## LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL

News of the Day Selected from Thursday's Evening Times.

A Long Passage. The bark Formosa is now out 161 days from London with a cargo of general merchandise consigned to R. Rithet & Co., limited. She will load a return cargo of salmon. She was expected a month ago, but has very likely been delayed by adverse winds.

Will Meet in December. Hon. J. H. Turner, minister of finance, was asked this morning if there was any truth in the report that there was to be an early session of the legislature. He answered that it had not been definitely decided when the session would be opened but it would probably be in December.

Return of the Melpomene. H.M.S. Melpomene was to have left Callao, Peru, for Esquimalt to-day, and is expected to arrive on September 16th. When she returns she will go into dry dock to be overhauled for re-commissioning. Her old crew will be sent to England by the C.P.R., and the new crew will come out over the same route.

A New Rock. Lieut. Flynn, commanding the United States steamer Geducy, reports a new rock in the Straits of San Juan de Fuca, with 11 feet at mean low water over it, from which Middle Point bears southeast five-eights south, distant about half a mile from Violet Point; Protection Island bears southwest one-eighth west,

distant about 2.9 miles. A Joint Outing. The Sons and Daughters of England joined forces last evening and gave a boating party on the Gorge. The night was a beautiful one and there was a very good attendacne. A landing was made at the Victoria Gardens where dancing to the music of the Brown-Richard son orchestra was enjoyed. ments and more music on the way home

were additional pleasures. Y. M. I. Delegates. The delegates from British Columbia to the annual conference of the Y. M. I. to be held at Marysville, Cal., on September 4th, will leave here by the City of Puebla on Sunday next. The delegates are: Victoria-Rev. J. Van Nevel, I. J. Sehl and D. McDougall. Nanaimo-H. L. Good, R. McNeil and Wm. Murphy. Vancouver-P. Farrell, M. Cleary and George Fortin.

A Quiet Wedding. Francis Murray, of San Francisco, and Miss Rose Hart, of Victoria, were married on Tuesday evening at St. Andrew's Roman Catholic Cathedral. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Father Nicolaye. The wedding was a very quiet affair only relatives and a few intimate friends being present. Mr. Murray is a member of the San Francisco police de partment, and the bride is a neice of Michael Hart.

A citizen's band of 24 pieces was or ganized by Prof. E. Pferdner at a meeting held at the rooms of the V. A. C. last evening. The V. A. C. band will be merged into the new organization. A nd was not chosen, but will be after the first practice, which will be held on Tuesday evening next. Prof. Pferdner has some excellent musicians in his new band and with practice the organization should achieve success. The members are very enthusiastic.

Prominent Seattle Visitor. Col. Joseph Green of Seattle is in the city on a business trip and is a guest at the Hotel Victoria. Col. Green is at the head of the First Regiment, National Guard of Washington, and has probably seen as long and active service in the militia of the United States as any man connected with it. His regiment has been in the field in half a dozen riots and strikes and has been under fire several times. Col. Green is a prosperous business man of Seattle, and is very popular, especially with his command, which is a large one. He will leave for home

to-night.

Refused a Landing. Forty-nine Chinese who left Victoria for San Francisco by the steamer Walla Walla on Tuesday have been refused a landing at the Bay City and will return to Victoria. A San Francisco dispatch says: "It has been ascertained that they were only a portion of a large number of Japanese who are attempting to land illegally in the United States, and that there are three hundred now in a hotel at Victoria, B.C., awaiting transhipment and fifteen hundred more who are now on their way to British Columbia. From information received by Emigration Commissioner McPherson it appears that each Japanese paid to the firm who works the scheme in Japan from twenty to twenty-five dollars in excess of the regular rate from Kobe, to Victoria, B.C., in consideration of a passage and a promise of work when he got to America." . The Commissioner's information could not have been very re liable, as at present there are not 300

Japanese in the city.

