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Latest Canadian News.

NORTHWEST TERRITORIES.

The government has received word that a Conservative candidate will be elected at Regina next week to oppose Hon. O. I. Stone and Mr. Pugsley, president of the Regina and Long Lake Railway are spoken of as the probable choice of the convention. In official circles Pugsley is regarded as the strong-man.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

During a recent heavy gale the British ship Squando, Capt. Linberg, laden with deals for Aspinwall, drove ashore at Bathurst and will be a total wreck. The crew were saved.

While smoking in her room, at St. John, Ann Jones, wife of an iron worker, ignited her clothes and was horribly burned. An alarm of fire was sounded, but when help arrived the room was so full of smoke that the distraite form of the woman was mistaken for a bundle of rags and a pail of water was thrown over her. As soon as it was discovered that a human body was on the floor the woman was dragged to the door and the flames extinguished. She was dead and her body horribly disfigured.

QUEBEC

Mr. J. C. McLachlan, of McLachlan Bros. & Sons, and Mr. Summer of Ridgson, Summer & Co., went duck shooting recently near Montreal, and on returning, a search was insituted for them. Both guns and boats have been found, and it is considered certain that they have been drowned.

Attorney-General Taillon is a candidate for the county of Montcalm, Mr. Prichard, M. P. P., having resigned.

Messrs. Joseph Steiner Bros. furriers, Montreal, have made a demand of assignment on the part of Rivet & Lotte, hat and fur manufacturers. The firm's liabilities are not large, have been in business only a year.

C. S. Hall, Jr., has filed his preliminary objections to Mr. G. W. Stephen's petition to unseat him.

Patrick Largey, 14 years old, of this township, while hunting in the woods for deer, was overcome by cold and fatigue, and while his companions were gone for assistance he died.

In addition to the religious demonstrations in St. Roch's Church, Quebec, the expenses of which were defrayed by the subscriptions of the people of Quebec East, the first anniversary of Riel's death was marked by editorial references to the event in all the French local papers, L'Electeur (Liberal) appearing in mourning and printing also the rebel leader's portrait.

It is rumored that Mr. Gaudet, M. P. for Nicolet, will retire from public life and that Mr. G. Ball will be the conservative candidate.

The schooner Maria, Captain Joncas, from Labrador, is over due at Quebec, and fears for her safety are entertained.

Pierre Beaubien, aged about 55 years, died suddenly on the street at Quebec, from compression of the brain, caused by effusion.

Mayor Rochon, of Hull, has deposited $200 to contest Cormier's election in Ottawa county.

Mr. Davergue, law partner of Hon. Mr. Laurier, has been nominated in Drummond and Arthabasca.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

Nearly one thousand horses have been exported this year from Prince Edward Island to the United States. The American dealers are now buying horses on the island for export before navigation closes.

ONTARIO.

At the South Wentworth conservative convention, F. M. Carpenter was nominated for the Dominion and Richard Quance for the local.

Willie, son of Wm. Copeland, of St. Catarines, was instantly killed by the explosion of a japanning boiler in McKinnon & Mitchell's factory.

Mr. Mowat has already two seats filled by supporters of his who will sit in the next session—East and West Algoma. The Elections Act provides that nominations and pollings for Algoma shall take place only between May 20 and June 30, and that the members of the last session shall continue to sit in any session may intervene between the dissolution and the election for Algoma.

Mr. A. S. Allan, of Clifford, has been unanimously chosen as the liberal standard-bearer for West Wellington in the coming provincial contest.

Archibald Campbell, of Campbell, Stewart & Co., millers of Chatham, has been nominated for the commons by the liberals and Knights of Labor of Kent.

FAMILY MARKET REPORT.

SATURDAY, October 27.

BUTTER—Choice Island, 50c ⅌ lb; Island Roll, 75c; New Grass Cut, 87c ⅌ roll; White Clover, —c; Canadian Keg, 30c; Bennett's, 37c

CHEESE—Canadian, 25c. ⅌lb.; Cala., 25c.; Eastern Cream, 25c; B.C., 25c.

EGGS—Fresh Island, 50c. ⅌ doz.; Sound, 40c.

CORNMEAL—50c ⅌sack of 10lbs.

OATMEAL—50c ⅌ sack of 10lbs.

FLOUR—Extra, $5 25 ⅌ brl.; $1 50 ⅌sack; Super $5 25brl.

OAT—2c.⅌lb.

EGGS—Lima, 5c.⅌lb; Small White and Bayou, 5c

SWEET PEAS—12½c.⅌lb.

