THEY DISCUSSED CHINESE PUPILS

AMENDMENTS TO LAW WILL BE ASKED FOR

In Meantime Room Will Be Provided for Orientals in North Ward School.

Wednesday the school trustees grappled with the question of the segregation of the Chinese pupils in the public schools. They decided to take action, and will set aside a room for the Junior Chinese pupils in North Ward school, while the board will in the meantime wait upon the council of public instruction and ask for an amendment to the School Act.

There were present Trustees Mrs. Jenkinson, Messrs. Matson, Drury, Huggett, Jay and Boggs.

Johns Bros. asked for the contract for supplying wood to the city schools. It was stated that the patronage would be divided among the different dealers. The communication was received and filed.

A communication was received from Hon. J. D. Prentice appointing the school trustees a body corporate for the management of the Victoria College.

The city clerk forwarded a copy of a resolution passed by the city council with respect to the establishment of another school district, which would embrace Chinatown. It was laid on the table.

Geo. Phillips wrote suggesting that the school children might be interested in the musical festival which it is proposed to hold in the city. A committee of the board, consisting of Trustees Jay, Huggett and Matson, was appointed to look into the matter.

H. Dunnell asked how frequently the cleaning of the windows in the Manual Training school should be done, and calling attention to the fact that they required attention. It was referred to the building and grounds committee for action.

A. J. Pineo wrote urging the attention of the school board to the importance of school gardening. This was, with Cornell University as a centre, extending very far throughout the United States and Canada. He urged the planting of trees and shrubs at once on the High school grounds. The letter was laid on the table.

The superintendent read the monthly report as already published in the Times.

Trustee Huggett reported for the financial committee. The report recommended the payment of accounts to the sum of $826. The report was received and the accounts ordered to be paid.

Trustee Drury asked what amounts were yet to be paid in connection with the High school building.

Trustee Huggett, for the finance committee, answered that A. Sheret had an account of $355 and Architect Rattenbury one of $119, which had yet been unpaid, explaining also the reason for payment not having been made.

Trustee Huggett, for the finance committee, moved that the tender of Hibben & Co. should be accepted for supplies, that being the lowest. The figures were: Victoria Book & Stationery Co., $1,018; Pope Stationery Co., $1,021; and Hibben & Co., $1,004.25.

The communication from the city council respecting the resolution to the effect that a new school district should be established embracing the Chinese was considered.

Trustee Boggs, while he thought this action on the part of the council was uncalled for, yet he thought something should be done in this matter at once. He went into the history of the movement for the segregation of the Chinese in the schools. The city council had, however, "taken the bull by the horns," and expressed themselves as in favor of the establishment of another school district. He moved that in conformity with the wish of the city council a new school district should be at once established embracing Chinatown.

A lull during which no one rose to second the motion followed, when Trustee Mrs. Jenkinson asked the question whether the trustee board had the right to establish such a school upon the ground laid down by the department that no such school could be established upon a difference of race, creed or color.

In order to get a seconder Trustee Boggs altered his motion to bring it more in conformity with the ruling of the council of public instruction, when Trustee Huggett seconded it.

Trustee Jay held the motion was an undignified one. He would not favor a resolution implying that the board had been compelled to take such action by the city council. He rather favored the setting aside of a room for the Chinese pupils. Such a room existed at the North Ward school, which would accommodate the pupils necessary.

He moved in an amendment in conformity with his views on the matter which was in effect that this room be used as a class room for Chinese boys of the junior grade.

He explained that his reason for including only boys was that only one Chinese girl attended school, and he did not favor compelling her to attend a school where all others were boys.

Trustee Drury, in speaking to the motion, said he agreed with Trustee Jay as to the preamble of Trustee Boggs. In addition he would say that it was misleading. Trustee Hall had a motion which was laid on the table only in order that the board might look into the matter fully before passing upon it.

It was entirely beyond the power of the board to open a school in Chinatown and compel any pupil to attend that school. The city superintendent had the power alone of specifying where a pupil should attend, and he was responsible not to the trustees, but to the board of public instruction.

When a deputation waited upon the education department a change in the instructions upon this very line was requested. It was urged that the trustees, being the direct representatives of the people, should have the right to say where pupils should attend. The superintendent of education took the ground that the government having such an important part in providing for the schools the city superintendent should have this power as the only safeguard which the department had. The law was not altered, and he would say that the statement made by the principal of the South Ward school that the trustees could say when the pupils could attend was incorrect.

