as its decorator from the ef-
ing to be along stage around
Banner and a splendid photo-
e Queen.
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ats and club houses, steamers,
schooners, all, (with all except
Danube) were dressed in their
g brightness to the scene.
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houses complemented the more
rs with an attractive yellow
recourse to the flowing brom.
de windows were also very at-
corated.

ANTLY ILLUMINATED.

ly Lighted and a Display of Fireworks.

night began to fall, the streets
ore crowded to see the illumi-
f these, the miles of Chinese
e lanterns had given ample
ughout the day. Street after
een lined with the bright color-
spheres, while here and there
noticeable strings of wire and
globes foretold that to the mel-
of the papered candle would
e varied and accommodating
e subtle fluid.
me was disappointed. Under
e influence of light, white, red
other colored, a happy people
talked and wondered.
re every effort had been made
good illumination, and the suc-
pronounced one from the out-

wds were to be met on all the
ernment street was, of course,
hronged. With laugh and chaff
he streams of humanity wound
wn, pleased with themselves,
to be pleased. Amongst the
lent effects, that of the Tram
robably excited the greatest am-
piration. Here, as was to be ex-
ctricity was used to the greatest
Amidst a great array of red,
blue globes, the letters of Empire-
s that command the loving af-
a hundred different races, that
coin in which the world does
"V. R." appeared. Opposite
ny's office, but two doors off the
t, everybody on either side saw
rybody admired.
G. C. Hinton & Co's office a
ture was presented. Under-
light a crown appeared in color,
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the J. B. A. A. club-house were
eat advantage, duplicated inver-
ey were in the mirror-like waters.
. This effect was much enhance-
background of the Parliament-
around which the strings of mel-
terns, and from whose every win-
light shone forth. And over all,
star of greater magnitude shone
n-like light from the head of that
vigator whose name this island

attractions of the illuminations
ed those of desultory fireworks.
bridge, and from various streets
t-like pyrotechnics arose, to burst
s of light, or gradually fade out
dark.
ime to time, the nerves of the
rs were put on stretch by the crack
ack of bunches of those giant crac-
the boom of bombs.
hinamen were out parading again
ed to the general merriment with
splay of fireworks.

BAND CONCERT.

Hall Crowded By an Immense Throng Last Evening.

1,200 people crossed the bay last
vening their way to the concert of
diment Band at the drill shed. There
d of the Fifth Regiment had pro-
n excellent programme which was
tily appreciated as it was well put

ally speaking, the overture from
was the masterpiece of the even-
t the crowd went wild over their
e of the American Patrol, to which,
pliment to the many visitors from
nd cities, the Star Spangled Banner
well received encore.
e other numbers, the "Relief of Mafe
as arranged by Bandmaster Finn
marked success. This medley, with
mpet calls, and bugle marches, its
y My God to Thee" for those who
the "Widow's" cause, its "British
liers" and "Soldiers of the Queen,"
ch the relieving forces march was
d success, in spite of the fact that
all boy in the cellar had been given
ry firecrackers to make the maxim
the battle scene, and so kept up the
ong after the Boer commandoes had
eir departing task under way.
ight be noticed that those
g to an end their Drill Hall concerts
cidentally celebration work too, by a
concert in the hall on Saturday night.
concert will be of an excellent variety
amongst the attractions being the
Bros., whose acrobatic feats were so
ceived in the Main Bros. circus.

MANY EXCURSIONISTS.

eet of Steamers Arrive From Near-By Ports, Bringing Crowds of Pleasure-Seekers.

leet of excursion steamers which ar-
on Tuesday evening and yesterday
ng brought over two thousand people
Vancouver and the Sound, and had it
een for the heavy gale which prevail-
Vancouver and on the Sound on Tues-
evening, frightening many, consider-
more would have come. The excur-
ts began to gather when the Rithet
d from the Fraser on Monday evening.
brought a number from the settlements
e big river. Then came a crowd on
Islander that evening, and a still great-
rong, about 450, on the same steamer
evening. The Yosemite arrived this
ing with an excursion from Vancouver
r the auspices of No. 2 Co., Boys' Bri-
of Vancouver. She had about 400.
Victorian brought 250 yesterday morn-
from Seattle and Tacoma; the Scheme
from Seattle and Bellingham Bay, and
Garland, 60 from Port Angeles. Last
the Islander brought over 300 more
Vancouver. Added to these crowds
leasure seekers are those brought by
trains from Nanaimo and Sidney, the
nole bringing many who arrived on the
r line from the islands of the Gulf. The
almo contingent was a very large one,
not so large as it would have been,
the citizens of that city not decided
elebrate themselves. Then, too, many
elebrated by launches, yachts, and sloops,
h San Juan and other nearby points,
by rig, cart and buggy from the dis-
ts.

