From THE DAILY COLONIST, February 6. LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

County Court. The February session of the County Court opened yesterday with the usual number of tradesmen's cases on the list. The great majority this month are, contrary to custom, defended, and this will make the session cover two or three days.

Lighted With Electricity. In order to thoroughly protect the public and improve the conveniences of their wharves, the C.P.N. Co. are arranging to have them lighted by the Tramway Co. The work of wiring was commenced yes-

A Good Offer.

In connection with the steps taken to establish a refuge home for the poor and aged, a prominent citizen of Victoria has offered to donate to the city five acres of la veniently situated, in the event of such a home being established.

Whelan's Photograph Before leaving the Provincial jail on Wednesday, Lawrence Whelan sat for his photograph, which will adorn the rogue's gallery at police headquarters. Sergeant Langley, who does very good work for an with the camera, secured a most tisfactory negative.

At the special Council meeting to be held on Monday evening, it is understood to be the intention of the board to increase the salary of Chief of Police Sheppard to \$150 per month, and that of Chief Engineer Deasy to \$125. Sergeant Walker's salary is also to he advanced to one hundred dollars. is also to be advanced to one hundred dollar

Mr. Dennis Murphy, of the 141 Mile House, published a letter in The Werkly Colonist, of January 23, under the heading of "The Caribo Election." He now wri'es that it was the eighth, not the ninth, commandment to which he intended to refer in the latter part of that communication. C. P. N. Co.

At the recent annual meeting of the Canadian Pacific Navigation Co., Mr. Thomas Earle, M.P., was elected a director in the place of Mr. Alexander Dunsmuir. The new steamer, to take the Islander's place, was also under consideration, and it is hoped to have her construction well under way before the end of the year.

A New Bridge is Needed. On Monday afternoon last, a team of horses, owned by Mrs. Witty, of Metchosin and driven by a man in her employ, went over the bridge at Albert Head. The driver escaped unhurt, but one of the animals was killed almost instantly. new bridge is said to be badly needed.

Resting on a Rock.

Yesterday morning, as the scaling schooner Sapphire was being towed out of the harbor by the tug Falcon, the rudder of the little steamer met with a mishap, and the schooner drifted on a flat rock near Laurel Point. With the assistance of the Westminster tug Active, she was released without receiving the slightest injury, and

The North Arm. Scoullar and Kennedy, of West minster, have arrived in town to urge upon the Provincial Government the importance of opening the road along the North Arn of the Fraser River, from New Westminster of the Fraser River, from New Weshinster to the North Arm bridge. They expect, they say, to succeed in their object. They also ask an appropriation for the opening up the street leading into the property lately

The late Mr. David F. Fee, jr., carried three life insurance policies, one of which was with the British Empire Mutual company. Yesterday, Mesera A. B. Gray & Co., general agents of the company for British Columbia, paid to the decased's brother the total amount of the policy. This is the first paid of the three policies referred to.

An alarm from box 35, pulled at 10:30 a.m. yesterday, called the fire brigade to South Turner street, near Niagara, where the home of Mr. MoIntosh was discovered to be in danger. It was washing day, and the kitchen stove becoming overheated had set fire to some loose papers and the woodwork. Carpenters working in the neighborhood extinguished the fire before the department reached the scene. Dama n dollars.

Mr. W. H. Routledge celebrated his birthday on Wednesday last at his residence in a truly royal manner. Many well-known business men of Victoria were present, and the festivities were kept up till the small hours of the following morning. The party was a great success, and all the guests wished Mr. Routledge many happy returns of the day and many similar enjoyable times. A Birthday Gathering.

"La Mascette."

Under the direction of Prof. Pferdner, weekly rehearsals of this popular comic opera are being conducted, with every prospect for its successful production about Easter, for a charitable purpose. The chorus and cast will comprise the same 45 prominent city amateurs, and a specially fine orchestra will render material assistance. Handsome costumes will be imported for the occasion, and nothing will be left undone that would tend to make the performance a finished one. The next reformance a finished one. The next re-hearsal is set for Thursday the 12th inst.