If the city superintendent was prewhere the pupils could attend was in the event of such a school district being created, rule that the Chinese pupils should attend that school, they might take the course proposed by Trustee Boggs. But it was Dr. Hall who had raised the question of putting the Chinese pupils in a separate room in the North Ward school.

Superintendent Eaton disagreed with Trustee Drury. He outlined the history of the movement, stating that the education department had ruled that a separate school for Chinese could not be established. He could therefore not act in opposition to that ruling. The power of the city superintendent did not go as far as Trustee Drury would have them understand, even with white children. The present divisions called districts, if they choose, create for convenience, had no validity. Only the council of public instruction could create a school district.

Trustee Boggs urged that the setting apart of a room in the North Ward school still left open the objection of the Chinese children mixing with the white children on the playground.

Trustee Mrs. Jenkinson could not see in the face of the instructions from the education department how the trustees could separate them, no matter how much the trustees wanted to do so.

Superintendent Eaton, in essaying to give his opinion in the matter, said that he must differ from some whose opinions he regarded with the greatest respect. He thought the first business of the board should have been to have ascertained the truth of certain allegations made apparently in good faith by the petitioners. One of the allegations was that the sanitary conditions of the homes from which the Chinese pupils came were such as to be a menace to the health of the other pupils. He had addressed a letter to the Mayor giving the address of all the Chinese pupils attending that school, and asking that an examination should be made. No report had been received as yet in this matter. These allegations therefore were not proved, and hence this allegation fell. It was upon these allegations that the segregation of these pupils was asked. In the failure to prove these true the case of the petitioners fell to the ground.

There was also the question of the $800 implied in this move. This was a considerable amount, being half the interest on the sinking fund for the High school, which had been described as such a burden.

His interest was one of seeing that every child should get an equal chance with respect to education. If it could be done voluntarily he saw no objection to the separating of the Chinese.

Trustee Huggett asked if the superintendent anticipated any trouble from the council of public instruction in case the remedy was provided of supplying a room for the Chinese were taken.

Superintendent Eaton thought the council of public instruction did not wish to interfere any more than was absolutely necessary. He could see that 15 junior pupils could be put in one room without working any partiality. He would not favor any arrangement such as taking senior pupils out and putting them in a lower grade, which would work a positive disadvantage to these pupils. He must stand for impartiality.

Trustee Drury thought that the opening of a school in Chinatown might open a much wider question than that of opening a room in one school. It was said that hundreds would attend such a school if opened in Chinatown, and they would call for the best equipment. To overcome the objection of pupils having to sit beside Chinese in the school was the present trouble, and more easily dealt with by providing a room in the North Ward school.

If the superintendent felt that he could say that the wishes of the board would be carried out with respect to having the Chinese all attend one room in the North Ward school, he would move that Dr. Hall's motion be removed from the table.

Trustee Huggett said he disagreed with Trustees Jay and Drury. He thought the board was not financially in a position to carry out this solution of the trouble. He favored the appointment of a committee of the whole board to wait upon the government and seek to have an amendment made to the school law by which a separate school could be established for Orientals where necessary. Until such arrangements could be made with the minister of education the room at the North Ward school might be set apart for the Chinese.

Trustee Boggs held that this was just an unnecessary delay in the matter.

Trustee Matson, in solving the trouble, favored some action being taken. They were getting deeper into this trouble. The city council appeared to want to "scoop" any honor there was in this matter. He thought the mover of that resolution in the city council should be thanked for his action.

Trustee Boggs's resolution was lost, all except the mover voting against it.

On motion of Trustee Matson, the motion of Dr. Hall laid on the table in June was taken from the table and carried. This specified that the room used as a teachers' room in the North Ward school should be set apart as a classroom for the Chinese.

Trustee Huggett then moved his resolution, which provides for the room at the North Ward school being used in the meantime and that the board form a committee to wait upon the board of public instruction and seek to have an amendment introduced to the School Act by which the Orientals may be put in separate schools whenever it is deemed necessary.

This resolution carried.

Trustee Drury moved that an addition be made to the by-laws now being considered, which provides that any of these may be suspended by the unanimous wish of the board, so that the board if all present might constitute themselves legally for the transaction of business.

The meeting then adjourned.

WEEKLY WEATHER SYNOPSIS.

Victoria Meteorological Office,
5th to 11th November, 1902.