YACHT RACES.

rangements For Saturday Afternoon's International Events.

he yacht races will start sharp at 1
, on Saturday. The steamer Maude
ing been kindly loaned by the C. P. N.
pany, will accompany the racers, leav-
the wharf at 12:30 a.m. Yachtsmen's
ends are invited to go on board and view
races. A pass may be secured from the

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Weather Interfered

Found Necessary to Postpone the Regatta Until This Afternoon.

Victoria Won the Baseball and Football Matches in the Morning.

Fire Works at Beacon Hill Last Evening—Programme for To-Day.

Notwithstanding a downpour of rain in the early hours of the morning, the sports arranged for yesterday forenoon were held with considerable success, crowds witnessing the football and baseball matches, in both events Victoria coming off victorious. The one disappointing feature of the day was the postponement of the regatta up the Arm. This was rendered necessary by the inability of the ships' boats to come round from Esquimalt with the competing crews from the navy, a dangerous and heavy sea rendering the trip hazardous.

The crowds who intended going to the Gorge to "take in" the regatta took the disappointment good naturedly and His Worship the Mayor and the regatta committee did everything possible to make amends to the visitors, arranging for a band concert by the Fifth Regiment band under Mr. J. M. Finn, at points on Government street from 2 to 5 p.m. The afternoon was contentedly spent by the masses of people who thronged Government street, listening to the delightful music, a feature of which was the rendition by special request of the Intermezzo from "Cavalleria Rusticana."

A gang of workmen under the direction of George Jeeves was busily engaged during the afternoon in replacing the lanterns along Government street, which had been ruined by the rain of the previous evening. These were lighted after nightfall, and Government street and adjacent thoroughfares presented the same pleasing spectacle as on the opening evening of the celebration.

The pyrotechnic display at Beacon Hill in the evening was witnessed by a vast concourse of people.

The regatta will be held this afternoon, when the arranged programme will be gone through with without change. The E. & N. railway company has made every arrangement for handling the large crowd. Many visitors who would otherwise have gone home have remained in the city for this interesting feature.

The championship lacrosse match will also take place on the Oak Bay grounds at 3 o'clock this afternoon between Westminster and Victoria.

The children's patriotic entertainment will be given in the Victoria theatre this evening instead of in the afternoon, as originally intended.

Excursionists from up the line of the E. & N. railway whose round trip tickets expired yesterday, have to thank Mr. George L. Courtney of the E. & N. railway company, who promptly issued an order to the effect that the tickets would be good up to this evening and tomorrow, thus allowing the visitors to remain over and see the regatta without extra expense as far as transportation is concerned.

BASEBALL MATCH.

Victoria Defeated Seattle by a Score of Eleven to Four.

Victoria is a lover of sport, and so, too, are the other cities that have contributed their huge quotas to assist in honoring the Queen's Birthday. Yesterday morning broke damp and squally and everybody knew that out on Beacon Hill a full sweep would be offered to the vagaries of May weather, but all that daunted no one and standing room and straps were at a premium out on the trams to the hill. Fully 1,200 people went out, large crowds winding their way in order to secure good points of vantage from which to view the first event. This was the international baseball match between the Victorias of this city and the High school boys of Seattle. It was to begin at the early hour of 9.30 o'clock but the Seattle boat was late and the boys in khaki and red warmed themselves up until well night eleven, while the crowd looked on in patience and kept a-moving. By that time the black and yellow colors of the visitors appeared on the scene.

This delay brought the two games of baseball and football on together and so divided the attention of the on-lookers. But eventually the American game appeared the favorite and football ending first, every one had a chance to see a fair share of both.