Water Works Improvements. The \$200,000 loan, which Ald. Coughlan will shortly ask for by presenting a by-law to the ratepayers, is contemplated to neet the following suggestions contained in the

Water Commissioner's annual report:

"The condition of the lakes is as bad as it well can be, the whole of the submerged swamp, from the present dam to the mouth of Elk Lake, being absolutely unft as a source from which to obtain potable water. The improvements necessary to provide the citizens of Victoria with good water, consist of building a dam across the mouth of Elk Lake proper, raise the surface elevation of the lake, so as to store the rein-fall in the reduced area, and instead of submerging reduced area, and instead of submerging low flat land, raise embankments wherever

of Elk Lake, thereby raising its top water eleva ion several feet, and cutting off all the objectionable, shallow, swampy por-tions; and the conduit from Elk Lake to the present filter beds, would utilize every-thing obtainable from Elk Lake as a source thing obtainable from Elk Lake as a source of water supply for the city of Victoria and any increased supply for the now largely extended city will have to be ob-tained from some other gathering ground."

A Good Beginning.

Last night, Manager Austin stopped at the door several women of loose character who, unknown to the management, had purchased boxes for last night's performance at the Opera House. The women protested that they had regularly purchased and paid for the tickets, and that they should hold the for the tickets, and that they should have the theatre authorities legally responsible for breach of contract. Mr. Austin was, how-ever, inexorable, and, in consequence, the women accepted their money back and re-tired. The audience were thus saved the annoyance and offence which their presence would have caused.

Now that an election for the Commons is close at hand, the air is full of rumors as to who will offer as candidates. Messrs. Prior and Earle, it is generally understood, will stand for re-election; and the names of Mayor Grant and Mr. Robert Beaven have also been mentioned. The former was spoken to by a Colonist man, yesterday, and stated that, as for himself, he certainly would not come out.

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A dispatch from Ashcroft states that F. S. Barnard, Robt. McLeese, Dr. Watt and S. Barnard, Robt. McLeese, Dr. Watt and Geo. Ferguson are spoken of as probable candidates for Cariboo District.

Mr. W. H. Ireland, secretary of the Trades and Labor Council, is getting up a scheme to form a Trades and Labor Associascheme to form a Trades and Labor Associa-tion for mutual imprevement and associa-tion. It will partake somewhat of the features of a working-man's club. A meet-ing will be held in the old Public Library Room, Broad Street, this evening at eight o'ciock, to consider the subject and to en-deavour to raise \$1000 with which to begin operations. The promoters have in view eligibly appointed and centrally situated rooms which all workmen will be able to

Natural Gas on Lulu Island.

A discovery has been lately made in Steveston, says the Steveston Enterprise, which may lead to most important results. Near the centre of the townsite, while enlarging a ditch, the workmen suddenly came upon a body of what appears to be natural gas. They were first attracted by a bubbling, which can be heard for quite a distance. It has the odor of gas, and when a match was applied, it burned brilliantly, giving forth a real blaze. Many parties are visiting the place, and the matter has caused quite a flutter of excitement. If the gas, upon investigation, can be made to flow in paying quantities, it will be used for heating and manufacturing purposes, as well as in light-

turing purposes, as well as in light The Ladles' Return Dance.

The young ladies who attend the midnight adieu dances, gave a return dance to the members of the Midnight Adieu Club, last evening. The ladies should be congratulated on the business-like way the dance was conducted, and the success of the same. There were about sixty couples on the floor, and the ladies took an active interest in the entertainment. A sumptuous supper, prepared by the ladies, was served at midnight, and the Bantly family supplied music to the satisfaction of all. The following ladies were instrumental in making the dance a The Ladies' Return Dance satisfaction of all. The following isdies were instrumental in making the dance a success: Floor Managers, President Mrs. M. J. Conlin, Vice-Rresident Miss Deasy, and Mrs. McClusky. Managing Committee, Miss Moss, Miss Townsend, Miss Gilligan, Miss O'Brien, Miss Wilson, Miss Leslouis, and Miss Caselton.

co., general agents of the company for British Columbia, paid to the decassed's brother the total amount of the policy. This is the first paid of the three policies referred to.

Personal.