The weather during the first five days of this week was abnormally cold and stormy. This unusual cold wave so early in the season was caused by the southward movement of an extensive storm area which first appeared off the coast of Vancouver Island on the night of Wednesday, 5th. During the next few days it slowly moved southward and became more extensive, while at the same time an important high barometer area appeared over Northern British Columbia and the Territories. This area was accompanied by a pronounced cold wave, strong northerly winds, and by Thursday, 6th, a general snowfall occurred amounting to several inches on Vancouver Island, north of Victoria, and on the Lower Mainland. By the morning of Saturday, 8th, the temperature had fallen to 14 below zero in Cariboo and to 10 above in Kootenay, while on the Lower Mainland the lowest temperature, 28 degrees, occurred on the 6th, though sharp frosts were also reported upon the 7th and 8th.

During Saturday, 8th, the centre of the cold wave gradually spread eastward to the Territories, and a steady rise in temperature set in along the Coast until the 10th, when it reached a maximum of 55 on Vancouver Island, 54 on the Lower Mainland, and 36 in Cariboo. During this period the barometer remained abnormally low, not only in this vicinity, but down the Coast to California, where both southerly gales and heavy rains occurred. In this vicinity rain fell upon every day of the week, and a little melting snow on the 6th.

As the cold waves passed eastward across the Territories it was accompanied by several inches of snow, particularly in the northern portions. The lowest temperature recorded in the Territories this season was 34 below zero at Battleford on the 8th.

Victoria—Amount of bright sunshine, 6 hours and 48 minutes; rain, 1.77 inch; snow, .30 inch; highest temperature, 55 on 10th; lowest, 34 on 8th.

New Westminster—Rain and melted snow, 1.47 inch; highest temperature, 54 on 10th; and lowest, 28 on 6th.

Kamloops—Snowfall, 6 inches; highest temperature, 38 on 11th; and lowest, 10 on 8th.

Barkerville—Snowfall, 2 inches; highest temperature, 36 on 10th and 11th; lowest, 14 below on 8th.

Dawson—Highest temperature, 8 on 8th, 9th and 10th; lowest, 16 below on 5th.

The following is the summary of the weather for October, 1902:

Precipitation.

	Inches.
Victoria, V. I.	1.06
Beaver Lake, V. I.	2.15
Goldstream, V. I.	3.29
Alberni, V. I.	4.82
French Creek, V. I.	3.40
Nanaimo, V. I.	2.07
Kuper Island	2.96
Vancouver	4.72
Point Atkinson (Caulfields)	4.48
New Westminster	3.85
Point Garry	2.63
Coquitlam	5.06
Chilliwack	2.84
Kamloops	...
Barkerville, rain and snow	.80
Coldstream Ranch, Vernon	...
Rivers Inlet	8.07
Port Simpson	6.71
Naas Harbor	6.34

At Victoria, 125 hours and 12 minutes of bright sunshine were registered; highest temperature, 70.4 on 3rd; lowest, 38.7 on 19th; mean temperature for month, 52.21. The total number of miles recorded on the anemograph was 3,333, and the direction as follows: North, 1,082; northeast, 518; east, 186; southeast, 291; south, 385; southwest, 521; west, 293; northwest, 62.

At New Westminster, highest temperature, 73.4 on 3rd; lowest, 34.0 on 24th; mean temperature for month, 50.55.

At Vancouver, highest temperature, 67.0 on 3rd; lowest, 35.0 on 23rd.

At Point Garry, highest temperature, 63.0 on 3rd; lowest, 30.05 on 24th; mean temperature for month, 48.3.

At Alberni, highest temperature, 83.2 on 12th; lowest, 34.0 on 6th; mean temperature for month, 52.61.

At French Creek, highest temperature, 66.0 on 3rd; lowest, 31.0 on 24th.

At Nanaimo, highest temperature, 70.7 on 5th; lowest, 31.0 on 24th; bright sunshine, 142 hours and 6 minutes.

At Chilliwack, highest temperature, 73.1 on 6th; lowest, 34.0 on 24th.

At Kamloops, highest temperature, 66.0 on 4th; lowest, 30.3 on 22nd; mean temperature for month, 48.7.

At Barkerville, highest temperature, 62.0 on 3rd; lowest, 16.0 on 26th; mean temperature for month, 40.0.

At Rivers Inlet, highest temperature, 66.3 on 3rd; lowest, 38.0 on 25th.

