BRIEF LOCALS.

Gleanings of City and Provincial News in Condensed Form.

From Tuesday's Daily.

—H. M. S. Pheasant sailed for Behring Sea at two o'clock this afternoon.

—The Rosalie brought 40 tons of freight from the Sound this morning.

—It is understood that the E. & N. railway company intend to utilize electricity for operating the swing bridge.

—Captain Smashfield is not in camp at Work Point with his boys of No. 3 company, B. C. B. G. A., being unwell, and he is greatly missed. The camp is in command of Lieut. Pearse and Lieut. Gregory is the next ranking officer. The boys turn out at daylight for drill.

—The charge of having poisoned a dog, prefered by Postmaster Mewburn, of Oaklands, against William Nicolas was dismissed in the police court this morning. There was absolutely nothing to connect the poison which Mr. Nicholas bought and set out in a locked shed for mice and rats with the death of the dog.

—The British Columbia Fruit Growers' Association and the Dairymen's Association of British Columbia, are to hold meetings at Agassiz on August 10 and 11. The leading members of each will be present and there will be several excellent papers read and interesting topics discussed. The C. P. R. has given reduced rates for the trip.

—The following officers of Court Vancouver, A. O. F., were installed last evening: George Partridge, P. C. R.; J. R. Collister, C. R.; H. Maynard, S. C. R.; H. Waller, treasurer; A. Wilson, secretary; F. P. Watson, S. W.; E. Harper, J. W.; P. J. Davies, S. B.; R. Goddyn, J. B.; and Dr. Crompton, surgeon. A social followed the installation.

—Miss Effie Elaine Hext, the celebrated elocutionist of Eastern Canada, will appear in the city under the auspices of the First Presbyterian church choir on Tuesday evening, July 31st. All along the line wherever this talented lady has appeared, crowded houses have greeted her and supported as she will be on this occasion by the best talent in the city a large audience is expected to be present.

—The steamship Warrimoo had the following cabin passengers: Mr. C. G. Ballentyne, Victoria; Dr. Brodie, Honolulu; Mr. Elphinstone and Miss Elphinstone, London; Joseph Fuller, Honolulu; T. H. Goodmanson, Chicago; C. H. Gardiner and E. Carr Horden, London; Lieutenant Marchant and wife, London; D. W. Mein, Mrs. P. W. Mein and Mrs. Mein, London; Mrs. Milne, Glasgow; Mr. Stewart, Vancouver; Mrs. Rothwell and two children, Seattle; Dr. and Mrs. Wilkinson, Boston; Miss Wright, Minneapolis, and Fred Jameson, Victoria.

—The cabin passengers who leave by the steamer Umatilla for San Francisco this evening are: Mrs. Rogers, the Misses Rogers, C. A. Wetmore, S. C. Farnham, E. M. Farnham, Mrs. Wender, Mrs. E. Farnham and daughter, Miss Birkenhead, Mrs. Douglas, H. W. Peters, H. C. Morris, J. R. Kerr, Mrs. J. B. Smith, Mrs. N. F. Smith, Miss L. M. Smith, H. K. Macomber, A. M. Bemmerly, Mrs. M. E. Berkhardt and daughter, Mrs. C. R. Carter and children, F. Proscowitz, M. Van Proscowitz, W. F. Pym, C. J. Sheppard, F. J. Dennis, Messrs. Bennett, Gutsch, Wood and Harold.

—Acme lodge, No. 14, I. O. O. F., installed the following officers last evening: N. G., M. Henderson; V. G., David Henry; R. S., William McKenzie; P. S., T. Tubman; Treasurer, Robert Ray; Con., Andrew Sheret; Warden, W. H. Handley; R. S. N. G., Graham Campbell; L. S. N. G., Eli Hallet; R. S. S., Thomas S. Moody; L. S. S., R. L. Ledingham; I. G., Alfred Virtue; O. G., James Robertson; R. S. V. G., William Carse; and L. S. V. G., John Clayton. After the ceremony the retiring noble grand was presented with a past grand's regalia in recognition of efficient service for 14 months.