It is understood that Mr. H. E. Field, secretary to Assistant Commissioner Thos. R. Smith, of the Hudson's Bay Co., contemplates severing his connection with that company shortly, to join a well known real estate firm of this city. Mr. Field has held his present position for the past four years, during which time he has discharged his duties with every degree of courtesy and sfficiency.

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A NEW DEPARTURE.

e to Raise the Ways and Means for the New Panders Avenue Methodist Church.

The rdinary commercational meeting o the Pana ra Avenue Methodist Church, last night, partook of a somewhat different character to the usual week night service. The evening was deveted to the presentation and discussion of the new financial scheme discussion of the new financial scheme adopted by the trustee and quarterly boards. Rev. Coverdale Watson presided, and, after a few preliminary observations, called on Mr. Jessop to explain the project. There were, he said, four objects of the departure. The first was to aboliah pew rents, the second te consolidate the resources, the third to put the finances of the church on a business basis, and lastly to augment the revenue, not by increasing the burden business basis, and lastly to augment the revenue, not by increasing the burden already so cheerfully borne by the pewholders and many liberal contributors, but by getting a large number of additional subscribers. Reserving every fourth pewin the church for strangers, 500 of the most eligible sittings in the new church might be expected to produce 25c each per Sunday, or \$13 per year under the envelope system, in all \$6,500 per year, leaving 400 sittings available for those who would not fall in with this plan. Something like \$300 might then be expected as pew rents, while collections might be placed at \$1,200, concerts and other entertainments raising \$500 more, or \$8,500 in all, which it was estimated would be required for the following objects: Interest \$3,000; minister's salary, \$2,000; fuel, gas, etc., \$1,500, and sinking fund, \$2,000.

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PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE. First Session of the Sixth Parliament.

TWELFTH DAY. After prayer by Rev. Mr. McLeod Mr. Marin presented the report of the Standing Orders and Private Bills committee, reporting that the rules had been complied with in regard to certain petitions for private bills.

RETURNS. Hon. Mr. Robson presented returns elating to the cancellation of Crown grant No. 2808 and the issue in lieu thereof f No. 4997 and a return from the Clerk of

ill postponed.

Hon. Mr. Beaven said that, last session.

the Attorney-General had persisted in rushing through the Royalty Bill despite his ob-Mr. Beaven's motion having been put an st, the second reading of the Bill was fixed

or to-morrow.

Hon. Mr. BEAVEN introduced a Bill re specting libel and slander, which was ordered to be placed on the orders for second reading on Monday.

INTESTATE ESTATES. Ms. Booth moved for returns concernition intestate estate of the late Archiba Buckner, specifying therein the amount realized, the expenses incurred, and which is the concerning the balance, the balance is the balance, the balance is the balance, the balance is the balance any. He spoke at length of the necessithat existed for provisions to wind up testate estates, of which the experiences nnection with the Buckner estate wer mple proof.
The motion was adopted.

VANCOUVER HARBOR IMPROVEMENTS. WARCOUVER HARBOR IMPROVEMENTS.

MR. HORNE moved the resolution which has been already published in THE COLONIST, in favor of an address recommending the widening and removal of obstructions in the narrews and the widening of the entrance to Vancouver Harbor, that a fogularm should be placed at Prospect Point, and that Burnaby Shoal should be dredged.

MESSES. HORNE and COTTON briefly supported the motion, the objects of which must be abundantly manifest to every memor of the House, the more so in view of the proposed establishment of a line of steam-

ver of the House, the more so in view of the proposed establishment of a line of steamships between Vancouver and Australia and the general increase of the maritime trade of this province.

Hon. Ma. Robson strongly favored the resolution. A great deal ought to be done for the maritime interests of this province, which were possibly growing much more rapidly than any other. Everything showed that no steps should be left undone to make the navigation of the archipelago as safe as possible. Not only were these improvements necessary to Vancouver, but they involved the vital interests of the province, and the entire Dominion. He (the Premier) was in perfect accord with the resolution was in perfect accord with the resolution that the maritime interests of the province should receive better consideration at the

NEW BILLS.

The report of the committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills having been adopt Mr. Brown introduced a bill to incorpo

ate "the order of the Oblates of Mary Immaculate."