VEGETABLES—Potatoes, 1c. ⅌ lb; sweet 6c. ⅌lb; Onions, 5c⅌lb; Celery, 50c ⅌ doz; Carrots, 3c⅌lb; Rhubarb, —c⅌lb; Lettuce, 25c. ⅌dz; Cauliflower, $1 ⅌ doz; Asparagus, 50c⅌ bch; Radishes, 50c⅌dz bunches; Squash, 3c. ⅌lb; Turnips, 5c. ⅌ lb.; Green Peas, —c ⅌ lb. String Beans, —c ⅌ lb; Cucumbers, 25c ⅌ doz; Cabbage, 1½c⅌lb; Tomatoes, 10c⅌lb; Green Okra, —c⅌lb; Chili Pepper,25c⅌lb; Green Corn, —c⅌dz; Dry Squash, 3c⅌lb.

HAM—Home Cured, 18c. ⅌lb; Chicago, 20c.; Oregon, 20c; Shoulders, 18c.

BACON—Breakfast, 18@20c⅌lb.

LARD—20c. ⅌lb.

FISH—Cod, 6c. ⅌ lb; Salmon 10c ⅌ lb; Boneless Cod,10c; Soles, 10c; Halibut 10c; Yarmouth Bloaters, 10c. ⅌ lb.; Sal. Bellies, 10c⅌ lb; Herring 6c.; . lounder, 6c ; Smoked Oolachans an.l Salmon, 10c. Smelt, 10c.; Sturgeon, 6c; Whiting, 10c.; Shrimp, 75c; Salt Oolachans, 8c; Crabs, $1.00 ⅌ dozen; Smoked Herring, 12½c. ⅌lb; Salmon Trout, 10c; Oolachans, —⅌lb; Spanish Mackerel, 25

PICKLED SALMON—1lb tins, per doz., $2.

FRUIT—Lemons, 50c. ⅌ doz; Oranges, 50@75c⅌doz; Limes, 25c ⅌doz.; Apples, $1 ⅌box; Cranberries, 50c ⅌ gal.; Quinces, 5c. ⅌ lb.; Pears, 6c; Grapes, 10c; Bananas, 50 ⅌doz; Cocoanuts, 10c ea; Cherries, —c ⅌ lb; Apricots, —c⅌lb; Strawberries,—c; Gooseberries, —c⅌lb; Raspberries,—c.⅌lb; Plums, —c⅌lb; Peaches, —c; Pineapples, $1 ea; Watermelons, —c. each; Muskmelons, —c.

DRIED FRUITS—Lemon, 50c.⅌lb; Mixed, 50c

RAISINS—Zante, 15@16c⅌lb.

NUTS—English Layers, 50c ⅌ lb.; Cala., 25c Sultans, Valencia and Eleme 25c.

Brazil, New, 37½@50c.⅌lb.

SPICES—25c.⅌ tin.

SOAP—$1 per 6lb box; 25c per ⅌.

COFFEE—Coffee, ground, 50c. ⅌ lb; green, 25c.⅌lb; Tea, from 37½c. to $1 25 ⅌ lb.

SUGAR—Crushed or Cube, 8lbs for $1; Granulated or No 1, 10lbs for $1; D or No. 2, 11lbs for $1.

NUTS—Enc. Walnuts, 20c.⅌lb; Cocoanuts, 12½.ea; Almonds—Paper Shell, 37½c.; Jordan, 15c Brazil, 37½c. Chestnuts, 37½c.

PICKLED SPICED BEEF—12½c. ⅌ lb.; Ox Tongues7½c. ea.; Smoked Tongues,$1 ea.

BACON—Choice Cuts, 12½c.⅌lb; other cuts, 10c; Soup meat, 8c.

BEEF—Choice Joints, 12½c.⅌lb; Stewing meat 8c.

MUTTON—12½c.⅌lb.

VEAL—15c.⅌lb.

HAY—$1.25 per quarter.

OATS—12½@15c. ⅌lb.

BARLEY—12½c.⅌lb.

DRESSED PIGS—$2.50@3.00 ea.

LARD—Tame, $1 ea; Wild, 62½ ⅌ pr.

CHICKENS—Spring Chickens, $5@6⅌dozr; 75c. ea.

DUCKS—37½c. ⅌lb .

GEESE—Tame, $2 50 ea ; Wild, 75c.

TURKEYS—$2 ⅌ tin; ⅌ case, $3 75.

BEEF—75c. ⅌ quart; Canned, 37½c⅌can.

HOP—18 per ton.

BACON—15½c.⅌lb.

HAMS—2c.⅌lb.

SHOULDERS—12½c. ⅌lb.

BRAN—Willow, 62c ⅌ pr; Blue, 25.

SHORTS—Hindquts, 6c⅌lb.

PICKLED SALMON—12½c⅌lb.

