed His Draft of the Consolidated Provincial Laws.

The draft revision of the provincial statutes having been completed by His Lordship Chief Justice Davie, to whom the first commission was entrusted, he has formally returned his commission and a new one has been issued appointing as commissioners the Chief Justice, Mr. Justice Walkem and Mr. Justice Drake, to check, examine and correct the draft work and to insert additional provisions or acts wherever necessary.

Mr. A. S. Black gives notice in the B. C. Gazette of the intention of a company, which he represents, to seek incorporation at the approaching session of the legislature, with a view to the incorporation of the province of British Columbia into the United States.

Mr. S. J. Pitts, who for many years carried on business as one of the leading wholesale and retail dealers in the province, is now preparing for use the large premises at the corner of Wharf Street and Hastings Street.

A very successful entertainment was given at the hall fund, by the young ladies' Friendly Help Society in connection with the church.

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THE WAR EAGLE.

Spokane, Jan. 21.—Yesterday was the day set for the meeting of the stockholders of the War Eagle to act upon the purchase of the property by the Gooderham-Blackstock syndicate.

The annual meeting of the congregation of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church was held last evening and was well attended. The reports of the session, of the board of management, Sabbath school, missionary society, ladies' aid, Christian Endeavor, and other auxiliary societies, were read and approved.

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NEWS OF THE PROVINCE.

Anti-Mongolian Agitation a Cover—Township of Nelson Without a Council.

Boundary Creek Mines—The Banded to Canadian Cap—Clean-up.

THE QUARANTINE REGULATIONS.

The agreement between the secretary of agriculture and the Canadian minister of agriculture, relating to the quarantine of animals between the United States and Canada, provides that:

1. That the chief of the bureau of animal industry and the chief inspector of stock for Canada will mutually inform one another of any outbreak of contagious animal disease in either country, or of disease in animals imported from either country.

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3. A ninety-day quarantine shall be enforced by both countries upon all cattle imported from the Dominion of any other country in which contagious pleuro-pneumonia is known to exist; a fifteen-day quarantine shall be enforced upon all ruminants and swine imported from countries where foot and mouth disease has existed within six months and upon all swine imported from all other countries.

4. Breeding cattle admitted to this country must be accompanied by a certificate that they have been subjected to the tuberculin test and found free from tuberculosis; otherwise they shall be detained in quarantine one week and subjected to the tuberculin test. All cattle found to have tuberculosis must be returned to the country whence shipped or slaughtered without compensation.

5. Cattle in transit will be admitted at port of the United States and Canada, in bond, for exportation by sea from any Canadian port, or from Portland, Boston and New York in the United States.

6. No animals covered by this memorandum may be placed on board the cars till the litter from previous loads has been removed and the car thoroughly cleaned and disinfected.

7. Sheep may be admitted subject to inspection at the port of entry and accompanied by an official certificate that sheep scab has not existed in the district where they have been fed within six months. If disease exists in any of them they may be returned or slaughtered.

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9. Swine may be admitted without inspection for slaughter, in bonded cars to the bonded slaughter-houses, or when forming part of a settler's effects, and accompanied by a certificate that swine plague or hog cholera has not existed within six months in the district whence they came. Sucking sows and their piglets must be inspected at port of entry, and if diseased will be slaughtered without compensation.

10. Horses may be admitted in bond from one port to another in either country without inspection at the shipping port, or for breeding purposes on inspection at the port of entry.

11. Horses may be admitted for a temporary stay, for leasing or pleasure driving, at points along the frontier for a period not exceeding one week, at port of entry, upon permit of the customs officer. Should he observe any evidence of swine disease he will detain the animal and report to the district inspector, who will decide whether the animals may be admitted.

12. Horses may be admitted without inspection for driving or riding to or from points in Manitoba, Northwest Territory or British Columbia, on business connected with stock-raising, mining and horses belonging to the Indian tribes, may be admitted without inspection but must report to the customs officers both going and coming. Under all other circumstances horses must be inspected at the port of entry.

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Boundary Creek Mines—The Calumet Bonded to Canadian Capitalists—Clean-up.

(Special to the Colonist.)

VANCOUVER.

VANCOUVER, Jan. 21.—An ingenious expedient is being adopted by some settlers on the verge of the Nelson townsite with a view of evading the restrictions on settlement within the Indian reserve...

Another of the Bruce-Creighton gang was run to earth last night by the police. The man whose name is Frank Wright is understood to be the fourth member of the burglars' organization...

Prizes for long distance pigeon flying, 100 miles, will be given by the Vancouver Dog, Poultry and Pet Stock Association...