MR. KITCHEN—Act respecting the West-

minster and Vancouver Tramway company, and the Westminster Street Railway com-

MR. BEAVEN moved that the committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills incorporate with the measure the Chinese Exclusion clauses. He dwelt at length upon the necessity of restricting Chinese immigration, denounced the system of Chinese certificates, and said that the \$50 tax was not sufficient. At one time the province was overrun with Chinese, from 900 to 1,000 of them arriving every month during the construction of the Pacific R. R.. Now that we were receiving further encouragement for railway building we ought to adopt the Chinese restrictive clauses, otherwise white labor would be completely run out. On one railway in this province which had just been completed no Chinese had been employed, and the same had been the case with a railway in Washington. There was, it was evident, in oneed of importing or shipping Chinese labor. This was a very opportune time for the House to take a stand, and he boped

only not seen the bill, but might never see it, as the committee migh; never report it. It was, therefore, wholly out of place for the House to give any instructions regarding it. The Leader of the Opposition had said this was the proper time to act in the matter, as the committee were going to hear evidence on the question. This being the matter, as the committee were going to hear evidence on the question. This being the matter came up, each member would have to assume his own responsibility.

MR. Corron thought the proposal of the member for Victoria was the best way of dealing with this subject. The promoters of the Blusse he should have no hesitation in insisting upon it.

The members to deal with them as they came for a privilege, and it was now for the members to deal with them as they came for a privilege, and it was now for the members to deal with them as they came for a privilege, and it was now for the members to deal with them as they came for a privilege, and it was now for the members to deal with them as they came for a privilege, and it was now for the members to deal with them as they came for a privilege, and it was now for the members to deal with them as they came for a privilege, and it was now for the members to deal with them as they came for a privilege, and it was now for the members to deal with them as they deemed expedient. The petitioners had as a right to come to this House, but the House had also a right to impose its own conditions. The overwhelming conviction of the people of the province was, he was sure, in t

Hon. Mr. Robson presented returns relating to the cancellation of Crown grant No. 2608 and the issue in lieu thereof of No. 4097 and a return from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery stating that it was impossible to supply a return showing the number of votes cast at the last election.

THE LAW OF LIBEL.

Mr. Davie introduced an Act respecting actions of libel or slander, and moved that it be placed on the orders of the day for to morrow.

Hon. Mr. Braven objected that it had not been printed and moved that it be placed on the orders for Monday.

Hon. Mr. Davie said he had no desire to rush the bill through, and when it came up to-morrow he would be willing to have its second reading postponed. He repudiated the pretension of the leader of the Opposition that the Government were not ready with their measure, and this bill was presented and ready to be gone on with.

Hon. Mr. Boson said the Government had always been ready to defer bills when members desired. It was, he remarked, hardly courteous for the leader of the Opposition to take the course he had followed, aince the bill had been hrought in by the Motorney-General. Besides, the principle had been already thoroughly ventilated, and there was no need of delay. Therenever, to his knowledge, had been any lack of consideration to the Opposition, particularly to its leader, when it desired to have a sound then place them in competition with Chinese labor. When any company asked for favors or franchises it would be refertedly right for the hone, as registed in unbilated had no server had now the sum of the proposition that the course he had followed.

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Mr. Horne thought that where any franchise were granted the Chinese clause should be inserted, but the proper time to insert it was when the bill was regularly before the House.

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the Opposition had not adopted his present the Opposition had not adopted his present method last session.

Mr. Semlin said this was as opportune s

time as any to discuss the question generally. Was the House prepared to say that the employment of Chinese was detrimental to the public interests of the province? Being of that opinion, he should support the motion of the leader of the Opposition. Hon. Mr. Robson said a vote upon the

Hen. Mr. Korson said a vote upon the abstract question could not be properly taken in this connection. No one than he more strongly favored Chinese restriction, but the present time was not opportune.