—Henry C. Shaw, of Vancouver, and Miss Dora Laird, of Prince Edward Island, were married last evening at the home of Henry Lawson, editor of the Colonist, 76 Cook street. The officiating clergyman was the Rev. W. L. Clay and Mr. Lawson gave the bride away. The bridesmaids were Miss Ellen G. Lawson and Miss Nora Hayden of Vancouver, and George Robson supported the groom. The ceremony was performed in the parlor, which was nicely decorated. The bride is the daughter of Hon. Alexander Laird and niece of ex-Lieutenant-Governor Laird of the Territories. Mr. Shaw is a member of the legal firm of McPhillips and Williams, and with his bride will make his home in Vancouver.

—Capt. McAllep, of the schooner Corona, which has arrived in the Sound from Unga, Alaska, says all of the sealers are now satisfied and that spearing is humane, because the Indian gets every one he spears, while the white hunter only gets one seal out of every seven he kills. The latter statement is untrue. The hunter who would lose 1 in 7, instead of 6 in 7, as stated, is a very poor shot and boatman. As to being satisfied, the Victoria sealers will feel a little more so when the United States comes to the front and pays them for illegal seizures and depriving them of their rights. See findings of facts in the award of the Paris tribunal, which is the only part not rushed into immediate and snap-shot effect.

—The Empress of China sailed for the Orient at an early hour this morning. She was delayed at Vancouver awaiting the arrival of the Pacific express and did not get down until nearly midnight. She carried away a fair cargo and the following passengers: Mrs. M. Baxter, London; Captain W. Crawford, Yokohama; Miss S. E. Easter, Baltimore; Chas. Holland Freeman, England; J. C. Faries, Minneapolis; Bishop Galloway, Detroit; Miss Gertrude Howe, Lansing, Mich.; R. Krishna, Allahabad, India; K. P. Lee, New York; C. P. Nebl; K. Matsugata, Tokio; Dr. and Mrs. McCandliss and two children, New York; Miss C. C. Murray, London; Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Payne, Kobe; F. Salinger, Canton; Miss E. R. Scidmore, Washington; Miss Todzu Sugiye, Japan; A. J. de Silva e Souza, Peru; Rev. J. and Mrs. Stockmeyer, Switzerland; D. W. T. Tuckey, Tiensin; J. Tufoch, Shanghai; W. B. Van Ingen, New York; W. J. Van Patten, Burlington, Vermont; Charles S. Van Patten, Burlington, Vermont; Rev. W. W. Wadsworth, Detroit; Dr. and Mrs. S. H. Wainwright and infant, Detroit; Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Whittier, Boston.

—The funeral of the late Mrs. Peter McGregor took place this morning at 10 o'clock from the residence of A. McGregor, Terrace avenue. Sinmple services were conducted at the house and a couple of hymns were rendered. The singing was led by J. G. Brown and Prof. W. E. Buck. The pall bearers were Messrs. Murphy, McIntyre, Farquhar, Carley, Bodley and McGregor. The deceased was a woman of remarkable vitality until a year or two ago, when an accident brought on the illness from which she never fully recovered. With her husband she was a pioneer of the county of Lanark, Ont., and endured all the hardships of the early settler. She was the first of four generations of the family now residing in Victoria.

—Hong Hu Shy, who was arrested on a charge of having stolen a wage book from Wo Kee, was let off in the police court this morning. He got the benefit of the doubt created by some very tall swearing on both sides of the house. Magistrate Macrae is called upon at times to pass on some very contradictory evidence, particularly in Chinese cases.

—A Chinese domestic known only as Johnny, employed by a family living on Cook street, was arrested this morning by Sergeant Levin and Officer Carter, and his sanity will be examined into. He had been acting strangely and talking in a foolish way for several days and Dr. John Duncan was called in. That gentleman readily pronounced the man to be crazy and unsafe to have in the house. Dr. George Duncan, medical health officer, examined the Chinaman to-day, and will very likely recommend that he be sent to Westminster.