At Port Simpson, highest temperature, 59.0 on 27th; lowest, 33.3 on 26th; mean temperature for month, 46.96.

At Coldstream Ranch, Vernon, highest temperature, 68.0 on 4th; lowest, 30.0 on 24th.

Local News.

GLEANINGS OF CITY AND PROVINCIAL NEWS IN A CONDENSED FORM.

—The steamer Boscowitz reach 124356 from the Fraser Tuesday morning, where she has been for several days discharging salmon, brought from the north.

—The tug Albion brought from Port Renfrew a scow load of lumber which will be taken to Seattle. The lumber has been cut by the San Juan Lumber Co., which operate mills at Port Renfrew.

—The British ship Hyson, of the China Mutual Company's round-the-world line, for which nearly 2,000 tons of salmon cargo now lies on the ocean docks, will not arrive before Saturday. She is detained at Tacoma, where she is loading 2,000 tons of wheat for Europe. She will sail for Oriental ports on Monday or Tuesday.

—The first meeting of the Epworth League of the Metropolitan Methodist church, under the superintendency of the recently elected new literary vice-president, was held Monday, at which there was an exceptionally large attendance. E. A. Lewis spoke on "Current Events," and Dr. J. Gibbs took as his topic "First Aid to the Injured." Both addresses were most entertaining and instructive.

—J. N. Greenshields, K. C., of Montreal, who is here now in connection with matters affecting the Canada Northern railway, is interested in the Marconi Wireless Telegraph Company of Canada, which is seeking incorporation. He is enthusiastic upon the subject of wireless telegraphy. The company with which he is connected intend establishing a line of stations from Halifax to Victoria, and expect to reduce the telegraphic tolls to about one-half of what they are at present.

—There was a meeting held Monday evening of the students of the Victoria Evening Academy, which is about to open a night school in the Todd block. There was a good attendance, and the classes begin at once. Three teachers will have charge of the work, the academy being open every evening of the week, except Saturday and Sunday. The mathematics will be under the charge of R. Offerhaus, stenography and bookkeeping will be taught by S. Bergian, who comes from Rossland, and the English subjects will be in the hands of the principal, N. Ellison.

—The big ship John Ena, which is now at Port Townsend, is to be brought here for repairs. She will be accommodated in the dry dock, which since the Grafton was floated a week or so ago has been vacant.

—The medal awarded the B. C. Saddlery Co. by the British Columbia Agricultural Association for the quality and display of harness at the late fair is on exhibition in the show windows of that store. They have also been awarded a diploma for general saddlery.

—The Women's Auxiliary of the Chemainus hospital will give their second annual ball on December 5th. A special train will be run for the accommodation of Victorians and those resident at intermediate points on the E. & N. railway. The details in connection with this ball will be given later.

—The first meeting of the mock parliament, which was called for Tuesday, will be adjourned for one week. The absence of Mr. Bond, the premier, from the city, has prevented him from bringing forward his platform. He has now returned, however. The members of the government and opposition will be chosen, caucuses held and everything will be ready for a rousing meeting next Wednesday evening.

—The regular meeting of the Young People's Literary Society of the First Presbyterian church was held Monday. Vice-President Baird occupied the chair in the absence of the president. Among other preliminary business a programme committee for the next six months was appointed, after which Miss McMillan read a paper on Charles Dickens. Miss Vaughan and Mr. McCandless also gave readings on the life and character of the famous author.

—The first match in the Regimental baseball league will be played in the drill hall on Saturday evening, the contesting teams being Vancouver, 6th D. O. C. Rifles, and the R. G. A. team, of Work Point barracks. As both teams have good material, and practice has been the word with them of late, a splendid game may be expected. A full turnout of the Fifth Regiment team on practice nights, Tuesday and Thursday, is requested. It is hoped everybody will be on hand.

—D. C. McKenzie, an employee of the B. C. Market Company, met with a painful accident on Sunday morning. He was exercising a team of horses, one of which was a colt not accustomed to harness, and getting too near the heels of the latter received a severe kick on the forehead. Fortunately the colt was not shod, to which circumstance McKenzie owes his life. As it was the effects of the kick made it necessary for him to be taken to the hospital, where he is receiving treatment.

—In sailing for San Francisco at noon Tuesday the steamer Umatilla is sixteen hours' late. The vessel, according to schedule should have left at 8 o'clock last night, but inasmuch as the Long Shoremen's Union at Seattle and the Pacific Coast Steamship Company, owners of the steamer, are still fighting one another and as help needed for the discharge and loading of the steamer is limited, the ship was unable to get away from the Sound on time, and was consequently late in leaving here.