Mr. Kerrh humorously spoke of the difficulty young members experienced in view of the conflict of opinion. It was hard the effect of adopting the Chinese resolu

Hon. Mr. Braven having given certain explanations,

Mr. Kerth said, as a member of the Private Bills committee, he would not like to receive such an instruction from the House, when it hereafter might upset all that the committee had done by its orders. He should prefer to deal with the question when the bill was regularly before the House. He was strongly in favor of the restriction of the Chinese, and was surprised that members who spoke strongly in favor of certain things, always acted in a contrary way. He was against double dealing in such matters. He had not yet received the necessary amount of political education, but might learn some day. Meantime he was opposed to all double dealing and shuffling.

In answer to Mr. Croft,

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The SPEKER cited his ruling of 26th January, and said that the motion was properly in order.

Mr. Charr'said, he should vote against

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been said that the Private Bills committee might have to take testimony upon and consider both sides of the question as related to the employment of labor, it should be instructed in this manner. He again denied that there was any desire to shirk the issue. He charged that the senior member for Vancouver had written what, it new appeared, he was not prepared to repeat here.

MR. Corron called upon the member for Comox to withdraw shat remark.

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SHUSWAP AND OKANAGON GUARANTER.

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HON. Mr. DAVIE moved the second reading of the Shuswap Railway Guarantee
Amendment Bill, which was to provide for
the "bonds," and not "coupons," as provided in the original Bill, being signed by
means of a printed fac simile of the signature of the Minister of Finance. It afforded
further facilities for the issuance of the
bonds.

The Bill was read a second time, and re ferred to a committee of the House, Mr. Cotton in the chair.

The Bill was reported. THE ASSESSMENT ACT. On motion of Hon. Mr. Turner, the House went into committee on the message of His Honor of 4th February, 1891, with

the Assessment Act.
After a long discussion, the committee rose and reported progress, and the House adjourned at 6 o'clock. NOTICES OF MOTION. Mr. SMITH-Monday-Returns of corres pondence and all papers connected with the intestate estate of the late D. M. Martin,

Mr. Cotton-Monday-To introduce an Act to amend the Vancouver Incorporation Act of 1886, and the Vancouver Incorpora-tion Act of 1889-90.

HIGHBINDER INSTRUCTIONS

ent to Every Branch of the Society in the

Wong Chong, a Chinese resident of Port Townsend, has received from Victoria a document written in Chinese to Lum Hip, and signed with the seal of the Chee Kunug Fong, which proved to be a copy of instructions sent to every branch of the highbinder order in the United States, Canada, Cuba and Mexico, from the headquarters of the society in this city. It is interesting as showing what is required of the society's showing what is required of the society's cols. The order promises to pay \$500 to the friends of said salaried soldier "as he is tools. The order promises to pay \$500 to the friends of said salaried soldier "as he is talled," in case he is slain in the "discharge of his duty," \$250 and the costs of the journey to China will be paid him in case he is mainted for life. Furthermore, it continues: "Whenever you exert to kill and wound enemies of the Fong and are arrested and imprisoned, \$100 a year shall be paid your friends during imprisonment."

The Presbyterian Year Book for the Dominion of Canada and Newfoundland, is a nicely printed little book, which office-bearers and other members of the Presbyterian Church will find useful. It contains lists of officers and standing committees of the General Assembly, Rolls of the Synods and Presbyteries, and a list of the ministers of the Church. There are articles on Home and Foreign Missions and other schemes and aspects of church work by preminent ministers and others. The frontispiece is a portrait of Rev. John Laing, Moderator of the General Assembly. The Year Book is edited by Rev. Geo. Simpson, and published by the Presbyterian Printing and Publishing Co., Toronto, and is sold for twenty-five cents.

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Daniels Bros.' Illustrated Guide for Ama-The SPEAKER said, in answer to the member for N naimo, that the House had full power to rescind the Chinese clauses even when the bill was reported with them from the Private Bills committee. The bill was all the time in the possession of the House and the time in the possession of the House and the time in the possession of the House and the time in the possession of the House and the time in the possession of the House and the time in the possession of the House and the remarks by Messra. Hall, Booth, Martin and Rogers,

MR. Grant charged that certain members did not like to face this question squarely. They did not want to be placed on record. There was no doubt in his mind that now was the proper time to deal with the subject. The House had power to deal with a measure at any stage and through a record of the House had power to deal with a measure at any stage and through a respect to the found, besides several short stories, instalments of the Wedding Ring, by Robert Buchanan, and a story of Canada under the old regime, by Blanche L. McDonald. There are, among ether illustrations.

on record. There was no doubt in his mind that now was the proper time to deal with the subject. The House had power to deal with a measure at any stage and through every stage.