From the outset the visitors took the lead but matters were evened up in the third innings. The advantage appeared to consist largely in the pitching, but the pace of the Seattle drop was too warm and change had to be made to help out a stiff arm. On the other hand, Jimmy Holness appeared to be hired by the week, and improved rather than the reverse, as the innings rolled on. Behind the plate, too, the home team had the advantage, for while Henning caught a pretty game he could not throw so well as Barnswell, who cut off several of the adversary by plays depending on the fractions of the seconds. Twice Victoria presented double put-outs by play that worked as swift as magic. Maxwell, of Seattle, did some good base-lining, while Brook's big drive, though failing to increase the score, was quite a feature of the match.

Upon the side of the home team, while the work of the battery was undoubtedly its strongest feature, still laurels of the victory of 11 to 4 must be well divided up, as both infield and out afforded an excellent support.

The match was far from errorless, but for many of these the difficulties of the high wind must be held to account. The following is the score by innings:

Seattle	. . .	2	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	x—	4
Victoria	. .	0	0	3	1	0	3	0	3	0—	11

WON AT FOOTBALL.

Victorians Can Now Claim the Championship of the Whole Province.

The football suffered much worse through the indifferent weather. The wind blew so strong and uncertain that anything like scientific play was quite out of the question and it was astonishing that such a good game was put up.

The teams lined up as follows:

Victoria—Goal, Kinsman; backs, Goward and Schwengers; half-backs, Rutherford, Lorimer and Johnson; forwards, Shandley, Hunter, Noot, Livingstone and York.

Kamloops—E. Fisher, goal; J. Shafer and C. Little, full-backs; S. C. Burton, S. H. Leeming and J. T. Beattie, half-backs; T. J. Towgood, E. S. Jackson, T. D. Macdonald, E. Morris and Coles, forwards.

The up-country team had a great advantage on the start, the quartering gale carrying the ball down on the flags of the home team, sometimes at a great rate. But for all that the boys played on the ball and keeping it well down made shot after shot upon the light and dark blue flags. Three times they did the trick and were in high spirits when half time being called they turned to work down on the wind. Just then, however, the wind began to drop and so they got but little out of that. The game went on in a hard struggle and soon two more goals were scored, one for either side, which left the final score standing 4 games to 1 in favor of the home team.

After the match Mr. A. E. McPhillips, who is also president of the club, walked out on the field and with a nice speech presented the dozen medals, his personal gifts to the winning players.

With cheers for Mr. McPhillips, the officials and both clubs the men then left the field.

FIREWORKS DISPLAY.

High Wind Prevented It From Being a Great Success.

The great crowd of pleasure-seeking citizens and visitors, disappointed in their afternoon's arrangement streamed out to Beacon Hill last evening to see the fireworks. They were in the best of humor and spirits in spite of not having seen the siwash canoe races, but it is only fair to say that when they jostled homewards along the dark trails and drives of the Hill, that their good nature had somewhat failed them, and a sense of disappointment was intermixed generally with the weariness of sight-seeing.

The crowd was an enormous one, and in number although that was extremely hard to estimate, must have ranged somewhere close upon 10,000. There were family parties and sporting parties, and stag parties and parties of Chinamen and parties of Indians, but in spite of their diversity after waiting for half an hour for the pyrotechnic display to begin they all articulated the same prolonged "Oh-h" when the first rocket soared high in its heavenward flight. And for nearly an hour the "Oh-h" was in constant requisition. Whether it was the boys' Chinese cracker or a Roman candle up about the flagstaff or one of the big set pieces down near the tree line of the park, all were greeted with the same gutteral sigh of joy, and admiration. Rockets and Saxon wheels and fiery fountains, both circular and lateral, and red fire and many colored lights kept all on the tip-toe of excitement and moves beat quick and little screams and jumps were in constant call as the heavy rockets jarred the earth on leaving it.

The high wind, however, and some ill-made arrangement interfered with the greater pieces. One of them, the Prince of Wales' feather was essayed, but the rising wind quite spoilt it, so those of Her Most Gracious Majesty and half a dozen others were not taken in hand. At about half-past ten the display had to be brought to an end and while what was shown was certainly worthy of high credit, being quite the best of its kind, it is much to be regretted that the other pieces must be reserved for some future occasion.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

Three Big Events to Take Place This Afternoon.