The Kilmeny Dispute. In the provincial police court to-morrow John F. Smith and Frank Nicholson will be charged by Dan McRae with assault. Smith and Nicholson are owners of the schooner Kilmeny, and McRae has been acting as watchman on that vessel. According to Smith's story McRae was allowed to sleep on the vessel, and if she went sealing he was to be employed for the season. The vessel did not go out, and McRae was notified that his services woul not be needed, but he continued to sleep on the schooner. About a week ago the owners wanted to get rid of McRae, so they locked the hatch to prevent him from entering the cabin. He, however, gained admission by breaking part of the hatch. The owners charged him in the police court with damaging property, but the case was dismissed. They then towed their schooner to another place in the harbor and proceeded to put McRae off. He says that in doing so they assaulted him. He also claims that they owe him several months' wages.

The Notice Issued. The notice of the nomination and election of aldermen in the North and South wards has been issued by W. K. it stated that nomination blanks may be | G. Cox, Victoria, B. C.

had to-morrow and any day thereafter at the office of City Clerk Dowler. It is SEIZURES BY WHOLESALE expected by Wednesday that there will be a number of aspirants for the position in the field.

Death at the Home. Lewis Lewis, an inmate of the Old Folks' Home, died there this morning. He was a native of Wales, aged 82. The funeral will take place to-morrow at 2 o'clock from the Home.

Sealskins for London. The steamer R. P. Rithet will to-mor row morning take over to New West minster six carloads of sealskins, valued at \$150,000. They will go east over the Great Northern railway. They were shipped by Messrs. R. P. Rithet & Co., limited.

Harvest Home. The ladies' aid of the Centennial Methodist church are arranging for a harvest home, to be held in the church on Octoher 1st. The church will be profusely decorated with the products of the soil and special services will be held On the Monday evening following a grand concert will be held.

A True Bear Story. A first-class bear story, which, by the way, possesses the entirely unnecessary qualification of being true, comes from Raymond Crossing, on the E. & N. railway. The two Raymond boys are the heroes. They came upon a good-sized bear in a pool, the sides of which were They immediately armed in. The bear redoubled his efforts to climb the bank. The boys broke their clubs and the bear nearly succeeded in climbing out. Heavier clubs were procured and the bear was beaten to death. The boys have the skin as a trophy of the affair.

Found Dead. The doctor who attended John Row Gumb, who was found dead at his home, Niagara street, James Bay, last night by Mr. Erskine, a neighbor, has certified that the deceased died from hemorrhage of the lungs, and consequently no inquest is necessary. The deceased was found lying on the floor face downwards, having evidently fallen from a chair. He was a native of Cornwall, England, aged 45, and came to Victoria several years ago. He had also resided in other coast cities. During the last few years he had been engaged as cornet player in different bands, latterly being leader of the V.A.C. band. A son and daughter of the deceased live in Cornwall, England. They will be communicated with by the public administrator, who has taken charge of the property of deceased, consisting of real estate and personal effects. The funeral will take place at 2.30 to-morrow from Lockhart's undertaking parlors, Broad street.

An Address of Thanks. The Young Ladies' Institute gave a reception to their retiring officers last evening. It took place in Institute hall, and there was a very good attendance. There was music, both vocal and instrumental, and later refreshments were served. During the evening the following address was presented to Father Nicolaye, Miss S. McDowell reading To Rev. Father Joseph Nicolaye:

We all would deem ourselves ungrateful were we to allow this occasion to pass without some expression of our thorough appreciation of the great good which you have done our institute under your guidance, by the ald of your wise counsel, and by the assistance of your labor cheerfully given, more than through any other element, we have grown to a successful organization. With all modesty we may say we are an engine of some good, but all credit for that we proudly give to our spiritual director. Our return for all this can be but small. We can offer but the devotion of our prayers and a pledge of fealty through life. Time in her changes may decree that some of us leave dear old Victoria and make homes far away, but Father Nicolaye and our gratification at having testified our love for him, will be cherished among the dearest recollections. May Heaven prosper you in the noble work to which you have consecrated your life, is the earnest wish, of every member of THE Y.L.I. Father Nicolaye replied in a very nice speech, in which he said he offered his

services gladly to the Institute. HARVEST FESTIVALS.

The Salvation Army's Latest Scheme for Raising Money.