—Among other rumors about the vacant chief-justiceship is one to the effect that the position has been offered to Mr. Justice McCreight. A good many people would like to see the position offered to an eastern lawyer of standing and ability, who would bring to the work a mind uninfluenced by old friendships and animosities, or by professional and social relations. Among the justices most favored by the public for preferment are Hon. Justices Walkem and Drake. Justice Crease, who claims seniority on the bench, and Justice McCreight are no longer young men, and if they have not already attained to the age at which they can be superannuated at the will of the government, it will only be a few years until that time has arrived. Among the lawyers mentioned for seats on the bench are Messrs. Pooley of this city and McColl of Westminster.

From Wednesday's Daily.

—Haying is in full swing near Ladner's. There will be a good crop.

—Westminster city council has passed a strict Sunday observance law.

—Nearly all the Fraser river canneries have commenced canning on a small scale.

—Arthur H. Dutton is at present a resident of Nanaimo. He will return to Victoria in a few months.

—W. Duck, who was for several years in the law office of S. P. Mills, has decided to open an office on Langely street.

—Mr. J. Kinsman is superintending the construction of the tank for the new gasometer for the Nanaimo gas works.

—Four parties left for Alberni this afternoon looking for government land upon which to settle. Two were from Mt. Lehman and two were from the east.

—H. Peterson and R. Chapple of Gabriola island arrived here via Nanaimo yesterday for the purpose of conferring with the superintendent of education in regard to the contested South Gabriola school election.

—The charge against Ernest Grau of having cut grass from property in Esquimalt belonging to J. E. Dennis was dismissed yesterday in the provincial police court.

—Thomas Keith, ex-M. P. P., and Miss Brown, formerly a teacher in the girls' school, Nanaimo, have been married in Vancouver by the Rev. Mr. Maxwell of that city.

—In the Cedar Hill school house last evening the members of the Presbyterian church held a very pleasant social. The musical programme was all that could be desired.

From Tuesday's Daily.

The admiralty case of the steamer Vancouver vs. the steamer Yosemite, was finished yesterday and judgment reserved. The evidence is very contradictory.

Before Justices Crease and McCreight argument was resumed to-day by Mr. McPhillips for the plaintiffs in the mechanics' lien action brought by Larson & Co., against the Nelson & Fort Sheppard railway company and others.

—C. E. C. Brown, a resident of New Westminster for ten years, died on Tuesday night, aged 54. He was prominent in temperance circles and well known throughout the interior, where for years he practiced his profession as a dentist.

—The New Westminsterites, with an enterprise that might be imitated here, are moving in the matter of their annual exhibition. The floods, which will undoubtedly militate against the success of the show this year, have not dampened the ardor of the directors, who are going to excel all previous efforts.

—How these doctors wax fat! The government asked Vancouver council to pay $200 for the vaccination of incoming passengers on the C. P. R. trains for ten days between August 10 and 20, 1892. The council demurred and will look up the law. The charge is not excessive, judged by others made about that time.

—Grass fires at Beacon Hill have again commenced to give the members of the fire department a great deal of trouble. Almost every night men have to be sent out to put out a blaze either among the logs on the beach or in the grass in the park. Parties who light these fires probably do not know that they are liable to a fine of $50 or three months in jail.

—At a meeting of the juvenile branch of Northern Light No. 1, A. O. F., held last evening, Charles Hancock was presented with a copy of Milton's works for bringing in the most candidates during the past six months. He brought in six members, and the book was presented by Bro. Speed. Samuel Sherbourne, who brought in two members, was given an album presented by E. J. Salmon.

—The following officers of the Y. L. I. were installed last evening by District Deputy Miss Skinner: Miss McDowell, past president; Miss M. Dwyer, president; Mrs. A. Wilkes, first vice; Miss M. Gilligan, second vice; Mrs. Courtney, treasurer; Miss C. Baines, recording secretary; Miss E. Conlin, financial secretary; Miss J. Leclaire, marshal; Miss K. Roarke, Mrs. Leonard and Mrs. McMillan, trustees.

