

The Coming Celebration

Elaborate Arrangements Now Being Perfected for the Celebration This Week.

Great Interest Manifested in the Festivities—Many Visitors Coming.

In consideration of the elaborate arrangements now almost perfected there is considerable justification for the prediction that the celebration this week in honor of the eighty-first anniversary of the birth of Her Majesty Queen Victoria will eclipse by many degrees those of former years.

The various committees in charge of the arrangements have taken hold of the different divisions of preparation with commendable vigor and enthusiasm, and the successful manner in which the details are being perfected is due to the tails are being prepared which they have manifested in the undertaking, their marked efficiency, and the generous and loyal support of the citizens.

The glorious news of the relief of Mafeking has increased the enthusiasm, and will add zest to the demonstrations which will be carried out with crowning success, and afford an object lesson to visitors of the loyalty of Victorians, their pride of their soldiers and reverence to their sovereign.

The proceedings will virtually commence on Wednesday afternoon, when the flags will be hoisted on the various public buildings with appropriate ceremony. Wednesday being Empire day, and recognized as such throughout the East and other portions of the empire, the aforementioned ceremony of hoisting the flags will be a particularly happy and attractive feature. In the evening there will be a grand patriotic concert in the Victoria theatre, for which rehearsals will be held in the Institute hall and the theatre this evening. The City Band will give a concert at Oak Bay on the same evening, the programme being as follows:

- March—Roberts's Victory Johnson
Overture—From Dawn to Twilight Bennett
Spanish Dance—Merced Frinkhouse
Grand Air—The Death of Nelson Bramham
Solo for Trombone.
Intersmission.
Selection—Faust.
Characteristic Piece—Evening Bell and Wolf
March—The King of the Mountains
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On the same evening the wholesale grocers of British Columbia will hold a grand banquet at Mount Baker Hotel, which promises to be an affair of unusual excellence. Would work for the nation's true greatness and power: Thus would Canada's Premier—Laurier.

On Thursday morning the glorious 24th—the naval and military review will be held at Macaulay Point, and judging by the preparations this feature of the celebration will be of extraordinary proportions. In this connection the following regimental order has been issued by Col. Gregory:

Regimental Headquarters, Victoria, B. C., 21st May, 1900. The 5th Regiment of A. C. will parade at the drill hall on Thursday, the 24th May at 8.30 a. m. o'clock, for the purpose of marching to Macaulay Point and taking part in the review in honor of Her Majesty Queen Victoria.

The Officer Commanding expects each officer commanding a company to take active steps to ensure a full attendance of his company; and he hopes that every member of the regiment will recognize the fact that the result of the review is at stake, and will make every effort to attend.

By order, R. H. POGGIE, Lieut. Adjutant.

The demonstration will undoubtedly prove a most attractive feature to visitors and Victorians alike, and it is to be hoped that the Fifth Regiment will turn out in full force in order that they may sustain a favorable comparison with the other branches of the service represented. Permission has been granted to use the D.G.S. steamer Quadra to carry troops to the scene of the review.

The grand parade will take place on Thursday afternoon, when all probability there will be from 50 to 60 floats in the procession. A special meeting of Colfax Rebecca Lodge, I.O.O.F., has been called for to-morrow, evening to make arrangements for placing a float in the parade. The baseball clubs will also be represented by a float.

On the evening of the 24th there will be the general illumination, and among other attractions a concert by the Fifth Regiment band in the Drill Hall. On Friday morning the various sports will take place, in the afternoon the regatta, and in the evening the grand technical display at Hospital Point. The horse race match between the Victoria and New Westminster teams will be played on Saturday afternoon.

In making their arrangements for the celebration week none of the residents or visitors should forget the children's parties and entertainment at the Victoria theatre on Saturday afternoon, the 26th. It will consist of patriotic songs, skirt dances by Ethel Green and Lulu McDougall, a short nautical drill, cake walk,

four tableaux and an old English dance by 20 little mites in appropriate costumes. Ernest Powell has kindly promised a violin solo, and Benedict Bantley will play two of his compositions. A visit to the 24th celebration will be the United States training ship Adams, which is now at Port Angeles on her annual cruise to the cities of the Sound.

The Indians from other reserves, who are here to the number of over one hundred already, held a dance and potlatch at the meeting house across the harbor early this morning. Similar functions will be held among the tribesmen until the completion of the festivities.

The street sweeper has been sent over a portion of the Esquimalt and Craigflower roads, as well as on to other thoroughfares which will be used freely during the celebration. The water carts have also made trips on the roads mentioned, and if the operation is repeated on Wednesday night it will greatly enhance the comfort of the visitors.