The Salvation Army has hit upon new idea for raising funds. Last year Commandant Booth inaugurated a plan for clearing poor corps and officers of debt by instituting annual harvest festivals throughout the Dominion. This year the dates will be as follows: Northwest and British Columbia, Aug. 26th 27th and 28th: Ontario and the mariime provinces, Sept. 2nd, 3rd and 4th. In Toronto there is to be a great.central thanksgiving exhibition from Sept. 10th to the 15th, or the same dates on which the Toronto industrial exhibition

s being held. Great efforts are being made by the local officers and corps to canvass the town (or city) for contributions in kind of all description. Fruits, vegetables, grains, barley, oats, wheat, and even straw for the circle corps horses, all are solicited. A special point is being made, too, to secure contributions of live stock. which will be sent forward to the Toronto exhibition to be used in supplying the social institutions of the army with meat. Last year \$3,000 were netted in this way to assist poor corps, and there s every prospect of a far larger sum than that being raised on this occasion. The Toronto exhibition promises to be most attractive affair. Gifts of all kinds will be forwarded and tastefully exhibited there. The Salvationists of the west propose to contribute wheat, cattle and canned goods; whereas Newfoundland is being asked to contribute tinned and dried fish. Wood, oil and coal are also solicited, and manufacturers

wares. Commandant Booth hopes, by this means, to replenish the stores of the social institutions and homes for sick officers, so that it will be unnecessary to spend money on household goods. contention is that, while the dollars are scarce, the land is overflowing with good things, and he calls upon those who have enough to eat and to spare, to remember out of their plenty their more unfortu nate fellow-creatures.

are being asked to give some of their

-The body of a well-dressed man was picked up in San Francisco a few days ago. The only clue to his identity was Bull, the returning officer. He desires | an envelope bearing the address Walter

Two More Captures. PAINT AND MOORE THE LAST TAKEN

The Total is Now Five, One the George G. White Being an American-Par-ticulars of the Taking of the Minnie

-Excellent Catch of the Vera.

The sealing schooner, Vera, formerly Haleyon, Capt. William Shields, arrived home from the Russian side late last night with 2,009 sealskins salted away below, the result of her season's work. She confirms the news of the seizure by the Russians of the schooners Ainoka and Minnie, reported by the Viva on her return a week ago, and also brings en into the clutches of the Russians. Capt. Shields wishes it stated that he does not report the latter as a fact, but simply as statements made to him by vessels he spoke before leaving for home. He was himself aboard the Annie C. Moore three days before the date given as that upon which she was seized, and does not think himself that she was themselves with clubs and attacked bru- taken. He simply gives the facts as he heard them for what they are worth. However, it is not unlikely that the schooners have been seized. Last year Canadian schooners were seized anywhere, De Levren of the Zabiaka claiming jurisdiction for Russia over from 1 published in the Times. In reply to 1,000 miles of the sea.

Speaking about the matter, Capt. Shields said: "I was aboard of the Ainoka after her seizure, and it was the intention of her captain to come to Vic toria and report instead of going to Yokohama. The schooner should arrive here shortly. I know also that the Minnie was seized, but as to the Moore and the Paint I am not certain. The weather around the Copper Islands was very rough and seals were very scarce. The Carlotta G. Cox had increased her catch to 2,500 skins and headed the The Triumph had taken 200 skins around the islands, bringing her catch up to 2,061. The Ocean Belle had also taken 200. I myself took less than 100 skins over there. I do not know the catches of the other schooners working around the Copper Islands, but I guess the Cox and Belle did as well as any of them. It will not be long before the vessels will be returning home, for they are not doing very much. I saw one schooner off the coast, but did not speak her and do not know her name."

The schooner Annie E. Paint is or was was the property of E. B. Marvin & Co. and was commanded by Capt. Bissett. She sealed off this coast in the spring and early summer and then ran across to the Copper islands. She had 750 skins when Sand Point was reached and shipped them home. She was spoken on June 6th and 25th by the Albatross and Garnet respectively and warned. It is not believed here that Capt. Bissett went inside the limit. The An- next day the Baker firm supplied Macnie C. Moore is owned Capt. Hackett, donald & Co, with 5,000 bricks, sup-Fred Welden and others. What is true posed to be for the construction of the in the case of the Paint is true in her Capt. Hackett's schooner Carnolite was seized by the Russians last year, and when his vessel left here this season she had positive instructions to carefully avoid the limits. The owners of the two schoners are of course powerless to do anything and can but wait for the return of the schooners or definite information from them.