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REGULAR COMMERCIAL ADVERTISING, as distinguished from everything of a transient character—that is to say, advertising referring to regular Mercantile and Manufacturing Business, Government and Land Notices—published at the following rates per line solid Nonpareil, the duration of publication to be specified at the time of ordering advertisement—

More than one fortnight and not more than one month—50 cents.
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Six Months.....$1 25
Three Months.....75

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TO SUBSCRIBERS AND INTENDING SUBSCRIBERS.

IN ORDERING THE WEEKLY COLONIST, TO INSURE DELIVERY, YOU SHOULD ENCLOSE THE AMOUNT OF SUBSCRIPTION IN POSTAGE STAMPS, MONEY ORDERS, COIN OR BANK BILLS. NO PAPERS LEAVE THIS OFFICE UNLESS THE SUBSCRIPTION HAS BEEN FIRST PAID, AND NO NOTICE IS TAKEN OF ANY ORDER THAT IS NOT ACCOMPANIED BY THE MONEY.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS.

Persons residing at a distance from Victoria, who may desire to insert a notice of Birth, Marriage or Death in *The Colonist*, must enclose with each notice TWO DOLLARS AND FIFTY CENTS in P. O. Stamps, money order, bills or coin, to ensure insertion.

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NOTICE.

SPECIAL EDITION FOR SOUTH SAANICH, LAKE, METCHOSIN, SOOKE, COMOX AND OTHER DISTRICTS NOT REACHED BY FRIDAY'S MAIL IS PRINTED EVERY TUESDAY MORNING AND DISPATCHED THROUGH THE POSTOFFICE.

Local and Provincial News.

From the Daily Colonist, Dec. 4.

MR. RAYBOULD, M. P. P., DEAD.

He Falls off the Platform in the Rear of his Store and is Killed Almost Instantly.

(Special to the Colonist.)

NANAIMO, Dec. 3.—This evening at 7:30 o'clock the community was startled by the report that Mr. Wm. Raybould, junior member for Nanaimo district in the provincial legislature, had fallen off the platform at the rear of his store and sustained injuries which caused almost instant death. The Black Diamond lodge of Odd Fellows, who own the building in which Mr. Raybould has his store and dwelling, on Commercial street, have been extending the rear of the building and platform. This evening, shortly after 7 o'clock, Mr. Raybould, thinking he heard some one interfering with his boat, which is moored at the rear of the building, went out to ascertain if such was the case, and in some unaccountable manner must have fallen through the end of the platform and down a distance of nearly thirty feet. Mr. John Mahrer happened to be passing along Commercial street and heard the noise of the fall and gave the alarm, and with others went to ascertain the cause. The deceased gentleman was found on the beach in an unconscious condition. A large pool of blood was found alongside of deceased, which flowed from a wound in the head. He was taken to his room above and Drs. Davis and Kenwick were soon in attendance and did all that was possible, but in a few minutes the vital spark of life departed. The skull was severely fractured, causing comatic apoplexy. The deceased gentleman was found unconscious by Mr. Mahrer and others and never spoke afterwards. Mr. Raybould was a native of Staffordshire, England, and came to this city in 1864, and for many years held the responsible position of pithead man in the Douglas mine of the Vancouver coal company; in fact until the mine was worked out and abandoned a few years ago.

[The deceased was about fifty years of age, and came to this province in 1864 by the sailing ship Napoleon III. from his native place, Briarly Hill, Staffordshire, Eng. He located at Nanaimo, where he was first engaged as an official of the Vancouver Coal Co., and afterwards embarked in mercantile business on his own account, which he has successfully conducted ever since. Before starting on the voyage he was married to a sister of Mr. Noah Shakespeare, M. P. That gentleman received the intelligence last evening and was greatly shocked at the sad event. It is only a few weeks since Mrs. Raybould returned from a visit to England. At the time of his death deceased was a member of the local legislature, having represented Nanaimo in company with Mr. Dunsmuir since 1881. By his colleague, the government, and all members of the legislature he was highly esteemed for his uniform courtesy and good common sense. He was instrumental in passing several important measures, and took an especial interest in matters pertaining to the advancement of the mining population. He was a popular and respected citizen and for several years was a member of the city council of Nanaimo. He was president of the Mechanics' Institute, and was a member of the temperance order, of which cause he was an earnest advocate. The sad and unexpected accident which resulted in his death caused a profound feeling of sympathy and regret among his many friends and co-workers in this city. By his death the province loses one of its most trusted legislators and the city in which he lived a most valued and worthy citizen. He leaves a sorrowing wife to mourn his loss, who has the heartfelt sympathy of a large circle of friends and the community at large in her sad bereavement.]

THE HIGH LEVELS.—A special meeting of the city council was held yesterday afternoon when considerable discussion took place with reference to the high level reservoire. Owing to the absence of several councillors no decision was arrived at, and the matter will again come up at the next regular meeting.