Mn. Hunter said he did not intend to enter upon a discussion of the Chinese question at the present time; nevertheless, neither he nor any member en his side of the House were afraid of it. He could not, however, see why, considering as it had been said that the Private Bills committee might have to take testimony upon and liberty and the pursuit of happiness are the inherent rights of eyery one," is a new feature of this number.

GAME PROTECTION.

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rights of search are given to constables or police officers. Offenders to be brought be-fore two justices of the peace, the birds seized to be sold, destroyed, or returned to

Foreman Dunn, who had charge of the brickwork on the new cathedral, resigned his position on Wednesday night, and has

Benefit Society are sending out invitations to attend an "at home" on the 12th inst. Irving & Haywood report having sold 15 lots already this week in their Oak Bay drawing; at that rate all will very soon be

William and Ann Robertson, of Salt Spring Island, died in this city, yesterday, of inan-

Island, died in this city, yesternia aged 10 days.
At the last meeting of Seighers' Council,
Y. M. I., a vote of thanks was passed to
Rt. Rev. Bishop Lemmens for his sermon n Sunday last.

Officer Robb, of the Provincial police, returned, last evening, after delivering Whe-an, for life, and Lin Chung, for two years,

Owing to the lowness of the tide, is almost midnight before the cattle which were brought over on the Princess Louise were discharged.

The thermometer registered 40 below zero last Saturday and Sunday at Calgary. The weather, however, moderated, and on Monday the mercury stood at 30 above.

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The Bank of Montreal will occupy Mr.
T. C. Nuttall's premises, at the corner of
Bastion and Government streets, until the
Five Sisters' Block is ready for occupancy.
The directors of the B. C. Poultry, Dog
and Pet Stock Association will hold their
mouthly meeting this evening, at the offices
of Messrs. Crane, McGregor & Boggs, at 8
a'clock.

Complaints have again been made about boys skylarking in the post-office lobby and holding the door, making it strike people in the face. This breach of etiquette should be looked into and the boys pus-

Yesterday, while one of the British Col-imbia Cattle Company's drivers was in a nouse on Churchway, his horse, which was are collected. Then,

ing been purchased for \$1,000, had noney to liquidate her fine, and was remanded for one day.

PERSONAL

A. S. Black, of Vancouver at the Clar H. R. Morse, jr., of

W. B. Stevens, of Vancouver, is at the clonial. Colonial.

Herman Guhl, of New York, is staying at the Colonial.
S. F. Johnson, of Brandon, and wife, are gueste at the Oriental.
J. Kirkland and wife arrived down from

vife, are at the Ori-ntal L. P. Eckstein and A. G. McCandless re-turned from the Sound yesterday. Among the Islander's passengers this morning were Robert Grant, John Camp-bell and J. A. Forin.

for both nickels and dimes, being very (Before Mr. Justice Walkem.) (Before Mr. Justice Walkem.)

Seeley Worse—Application by plaintiff for leave to amend statement of claim in rider to summons. Leave to amend, plaintiff to pay costs of this application as conditions precedent, and cests occasioned by such amendment to the defendant in any event. Eherts & Taylor for plaintiff, Drake, Jackson & Helincken for defendant. Smith v. Angus and Green—Adjourned

KAMLOOPS JOTTINGS.

The Sunday Closing Movement-Skating or the Thompson River-Harvesting Ice on Griffin Lake-Ffremen's Ball-I. O. O. F.

(From Our Own Corr The weather during the past week has been the coldest of the season, but may still be termed very favorable and pleasant. The river Thompson is frozen over and affords a pretty good, if not very safe, skating ground. The ice varies from two to six juckes is thickness. ing ground. The ice varies from two to six inches in thickness.

A fire broke out on Tuesday morning in the woodshed at the rear of Mr. W. H.

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Whittaker's dwelling house, doing some
\$250 worth of damage. The dwelling was
in imminent danger more than once. However, after some thirty minutes gallant work
by the fire brigade, the spread of the
flames was checked successfully. The
building was insured.