—The Princess Louise on her way here Monday afternoon came up a Greek fisherman named Petro Gutieres, three miles north of Plumper Pass. He was alone in a Fraser river skiff marked T. C. 375. The skiff belonged to the A. B. cannery, of Canoe Pass, of which Paul Swanson is manager. The fisherman and a bag of clothes which he had saved were taken on board the Princess Louise and the skiff allowed to drift. Gutieres had left Canoe Pass intending to come to Victoria. The wind, however, changed and he was driven about in the Gulf for a considerable time.

—The negotiations between the Victoria Terminal Railway Company and the city council in regard to an extension of time for the former to complete the terms of the contract, have not yet assumed definite shape, and the matter did not, therefore, come before the civic solons at their regular session last night. A draft agreement has been made, it is understood, but nothing final will be decided on before the arrival of Mr. Guthrie, who is expected in a few days. Several more conferences will be held between the railway people and the council, probably one this week.

—The James Bay Epworth League held its regular monthly literary meeting Monday night. F. Schroeder, vice-president of the literary department, occupied the chair. After the usual opening exercises a pleasant evening was spent listening to the various readings, which were interesting and amusing. A short business meeting was held at the close of the programme, when among other business the resignation of the secretary, Miss V. Emery, was accepted with general regret at losing so efficient a worker. E. M. Whyte was elected secretary for the remainder of the term. The meeting was brought to a close by singing a verse of "God Be With You Till We Meet Again," and the pronouncing of the benediction.

—The large audience that gathered Monday night in the lecture room of St. Andrew's church enjoyed a most profitable hour with "The Lake Poets." The programme was in the care of the literary department of the Guild. First came a very carefully written and well-read essay by Miss Kate Pottinger dealing with the three notables, Southey, Coleridge and Wordsworth, who compose the Lake school. Seven young ladies then recited "The Rhyme of the Ancient Mariner," each taking one part of the poem. Miss Watson, convener of the committee, showed the purpose and lesson of that characteristic production of Coleridge's poetic genius. A number of quotations from the writings of the Lake poets were then read in part, and the audience was asked to complete the sentences. An impromptu debate on dress reform, in which four young men made their debut as public speakers, followed, and this most enjoyable meeting was brought to a close with the National Anthem.

—The remains of the four-year-old son of T. G. Mitchell, chief engineer of the Charmer, who died in 'Frisco some time ago, arrived by the steamer Puebla, and were interred at Ross Bay cemetery Monday morning.

—Mrs. Annie Vaile Switzer, of Chicago, gives an evening's talk to women to-night at A. O. U. W. hall. Subject "Physical Culture." The lecture is free.

—The B. C. Electric railway intends inaugurating a ten-minute service on Douglas street instead of twenty minutes as in the past. This will be in force during the winter months.

—There was a small fire in Minor's jewelry store on Yates street, below Government, Tuesday about 6.30 p.m. The blaze was extinguished by the fire department with little difficulty. There was no damage.

—Steps have been taken to provide attractions at Esquimalt during the winter months for the sailors. Regular weekly dances will be held, the flagship band providing the music, and boxing contests will be given at regular intervals at the Canteen grounds.

—Messrs. Wilson Bros. have abandoned their Vancouver branch, and their large wholesale business will hereafter be concentrated in this city, where the headquarters have always been. The firm finds that Victoria offers better opportunities for the transaction of their rapidly growing trade, and they have therefore determined to make it their sole distributing point for the province.

—The ball to be given under the auspices of the James Bay Athletic Association, it has been decided, will be held on Friday, December 5th. The committee in charge is working hard in the endeavor to make the function exceed in excellence any yet given by the club. The proceeds of the ball will be devoted to the purchase of new shells. This evening at 8.15 a meeting of the ball committee will be held.

—On Wednesday last, November 5th, in New Westminster, Mr. J. Goodfellow, the chief train dispatcher of the C. P. R., and Mrs. M. A. Fraser, of the Vancouver, were united in the holy bonds of matrimony by Rev. Mr. Poitvin, of New Westminster. The ceremony was attended by only the relatives and friends of the contracting parties. The newly married couple have taken up their residence at 1,134 Robson street, Vancouver.