Victorians and their visitors will have some difficulty in deciding where to go this afternoon, as there will be three big attractions, the lacrosse match at Oak Bay, commencing at 3 o'clock; the regatta at the Gorge, commencing at 1, and the yacht races, commencing at 3. The regatta programme follows:

1. Ten-oared cutters—Course, round island and return to barge (about three miles). 1st prize, $40; 2nd prize, $20; 3rd prize, $10. Entries—(a) Warspite; (b) Warspite; (c) Warspite; (d) Leander; (e) Arethusa; (f) Arethusa; (g) Pheasant (h) Virago; (i) Royal Artillery.

2. Double scull schoolboys' race, under 18—1st prize, silver medals. Entries—Collegiate school, Victoria B.C. 1. H. E. Thorne, bow; Oscar Scholefield, stroke; William Newcombe, cox. 2. B. N. Johnson, bow; Paul Harrison, stroke; C. Vincent, cox. Four entries.

3. Naval (whalers and gigs). Five oars. Course, round island and return. 1st prize, $20; 2nd prize, $10; 3rd prize, $5. Entries—(a) Warspite; (b) Warspite; (c) Leander; (d) Leander; (e) Arethusa; (f) Icarus; (g) Icarus; (h) Pheasant; (i) Naval Yard.

4. Indian canoes (under 40 feet). Course, round island and return. Prizes, $5, $2 and $1 per paddle. Entries—(a) Valdes; (b) Kuper Island (c) Themthemiage; (d) Cowichan; (e) Saanich; (f) Lummi; (g) Whatcom; (h) Port Madison.

5. Naval galleys, 6 oars (officers. Course, about one mile. Entries—(a) Warspite; (b) Warspite; (c) Arethusa; (d) Icarus and Pheasant combined.

6. Four-oared lapstreak boats (amateurs, Championship of British Columbia. From starter's barge round buoys at Gray's Point and return (1½ miles). Prize, silver cup and four prizes. Entries—Vancouver Rowing Club; color, scarlet and white; H. O. Alexander, stroke; Geo. W. Seymour, No. 3; J. D. Ball, No. 2; R. C. Spinks, bow. James Bay A. A.; colors, navy blue and white; J. C. McNeil, stroke; W. Laing, No. 3; A. Donaldson, No. 2; W. H. Jesse, bow.

7. Indian two-men canoes. Course, round island and return. 1st prize, $12, 2nd prize, $6; 3rd prize $2. Post entries.

8. Naval pinnaces, 14 or 16 oars. Course, round island and return. 1st prize, $56; 2nd prize, $28. Entries—(a) Warspite; (b) Warspite; (c) Leander; (d) Arethusa.

9. Double dingy race (officers H. M. forces with lady coxwain). Course, straightaway from Mr. E. Crow Baker's boathouse to starter's barge. 1st prize, camera; 2nd prize, gold locket. Post entries.

10. Indian war canoes, 40 to 50 feet. Course, round island and return. Prizes, $5, $3 and $1 per paddle. Entries—(a) Nanaimo; (b) Valdes; (c) Kuper Island; (d) Themthemiage; (e) Cowichan; (f) Saanich; (g) Port Madison; (h) Lummi.

11. Naval six-oared galleys. Course, round island and return. 1st prize, $25; 2nd prize, $15; 3rd prize $10. Entries—(a) Warspite; (b) Warspite; (c) Arethusa; (d) Virago; (e) Icarus.

12.—Klootchmen's canoe race (working canoes only). Course, from starter's barge round buoy and return. 1st prize, $30, 2nd prize, $15; 3rd prize, $10. Post entries.

13. Army race (amateur). Six-oared whalers. Course, round island and return. Entries—Two crews of Fifth Regiment and one crew of C. P. G.

14.—Indian two-men canoe upset race. Course, round buoy and return. 1st prize, $10; 2nd prize, $5. Post entries.

15.-All-comers' race. Open to army and navy sea service boats. Any size boat, any number of oars. Course, round island and return. 1st prize, $35; 2nd prize, $15; 3rd prize, $5. Entries—(a) Warspite, launch; (b) Warspite, pinnace; (c) Warspite, cutter; (d) Warspite, jolly boat; (e) Warspite, galley; (f) Warspite, gig; (g) Leander, pinnace; (h) Arethusa, pinnace; (i) Arethusa, galley; (j) Arethusa, cutter; (k) Icarus, whaler; (l) Virago, galley; (m) Royal Artillery.

After the regatta there will be a competition for the best decorated boat, the prizes being $15, $10 and $5. Guests of the city will be received on the reception barge, at the regatta.