What Some People Say.

That the Rithet has been showing a fast sailing record lately.

That the interference of the owner of a bull-dog spoiled a fierce dog fight on Government street yesterday.

That worthless Consolidated Bank bills of Montreal are being extensively passed in California.

That a tourist without money is a tramp. A tramp who has money is a tourist.

That Coster (*apropos* of Young Gent's enormous button-hole): "Yes, it's a very fine *plant*, but I can't say as I thinks much of the *pot*."

That Edwin: "I've just found a shot in my bit of the partridge!" Angelina: "How odd! So have I. Poor thing—they're had to shoot it twice!"

That Colonel Ingersoll, in his annual president's address to the American Secular union, said, "I hope that it will turn out that there is a God."

That Frank Siddall, the Philadelphia soap man, says: "I have confined my advertising entirely to newspapers. The man who does not read a newspaper does not use soap."

That the rumor that Wandering Willie, the Abandoned Man, had escaped from his keepers turns out to be untrue. He is still in the asylum for screeheads.—*Hamilton Spectator.*

That Jenkins: "What does Dawdle do for a living?" Johnson: "Nothing! He lives on his wits!" Jenkins (sympathetically): "Poor devil! I don't suppose he ever gets a decent meal."

That W. W. Cole's circus and menagerie has been sold at auction in New Orleans. Cole made a fortune of $2,000,000 in the show business. The great elephant Sampson was among the lots disposed of.

That it takes a boy to get at first principles. At a recent exhibition the clergyman asked: "What does God give to guide everyone's daily life?" Of course he thought the scholars would say the Bible, conscience, etc., but one little fellow shouted out: "Common sense."

That, "Well, Bascomb, how is your married life? You used to call your wife a daisy. Do you still keep up the endearing title?" "No, George. She's very wakeful at night, and gives me the awfulest curtain lectures." "Ah, indeed! And what do you call her now?" "The night-blooming serious."

That Edith: "I was so shocked last night. I don't believe I will see George if he calls this evening." "What did he do?" "Why, last evening he suddenly took hold of me, twisted me around into his arms, and forcibly kissed me a dozen times. I don't believe your little Willie ever insults you that way, does he?" "No," he's a regular gump."

That every one, however humble, has a mission to do, or say, or think something which has never been done, or said, or thought; therefore, let each one, while gratefully accepting the help and profiting by the wisdom of others, cultivate his own individually, live his own independent life, and fulfil his own possibilities.

That that was a rare philosophy in the 3 year-old boy who asked what night is for, and not content with the reply, "For rest and sleep," added, "No, papa, night is for to-morrow." Many men and women grown, never apprehend so clearly the true relations existing between rest or recreation and the serious duties of life.

That a pet parrot attacked the six-weeks old baby of Mrs. James Lawson, of Madison, Ind., and picked a hole in its skull, through which the brains oozed. The injuries are fatal.

That President Arthur used often to go out walking in Washington, and before doing so invariably put a lot of silver coins in his pocket to give to beggars, organ grinders, newsboys, etc.

That a young woman went into a Chicago library the other day and asked for the novel entitled "She Cometh Not Her Head," but she finally concluded to take "He Cometh Not, She Said."

That Robert Shaw, an aged farmer living near Salem, Mich., signed his name and address on a postal card "just for reference." A few days later the card appeared as an order for a worthless machine, and it cost Mr. Shaw $200 to get his name off the card.

That Roscoe Conkling, describing a witness on the other side of the case:—"Gentlemen, I think I can see that witness now—his mouth stretching across the wide desolation of his face, a fountain of falsehood and a sepulchre of rum."

That the New York Sun, which calls the Bartholdi statue the petroleuse, says that at present when the torch is lighted, the upper lip, chin and cheeks are enveloped in an inky shadow, which forms a full beard, so that the gentle lady might be taken for a Blue Beard.

That there is a farmer in England who recently tried to have his infant son christened with twenty-six names, each beginning with a different letter of the alphabet. He did not succeed, but strange to say, it was the clergyman who objected and not the scold.

That the 125 steamships plying between the United States and Europe cost $100,000,000, employ 18,750 men, spend $1,000,000 a month for coal, carry 500,000 passengers a year, and earn $22,000,000 for passage money exclusive of what is paid for freight.

That Baron Willy Rothschild, who succeeds to the control of the Frankfort house, is a strictly orthodox Jew. He never eats or drinks without his hat on, and will not partake of any food that he does not know to have been prepared according to the Jewish customs. He is also a profound student of the Talmud.

That while a man was going to bed in St. Louis lately, a small hand, wearing on one finger a ring, suddenly appeared, raised the chimney from the lighted lamp to a height of six inches or more, moved it toward the astonished observer a short distance, and then dropped it on the floor. The man has the broken chimney in proof of the truth of the story.