—The French warship Duguay-Trouin will leave Esquimalt on Monday, and will not enter dock here, as was announced at first. She will head south from here, and the Hawaiian capital will be the first point of call. Social pastimes are monopolizing the time of the officers, and they will no doubt look back with pleasure to their visit to this port. The ship receives a large number of visitors every afternoon.

—At the provincial police court this afternoon before Magistrate Macrae, the charge of stealing sheep preferred against W. Beall and D. Silvey is being heard. The cases against H. Beall and Paul Longley have been withdrawn, and they are witnesses in the case of the other two. The sheep, it is alleged, were stolen from William Millington of Williams' Island. J. P. Walls appears for the prisoners, and Sergeant Langley represents the crown. The hearing will not be concluded until late this afternoon.

—Johnny, the insane Chinese domestic, is still confined to a cell in the police barracks. It is not determined fully yet to send him to Westminster asylum. Some of his friends have expressed a willingness to take charge of him and send him home to his people in China. If the matter takes the proper shape it is very likely that the authorities will allow that plan to be carried out. Johnny's jailors watch him very closely now, as yesterday one of them caught him trying to throw his queue through one of the upper bars of the window in his cell.

—The sealing schooner George R. White sailed from Seattle for Behring Sea on Monday. The schooner is in command of Captain Jack Wheeler, who was in command of the little schooner Volunteer when she, as alleged, led the war ship Mohican such a long chase not long ago. The White carries five boats with one hunter for each boat, the captain going as one of the hunters. Besides the hunters she has a crew of nine seamen and a cook. She is well provisioned for the trip and will be gone from Seattle several months.

—The funeral of the late Mrs. John Davie took place this morning from the family residence, Fairholme, on Belcher street, near Government. The funeral procession left the house at 9:20 o'clock and proceeded to Christ Church cathedral, where services for the dead were conducted. Canon Beanlands officiated, assisted by Canon Paddon. The funeral was very largely attended and there were many beautiful floral offerings. The pall bearers were Hon. J. H. Turner, Hon. C. E. Pooley, Dr. James Helmcken, H. D. Helmcken, Dr. R. B. C. Hanington, D. M. Eberts, Dr. Hasell and A. C. Flumerfelt.

—H. M. S. Hyacinth was this morning placed in the dock, and by 4 o'clock this afternoon the dock will be pumped out. The Hyacinth will be on the blocks for some time and extensive repairs are to be made to her bottom. When the work of repairing the vessel is completed she will look like a new boat and will be in shape for several years of active work. The repairs are being made in a thorough manner and everything needed is receiving attention. The amount set aside for the work was nearly $35,000, and it will be practically exhausted. When ready for sea the Hyacinth will go to Honolulu and relieve H. M. S. Champion.

—London Engineering of June 29 says: The S.S. Miowera, built by Messrs. C. S. Swan and Hunter, of Wallsend, to the order of Mr. James Huddart, after extensive alterations and additions, made a trial trip on the 18th of June prior to proceeding on a series of cruises to Norway, each extending over a fortnight, after which she will go on an all around the world cruise. A mean speed of 17 knots was obtained. Her length is 357 feet, beam 42 feet 3 inches and depth 28 feet. The engines, constructed by the Wallsend Shipping and Engineering Co., have cylinders 33 inches, 53 inches and 85 inches in diameter by 54 inch stroke, from boilers of steel, working at a pressure of 165 pounds on Howden's forced draught system. The electric lighting is by Messrs. J. H. Holmes & Co., and consists of 300 lights.

—A gentleman who arrived from Port Angeles last evening brought over the news of a drowning accident by which J. H. Johnson, Nels Nelson and John Deibold lost their lives. The party left on Monday evening for a short cruise in the sloop Pymont. A German who lives near the beach heard cries during the night, but, as he expressed himself, "Oh, I did not have time to bother." Yesterday morning a search party set out. They saw the sloop just off shore with Nelson clinging to her. One of the party started to swim to the rescue, but before he reached the upturned sloop Nelson threw up his hands and with a despairing shake of his head slipped into the water and sank out of sight. Johnson was a brother-in-law of Charles E. Mallette, formerly of this city, and was manager of the Port Angeles water works. He leaves a large family. Nelson and Deibold were unmarried.