A petition is in circulation, and is being
numerously signed in favor of Sunday

A New and Ingenious Contrivance.

The Latest Invention for Enabling Those Having Odd Coins About Their Persons to Save Them - A Good
Thing for Spendthrifts.

Pocket savings banks are the lates thing out. These are receptacles for nickels and dimes, out of which they can not be extracted until a certain amount—usually five dollars or ten dol lars—has been deposited. Similar banks are made and extensive

ly sold, of larger size and fanciful design, which serve the same purpose, but which can not be carried in the pocket Once these banks were only used by children. To-day they may be found in the pockets of all sorts and conditions of men. That their sale is enormous is attested by every dealer in toys and sporting goods. One of the largest firms in New York City told a Sunday Journal representative one day lately that their sales had been so vast that they had not one in stock and had ordered a large quantity more. The majority of these banks are a de-

velopment of the old-fashioned child's toys, such as the man with a gun who hoots a nickel into the mouth of a bear. The first improvement over these toys was in the form of a safe with a combination lock. Of course this served : purpose. No one could extract any of the money deposited unless he knew the combination.

But the chief enemy of man was feld o be man himself. The one who abtracted most of the cash was the de positor. To save him from himself was the object of the inventors of the latest devices. While these differ materially in design and probably in mechanism, they all have the same principle. This Sunday, the City of Seattle goes on that route, and the Kingston returns to the Vistory of the content of the conten devices. While these differ materially positor himself, can extract them until certain amount has been deposited.

The nickel savings bank is one of these. This is a cast-iron box, with a lar tube with a slot in the ton. Into this slot the nickel is dropped. Once in there hundred of them are collected. Then, and not till then.

house on Churchway, his horse, which was left standing on the side of the road, started off down Humboldt street at a furious rate till he came to Government street, when the cart upset, stopping the affrighted herse. The damages were confined to broken harness.

In the city police court, yesterday, Jon Hon, Yoe Lin and Ah Quong, three Chinese women, were convicted of keeping houses of ill-fame on Fisgard street. The two former were fined \$50 each, which was paid. The latter, who claimed to be a slave, having been purchased for \$1,000, had no An improvement upon this has been patented and will be offered to the pub-

lic next season. It contains a bell which rings every time a dime disap pears in the slot.

Another design is in the form of an iron Saratogo trunk. This has a little mechanism in front which registers the

amount inside automatically. The coin registering bank has a sort of cupola on the top and a slot at each side. One side is for dimes and the other for nickels. By turning the cupola top the slots are opened to admit the coin.

Ten dollars in either dimes or nickels must be deposited before the money can be withdrawn. It makes no difference whether the ten dollars is all in dimes or all in nickels, or partly one and partly the other: but they must be placed in their respective sides or the machine will get out of order. Another similar bank is the prudential savings bank. This is in the form

similar to the last mentioned, only simpler. The most popular form, however, is that which can be carried around in the pocket. It is a simple tube, with a slot under the lid The dimes as they are pushed into the tube are held firmly by a spring. When one hundred of them

of a safe, with slots at the top, and is

have been deposited the lid comes A registering scale, like that of the old-fashioned kitchen scales, runs down the tube and a little pointer indicates the number of dimes inside. The beauty of this safe is its simplicity, and as it can be carried in the pocket it has become very popular.

So far as can be learned there is no

way to beat these banks except by breaking them. However hard-up a man may be, he can not touch his sav ings.
One ingenious individual had three

dollars in dimes in one of these pocket banks. He had no other money in his pocket. He wanted a drink; h it badly. He could not open the bank He consulted a bar-tender. They tried to extract money with a wire. It did

LOCAL AND PROVINC

A Clue and a Chinama The clothes line thief is again and, in consequence, a well-know of Churchway mourns the loss of garments. 'the police have a classifier a Chinaman.

Freight Notes. The City of Seattle last night five cars of sheep, two of wheat an mixed merchandise.

Freight brought by the bark Bard amounts to 1,285½ tons. Rugby Football.