The regatta will be started by a single shot and the races will be called by bugle. Two minutes after the bugle call, the races will be started by a gun.

The following officers will supervise the naval portion of the programme: Referee, Capt. Fegen, R.N.; judges, Capt. Walker, R.N.; Capt. Startin, R.N.; starter, Capt. Startin, R.N.; committee, Lieut. Heaton-Ellis, R.N.; Lieut. MacHutchin, R.N.; Lieut. Royds, R.N.; Lieut. Benwell, R.N.; Lieut. Arbuthnot, R.N.; Sub-Lieut. Chisholm, R. N.; clerk of the course, M. Case, R.N.

The civilian officers are: Starters, Capt. J. G. Cox, Capt. Chas. Clarke; clerk of course, Capt. A. J. Dallain; superintendent of Indian races, Chief Michael Cooper.

The ships' colors for naval races are: Warspite, crimson; Leander, blue; Arethusa, red and yellow, diagonal; Icarus, blue flag, with yellow cross; Garrison Artillery, red and blue; Pheasant, yellow and black diagonal; Virago, green flag with red ball; R. N. Dockyard, blue flag with white letter "D."

War canoe colors in all races are: Valdes Island, blue flag; Kuper Island, red flag; Cowichan, white flag; Themthemiage, navy blue; Saanich Arm, pink flag, Port Madison and Lummi, American flag.

In the evening there will be a band concert at the drill hall and a children's patriotic entertainment at the Victoria theatre.

FIRST OF THE SERIES.

Lacrosse Match at Oak Bay This Afternoon Between Victoria and New Westminster.

The first home game in the senior lacrosse series takes place this afternoon at Oak Bay grounds at 3 o'clock sharp between New Westminster, colors maroon and navy blue, and Victoria, colors blue and white.

The home team has been working hard for this game and a fast and exciting one may be expected. As the grounds are much larger than the old Caledonia grounds, cleaner play will also be in evidence.

The home team has adopted the old colors, blue and white, and intend to do their utmost to uphold their record.

The following is the home team:

Goal, S. Norman; point, J. W. Lorimer; cover-point, A. D. Belfry; defence, C. A. Cullin (captain), E. M. Burns and A. N. Finlayson; centre, C. Blaine home, K. Schoefield, W. Stephen and G. Tite; outside home, W. Wilson; inside home, F. Smith.

Field-captain, W. E. Ditchburn.

Timekeeper, R. W. Clark.

Mr. D. Smith, of Vancouver has kindly consented to act as referee and as he is very strict and a great enthusiast, no rough play will be allowed.

The grounds are in splendid shape, thanks to "Prof." Foster's ceaseless energy and the Professor also announces that his boys are in splendid trim. The street car company has guaranteed a ten minute service—no transfer. All players are requested to be on hand by 2.30 p.m., as the game must start punctually.

YACHT RACES.

Will Start Promptly at One O'Clock From a Point Off the Outer Wharf.

Promptly at one o'clock this afternoon the international yacht race will start from a point off the outer wharf, between Fearless Rock and a flag on Point McLaughlin. The three classes will start at the same time. The yachts so far entered are:

A class: Ariadne, Jubilee, Levita and Volage.

B class: Wideawake, Emma, Dorothy, Nancy, Wanda, Lena, Emerald and Brow Frau.

C class: Vrill, Lurline, Viola, Ladysmith, Noreen, Annie and Gee Whiz.

The cruise is a five-mile triangular one and the yachts can be seen during the whole race from the outer wharf or Dallas road, the start and finish being at the same point. The A class yacht must round the course three times; B class twice and C class once. The time limit for the big yachts is five hours. A launch, kindly placed at the disposal of the club by the navy, will follow the race. The prizes will be presented in the evening to the winners by Commodore Kirk.

PROMENADE CONCERT.

Programme to Be Rendered by the Band at the Drill Hall This Evening.