The seized schooner Minnie, Capt. Mohrhouse, arrived home from Copper islands this morning, dropping anchor in James Bay at 11:30. She brings further confirmation of the seizure of the Annie C. Moore and Annie E. Paint. so there is now but little doubt that it is fully correct. She also reports the eizure of the American schooner George White, bringing the total up to five. A Times representative was aboard the Minnie at noon and heard the story of Capt. Mohrhouse. Said he: "I was taken on Monday, July 17th, at 9 p. m. by the Russian cruiser Gacoute. I had only arrived off the islands on the preceding Saturday and had not had an observation for six days. I had all sails set and was preparing to stand off when the cruiser came out. The Libbie and Viva were some five miles farther out. The cutter ran around me twice and then hove to. They asked me what flag I was flying, and when I said Brit ish they ordered me to lower my sails. This I did and they boarded me. The captain said at 9 o'clock he had only run 22 miles off the shore. My reckonings showed me to be farther away than that, and later the navigating officer said they had come out 22 miles at 8 clock, so you see the thirty-mile limit was cleared. The officers of the boat seemed to be in doubt as to what to do with me. They remained with me until o'clock the next morning. They finally took away my papers, saying they would forward them to the British consul at Yokohama. They did not exactly order me to go there, nor, in fact, say that I should go there. My schoone was damaged, some of her rigging being carried away, and I decided to head for Victoria. I did not hear of the capture of the Ainoka, but spoke the Libbie Mary Ellen and also the Volunteer of Seattle, and from them heard of the taking of the Paint, Moore and White. However, I do not know any of the particulars about them. This was my third year on the Russian side, and it was the worst I ever saw there. Seals were scarce and the weather was terrible. The Mary Ellen had 1,600 skins, the Libbie 1,300 and the Volunteer only 25. myself have a total of 509. I left the other side on Aug. 3 and was 21 days oming across. I did not see a sail on the way. I landed my Indians at Pachena yesterday and came on up. I will report to the custom house here as hav ing been seized, but what I am to do be yond that I do not know."

BAD STATE OF AFFAIRS.

Two Reports From Sanitary Inspector Murray on Sewerage Matters. The sanitary officer presented two very mportant reports last evening to the city council, which the mayor, for probably legal reasons, withholds from publication. The first calls attention to the Johnson street box drain, describes its

condition and proposes a remedy by a cut

off. He adds that a threat is made to in the Municipalities Act by which the invoke provincial authority through the provincial health regulations unless the provincial health regulations are provincial health regulations and the provincial health regulations are provincial health regulations and the provincial health regulations are provincial health regulations and the provincial health regulations are provincial health regulations and the provincial health regulations are provincial health regulations and the provincial health regulations are provincial health regulations and the provincial health regulations are provincial health regulations and the provincial health regulations a natter is remedied. The second report Minnie and Vera Return With Reports of gives in detail the sanitary condition of every house on lower Yates and Johnson streets and Store street and the locality embraced by the streets mentioned. It hows a disgraceful condition of affairs. It was proposed in the report to enforce reneral connection with the main Johnson street sewer. There was not much discussion on the reports.

THE MUNICIPAL MUDDLE.

The Argument Heard Before Mr. Justice Walkem To-Day. When the case of Coughlan & Mayo against the corporation of Victoria and the three aldermen was called this morning there was a large attendanceof contractors, who seemed to listen to the argument of counsel with a great deal of interest. Mr. Gregory, who on the last ccasion had apperhed for Alderman Henderson, was the first to address the court, pointing out that as his client word that it was rumored that the Annie | had resigned his position in the council C. Moore and Annie E. Paint had fall- it was unnecessary to proceed any further in the matter. The resignation was not due to the fact that Mr. Henderson feared an investigation, as he was concious of having acted honorably in all