From Thursday's Daily.

—The Canadian Pacific will not put its summer timetable into force this year.

—The members of Sunset lodge, K. of P., are arranging for an excursion to Tacoma during August.

—There have been several brush and wood fires of late, and the firemen are kept going. Nearly every fire is the result of carelessness which could have been avoided.

—All who are interested in the formation of a social and literary club here are invited to attend a meeting to be held next Monday evening at the reading room of the defunct Victoria club.

—A naval court of inquiry is being held on the Hyacinth at the dry dock today, estimating the damages sustained while south by going ashore. A large section of her keel is gone and other damages to her bottom were sustained. The court is sitting aboard H. M. S. Royal Arthur.

—Johnny, the crazy Chinese domestic who has been in the custody of the police for several days, was to-day ordered committed to the Westminster asylum. He will be taken up to-morow morning.

—It is probable that the Nanaimo Telegram will be revived, or at least the plant will be used for publishing a paper with another name. Mr. Howell, late of Mission and Westminster, will be at the helm.

—Fidelity lodge, I. O. G. T., gave an entertainment in Temperance hall last evenin. Mr. Gilchrist presided and an excellent programme was carried out. There was a fair sized crowd present and the affair was a thoroughly enjoyable one.

—The steamer Danube will sail this evening for the north. The folowing cabin passengers go up: John Cunningham, Rev. D. Jennings, Victor Austin, Miss Wakely, W. Leak, Mrs. Clifford, W. Moris, R. Cunningham and wife and H. W. Price.

—The funeral of Miss Lizzie Murray took place yesterday. Rev. W. L. Clay officiated and the pall bearers were: E. Mahandaine, jr., J. Mallandaine, J. H. Martin, George Chadwick, John Muirhead, James McL. Muirhead, D. H. Anderson, and Carl Lindquist.

—William Jensen, who applied for and was refused a retail liquor license for the Board of Trade building, will make a similar application at the next meeting of the board. The merits of the case were not gone into, the application being refused because it was not signed by a sufficient number.

—Fairall's brewery, Victoria West, established and managed by H. S. Fairall, has been purchased by Stephen O'Brien and Gus Varrelman. The latter will assume the active management of the brewing to-day. His ability in that line is well-known and the old success of the place will be kept up. Beer, ale and porter will be made.

—Hugh Munro, until recently a farmer at James Island, died yesterday at the residence of Mrs. Anderson, 23 North Park street. The deceased was a native of Ross-shire, Scatland, and 75 years of age. He leaves three sons and three daughters, all of whom are married. The funeral will take place to-morrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

—The steamer Rosalie arrived here at 2 o'clock this afternoon with an excursion party of 140 people from Seattle aboard. The affair was got up by the Guild of Trinity Parish, of which Dean Geo. Herbert Watson is rector. The sail up the Sound was heartily enjoyed by all, the day becoming bright and clear by noon. The boat left on the return trip shortly after 4 o'clock.

—To the surprise of a number of local business people, W. C. Bowman, a popular commercial man of Kansas City, turned up yesterday looking hale and hearty. He was thought to be dead. A man of his name and similar business died recently in the east and the news was sent to the coast papers. Everybody felt sorry for poor Bowman, and everybody's hair stood on end when Mr. Bowman turned up. If Mr. Bowman were only a drinking man!

—The London correspondent of the Fur Trade Review writing on June 12 says among other things: Considering the very large offering of American and Australian furs, prices must have been fairly satisfactory to the shippers. Although it is as yet too early to know what catch to expect of fur seals, the northwest coast collection is, however, expected to be one-third less than the catch of 1893. Business has somewhat improved during the last months, but is still far from satisfactory.

—The Rev. Victor Rosenstein, who filled the pulpit of the Stepney (London) synagogue for twelve years, will conduct the services and deliver a lecture in the synagogue in this city to-morrow evening at 7.30. The rev. gentleman, who is well known as a fine cantor, is a candidate for the position of minister to the Hebrew congregation of Victoria, it being at the present time without a spiritual guide. It is expected that the synagogue will be well filled to-morrow, all seats being free.