As a fitting close to celebration festivities, the Fifth Regiment band will give another of their popular promenade concerts at the drill hall this evening. This concert, as well being the closing event on the celebration programme, is also the last concert of the drill hall series for this season. The extra attracttion for to-night is Miss Lesley McDonald, in recitations. The programme follows:

Overture—"Bohemian Girl" ..... Balfe
Paraphrase—"Lorley" ..... Nasvadba
Selection fr. "The Fortune Teller" .. Herbert
Patrol—"British" ..... Asche
Grand Fantasia—"Canada" ..... Berwood
Grand Selection fr. "Faust" ..... Gound
Popular Selection—"Gems of the Sea-son" ..... Arr. Finn
Recitation—"The Last Charge" ..... F. Mortimer Kelley
Miss Lesley McDonald.
Grand Fantasia on "Old English Songs" ..... Basquir
Finale—"Nibelunger March" ..... Wagner
"God Save the Queen."

CHILDREN'S ENTERTAINMENT.

Performance This Evening at the Victoria Theatre For Benefit of Patriotic Fund.

The following is the programme of the patriotic entertainment to be given by children at the Victoria theatre to-night:

Duet—"Fairy Queen" ..... Misses Norris and Bridges
Song—"Royal Red Rose" ..... Lily Griffith
Recitation—"Our Common Cause" ..... Lesley McDonald
Song—"Her Majesty" ..... Daisy Bridges
Song and Dance—"Flower Girl" ..... Lulu McDougall
Song—"British Volunteers" ..... Addie Morris
Recitation—"The Stowaway" ..... Ethel Green
Cake Walk.
Song—"Up With the Flag" ..... Alice Bridges
Recitation—"Absent-Minded Beggar" ..... Edna White

EXTRAS.

"Hello! My Baby" ..... Ethel Green
"Idylle and Celebration March", B. Beatty
"Boys in Blue" ..... Emma Kent
"The Bird in a Gilded Cage" (illustrated) ..... Daisy Bridges

TABLEAUX.

"Fairy Queen" ..... Ethel Green
"Cinderella" .....
"Pas de Seul" ..... Fairy Queen
"Sleeping Beauty" .....
..... Old English Dance Chorus
"Dick Whittington" .....
"God Save the Queen."

The proceeds of the entertainment will be devoted to the Patriotic Fund, and a full house should be in attendance.

Past Efforts Eclipsed

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secretary of V. Y. C. There will be warmest kind of racing between the crack yachts Ariadne and Jubilee of Victoria, and the Lavita of Seattle. In B. class the Emerald, of San Juan Island will make it hot for her competitors. Yachtsmen whose boats are measured are requested to apply to the secretary for certificates of rating, charts and sailing rules and numbers. It is expected that the smaller yachts from Seattle and other points will be able to get in in time for the racing, as the weather has moderated.

THE VISITORS WON.

Tillies of Nanaimo Beat the Columbias By a Score of Two Goals to One.

The association football match played at the Caledonian grounds yesterday by the Thistles of Nanaimo, and the Columbias, of this city, resulted in a victory for the kickers from the Coal City, by a score of two goals to one. The match was a very indifferent one, remarkable for no very brilliant exhibitions of the game, the condition of the ground—the grass was very long—greatly handicapping the players. The first half, the Nanaimo players had things all their own way, they having the sun at their backs. The first goal was scored by them in a very short space of time. There was a rush on the Columbia goal from the kick-off, and Adams scored with his head on a pass from Bland. The other goal was taken by Hallowan towards the close of the first half. In the second half the Victoria players seemed to "buck up" and the play was all on their side. It was in this half that they scored their only goal, which Cecil Berkely scored with a neat shot from the left wing. Had their shooting been a little more accurate, the Victoria players would no doubt have equalled the score of their opponents, if not beaten it, for they certainly put up a better game than their opponents in the second half.

CAN'T VISIT VICTORIA.

Impossible For Eagles to Visit the City In a Body.

In answer to the invitation extended by the city to members of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, who are holding a convention in Vancouver, His Worship Mayor Hayward yesterday received the following telegram:

"His Worship the Mayor, Victoria:

"Fraternal Order of Eagles in session assembled accept your invitation with thanks. We regret inability to attend in a body. With you in spirit, and 'Long Live the Queen!' J. W. CONSIDINE,

"Grand Worthy President."

CELEBRATION NOTES.

A well freighted "Ice Argosy" will be a new and convenient feature for the Gorge regatta on Friday. The James Bay Epworth League are responsible for a big shipment of good things. Everything is for sale except the ladies on board. The profits are for the Twentieth Century Fund.

The E. & N. Railway Company have arranged a special service for the regatta, and will handle the crowds expeditiously. Trains will leave every fifteen minutes. The fare is 25 cents for the round trip, children 10 cents.