Christ Church Boy's Brigade gave an entertainment on Tuesday night which was attended by a large crowd of visitors...

BOUNDARY CREEK. (From the Boundary Creek Times.) C. S. Galloway has purchased from Mr. Robert Wood, the original proprietor of the Greenwood townsite...

RETIRED SCHOOL BOARD MET LAST NIGHT and wound up the business of the past year. Mayor Templeton reviewed the work accomplished by the board...

THE LIBERAL PARTY OF VANCOUVER IS DELIGHTED at the success of Mayor Templeton, its active chairman and chief organizer, in the recent mayoralty contest...

MUCH COMMENT has been made in mining circles here by certain articles appearing in the Mining Journal of London...

THAT FEARFUL PLAGUE.

The Persian Border to Be Cordoned—Russian Precautions—Aid for Famine Sufferers.

It May Reach the United States—How Parsecos Dispose of the Dead.

(From the Roselander.)

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The next examination in music in connection with the Victoria College of Music will take place in April.

The Dixon hand-power rock drill, on exhibition for some time, has been sold to a Fairview mine owner.

Speaking of the mines in the immediate vicinity of the city, Mr. Young says that among the most important recent discoveries are the great Kootenay country, the business capital of the province and the richest mining town on the face of the continent.

Mr. James Campbell writes the Couriers that some member of the staff called upon the gentleman who may be his brother and who lives on a ranch about 23 miles from Fort Steele, Kansas.

At a meeting of the chief promoters of the direct road from the Coast to Kootenay, held last evening, arrangements were completed for the public meeting in this connection to be held at the city hall on Tuesday night.

Whereupon Mr. Campbell produced a pastebord bearing the name of well known merchants of the interior country, and announcing generally that he is a dealer in groceries and miners' supplies, news, stationery, confectionery, saddles and pack horses, dry goods, boots and shoes, bicycles, wines and liquors.

Mr. William J. McAllister, who registered at the Oriental yesterday on his arrival from San Francisco, is entitled to the distinction of being one of the first to recognize the advantages of Fairview, where he located the Gold Hill and has a dozen other famous mines at his disposal.

Next Friday evening the annual Burns concert of the First Presbyterian church, choir and orchestra, will be held at the direction of Mr. J. G. Brown.

Things are flourishing up at Sandon, Wallbridge, who came over on business trip last night.

THE SPRINGHILL STRIKE. SPRINGHILL, N.S., Jan. 21.—The strike of the 3,000 men and boys in the Springhill Company's coal mines here continues, and it is impossible to tell when work will be resumed.

THE rapid development of the salmon industry in the North, which was the feature of last season's operations, promises this year at advantageous fishing points.

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A Great Football Game—Foolish Awkward Tackle—Riffle to Meet.

The long looked for match between the Nanaimo Hornets and the Victoria team yesterday afternoon at Caledonia grounds and witnessed large concourse of football lovers.

The Hornets winning the Victoria game yesterday afternoon, played a very creditable game, and the Nanaimo Hornets were not fairly pushing points almost as they liked "lads in red" had to touch down.

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TO LEASE—Farm near Victoria, 10 acres cleared; about 200 fruit trees beginning to bear.

planner of the salmon packing industry and an authority upon it, is somewhat apprehensive of overproduction this coming season, no fewer than ten new canneries being at present in course of erection on the Fraser.

Mr. David Oppenheimer of Vancouver does not think the coast cities are getting as much of the trade of the mining districts as they should.

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THE NICARAGUA CANAL. Representative Turpie, of Indiana, has made a fierce attack upon the Nicaragua canal project, as advocated by the company now seeking congressional assistance.

GREATER CANADA. Dr. Bell, of the Canadian geological survey, who visited the country lying south of James Bay and north of the watershed which separates the rivers flowing into the Great Lakes from those which reach the ocean by way of Hudson's Bay...

THE SEATTLE POST-INTELLIGENCER in treating of the tax sales of real estate suggests that instead of selling the land in the first instance a tax certificate should be put up at auction, the certificate to be held with interest so as to make it an object for investors to buy it, and for the taxpayer to redeem it.

THE REVUELOTO Herald is a new twice-a-week paper published at the town whose name it bears by Messrs. Johnson & Patrice. It will devote itself chiefly to mining matters and to subjects pertaining to the locality in which it is printed.

report gives ground for the hope that when the vast region—fully 120,000 square miles—lying between his discovery and that of Dr. Bell has been thoroughly explored it may be found to contain much land available for colonization.