his transactions while he was a member

of the Aldermanic Board, but he was

unwilling to spend his time and money

which would be necessarily required in

the defence of the action, however good

a defence he might have. Mr. Gregory then withdrew from the case Mr. Bodwell, after remarking that it would not be advisable to ask the court to grant the relief prayed for the case of Mr. Henderson, proceeded to read the various affidavits filed in the action. The first was that of John Coughlan, the substance of which has already been read affidavits of Ald. Baker and John Baker, who compose the firm that sup-

plied the bricks for the Cook street surface drain, and also the affidavit of Mr. Adams, the contractor for said drain. The substance of the affidavits was that Adams was a regular customer of Baker Bros., having dealt with the firm since April last; that the contract for the Cook street drain was awarded in June; that on the forenoon of the day after the contract was awarded Mayo told Adams brickmakers had raised the price of bricks to \$11 a thousand, and that Coughlan likewise had a conversation with him on the same matter: that Adams bought portions of two kilns burned last year, as he could not get better bricks in Victoria, and paid the then market price for them; that previously to the contract being awarded there had been no conversation between Adams and Baker Bros. in regard to the construction of the drain, and that neither Ald. Baker nor John Baker had any interest in the contract for the Cook street drain.

To these affidavits Coughlan replied by another affidavit, in which he stated that when the contract for the Spring Ridge surface drain was awarded to H. H. Macdonald & Co., the mayor had in his hands a statement by the city engineer to the effect that Coughlan & Mayo's was the lowest tender; that this statement was read to the council before the resolution awarding the contract to Macdonald & Co. was put; and that the very work. In answer affidavits by Baker, John Baker, H. H. Macdonald and Charles Williams ere read, where-in it was stated that, the absence of the members of the firm, bricks had been supplied to Macdonald by the foreman in the ordinary course of trade; that when this was made known to Ald. Baker he forbade any more bricks to be given; and that there was no contract or arrangement between the parties in re-

lation to the matter. The legal aspect of the case was then taken up and an almost interminable list of authorities quoted. Mr. Bodwell argued that even if the court was not satisfied that the three aldermen were disqualified, still one of them had admitted that he at least was, and as the vote was a tie, this in itself was sufficient to invalidate the vote by which the contract was awarded. And if the vote was illegal the court could step in to prevent the carrying out of a resolution passed by such illegal vote. Moreover, whereas in the present case the act fixed a penalty, whether it was the intention that the contract be cancelled or the penalty forfeited, the policy of the statute was not simply to fix the penalty on the individual but to make the contract absolute The facts in the case were not v void. It was admitted that Baker supplied bricks for both the Cook street and the Spring Ridge drains; there was not one explanation as to why Baker voted to give the contract to McDonald when Coughlan's tender was lower. Why did he stop McDonald from taking more bricks if he knew that he was doing a legal act and that he had nothing to fear? It was his duty as an alderman to see money was spent in a proper way and it did not require much discernment to see that there might be a relation between the vote cast and the prospect of benefitting by the contract. Section 32 of the Municipalities Act was stronger than the language of any similar act either in Ontario or in England. It declared that when it was proved that an alderman was interested "directly or indirectly" in any contract awarded by the city, the office became immediately vacant. Nothing had to be done; the fact being proved the statute created the vacancy. Walkem, J.-The question was what was meant by an indirect interest. There

was no imputation that the contract was awarded dishonorably but the legislature had put this clause in the statute not to insure honesty but to prevent aldermen from being exposed to temptation. The object was to prevent the possibility of a conflict between self-interest and du-Was the present contract contrary to the policy laid down by the legisla

ture? Mr. Bodwell then referred to an ob ection that might be taken to the form of proceedings. The application for an injunction was taken because that course was more simple and effective and more in accordance with the spirit of the Judicature Act than the old mode of proceeding by writ of one warrante. Mr. Richards, for Ald. Baker, had no wish to raise any objection to the mode

of procedure, and would waive any objecion he might have, provided his lordship could do as complete justice to his client as could be done by quo warranto proceedings. Mr. Baker did not wish to rely on any technicality but wanted a full investigation as he had nothing to fear. There was, however, no procedure

and his seat at the council board could not be vacated without a quo warranto, Mr. Bodwell-We do not ask that the seat be vacated; we only ask that the

alderman be enjoined from voting.