Mainland News.

(Inland Sentinel.)

Snow at Spalumcheen is fully six inches deep, and sleigh bells chime merrily.

A Chinaman, having both feet badly frozen, was brought in from Griffin lake by last night's train.

On the 27th of September last Mrs. Churcher of San Diego, Cal., while travelling on the C. P. R., being one of an excursion party from Chicago to San Francisco, dropped a pair of gold spectacles off the train near Port Haney, while the train was running about thirty miles an hour. She reported her loss to Conductor Gavin, and he placed the matter in the hands of Detective Devlin who found out a few days ago that the spectacles had been found by a young man from Esquimalt. Devlin called on the gentleman and had the spectacles returned to Mrs. Churcher, who felt overjoyed at the recovery as they were a present from a dear friend. A reward of $100 made the conductor and detective smile.

NOTARY PUBLIC.—The lieutenant-governor has been pleased to appoint M. E. Dansereau, Esq., (of Hart, Imrie & Dansereau) a notary public for this province.

THE PROVINCIAL GAOL.

Life and Dietary of the Prisoners, and Notes of Interest.

There are 56 prisoners in the provincial gaol, Topaz avenue, at the present time and if the rapid increase of the past few weeks continues the chances are that the 66 cells will be occupied. A *Colonist* reporter called at the gaol yesterday and was shown through the various departments by Gaoler Hutchinson. In the female department there are six prisoners who have comfortable quarters. The three tiers of cells are kept neat and clean and inmates have no reason to complain so far as appearances go. Each cell is provided with a bed containing a woven wire mattress and three double blankets. A good fire is kept constantly burning and there is no hardship in the sleeping accommodations at least.

Passing through the office to the rear are found

THE MALE WARDS,

many of the cells of which are now occupied. There are five prisoners in the sick ward, though none of them are seriously affected. The beds in all these cells have woven wire mattresses and three double blankets. Two prisoners are kept on each side of the gaol to keep the cells clean, also one on each of the upper tiers, and the cells are cleansed twice a day. Gaoler Hutchinson is trying the experiment of painting the stone floors of the cells which will facilitate keeping them in perfect sanitary condition. Several prisoners were noticed in the exercise yard, and they appeared to enjoy the two hours of blue sky and fresh air allowed them every day. The yard where Sproule was hung bears no evidence of the sad scene enacted a few weeks ago. A visit to Sproule's cell was made and everything was found just as the unfortunate man left it on the fatal morning when he marched to his doom. The blankets laid on the bed as he had left them on arising, the slippers which he had discarded stood in one corner, all his clothing was neatly tied in a bundle; three prayer books, a bible, a book entitled "From death into life," a spoon and comb were all there just as he had placed them on his last morning. Gaoler Hutchinson keeps the cell locked, and will not allow anything within to be disturbed until some of Sproule's friends claim them.

THE KITCHEN

is scrupulously clean and perfect in all details of arrangement. It is provided with all the latest cooking utensils and a first-class range. Three Chinese prisoners cook for the gaol, and some fresh bread shown the reporter was light and tempting enough to win the approval of the most exacting epicure. The supper that was being prepared was good as far as it went though the variety of dishes was not large. It consisted of oatmeal mush, a half pound of bread and a pint of tea. Adjoining the kitchen is a store room where previsions and clothing are kept. The coffee, oatmeal, tea, sugar and syrup were all tested, and found to be of good quality, and there was no apparent reason why any complaint about the quality of the fare could be justly made by the prisoners.

In the laundry two prisoners were engaged in washing clothes, and the same cleanliness and practical system of work as found in the kitchen was noticed. As soon as a prisoner arrives from the court at the gaol he is given a bath and an entire change of clothes, and each week thereafter goes through the same course, so that the neatness of the prisoners must correspond with the neatness of their surroundings. Beneath the laundry

THE DARK CELLS

are located. They have not been used much as the prisoners as a class so far have given very little trouble. A confined prisoner was released from the dark cells yesterday after a three days' siege. He has had spells and during moments of insanity fights anyone near him and attacks the guards. The dark cell generally quiets him down, however. It is a fact that the dietary of the prison will compare favorably with that of any prison in the Dominion, and is far superior to the California prisons. No beer or fermented spirituous liquors of any kind are allowed in the gaol. Smoking or the use of tobacco in any shape is not allowed, which some of the prisoners addicted to the habit find a severe punishment.

THE DIETARY

is divided into two scales. First for prisoners awaiting trial, and second, for prisoners sentenced to hard labor for more than thirty days. For breakfast the prisoners of the first scale are supplied with one pint of gruel made from oatmeal or Indian corn meal, and 8 ounces of bread with coffee.