—A party of miners and prospectors who have been up to Queen Charlotte islands arrived from the north on the steamer Tees this morning. Among the party were Mr. Robertson and son, who have been examining some coal properties on the islands, and Dr. Marshall, who has also been inspecting the property. Other passengers were Mr. Dempsey, from Skidegate, and John Leighey. The vessel brought a mixed cargo, consisting of fish, oil and other products of the north.

—The regular run of the Junior Rugby Club has been postponed until next Monday evening, when a full turnout is expected. All those who wish to secure a place on the team are advised to attend, as the players will have to be in the best of shape for the match with the Vancouver juniors on Saturday, the 22nd, at the Caledonia grounds. The game will be played in the morning, as the intermediates and seniors both have games on in the afternoon.

—Tuesday about fifty young people spent a most enjoyable evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. Gilchrist, 56 King's road. The event was arranged as a surprise to their daughter, Miss M. Gilchrist, who returned home a short time ago from a five-months' visit to Eastern Canada. The evening was spent in games, dancing, etc. Tea, followed by fruit and candy, was served. The young people left for their homes in the wee sma' hours. Among those present was Rev. Mr. Carr, of Crofton.

—S. Perry Mills received a telegram from California Tuesday announcing the death of Patrick Murphy, formerly of this city. The death occurred at Kelcyville, Cal., where Mr. Murphy had gone in search of health. The late Mr. Murphy was past his threescore and ten. He had been ailing for some time prior to leaving here, and it was hoped that a change of climate would have worked an improvement. The deceased was for long a resident of this city, and owned some valuable properties here. Among them was that on which the Adelphia block now stands, which he had sold to the late Hon. Theodore Davie. His remains will be brought here for burial.

—An attractive programme has been prepared for the concert to be given on Tuesday, the 18th inst., in the A. O. U. W. hall under the auspices of the Alexandra Royal College of Music. All lovers of music should attend, thus showing their appreciation of the high class of music given. Miss Stone, of the Ralston University, will also take part. Votaries of the Ralston system will no doubt give her a hearty reception, as she comes highly recommended by W. Edgerly, president of that association. This entertainment is one of a series that have been given by the students of the college, but is expected to eclipse the others in excellence.

—The schedule of championship matches for the new hockey league is not yet definitely settled. As the flagship leaves for the south on December 1st, and does not return until May, efforts are being made to arrange for the playing all the Navy's six matches before her departure. The Navy team will play Victoria at Oak Bay park on Saturday next, and will probably journey to Vancouver some time next week. A local patron of sport has most generously offered to donate a very handsome trophy to the league to be contested for annually. The system of scoring adopted is, a win counts two points, a draw one, and in case of a tie for the championship, if impossible to play same off, the tieing club with the best good average for the season shall take the trophy. The committee of the Victoria club will meet this evening to perfect arrangements for Saturday's match, and will probably order daily practices. By defeating the Navy yesterday, Vancouver is already two points to the good for the championship.

—Moses McGregor is reported to have had his hotel and store at Port Hughes completely destroyed by fire on Monday. The contents were also destroyed. It was valued at about $6,000.

—Philip Du Moulin, assistant accountant in the Bank of Montreal here, has been transferred to Nelson, where he is promoted to the post of accountant.

—The lights at Portier Pass will be looked after by Mr. Allison, of Ladysmith. He left Wednesday to take charge of the new work.

Geo. Allison, of Cumberland, who was lost in the woods some days ago, has not yet been found, though the government agent has sent a strong party in search of him. Hopes of ever finding him are now being given up.

—The death occurred, Wednesday, of Thos. Turner at his residence, Carey road. Deceased was about 78 years of age, and lived in this city for some years. He leaves a son, who is at present living in Vancouver, to mourn his loss. Funeral arrangements have not yet been made.

—The remains of the late Ed. Gibbard were laid at rest Wednesday. The funeral took place from the Naval hospital at 11 o'clock. Religious services were conducted by Rev. E. Sharp. There was a large attendance of sympathizing friends.

—Messrs. Roland Stuart, W. H. Hayward, M. P. P., and Dallas Helmcken, M. P. P., waited on the government Thursday in reference to the proposed scheme for introducing a body of crofters from the Duke of Argyll's estate in Scotland to this Island to engage in the fishing industry.

—On Wednesday, at Nanaimo, Rev. C. E. Cooper united in the bonds of holy matrimony Mr. Vivian H. Walkem, of Ladysmith, and Miss Kate Charman, of Nanaimo. Miss Janet Charman acted as bridesmaid, and Mr. W. W. Walkem as groomsman. The young couple will spend their honeymoon in Victoria and then take up their residence in Ladysmith.