Mr. Richards—Then the case falls to the ground, for it would be monstrous that a councillor should hold his seat and yet not be permitted to vote. If the seat is not declared vacant and the mayor or council undertakes to inter-fere with Ald. Baker he may apply for an injunction to restrain them so interfering, and then the matter will have to be fought out again. What are the allegations of the plaintiffs? They simply amount to this, that a man who holds a seat in the council cannot sell a pair of shoes, or a spade, or any article to one who has a contract with the city. Baker keeps a brick yard; the contract or comes and buys so many bricks; Baker has no interest in the contract and gets no benefit beyond what any other firm would get for selling the same article. He has no legal interest in the contract. All the citizens have same interest in it that he has. Richards quoted from many authorities, and when he concluded his lordship stated he would give judgment as soon as

Mr. Eberts for the corporation was present to see that the interests or privieges of the city were not infringed or invaded.

THE MARKETS.

A Short Summary Covering Articles Produced by the Farmer.

About the only event of not of the week in the local markets was the arrival of a big consignment of San Francisco sugar. It is the first received in some time and is the result of a little fight on the combination and the Vancouver sugar refinery. Prices have not been cut. Island corn and onions are coming in well but fruit is backward. Some fine onions all weighing nearly two pounds are coming from Ashley's Fairview farm. Retail prices are the same as last week. Salem ..... 5 75
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Lake of the Woods (Hungarian) 6 00

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A Canadian Gold Coinage.

Would a Canadian gold coinage be of advantage, or would it be a disadvantage? Some prominent bankers of this city answered the question as follows: Mr. Hague, manager of the Merchants' bank, said he "could not see that it would be either an advantage or a disadvantage. It would only entail expense and trouble to the government and require a change in the laws."

Mr. Weir, manager of the Ville Marie bank, said: "So long as the British sovereign remains a legal tender in Canada the only advantage that I can see from a Canadian gold coinage would be the prestige which it would give Canada as away from his place. a country, and probably it would be some protection from a drain of gold to the United States; that is unless the government of that country made our gold a legal tender as well as their own, which they would probably not do unless it were of the same weight and fineness. A Canadian gold coinage would necessarily contain the same amount of pure gold as the United States', but following English precedent would have ess alloy and be of lighter weight. The only objection that I can see to Canadian gold coinage is that of expense, and as the gold might be coined in England for the present I do not see any great objection in that. As to whether, if procured, it would be one that should calculated to become current, I can only say that gold will never circulate to any extent so long as bank notes are procur-Nor is it desirable that it should do so. The waste of gold by handling is very great, and for all purposes a paper coinage payable in gold is much

Mr. Barbeau, of the City and District Savings bank, said: "I am not prepared to express an opinion. I can not, howter station of life than the second-tier ever, see how it would prove any great audience of the Theatre Français and the advantage." conversation turned on theatres.

Another prominent manager, when asked if it would be an advantage, replied: "On the contrary, it would be a great disadvantage. It would entail expense to establish a mint. As the mat ter stands now. American gold suits best on acount of foreign shipments. Sovereign gold is worth fully one-half per cent. less for shipment than American gold."-Montreal Witness.

-City Marshal G. D. Bryan, of Fairhaven, has notified the Victoria police to be on the lookout for a quantity of silks, valued at \$600, stolen during the night of the 17th inst.

-The trustees of St. Luke's school, Cedar Hill, met on Tuesday evening, but transacted no business of any importance,

a Condensed Form. (From Tuesday's Daily.)

-School street is again open to traffic, -W. A. Robertson is a candidate for alderman, vice Munroe Miller, resigned. -An excursion party is coming over from Port Townsend next Sunday on the City of Kingston.

-The Wellington Advocate is the very latest venture in the newspaper field. Robert McManus is at the helm. -Owing to the continued illness of the Chief Justice all the unheard county court cases will stand over for the September court.