—Dunsmuir & Sons have discharged the entire crew of the Wellington and sent the vessel over to Sausalito to lie up, says the San Francisco Call. The Wellington has been making regular trips to British Columbia for a long period of time and her sudden withdrawal from the coal-carrying trade is something of a surprise. Business is not rushing, and there is more coal in the market than is in demand at present. It is not thought that the Wellington will be laid off for any great length of time.

—There was a large crowd at Institute hall last night to witness the entertainment got up by the ladies of St. Andrew's cathedral. The blackbird pie was a great feature, the little ones singing and acting well. Mrs. Sheldon's solo was greatly appreciated and an encore was demanded. The songs by Mr. Boynton and Miss Lyons, the duet by Miss Wilson and Miss Wilkes, the recitation by Miss Keete and the instrumental trio by the Misses Sehl and Frank Sehl were all very good. The Bantly family played a number of choice selections. Ice cream, raspberries and other refreshments were served. The proceeds go to the church.

—The island sheep stealing case was concluded in the provincial police court this morning. Both Walter Beall and Domingo Silva were found guilty and each sentenced to two months' imprisonment, the latter with hard labor attached. The prisoners did not make any defence. There were four in the party when the deer were killed and stolen, but the other two did not know what had been alone till afterwards. They were all on the way to Plumpers Pass, and stopped at Williams island. The two convicted went ashore and shortly afterwards a few shots were heard. When they returned they said they had killed a couple of deer. On the way back they called for the carcasses and it developed that they were those of sheep.

Nice Covers.

Samples of a very neat portfolio cover for America Photographed can be seen at the Times office. Orders will be received at 65 cents each and covers will be supplied two or three weeks after. The numbers of the portfolios when placed together in this cover will be a handsome ornament to the house.

Whether Pasteur and Koch's peculiar modes of treatment will ultimately prevail or not, their theory of blood contamination is the correct one, though not original. It was on this theory that Dr. J. C. Ayer, of Lowell, Mass., nearly fifty years ago, formulated Ayer's Sarsaparilla.

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UNITED SERVICE LODGE, A.F.A.M

Installation of Officers Last Night, Followed by a Banquet.

The officers of United Service Lodge, Esquimalt, were installed last night by the grand officers, Bros. McMicking, McKeown, Quinlan, Glover and about twenty other members of the craft in Victoria visiting at the interesting ceremony. The officers of the new lodge are: W. M., Bro. Hickey; S. W., Bro. Muir; J. W., Bro. H. E. Hammond; treasurer, Bro. Perkins; secretary, Bro. McKnight; S. D., Bro. Beatley; J. D., Bro. Geake; D. C., Bro. Glen; J. G., Bro. Fox; stewards, Bros. Brown and Hobs; tyler, Bro. C. Hammond.

After installation the members of the United Service lodge entertained the visitors at a banquet, the table being spread in the hall. About sixty chairs were occupied, and the dinner, which was admirably prepared by R. S. Brown, wardroom messman of the Royal Arthur, with the subsequent toast list, occupied the undivided attention of the party until 2 a.m. The excellent string band from the flagship contributed not a little to the pleasure of the evening.

The toast list was as follows: The Queen and the Craft, the M. W. G. M. of B. C., the R. W. D. G. M. of B. C. and Grand Lodge Officers Past and Present, M. W. G. M. of England, H. R. H. the Prince of Wales, the Worshipful Master, Bro. Hickey, the Visitors, Senior and Junior Wardens, Absent Brethren, Sister Lodges, the Ladies, the Press, the Tyler's Toast. Suitable responses were made in each case, and when God Save the Queen was sung a unanimous vote was recorded that the event in all its details was of a very pleasing character.

WESTMINSTER EXHIBITION.

The Date Fixed—The Governor-General Invited to be Present.

The annual exhibition of the Royal Agricultural and Industrial society will be held at New Westminster on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 9th, 10th and 11th of October.

