OLD WATCHES.

d Artistic Ancient Time pieces.

oyal and Distinguished Per-of a By-Gone Time—Some ecimens of the Water maker's Skill.

the earliest watches were t the beginning of the six-ary and were, of course, at idered marvels of skill. cket-clocks, says the New ial, were made of almost except round and had but required winding twice a e of them in addition to rehour of the day, were percs, giving the day of the changes of the moon, the tting of the sun and other ful information.

ne of Queen Elizabeth suspended round the necks ers or attached to brace r this purpose they were shape of crosses and varitable forms. Many of the e-pieces, however, were arge and heavy to be worn r, and were, in fact, inplaced on private altars, to be found in most of the s of the day.

hese watches are in the form.
One of these curious timeged to Mary Queen of Scots, she gave to the fair Mary of her "four Marys." This sake is ornamented with res, each having a particuat the bottom in order to ounding of the passing heard, as they are struck r hell in the interior.

ber of the earlier watches oval shape, though some rese of the present day. The a's watch—upon the face of ne in full is engraved thus: mi, 1631-may be seen in the ver Cromwell. The case of is made of silver, and is at the top with the pro-ials, "O. C.," and at the botresentation of a curved doubtless, is intended to

many old-fashioned timesame collection. Most of ade during the seventeenth d are in the form of skulls, and various fruits. There, ery curious German booknade about the year 1680. of silver and when closed a tiny book with the cover namented, as was the fa days. When opened the er peculiar watches in this

one that was made in n the years 1620 and 1630. form of a dog, resting. A inder the forepaws of the e outer case, and so we are ed to have a glimpse at the

ge III. was on one occ th a remarkable watch, as er, weighed no more than n the half-quarters. -piece was designed and tch-maker named Arnold: ith the gift that he sent in te of thanks and a sum of guineas. It is said that kman was afterward ofhan a thousand pounds by marvel; but he refused to even for that large 'sum

ery small watch was for property of King George III.
a ring, and the dial, which is
ize of a sixpence, is surroundry small diamonds, with a
ond on each side. It is of rkmanship, and must have

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ago for enabling a person to

e during the night by merely face of the watch. The "touch watches," and had and, with raised pins at each lat a person could feel the

were the curious old-fash watches. These were usual-ted with a kind of dome, and larger than the watches in e, being made especially for

is a table utensil with the majority of bachelors familiar, for it is used only

children. children. Even the best ster is apt at first to help with his

The Pusher.

h the tools that nature pro-ush refractory bits of food oon with his fingers. The fingers. The a handle like that of a small ead of a bowl it has across ad at right angles with it a curved slightly forward, so ood can not slide off at the a a spoon in one hand and a the other other some children can

r of School-Rooms.

estigacions, says a writer ave sown a smaller numsia in the air of a well-kepthat of a poorly-ventilated Yet many a mother would bed if her children should ack into the manhole of nays no attention to the construction to the school-room in which the part of the day.

e "Squaw Man." men read of in the rew men read of in the re-the West are white men who ed squaws. It is rarely a squaws. It is rarely a promance, but simply of the part of the white man. ome one to work for him, ts to go six months without From THE DAILY COLONIST, April 7. LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

Jubilee Bospital.

On Saturday evening a grand performance will be given in the Victoria by the Nanaimo amateurs for the benefit of the Jubilee Hespital. Tickets are to be had at Lombard's, and the piece will be the military drama, "Neck or Nothing."

The Investigation Opened. Capt. Lewis, agent of marine, and Capt. Devereaux, yesterday morning commenced an official inquiry into the facts connected with the loss of the C. P. N. steamer Sardonyx, some months ago. A number of witnesses were examined during the day and the investigation will be continued to-

Service of Song.

Instead of the usual sermon at the Reformed Episcopal church on Sunday evening, the choir favored the congregation with a special programme of sacred music. The solvists were: Miss Cridge, Mrs. J. D. Helmcken, Miss Mouat, Mrs. D. R. Harris, Mr. F. H. Worlook and Mr. R. Offerhaus. Mr. J. F. Sallaway, the conductor, did good work. The church was crowded and the music greatly appreciated.

play before the people. New scenery will be used, bought from Alex. Buchan, of

Tells Its own Story.

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Mr. B. Gordon is now paying the final dividend on the estate of G. C. Sauer & Co. Indian cance was found floating bottom up, and towed into Victoria. The occupants are supposed by the Indians on the reserve to have lost their lives on Saturday's storm.

The said that a notorious crook and his pal, who have been doing some sleight of hand work in Los Angeles, lately, were noticed in this city yesterday. People here should be on their guard.

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Mr. Todd, the Government agent at Yale, who is now in town, says that mining prospects in his district are exceptionally bright this year. The Frazer River Gold Gravel pects in his district are easily this year. The Frazer River Gold Gravel syndicate have got their powerful machinery in, and are now putting it in position. Numerous applications have been made for working rights above Boston Bar, and Siwash Creek will see a renewal of activity all along its banks this year.

The Hog Quarantine. The Hoc Quarantine.