There will be a most convenient tide for the regatta this afternoon. According to the tide predictor, there will be scarcely any current on the rise and fall of water between 12:45 and 5:30 p. m., and after that only a slow rise of one foot up to midnight.

CHAMPIONSHIP FOOTBALL.

Teams From Victoria and Kamloops to Meet at the Hill this Morning.

This morning the Colonist presents a picture of the Association football champions of British Columbia, which has just been completed by Mr. Skene for our The cut is to hand most opportunely, as to-day at 10.30 the team will try conclusions with the Kamloops club at Beacon Hill.

This game will undoubtedly be one of the drawing cards of the celebration, as the latter have a very strong combination, whereas the home team are determined to uphold the past season's splendid record of but one game lost throughout the entire season, and not a loss in the championship league.

Mr. E. A. McPhillips generously presented a handsome set of medals for the winners of the game, which are on view at Messrs. Challoner & Mitchell's.

The Victoria team will be represented by the following: Goal, Kinsman; backs, Goward and Schwengers; half-backs, Rutherford, Lorimer and Johnson; forwards, Shandley, Hunter, Noot, Livingstone and York; and Kamloops by E. Fisher, goal; J. Shafer and C. Little, full-backs; S. C. Burton, S. H. Leeming and J. T. Beattie, half-backs; T. J. Towgood, E. S. Jackson, T. D. Macdonald, E. Morris and F. Johnson, forwards

INTERNATIONAL HANDBALL.

Matches at the James Bay Club Rooms Yesterday Morning.

Although the majority of the visitors in town went out to Macaulay Point yesterday morning, there were a few to witness the International handball game at the J.B.A.A.

Dr. McCulloch, of the Seattle Athletic Club, was in fine form and his games with Mr. Gresley, the local player were the most exciting ever witnessed in this city. Mr. Gresley, however, managed to keep up his reputation and the reputation of the J.B.A.A., and won two games straight—21-18; 21-9.

J. C. Thompson played in the best form possible and gave Mr. Bebb, of Seattle, two well fought games, both of which, however, were won by Mr. Bebb —21-20 and 21-19.

Dr. McCulloch and Mr. Gresley will play another exhibition match this morning at 10 and all those who were not present yesterday would do well to see this morning's game.

Strange Disappearance.—About five months ago M. Andre Ramet left France for British Columbia as a representative of a Belgian syndicate, said to have very important copper properties in this province. M. Ramet had in his possession a large sum of money. He has not been heard of since he set out for the West. Any one who has any information regarding this gentleman will confer a great favor by communicating with the French consul at Vancouver.

Canada's pavilion at the Paris exposition was opened on Thursday without ceremony. A large number of people visited the fur section and greatly admired it. Queen's Birthday was celebrated in the evening by a dinner, which proved most enthusiastic and patriotic. The British commission and the representatives of India and Australia joined in the celebration. Canadian Commissioners Scott and Gaudreau were congratulated on the excellent arrangements of the different sections of the pavilion.

ODD NICKNAMES.

Sobriquets Which Have Been Bestowed Upon Great Persons at Various Times.

The longest nickname ever bestowed upon an individual was that given by Sir Walter Scott to his friend and publisher, John Ballantyne, who had a most pompous and dignified manner. It is a name one would not care to be called upon to pronounce—Aldiboronticphoscophornio.

Sir Walter himself had a score or more of nicknames, of which one of his best was a Homer of a Poet.

We are so accustomed to hear George Washington referred to as the Father of his Country that it perhaps does not occur to us that he had other nicknames—all most complimentary, as is quite right. The Atlas of America, the Flower of the Forest and Lively Georgius are among a few of the dozen names bestowed upon him by admirers.

Shakespeare had thirty and one separate and distinct subriquets given him, of which one of the complimentary ones was the Swan of Avon, and that not so flattering, the Upstart Crow. Alexander Pope's friends called him the Little Nightingale, and his enemies an Ape.

Among celebrated people who have been likened unto animals are Robert Southey, the Blackbird; Percy B. Shelley, the Snake; Voltaire, the Ape of Genius; the Devil's Missionary was another one of his pet names. Cardinal Wolsey was the Butcher's Dog and the Mastiff's Cur; Virgil, the Swan of Mantua; Martin Van Buren, President of the United States, the Weasel.