For dinner 5 ounces of cooked meat without bone, 8 ounces of bread, 8 ounces of potatoes on three days a week, and 8 ounces of bread, 1 pound of potatoes, 1 pint of gruel two days a week, and 1 pint of soup with 8 ounces of bread two days a week.

The supper consists of 1 pint of gruel and 8 ounces of bread every night.

Prisoners of the second scale receive for breakfast 1 pint of gruel, 8 ounces of bread and 1 pint of pea coffee, sweetened with molasses or brown sugar, every morning.

For dinner 8 ounces of cooked meat, 8 ounces of bread, 8 ounces of potatoes. The supper consists of 1 pint of gruel, 8 ounces of bread and 1 pint of tea.

By the above dietary it will be observed that the food is healthful and enough for men in confinement, where no hard labor is performed. Each man receives 1¼ pounds of bread per day, 6 ounces of boiled beef, ¼ ounce of tea, ¾ an ounce of coffee and 1½ ounces of sugar, one pint of soup, ½ pound of potatoes, 4 ounces of oatmeal and 10 ounces of fish when served. Sick prisoners are rationed according to the doctor's orders.

THE GROUNDS

are being levelled off and beautified, and Quadra street is being extended past the gaol. There were 29 prisoners working out yesterday, and they seemed better contented than those who were inside. The sentences of these men vary from thirty days to three years. On leaving the gaol a beautiful view of the city is presented, and beyond is seen the straits and Olympian range. Gaoler Hutchinson stated that on a clear day from the top of the gaol a man on the beach across the straits can be descried by telescope, and moving objects on Race rocks are plainly visible. Taking all things into consideration the management of the gaol is on a par with similar institutions elsewhere, and Gaoler Hutchinson treats his prisoners with kindness and consideration whenever it is deserved.

THE VALUE OF ANALYSIS.—A recent English paper has the following: "At yesterday's meeting of the Bedford town council, an extraordinary statement was made by Councillor Taylor, a member of the food and drugs committee. He said that during the quarter six samples of beer had been sent to Guy's hospital for analysis, and he, in the presence of a chemist, saw placed in one of the samples a large quantity of the most deadly poison. This, said Mr. Taylor, was done because he considered that not only should the analyst test their drugs, but the analyst ought himself to be tested. The report upon this sample was as follows: 'I am of the opinion that the sample of beer is genuine.'"

A Hog Race.

Yesterday afternoon the quiet which usually prevails at the junction of Johnson and Wharf streets was rudely broken by porcine squeals and Mongolian yells and shouts. The cause of this disturbance was a fat porker which had broken loose from a Chinaman who was leading him along Wharf street. Then piggy found himself at liberty he scooted into Johnston street and down it to the Central Coal yards, squealing shrilly as he ran. The Chinaman immediately gave chase, and added to the general discord by shouting oaths and curses at that pig in the choicest Confucian. The guests at the Occidental ran out to see the fun, and pedestrians also stopped to witness it, the crowd in a few minutes becoming quite numerous. The chasing Chinaman was soon joined by three other Celestial brethren, and several dogs mixed themselves up in the mêlée. Piggy, finding his refuge in the coal yard to be insecure, took to his hoofs and raced down Wharf street as far as McLean's smithy, where he got himself entangled in a lot of rubbish, and in trying to get clear, ran his head into a box-like frame which was lying on the ground. The frame was not large enough to allow the porker to pass through, and as it caught on his fore-legs it hampered him. The Chinaman then proceeded to tie the runaway's hind legs, and after this was accomplished, pulled him out of the frame. Piggy again made tracks, and although his hind legs were tied, went at a pace which would have given him a prize in a three-legged race, being followed in his wild career by dogs and Chinamen, the crowd roaring with laughter at the futile efforts of the Johns to capture the recreant swine. Piggy turned down towards Wharf again, and as the descent is rather steep, he stumbled, his hind locomotives being tied. He could not rise, and was soon at the mercy of his yellow owners, who gave him a sound drubbing, and after vainly endeavoring to lead the captive back, were compelled to enlist the services of a drayman, and the pig was carted away, grunting defiantly the while.

Victoria Theatre.