Not far to the west of Mr. Tyrell's exploration is the valuable country surrounding Prince Albert, and the best authorities say that there is substantially no waste land between Prince Albert and the Rocky Mountains.

It is timely to suggest to the people of the Coast that they ought not to allow their interest and enthusiasm over Kootenay to blind them to the opportunities for investment nearer home. If the promise of last year's work is fulfilled, we may look forward with the utmost confidence to mining development on the Coast quite equal to anything that has been witnessed in the interior.

THE NELSON MINER advocates an export duty upon the lead contents of silver-lead ores to the amount of one-fifth of a cent per pound upon the lead. It says the American smelters need the wet ores of the Slokan in order to treat their own dry ores economically and are now practically paying a premium for them.

KOOTENAY wants a resident judge. Perhaps it does; but even if so, there does not seem any reason for making this demand as if it was something that was being maliciously withheld.

AN ATTRACTIVE feature of the December number of the Overland Monthly is a paper entitled "Exploring in Northern Jungles," by Rev. W. W. Bolton and Mr. J. W. Laing, the latter a resident of Victoria.

THE HAWAIIAN Commercial Journal advises the people of the island to drop their flirtations with American cable promoters and set to work to discover how they can best obtain connection with the line from Canada to Australia.

ALASKA'S GOLD FIELDS. Much has been written about Alaska, its gold fields and the hardships that have to be borne by the seeker of wealth who braves anything when he believes a fortune to be gained is ahead of him.

THE NEW YORK Tribune has a London dispatch to the effect that the Indian mine may be re-opened to the coinage of silver. This would mean, it is said, an advance of from 12 to 16 cents an ounce in the value of silver.

THE COLUMBIAN discovers in the Colorado's suggestion that the government should meet the house with a well-defined policy a means to the province. It translates it as meaning that "a cut in the tariff on silver."

THE NELSON MINER says the people of Slokan are "taxed under a system of discrimination." This would be a serious thing if it were true; but it is wholly untrue.

THE OLD RECIPROCAL TREATY. United States statistics show that the American farmer enjoyed greater advantages from the reciprocity treaty of 1894 than he has since.

A JUDGE FOR KOOTENAY. There should be a resident judge of the Supreme court within the district, or the County court judge should be given the powers of a Supreme court judge.

BY WAY OF VARIETY. Sportsman (to Snobson, who hasn't been out since he was a kid all day)—Do you know Lord Peckham?

NORTH COWICHAN. SOMENOS, Jan. 21.—(Special)—The first municipal council meeting of the year was held on Monday last, there being present the Reeve, T. A. Wood, and Councillors H. Bonnell, W. H. Elkington, W. C. Duncan and W. Herd.

THE MUNICIPAL officers were re-appointed in clerk, assessor and collector, road inspector, secretary of local board of health, health officer and pound-keeper.

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There is little that is attractive in the country besides its mineral wealth. In the short summer months of mosquitoes and flies, like the pestilence of ancient Egypt, in the long winter the cold is so severe that mining can only be carried on during the summer months.

It is in itself considerable. On arriving at the diggings provisions are often not had the variety is slight. The supply is always uncertain, depending upon the lateness of the spring and the fall.

Under the conditions which now exist there are quite enough in the Yukon district already. Probably ninety-nine out of every hundred of the men who are engaged in the business of mining are unfortunates.

My general advice to the average man intending to go to the Yukon gold fields is to stay out. Many men go there every year and suffer hardship, failure, loss of capital and sometimes of health.

TUBERCULOSIS INFECTIOUS. New York, Jan. 20.—Tuberculosis has been declared by the board of health to be an infectious and communicable disease and physicians and heads of hospitals and other such institutions, whether private or public, are to be required hereafter to report all new cases of this disease within a week after diagnosis. This will be put in legal shape as an amendment to the code.

NOTICE. Notice is hereby given that sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Minerals to purchase 160 acres of pasture land, situated at Lake, Lillooet District, described as follows: (commencing at the S.W. corner, thence south 40 chains; thence west 40 chains to point of commencement.)

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THIRTY-NINE THE BUBONIC News From Bombay Reassuring in Part General Quarantine Sudden Deaths Cause Great

LONDON, Jan. 25.—from Bombay is the government sanitary officer reported seriously on the Englishmen regard the plague getting a foothold in any remote or less sanitary condition. The feeling of increased danger is not confined to the continental press. A rigorous inspection of the port from India. Some excitement was during the week by a small steamer, bound for Paris, at Boulogne, which had on board carpets and other articles from India. It is said that the steamer had on board carpets and other articles from India. It is said that the steamer had on board carpets and other articles from India.