The following letter has been received by Mr. A. B. Mackenzie, secretary, in reply to the invitation extended to the governor-general and Lady Aberdeen to attend the opening of the exhibition.

Government House, Ottawa, July 10th, 1894.—Dear Sir: His excellency desires me to acknowledge with thanks your courteous letter of the 30th June. His excellency recognizes the importance and interest of the occasion, and will be extremely glad if it is possible for him to visit the exhibition, but at persent he is unable to say with any definiteness whether it will be in his power to be present upon any of the dates specified. He will, however, carefully keep the matter in view, and let you know as much before hand as possible whether he can have the pleasure of being present during the exhibition. I remain, yours faithfully, W. T. G. Hewet, Priv. Sec.

If his excellency should come to the province about the time mentioned, he will no doubt be invited to open the Provincial exhibition in Victoria.

THE ELECTIONS.

Graham Leads the Chief Commissioner in East Yale.

Returns received from the northern portion of East Yale give Mr. Graham, the opposition candidate, a majority of 56. No word has been received from the southern portion of the district, where Hon. Mr. Vernon, the government candidate, is considered to be strong. The returns so far received are Enderby, Graham 30, Vernon 44; Armstrong, Vernon 25, Graham 96; Vernon City, Vernon 93, Graham 124; Mara, Vernon 15, Graham 6; O'Keefe's, Vernon 10, Graham 12; White Valley, Vernon 42, Graham 17. This makes thus far Vernon 229, Graham 285.

The latest returns from the couth riding of West Kootenay give Hume, opposition, 408, Buchanan, government, 245. There are two small places to hear from.

Capt. Irving will leave to-night for Cassiar on the Danube, and will remain there until after polling in the coast districts. He takes with him a steam launch in which he will visit the settlements on the coast and rivers. Mr. Dalby is still in the field as a candidate, and Mr. Collins, of Vancouver, will uphold the straight opposition ticket.

PROVINCIAL ELECTIONS.

Mr. Hume Defeats the Government Candidate in West Kootenay.

The returns received from West Kootenay, where the election was held yesterday, show that in all probability Mr. Kellie, the government candidate, has been elected for the north riding, and Mr. Hume, the opposition candidate, for the south riding. The latest returns from the north riding are:

	Kellie.	Brown.
Revelstoke	75	49
Illecillewaet	13	4
Glacier	20	11

The following dispatch explains the position in the south riding:

Nelson, B. C., July 17.—Three precincts give Hume one hundred and sixty-four, Buchanan eighty-one. Buchanan is likely to lose his deposit.

The official count in West Yale is: Semlin 198, Wardle 132; North Yale, Martin 312, McCutcheon 227.

The election in East Yale took place to-day.

A FALL REGATTA.

Proposition to Bring All the Sound Yachts Here Again This Year

There will be a meeting of the Victoria Yacht club at the club house of the James Bay Athletic association to-night. It is to be held to discuss the proposition of holding a big fall regatta here this year. The project has only been talked of for a few days, but it is meeting with every encouragement and will very likely be carried through. When the Queen's birthday regatta was given this spring many of the Puget Sound yachts were not in commission, and while it was a great success the attendance was not as large as it might have been under different circumstances. The Whatcom regatta did not draw the crowd that it should have either. At the time of the recent celebration Rear Admiral Stephenson promised to give a naval review some time this year, and the suggestion is made that the review and the regatta be held together.

The members of the yacht club are urged to turn out in large numbers this evening as if the proposition is to be taken up work must be begun upon it at once.

REV. McLEOD'S CONGREGATION

Presbytery Grants Permission to Organize in James Bay.

The Presbytery met at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon for the purpose of considering the application of the Centre church, to establish a congregation in James Bay. The moderator, Rev. D. Macrae, presided. The papers in connection with the petition, with the exception of one letter which referred to "the late unpleasantness," were received. Messrs. Joseph Shaw, William Burns, H. Henderson, jr., and Joseph Jark, representing the petitioners, were in attendance and stated their views. They explained that in response to the recommendations of the synod and presbytery, they had secured a building in James Bay, the old school house, and they had held their first services last Sunday. They started free of debt. There were 42 children in the Sunday school, which number was likely to be doubled. The collections since the church started amounted to $1,653, or at the rate of $1,888 a year. The presbytery could rest assured that the minimum stipend, $1,000 a year, would be satisfactorily settled at the coming meeting of the congregation.