The benefit performance given by the Ideal Social and Dramatic club to Charles Davis at the Victoria last evening was well attended, and some parts of the programme were creditable for amateurs. The attraction of the evening was the first part in which these members succeeded in winning merited approbation. The ballad "Genevieve" by Thos. Aylward, was well rendered, as well as "Only to see her face again" by G. E. Combe, and the "Fisherman and his child," by A. B. Whitbeck. Messrs. Philips and McNiffe, bones, and Hayes and Carey, tambos, acquitted themselves creditably as end men, while A. H. Davis added much to the success of the first part as interlocutor. Whitbeck and Monsanto played a very pretty duet with guitars, and J. Hayes demonstrated that he is an excellent jig dancer. The sketch entitled "The Doctor's Office," created much laughter, and was, in its way, a success. G. E. Combe has a fine voice and his singing is worthy of favorable comment. Mr. Carr won applause in his lightning clog, and the concluding sketch "Muldoon's Troubles" was admirable, while Messrs. Hayes, Philips, Whittaker and McNiffe kept the house convulsed with laughter. The members of the club are deserving of praise for their untiring efforts to give a good benefit to Mr. Davis, and all who attended the performance enjoyed a hearty laugh.

Arrested on a Serious Charge.

Last evening about 8 o'clock H. Wilson, a young man from Montreal, was arrested on a warrant sworn out by Alexander McDonald, proprietor of the Windsor hotel. Wilson is charged with receiving money and board to the amount of $198 under false pretenses. He has been stopping at the Windsor for the past three months and during that time paid no money for board, and played upon the credulity of Mr. McDonald by means of false letters and telegrams conveying the idea that he was shortly to receive $500 from his father. He represented himself as a son of Senator Wilson of Montreal, but in reality he is a son of A. A. Wilson, a merchant of that city. Wilson has had trouble before about his board bills in this city. The Oriental, the Douglas house, and trusting friends who have loaned him various sums, are anxiously awaiting the arrival of the $500 which he gave them to understand would arrive by the next mail.

Personal.

J. R. Moynihan, agent for John L. Sullivan, the champion slugger, left for the Sound this morning.

S. D. Pope, W. H. Dorman, F. W. Foster, George Henderson, and Dr. Ferguson were passengers by the steamer Princess Louise last night from the mainland.

At the Driard: E. E. Barker and wife, Vancouver; E. M. Shol, B. C. Ducrat, San Francisco; Jno. Rand, Jr., New York; Capt. Jos. Hamilton, ship Solitaire.

At the Occidental: Miss Clara Kitters, St. Paul; Miss Hartney, Vancouver; Chas. H. Sawyer, San Jose; Roff E. Dodds, Watford.

At the Clarence: C. H. Johnson, M. H. Murphy, Portland, Or.; H. C. Arnold, New York; Frank Wanzer, Hamilton, Ont.; H. C. Pense, Toronto; H. A. Harrison, Vancouver; M. Ferguson, M. D., Winnipeg.

Boyd-Nicholson.

On the 30th ult., at the residence of Mr. Ewen Bell, Clinton, was celebrated the marriage of W. Boyd, Esq., of the 70-Mile House, to Miss Mary Nicholson, late of Belfast, P. E. I., and niece of Mr. Bell. Rev. T. W. Hall officiated, and the bride was given away by her uncle. She looked lovely in repped silk, trimmed with lace, tulle veil and orange blossoms. The bridesmaid was Miss McLellan, who looked charming in a dress of nun's veiling. Mr. Chas. Bell did the honors of groomsman in a very acceptable way. Immediately after the ceremony the happy couple left for their new home, amid showers of rice, slippers and good wishes. On the day following three four-horse coaches filled with ladies and gentlemen, friends of the bride and groom, left Clinton for the "70," and gave Mr. and Mrs. Boyd a pleasurable surprise party.

KAMLOOPS SCHOOL.—Monthly report of the Kamloops public school for November, 1886, E. Stuart Wood, teacher: Sen. 3d.—1, Maudie Clarke; 2, Jessie Wood; 3d, Minnie Wood. Jun. 3d.—1, Prescott Wood; 2, Lizzie Edmunds; 3d, Emily Roper. Second.—1, Lily Wood; 2, Hilda Wood; 3, Edith Wood. Part II.—1, Benson Edwards; 2, Jennie Wood; 3, Willie Wood. Part I.—1, Ernest Dodd; 2, Artie Edwards; 3, Tom Spellman. No. on roll to date, 36; boys, 13; girls 23.

ANNUAL DINNER.—The B. C. Pioneer society meet to-night at the Clarence to discuss the annual dinner. This is one of the recognized local events of the season, and is always thoroughly enjoyed. *The Colonist*, as the pioneer newspaper of the province, trusts that the young men who arrived here in the '50's will enjoy to their hearts' content to-night's "feast of reason and flow of soul."

THE GENERAL HOSPITAL.

The Necessity for new Buildings and Better Service.

For some time past the fact has impressed itself upon the directors of the Royal hospital that the accommodation afforded by the buildings situate at the head of Pandora street were utterly inadequate to the demands constantly made and constantly increasing. They are not only too small and badly arranged, but from their long use are not of that sweet and wholesome nature so eminently necessary where the sick are treated, and especially so in surgical cases. At a recently held meeting it was decided that some action be taken towards securing new buildings, built upon a modern and hygienic principle, and with this end in view a committee was appointed to draft a report embracing the requirements, estimates of cost and best means of securing the desired end. This committee has now the matter under consideration and it is expected in a short time will make an elaborate report.