—Andrew Stewart, of Edinburgh, who is on his way to Queensland, to supervise the mission work being carried on there by the Presbyterian Church of Scotland, will give an address to-night in the schoolroom of Calvary Baptist church. Those who attended St. Andrew's Presbyterian church on last Sunday evening will be glad of this opportunity of hearing him again.

—St. Paul's church, Victoria West, which has recently been undergoing somewhat extensive repairs, will be reopened by special services next Sabbath. The thirteenth anniversary social will be held in the church on the Wednesday evening following, when a good programme consisting of sacred solos and addresses will be presented. The admission will be free, but a voluntary offering will be asked for.

—The ship Pass of Lemy arrived from Valparaiso Wednesday in ballast. She comes here for orders. On the voyage good weather was met until 40 degrees north, when a succession of easterly gales were encountered. The American schooner Oceana Dance was spoken outside and reported all well. She was also bound in.

—Some two hundred invitations have been issued to Victoria musicians to take part in the musical festival being arranged by Charles A. E. Harris. When Mr. Harriss was in Victoria a committee consisting of the principal choir leaders was appointed, whose duties it was to recommend local singers for the chorus and issue invitations.

—A meeting of the members of No. 4 Co., Fift Regiment, was held Wednesday evening, when it was decided to give hearty co-operation in making the annual regimental ball a success. It was also decided to grant a sum of money towards the fund required to enable the Regimental Ball League to go to Vancouver and New Westminster to play the scheduled league games.

—All of the sealers, excepting the little schooner South Bend, which cruised in Behring Sea, are now home, the Favorite, Zillah May, Enterprise and Carrie C. W., which have been detained down the Coast by high winds, having reached port. Favorite has 217 skins, the Zillah May 151, the Enterprise 356 and the Carrie C. W. 685. All report very stormy weather on the Coast during the last few weeks. The South Bend, if she has reached port on the Coast, may also be expected to arrive in a few days.

—The Roman Catholic bazaar, which is being held in Institute hall, drew together a good attendance Tuesday. The excellent arrangements made by the ladies facilitated matters very materially, and everything passed off in a most enjoyable manner. The athletic exhibition was a very worthy one. This evening the bazaar will again be open and another varied programme will be given. Prof. Peters will be one of the attractions this evening. Hot lunch is served each day from 12 to 2 p.m., and high tea from 6 p.m. on through the evening.

—Ten cases High-class 20th Century Suits just in at reduced to Sale Prices. B. Williams & Co. *

—James MacIntosh, a well-known resident of this city, died yesterday at the Provincial Royal Jubilee hospital. Deceased was 65 years of age, and a native of Thurso, Caithness, Scotland. He followed the trade of carpenter, and for some years was in the employ of Smith & Clark. Later he took up ranching at Satlam, B. C. He leaves to mourn his loss a son, James A. MacIntosh, and two daughters, Mrs. G. G. Meldram and Miss Annie MacIntosh. The funeral will take place to-morrow afternoon from the residence of G. G. Meldram, 63 Frederick street, at 2 o'clock.

—An enthusiastic meeting of the J. B. A. A. ball committee was held Wednesday night, when the date for holding the ball, viz., the 5th of December, was confirmed. Considerable progress has been made by the sub-committee having charge of decorations, supper and music. The first named presented several designs proposed for decorations, which were approved and ordered to be carried out. The music committee asked for and obtained authority to procure the services of the very best orchestra possible and to spare no expense in this direction. The design for the programme has not yet been actually decided upon, but it is understood that it will be novel and appropriate for the occasion. The meeting was adjourned to the call of the chair. The date will be announced later in these columns.

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—"A very interesting debate upon the subject that 'All Cases of Contempt of Court Should be Tried by Jury,' was held at the meeting of the Burnaby Literary and Debating Society on Tuesday evening. T. Matthews supported the assertion contained in the subject, while C. N. Haney led the negative side. The debate evoked considerable interest and among those who took part in it were Gordon M. Grant, secretary of the Victoria Debating Society; Messrs. C. C. Eldridge, C. E. Tisdall, W. McInaney, Ross, B. Bakes and others. It has been decided to hold a debate with the Victoria Society at Victoria during the season, and a committee to arrange the matter has been appointed."—Vancouver News-Advertiser.