The congregations of the First Presbyterian, St. Andrew's and Victoria West churches had no objections to the formation of the congregation. Rev. D. Macrae, of Victoria West, regretted that the move had been made before the presbytery had taken action and granted permission.

Mr. Shaw explained that no defiance was intended.

On motion of Mr. Fell it was resolved that the petition be granted upon the petitioners guaranteeing a minimum stipend of $1,000. Rev. P. McF. McLeod was decided on as the organizer, the supplying of the pulpit to be left to the congregation, Messrs. Flett and Finlay to be elders to constitute the interim session.

A lively discussion followed on the congregation's action in moving before permission was granted by the presbytery. This was settled by the adoption of the following resolution, moved by Rev. D. Campbell: "That the presbytery strongly disapprove of the action of the petitioners in moving to James Bay while their petition was before the court and before the presbytery had granted them permission to organize a congregation."

THE BAY CITY.

Serious Street Car Accident—The Fun in the Blythe Case.

San Francisco, July 18.—By a collision between electric and cable cars on the crossing at Howard and Stuart streets this morning, two women were seriously injured. The cable car ran into the rear of an electric car, on which there were seven passengers, two of whom, Mrs. Cosgrove and Miss Edna Shattuck, were thrown off. Mrs. Cosgrove's knee cap was broken and she was badly injured otherwise, while Miss Shattuck, sustained internal injuries it is believed.

Judge Murphy to-day awarded a fee of $80,000 to the firm of Naphtal, Friedenrich and Ackerman for four years services to the late Public Administrator Pennie in connection with the Blythe case.

Italians Capture Kassala.

Rome, July 19.—Information has been received here that a battle was fought on Tuesday between the Italian forces and Mahdists near Kassala, and the latter were defeated. The Italians captured Kssala. The Italian loss is several killed and one wounded. The Mahdists' loss is considerable.

Marine.

The steamship Victoria, Capt. Paatze, will sail for the Orient on Tuesday next.

The British ship Clan Robertson, of some 1,900 tons, is now en route from Hongkong with a cargo of tea under charter of the C. P. R. Her cargo consists of about 2,500 tons. She left Hongkong on July 6th.

All Vancouver boatmen running naphtha and steam launches were notified on Monday last by the customs authorities that this would no longer be permitted under the present conditions. J. Thomson, provincial steamboat inspector at Victoria, has given these instructions pursuant to the coming into force of the Steamboat Inspection act last Saturday, which was passed during the last session. The particular section of the act which applies in this instance, is that rendering it obligatory upon all vessels propelled otherwise than by oar or sail, to be inspected and licensed, under which circumstances it is necessary for the boat to carry a certain number of life belts, ready for use in case of accident.

The steamer R. P. Rithet was launched this morning launched from the marine railway and is around in the harbor. She has been completely repaired and is in good shape for service as ever.

While many of the appliances used in a gymnasium are useful adjuncts to physical development, still when these are not obtainable methods may be employed which dispense entirely with these appliances, and instead are used various exercises for strengthening the muscles and the lungs. The exercises are walking, running, bending and acrobatic movements which give full play to the muscles and develop lung power.

The truth is self-evident that there can be no thorough training that does not train the whole system, producing strong muscles, good circulation, strong lungs, clear and resonant voice, graceful carriage and good digestion.

Nothing is more important than that children should be taught the principles of physical development. Girls are guarded against all kinds of physical exercises that are as necessary to them as to boys in the most ludicrous way, just as though their manners were to be affected or their bearing made less lady-like.

If people would recognize the fact that physical culture improves girls in that respect, and that there can be no grace so attractive, no ease of manner so conspicuous, as that which comes through the flexibility and equipoise of the body toned up and strengthened by daily exercise, and that from this also will come more improvement to the complexion than from all lotions that were ever invented.