The Victoria Rugby Football not go to Nanaimo to-day, as exp will have a practice game at Beac 3 p.m. All players are request out, so as to present a solid from the Coal City next Saturday. A Fleet of Five. To day, the sealing schooner Minnie, Ariel, W. P. Sayward Ellen leave for the Southern grounds; the majority of the schow out, and the last on the list of the schow out, and the last on the list of the school of

harbor next week. To Build on Yates Stree It is understood that Mrs. T. B ries will immediately proceed with tion of a fine three story brick Yates street, below Steitz restaura

A letter received from Quesnel last evening, contains the inform the weather there is the mildest rienced by the oldest white reside There has been no snow ter, and mining prospects are

Doubly Useful.

Messrs. E. B. Marvin & Co. ha erived from the east a number of lers, of the common pattern, but bell metal, instead of wood. The first of the kind ever seen her doubly useful, inasmuch as the sed as a bell in case of fog.

The German ship Rud von B which sailed from Cardiff almost a with coals for the navy at Esqui not come here, it being underst owing to the accidents which I some months ago near Montevideo, be permitted to discharge at Valpa stead of Esquimalt. The Bentlets to Meet. On Monday, the 16th inst., the of British Columbia will meet in for the formation of a Provincial

ion, whose objects will be the adv. in every way of the profession. are expected from Vancouver, Wes Nanaimo, Kamloops, and even the towns of the interior. Victoria Secular Enion.

The first regular meeting of the Secular Union, which has already a ship of about 50, was held late ev Harmony Hall. The affairs of thare directed by the following Simeon Duck, pre-ident; William are directed by the following Simeon Duck, pre-ident; William treasurer; O. C. Hastings, secreta Simpkins and S. H. Howard, direct

Names Given The Seattle Telegraph a few scored a point by publishing the na particulars of four Victoria sloops in smuggling opium and Chinese as mystic line, and describing their operands. The Telegraph man has hold of the complete list yet, ho common report includes a fast little among the smugglers.

Dump Walt Complet Yesterday afternoon, Contractor T clair completed the dump wall at enter wharf, into which, during few months, some 44,000 tons of r been put. At the quarry the n.em turning out stone for the main w struction of which will commence a 20th inst. Sea wall and break water.

atruction of which will consider 20th inst. Sea wall and breakwate completed early in April. Messrs. F. M. Copperthwaite, couver, W. C. Cotham, of New V ster, and W. M. Wood, of Chil delegates from the Mainland Teas stitute, arrived over, last night, view the Superintendent of Educati gerd to amendments to the school i sidered by them to be in the best of learning.

Bood Attention The present accommodation animals at Beacon Hill park is enomake the managerie go on strike in If the city intends to have a public surely the captives should be compared for. His wolfship has been controlled.

ing the question of agitating for quarters for some time, and in the ever his injuries has become so sava one can approach him. Court Gessip. The County Court is still in se Ferguson v. Ferguson, action for ill be tried to-day. The wife does ad.

In Chambers, yesterday, the case mer, Beeton & Co. v. Hobson & Chenderson, was further adjourned. The trial of the case of Harris v. is set for to-day. A New Steamer Company. The articles of incorporation of the ambia River and Puget Sound Navounpany have been filed at Portland capital stock is \$5,000,000, and the Porators are John Leary, of Seattle Scott, of Portland; L. B. Seeley, of land, and E. W. Crichton, of Oswe The campany will highly the stock of the same of the same

The campany will run the steamers Gatzent, Antelope and Flyer betw Sound and the Columbia river. Sunday School Teachers.

new era in Sunday School work A new era in Sunday School work toria is to be inangurated this noon, rooms of the Y. M. (\*A., where the be a meeting, from 12 to 1, of S School teachers and others interes Bible study. It is proposed to hok meetings weekly, at the noon hour. Sunday School Lesson for To-morrow be to-day's theme. In all the large of the east such weekly meetings are held, and in New York thousands att

Freight Notes

The steamer Princess Louise, yest brought over from the Fraser 60 h cattle for B. Porter & Sons, 20 he John Parker, 3 cars of wheat for Hall. & Co., 1 car of hides for H. Bornstein 200 hales hav O bales hay, The City of Seattle, yesterday, br