It cannot be disputed that there is a great necessity for improvement in the general hospital, and that new buildings are urgently required. The question is one that affects the whole province, for many patients from a distance are treated. For the support of the institution the provincial government makes a fair grant, the city very little, and the general public do not accord it that support which general hospitals the Dominion over receive from that source. It is trusted that when a scheme has been matured and submitted to the public that a generous response will follow, and the directors be enabled to erect buildings, furnish and maintain the hospital in such manner as will be of the greatest benefit. Here is also an opportunity for some one of our wealthy citizens to come forward and make a good name for himself while living, and one that will live after him, by donating a sum of money or a grant of land sufficient to give the hospital scheme such a basis that success will be assured.

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Personal.

Thos. F. Sinclair, Port Haney, is at the Oriental.

Edgar Marvin and J. Fullerton arrived from the Sound yesterday.

At the Oriental: Col. R. D. Crittenden, Alaska; C. R. Johnson, Nanaimo; W. J. Whiteside, New Westminster.

At the Driard: J. D. Fiske and wife, M. M. Buckman, Port Townsend; James Christie, Ottawa; John Maurer, Idaho.

At the Clarence: J. C. Fairchild, Carbondale; N. B. Colt, H. W. Miller, Seattle; C. W. Ireland, Nanaimo; A. H. Wintrode, Port Townsend.

T. H. Sieword and wife returned from the mainland on the Rithet, after a very successful tour with the Comordia dramatic company.

C. Wintermute and bride (Miss Sexsmith), of New Westminster, arrived down on the Rithet and will spend a few days in Victoria.

W. C. Rudger, C. E., who has been on railway construction in the mountains for the past several years, and who has been spending a few days in Victoria, started for Montreal, his old home, by the Louise this morning.

M. M. Buckman, one of the oldest and most popular pursers of the P.C.S. Co., will go north on the Idaho on her next trip. W. R. Curtis, now on the Idaho, will assume the pursership on the Queen of the Pacific. G. A. R. Homer, now on the Elder, will be transferred to the southern coast route.

At the Occidental: J.J. Mackan, Granville; Jas. Walker and wife, Capt. Ridderbykle, Seattle; Thakaban Rex, Arizona; A. W. Lightawke, Chas. Hunsdoff, B. Soule, J. Jamieson, Vancouver; Mr. and Mrs. Wintermute, New Westminster; Fred. Cox, England; John Robertson, Scotland.

Marine.

Ship Chas. E. Moody sailed from San Francisco on Thursday for Nanaimo.

The iron bark Arica will leave for Portland on Monday to discharge the balance of her cargo.

The Geo. W. Elder, Capt. Carroll, sailed from the outer wharf at four o'clock for San Francisco.

Ship Ocean King is now under the shutes taking on a cargo of V. C. Co.'s coal.

Ships Rosevelt, Fannie Tucker and Glory of the Seas are on the way for cargoes of V. C. Co.'s coal.

Mr. Sewall, the first mate of the ill-fated ship John Rosenfeld is at Nanaimo, and will assume command of the ship Solitaire on her arrival.

Bark Thos. R. Foster sailed on Thursday, in tow of the steamer Pilot, with 1650 tons of Wellington coal for Honolulu.

The Idaho, Captain Hunter, arrived from Alaska at eleven o'clock yesterday and sailed for Port Townsend at one o'clock.

Valuable Donations.

The skin of a female caribou with the hoofs and horns attached has been presented to the provincial museum by Geo. Forbes Vernon, Esq., M. P. P.

A very fine collection of British Columbia moths has been donated to the museum by Alex. Anderson, Esq., of James Bay.

MUSEUM CONTRIBUTIONS.—The following gentlemen have contributed articles of interest to the provincial museum during the month ending the 30th November: P. Steele, R. Maynard, Frank Campbell Sr., Wm. Humphries, Victoria; Dr. Bentley, New Westminster; H. Robson, Kamloops; R. C. Wilson, Revelstoke. It is earnestly requested that any article of curious character, any bird, animal or reptile native to the province, or minerals and fossils, be forwarded to the museum in order that it may quickly become possessed of a total representation of the natural history and geology of the province.

THE INJUNCTION.—In an interview with a Vancouver News reporter, Mr. H Abbots, general superintendent Pacific division, said that the arguments had been heard before the judges in the supreme court of Canada in the matter of the injunctions against the C. P. R. and judgment reserved. Should it prove favorable to the company, work would at once commence on the extension of the line