This morning the bluejackets, marines and engineers and artillerymen held a second rehearsal at Macaulay Point. A feu-de-jolie was fired, and other features of Thursday's programme were gone through. The decoration committee had teams at work this morning supplying evergreens for the business houses to facilitate the work of decorating the city.

A meeting of the band and printing committee is being held this afternoon, and the procession committee will meet this evening. The Fifth Regiment held preparatory drill at Work Point on Saturday afternoon in conjunction with the Royal Artillery and Engineers and "A" Company R. C. A. The manoeuvres to be performed on May 24th are gone through. Lieut. Col. Grant, R. E., being in command, Lieut. Col. Gregory acting as brigadier.

TEST THE URINE. If you have backache, and there are brick dust deposits found in the urine after it stands for 24 hours you can be sure the kidneys are deranged. To effect a prompt and positive cure and prevent Bright's Disease, suffering and death, use Dr. A. W. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills, the world's greatest kidney cure.

CANADA'S PREMIER. The following tribute to Sir Wilfrid Laurier was composed by Rev. W. H. Porter, M. A., Toronto, a Baptist minister who recently preached in Victoria:

All hail to the man who can measure the need, With survey unbounded by coterie or creed, Who, prudent and cautious, yet daring and brave, Is only to conscience and country a slave: Such is Canada's Premier—Laurier.

All hail to the man who, with courage and might, Regardless of cost, would contend for the right, And, true to conviction, though losing himself, Would barter for country position or pelf: Such would Canada's Premier—Laurier.

All hail to the man, who amidst its turmoil, Would bring for his country the balm and the oil; Would bind up its wounds and extinguish its pain, And tone its vigor and courage again: Thus would Canada's Premier—Laurier.

All hail to the man who in England was here, Could move among nobles their recognized peer; And, gracing the Diamond Jubilee's sheen, Gain glory from country, and college, and Queen: Such did Canada's Premier—Laurier.

All hail to the man, who, with large loyal mind, In unity grand would the Empire bind; Who, true to the trend and the needs of the hour, Would work for the nation's true greatness and power: Thus would Canada's Premier—Laurier.

All hail to the man who, when armed foes invade, Stands "steady" for England, with fealty and aid; And forth to the front sends the brave and the true, And words that on lightning-wings thrill the world through: Thus does Canada's Premier—Laurier.

A PLEASURE AND A DUTY. I consider it not only a pleasure but a duty I owe to my fellow-citizens to tell about the wonderful cures effected in my case by the timely use of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. I was taken very badly with flux and procured a bottle of this remedy. A few doses of it effected a permanent cure. I take pleasure in recommending it to others suffering from that dreadful disease. J. W. Lynch, Dorr, N. Va. This remedy is sold by Henderson Bros., wholesale agents, Victoria and Vancouver.

SUSPECTED MURDERERS. New York, May 21.—The two negroes suspected of murdering Prof. R. W. White, in Philadelphia, were arrested in Jersey City last night. They describe themselves as Geo. S. Scott, of Philadelphia, and Jas. Walker, of Baltimore.

DEATH OF A DIVER. Vancouver, May 18.—The Goldsmith copper properties adjoining the Britannia group on Howe Sound will be equipped with a tram and bunkers to handle the ore. R. Llewellyn, the diver, for many years in the city employ, died this morning of pneumonia.

PREVENTIVE OFFICER. Ottawa, May 19.—Martin Washington Macfarne, New Westminster, B. C., is gazetted preventive officer of customs.

RETURNING HOME. Ottawa, May 21.—Senator Macdonald leaves for home to-morrow.

DR. A. W. CHASE'S CATARRH CURE... 25c. Is sent direct to the diseased parts by the improved delivery. Heals the secret, clears the air passages, stops droppings in size with the greatest permanency. Catarrh and Hay Fever. P.O. Box 1000. Free. All dealers or Dr. A. W. Chase's Medicine Co., Toronto and Seattle.

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FORT STEELE. Dr. Brodie returned to Fort Steele after an absence of several months. He expects to take up his permanent residence here.

GREENWOOD. The Vernon & Nelson Telephone Company have been making a number of improvements in their service in the Boundary district. Their men have finished the stringing of another line of wire between Phoenix and this city, making four wires in all.