—The regular weekly junior Association football match will be played on Saturday afternoon at Beacon Hill between the Capital City and Central school teams. The game promises to be an interesting one. Play will commence at 1:45 o'clock, as usual, and all players are requested to be on hand shortly before that time. The Capital City team will be selected from the following: B. Clarke, J. Barber, R. Whyte, N. Scott, W. Kennedy, H. Cowper, J. Pettierew, J. Fawcett, B. Holland, V. Wingel, J. Peden, E. Noble.

—Special Underwear and Shirt Bargains at this season. B. W. Williams & Co. *

—At the annual general meeting of the Cowichan Agricultural Society it was decided to hold a summer fruit and flower and poultry show, together with athletic sports and other attractions, on Dominion Day next year. The following were elected officers of the society for 1903: Hon. president, C. H. Dickie, M. P. P.; president, John McPherson, Cowichan station; first vice-president, D. Alexander, Quamichan; second vice-president, Wm. Forrest, Cowichan station; secretary-treasurer, H. De M. Mallin, Duncan; members of committee, Major J. M. Mutter, Messrs. Jas. Robertson, G. H. Hadwen, D. Evans, A. Bell, R. E. Barkley, W. R. Robertson, V. C. Duncan, P. Flett and H. Bonhall.

—As the bazaar being held at the Institute hall progresses the increased attendance each day shows that its popularity is on the increase. Wednesday the hall was well filled, and a thoroughly enjoyable evening was spent by all. The principal feature of the entertainment was the slight-of-hand performance by Mr. Peters. At 9.30 the raffles commenced, and will be continued each evening, so that those holding tickets are requested to attend again this evening. In the contest to decided who was the most popular member of parliament for Victoria, Col. Prior led last evening by 10 votes, A. E. McPhillips was next with 13 votes, H. D. Helmcken third with 10 and R. D. Hall 5. Polling will close on Monday, and the winner will be presented with a gold-headed cane. The results of the drawings follows: Fancy cushion won by E. McDonald; fancy chair, J. Dickie; silver tea set, W. Finnesty.

—The officers of the intermediate Association football league are considering what is to be done in regard to the league this season. It is likely that another general meeting will be called, when, if more than two teams show any inclination to play the league will be formed. The Victoria West and Capital City teams are the only local teams that have shown any desire to enter the league, but Cumberland is said to have a team which is anxious to enter. At the meeting to be called all questions will be discussed and settled. It is stated that if an arrangement could be reached by which Cumberland could visit Nanaimo to play when a game is on with a Victoria team the league might be formed. It is probable that a series of games will be played between the Capital City and Victoria West teams for the city championship.

—In the school room of the Metropolitan Methodist church, Wednesday, a musical entertainment was given by the Excelsior League of that church. There was a good attendance, and all present spent a very pleasant evening listening to the exceedingly meritorious programme, which had been prepared for the occasion. The chair was occupied by Hinkson Siddall, M. A., and a short address was given by Rev. Elliott S. Rowe before the programme was proceeded with.

—Priestly's Cravenette Waterproofs, 3 cases just opened; all marked to Sale Prices for cash. B. Williams & Co. *

BIRTH.

MURRAY—At Vancouver, on Nov. 11th, the wife of William Murray, of a daughter.

DAWSON—At Vancouver, on Nov. 9th, the wife of George W. Dawson, of a son.

MARRIED.

WALKEM-CHARMAN—At Nanaimo, on Nov. 12th, by Rev. C. E. Cooper, Vivian H. Walkem and Miss Kate Charman.

TOWGOOD-FLEWELLING—At Phoenix, on Nov. 5th, by Rev. W. A. Robbins, Fentress J. Towgood and Miss Stella St. Clair Flewelling.

HINDS-HAMILTON—At Vancouver, on Nov. 10th, by Rev. R. G. Grant, J. J. Hinds and Miss Winnifred Hamilton.

HARDIE-MATTHEWS—At St. Peter's church, Revelstoke, on Nov. 4th, by Rev. L. Norman Tucker, Arthur Douglas Hardie, fifth son of Henry Hardie, Manchester, Eng., and Constance Annie, second daughter of Harold W. Matthews.

DIED.

ANDERSON—At Kamloops, on Nov. 9th, S. J. Anderson, aged 38 years.

MURPHY—On the 11th inst., at Kelcyville, Cal., Patrick Murphy.
Due notice of funeral will be given.