For some time, owing to diseases among hogs in Wellington, a strict quarantine has been enforced in that locality. The disease having been stamped out, and the premises in which the diseased animals were kept either thoroughly disinfected or destroyed, the quarantine has been raised and it is hoped that such steps have been taken as will, under ordinary circumstances, prevent the recurrence of the malady.

Mr. Ross, of the firm of Ross & Hewlett, having published a sta ement that the spring catch of seal is, this year, excellent, and that the prospects for the future are all that could be desired, a number of the principal parties resident in this city, who are concerned in the interest, desire to empatically deny the statement. The catch

rom THE DAILY COLONIST, April 8. LUCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

Committed for Trial. Charles Petersen's examination in the outrage, was concluded yesterday, and the prisoner was committed for trial in a higher court. The only witnesses in the case are the little girl and three medical men.

New Missionaries

At the recent meeting of the home mission committee of the Pressyterian church, held in Toronto, the following new missionaries were appointed to labor in the presbytery of Columbia: Messrs. T. G. McLeod, J. A. Redden, Jacob Steele, J. R. Mackay and A. H. Drum.

In the Supreme Court.

The case of Fletcher v. Hayward was before the Chief Justice yesterday; judgment is not yet given. To-day the full court will hear the appeal in the case of Davies v. McMilan; and the trial of Boscowitz v. Cooper, Warren and Warren will be proceeded with before Mr. Justice Drake. Cooper, Warren and Warren will be ceeded with before Mr. Justice Drake.

This celebrated document is to be made the subject of investigation, to morrow evening, by a select committee of the City Council, composed of Aldermen McKillican, Smith, Hunter, Renouf and Richards.

Christ Church Cathedral,

At the annual vestry meeting of Christ Church Cathedral, Dr. T. J. Jones and Mr. Thos. R. Smith were again chesen as war-dens, and Mesers. Somerville, John Ward, J. E. Crane, and B. Boggs were appointed

The surveyers yesterday completed their share of the work of extending the transway line from Fort street to Oak Bay, and presented their report to the city surveyor for approval. They found none but easily workable grades and envies. All upholsterers, cabinet makers, finishers and carpet layers in the city are requested to attend a meeting, in the Mallette block, at the corner of Government and Pandors streets, at 8 o'clock sharp, to-morrow evening. The advisability of forming a union will be the subject for discus-

Quickly Disposed Off.

The city police magistrate disposed of the business before him, yesterday, with neatness and despatch, the sitting of the court lasting scarcely one hour. The blotter was: two drunks, at \$5 each; three Chinese cases of violating the fire by law, one dismissed and two remanded; a James Bay bridge case and Chas. Petersen, committed for trial.

roughly inspect her,—for of course none of them have ever seen her,—and that they will proceed to Vancouver in her. At Vancouver steps are being taken to make the day of her arrival at that port a public holiday, but, so far nothing has been done in Victoria.

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Victoria Gun Club.

The monthly meeting of the Victoria Gun Club was held last night in their rooms. Five new members joined the club, making a total of 80 members. They propose t securing a favorable location on the Cedar Hill, road for a place where the members can have a weekly shoot during the summer months. A copy of the by-laws and constitution of the club has been submitted to one of the editors of a leading eastern paper, and he says it was one of the best constitutions he ever saw.

James Bay Bridge.

James Bay bridge was the scene last evening of one of the most disgraceful street episodes that has been witnessed here for fortunately many months. The participants were a young Victorian who is fast going to the dogs, a drunken woman and a frightened horse. The street car was the cause of the animal's terror, and the woman becoming alarmed tried to snatch the reins from her companion's hands. He replied by striking her brutally in the face, cursing her, and telling her to leave the management of the horse to him. He at least, should be granted an interview with the police magistrate.

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FROM LIVERPOOL.

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The British bark Archer, Capt. G. A. Dawson, consigned to R. P. Rithet & Co., arrived in the Roads, last night, 133 days from Liverpool, with a cargo of general merchandise. Left England on Nov. 25th and had fair weather till the Horn was reached, when a succession of gales were encountered, and the vessel was 26 days making a distance usually made in 18 days with favorable weather. After rounding the Horn, however, the remainder of the voyage was made without incident, and Cape Flattery was passed at 8 a.m. yesterday. The Archer made a quick run up the Straits, and sailed into Royal Roads, coming to anchor at 8 p.m. She will enter the harbor at 3 o'clock this afternoon, and at once commence discharging cargo, under the superintendence of Stevedore Yorke. This is Capt. Dawson's second visit to Victoria. Although the present trip was longer than he anticip ted, the Archer is 10 days shead of the Julia and 12 days ahead of the Martha Fisher, both of which are now fully due. Captain Dawson reports all well on board.

The only serious mishap on the voyage was the loss of the carpenter, an Englishman, named Cain, which occurred on the first day out. The bark left port at 10 a.m., and Cain was then seen, apparently all right, but looking as if he had been drinking. Between 5 and 6 clock he took tea with the cook, but shortly before 7 p. m. he was missed, and is believed to have committed saicide by junping overboard. Several minor circumstances tended to confirm this theory, and none of the crew attribute his death to accident. He was a quiet, inoffensive man, and was liked dur-

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