STEVESTON. The preliminary trial of the three Chinese, supposed to be implicated in the murder of Chief of Police Main, of Steveston, a few weeks ago, was held at that place on Saturday before Stipendiary Magistrate Captain Pittendrigh. The proceedings were lengthy as is usual in Chinese cases, and ten witnesses were examined.

KAMLOOPS. A meeting of the directors of the Kamloops Agricultural Association was held on Saturday afternoon, W. J. Roper presiding. F. J. Deane tendered his resignation as hon. secretary, and E. S. Wood was appointed in his place pro tem. It was decided to hold the exhibition this year on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, September 26th, 27th and 28th.

WELLINGTON. Frank Regal Quazzal, a native of Italy, and for ten years a resident of British Columbia, died rather suddenly at East Wellington last week. He was attacked with dropsy some time ago, and he first went to the hospital, where he remained for several weeks. About two weeks ago he left the hospital and went to the house of a friend, where he remained until the time of his death. He died some time during the night, and had been dead for an hour or more before it was known to the family that he had passed away.

COOKE. (Special Correspondence of the Times.) The trunk road to Nanaimo is to be completed. A force of men has been sent down this week. On Thursday evening a reception was tendered Rev. Mr. Haslem, the new rector of Trinity church, Cumberland. An address of welcome was read by T. E. Baber, and a musical programme given. Mr. Haslem has the reputation of being a good speaker.

Continued complaints are heard concerning the mills. Late crops of the Times get here at rare intervals.

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Enquiry among the various architects and contractors in the town shows that a great deal of building is going on and is being projected. Besides the heavy contract on the City Hall, which is making good progress, Mr. Honeyman has ready the plans for the erection of the fire hall and library, tenders for which will shortly be invited. It is also reported that the freight shed near the C.P.R. depot is to be begun upon at once with some other extensive building operations which that railway company has in contemplation. The building for the reception of the new machinery which E. W. Holt is now figuring on will also be put up in the course of the next few weeks. Frank H. Pokorny is putting up a handsome residence on St. Paul street near First avenue. There are also new houses going up all over the town. Mr. Honeyman has two orders on hand for the construction of villa residences and he thinks that there will be more before the month closes.

NEW WESTMINSTER. Large quantities of trees and driftwood continue to pass down the river as the annual freshet increases in volume. From the early rise, however, and various other indications, it is assumed there is not the slightest danger of a flood this season, or even of any very high water.

Word has been received of the death of Langley of one of the oldest and most respected settlers in this district, in the person of Kenneth Morrison, who passed away at his residence at 5 o'clock on Friday morning. The deceased had been ailing for over a year from Bright's disease, and death was not unexpected.

The local rifle companies, now known as A and B Companies, Sixth (Duke of Connaught's Own) Rifles, passed a very creditable inspection at the armories on Wednesday night, when they were put through various company evolutions, manual, etc., under the eye of Lieut. Colonel T. Benson, acting D. O. C. of military district No. 11.

Though there is nothing like a building boom ever since the cessation of the burned business blocks, citizens have turned their attention to the erection of suitable dwellings, and each month sees one or two completed, and the foundation laid for others, these operations being more particularly carried on in what may be called the central part of the city.

The death occurred at the Provincial Asylum here on Friday of an Italian named Tajapo Binardo, who had been brought down from Revelstoke by provincial officers on Thursday. At the time he was on Saturday morning by Coroner Pittendrigh, it was brought out in evidence that the deceased had attempted to take his own life at Revelstoke, and besides cutting his throat with the iron pipe had made three gashes in his abdomen, each of which was about four inches deep. After being taken in charge the poor man was brought to this city, but only survived until about two o'clock on Friday. The verdict of the coroner's jury was that the unfortunate man had died from self-inflicted wounds.

It is reported that the death of James Macnamara, at his residence here at 5 o'clock on Saturday morning, is recorded. The deceased was a native of County Clare, Ireland, and came to California very early as 1848. When the Fraser river gold excitement commenced in 1858, he came north, staying a short time in Victoria and then taking up his residence in the Yukon. He became chief constable under Judge Brew, in which capacity he was known far and wide all over the then Crown colony. Subsequently he was appointed as assistant jailor at the provincial jail, and refusing to profit by the good offices of Chief Justice Begbie, Judge Brew and many other prominent officials, he continued to discharge the duties of that position until about twelve years ago, when he retired. He had been successful, says the Columbian, in his real estate investments and to the enjoyment of his interests he devoted the evening of a long life, his days being saddened by the arrival of a daughter, Alvie, and a son, James, now 10 and 9 years old, respectively, he having married late in life. Mr. Macnamara had generally enjoyed good health, and was a