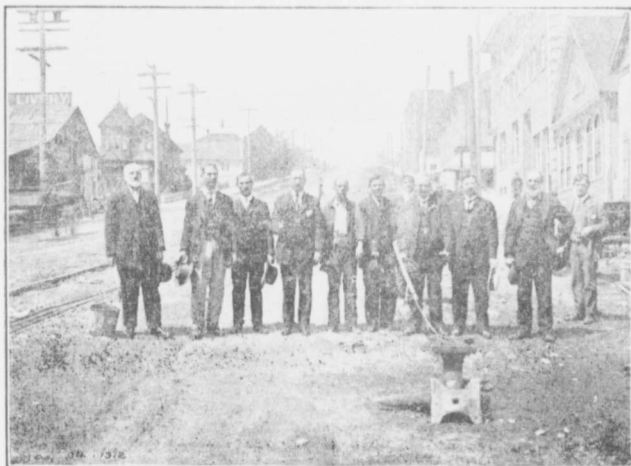


Which is a reminder that New Westminster can claim a lady prominent in artistic and literary circles, and who has recently taken a part in amateur theatricals, whose throat is adorned with a beautiful little ornament which she wore as a Rose Queen in England.

New Westminster never boasted a more charming May Queen than the first Royal little lady who presided over her destinies, Helen McColl. The writer only knew her years afterwards as Mrs. Scoular, an equally sweet faced lady, now, alas, gathered to the Great Majority—when he interviewed her for the story of that first crowning, a story which she told in a modest and happy way which he will always remember. There will be a few of the grand old-men and women in the crowds on Friday who will recall little Helen McColl as she looked that far away day and remember with pleasure the simple rural nature of that first crowning.



#### The Ancient and Honourable Hyack Anvil Battery.

Photograph taken several years ago, showing the battery in action on Victoria Day. On the left is to be noticed the late Capt. Adolphus Peele while next to him is William Sutherland, an old time member of the battery. No. 4 is Alex. Adams; No. 5, the late Charles Ferrand; No. 7, ex-Mayor Thos. Ovens, the surviving member of the battery which was organized in 1872; No. 9, William Hancock.