-The funeral of the late Margaret Patterson, relict of the late Capt. Patter. son, took place to-day. Deceased was a native of London, Eng., aged 82. -A professional company is arranging

a tour of the outlying districts and will present popular plays. Clement Row ands, baritone, will be one of the soloists. -The smart shower last evening did

incalculable good in city and country. Crops of every description were benefited and the overflowing stock of dust on the city streets was effectively laid. -There is a considerable amount of grumbling among residents in the outlying portions of the city on account of the sudden stoppage of Chinese vegetable

peddlers from pursuing their calling. A good deal of inconvenience accompanies the grumbling. -Pride of the Ridge Lodge, I.O.G.T., met last evening and made the following appointments:-Sister Banfield, delegate to the Grand Lodge, which meets here early next month, and Sister Duncan, alternate; Bro. Norman, secretary, and

Bro. Munn, reporter. -An application was made in chambers before Mr. Justice Walkem, on the part of Mr. Joshua Davies, that the moneys paid by the defendant into court, amounting to about \$7000, be paid to the plaintiff or his solicitor. It was adjourned until to-morrow. McPhillips for the plaintiff; Helmeken for the defendant

-The kodak fiend and the amateur artist are now "getting in their fine work" on the San Pedro. There is a probability that the old ship will not celebrate the third anniversary of her famous coming to Brotchie Ledge. By the time that that date rolls around it is likely her remains will be scattered far and wide in numberless junk shops and scrap yards, and that the wild sea will shriek in the gray November eve over the spot where the San Pedro was but is no more.

(From Wednesday's Daily.) -Another wing is to be built on the naval canteen building at Esquimalt. -The formal opening of the new P. O. Home will take place early in November. -J. J. Russell is erecting a handsome brick residence on the Cedar Hill road.

-The long Snider rifles issued to the men of the B. C. B. G. A. have been called in for inspection and should be returned to the caretaker. -Mr. Bassett, of 36 Alfred street, has

presented a deer to the park committee. A vote of thanks has been tendered -Robert Ward & Co. are moving in-

to their handsome new offices in the Temple building, one of the finest in the -The steamer Premier this morning carried away 52 casks of sealskins ship-

ped by William Munsie to London by the Allan line. The shipment is the largest made so far. -The Atlantic express on the C. P. R.,

which conveyed C battery and Prince Yorihito, was derailed at Calgary on Monday night. The fireman was the

only injured person. -A. C. Anderson, Jr., a Seattle youth, made a parachute jump at Snoqualime Falls on Sunday. He struck on the rocks and was beaten into insensibility, dying early on Monday morning.

-Except for the display of search lights the display of manoeuvres at Esquimalt last night were not much of a success. There was bright moonlight and the torpedo boats could be seen at a great distance without the aid of the search lights.

(From Thursday's Daily.) -Many Indians are leaving for the hop fields of the Puyallup valley. -R. P. Rithet & Co., have 11,000 seal

skins ready for shipment to London. -It is given out that the railroad line Nelson will be completed by November 1st. -Perseverance lodge, I. O. G. T., gave

a pleasant social in Temperance Hall last

-J. Porter, of Mill Stream, has lost 7 sheep, which bears and panthers carried -The Royal Templars of James Bay held an open meeting last evening. Those

present spent a pleasant time.

French and English Audiences. Mr. Henry Arthur Jones compares French and English audiences, to the disadvantage of the latter. A few years ago, so he tells a gentleman who has interviewed him for The Idler, he went to the Theatre Français. The play, as he says, contained some wonderfully written philosophy of Parisian life, and he was astonished and delighted to find, from watching the faces of those around him. who were quite evidently of the lower classes, that "they were as cordially enjoving this brilliant criticism of life as an English audience of the same class' (by which, we presume, he means a Lyceum, a Garrick, a Haymarket or a St. James audience) "would have enjoyed a low comedian sit upon a bandbox." Having delivered himself of this sweeping proposition, Mr. Jones went on to narrate, by way of emphasizing it, an incident out of his own experience. He was talking the other day to a man in a bet-

Barnum.' How They Come Upon Us. During the green-apple season, cramps come upon us like a thief in the night, and remain with us until the nearest physician is called in, or the pain is driven away by a dose or two of Perry Davis' Pain Killer, the celebrated cure for all summer complaints, from simple cramps to the most aggravated forms of cholera morbus or dysentery. No household should be without the Pain Killer, unless there is a drug store next door. Every reputable druggist sells the medicine. Only 25 cents. New large size.

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