The Nightmares of Europe was Napoleon Bonaparte; Eddy Doll, God of Day and Father Violet were some of his nicknames.

Thomas Carlyle was Dr. Pessimist. Dante called himself the White Flower, because he had been beat by the frosts and whitened by the sun.

Of effeminate names bestowed upon different people, there is Schoolmiss Alfred, a title given by Bulwer in his poem, "The New Timon," to Alfred Tennyson. Edmund Spencer was Mother Hubbard, and Richard Cromwell, Queer Dick.

The woman upon whom the most complimentary epithet has been bestowed was Jane Austin, called the Shakespeare of Prose. The White Rose of Raby was Cecily, the mother of Edward IV. Mary Queen of Scots was the White Queen, because she dressed so much in white. The White Milliner was Frances Jennings, sister of the famous Sarah, Duchess of Marlborough. When reduced to poverty she set up a small shop, where, dressed in white, with a white mask over her face, she eked out an existence, until some of her relatives came to her assistance.

ONE-MAN GOVERNMENT.

Rossland Miner Gives Its Reasons For Opposing Mr. Martin.

From the Rossland Miner.

Perhaps the most serious objection that can be urged against the returning of Hon. Joseph Martin is that his election would mean the fastening upon the province for a time of a one man government. If he and his followers are returned he, of course, will be the premier and once firmly established in power he would, indeed, play the part of dictator. His past course shows that even where he occupied a subordinate position in a ministry that he would either rule it or ruin it, and what would he be where he was the head and front of a ministry? He would not be satisfied to take the part of a limited monarch, for he would then feel that he was the absolute monarch whose power was unstinted, and woe to the minister who would dare to see his interest against his will then. He would insist on his immediate removal from office. There is no authority, legislative or judicial, which he would not attempt to usurp and as bad as the governments have recently been in this province, they could not compare with his if he had capacity for creating something that would be akin to chaos and a partial state of anarchy. The result of the feuds which such a state of affairs would engender, the state of unrest and uncertainty that would be brought about, the constant fear that the intemperate actions of yesterday would be followed by some foolish outbreak in some other direction to-morrow, for his administration would probably be characterized by bursts of resentment and uncontrollable fury against his individual or that institution, would be most harmful to the province and its best interests.

The public can readily see that to place Mr. Martin and his followers in power would be courting danger, would be an invitation to have the province misgoverned and would set it back for an indefinite period. During the time that Mr. Martin reigned capital would avoid British Columbia as much as though it was infected with the plague, and would not touch new enterprises here with a forty foot pole, and the result would be hurtful to the mining and other interests.

Were Mr. Martin a man of transcendent or even ordinary ability, there might be some excuse for supporting him, but on the contrary, he is made of the most ordinary materials and has only mediocre talents. He had one capacity in the superlative degree, and that is to quarrel with nearly everyone with whom he comes in contact. This is on what little reputation he has as a public man is built. He has no name for wise statesmanship, none as an advocate of measures for building up the interests of the country, and as we said before, he is simply an individual in which belligerency is the dominant feature.

The people of British Columbia do not want to elect an individual of this type, a mere political brawler, for his followers to take charge of the affairs of this province at this or any other time. What is wanted at the head of affairs are men who will give us, first of all, a stable government and one under which capital will not be afraid to invest. The people want men at the seat of government who will do all they can to develop the wonderful resources of the province so that the present generation may enjoy some of the results of this development. They want men who will foster and build up the trade and commerce of the country and will make it a pleasant and profitable place for all classes to reside in.

Under the circumstances it seems to us that to support Mr. Martin of his followers is unwise, and that it will only be done by those who are willing to shut their eyes to the consequences, those who are carried away by partisan zeal, and who set their party above the welfare of the country, those who desire to see the province retrograde under a baneful and incompetent government, and those who would like to dwell in a country governed by a political autocrat. We feel certain that a majority of the people strongly object to one man power or government by an individual who would virtually rule by fiat, and who would on every possible occasion endeavor to override the constitution.

March Published.—Mr. Schultz's march "The Charge At Dawn" is published this morning, the beautiful lithograph work on the title page and the entire music having been executed by the Colonist Printing and Publishing Company. The march is being handled by Messrs. Gideon Hicks & Co, music dealers of this city.

Doings in Parliament

Government Reluctance to Investigate West Huron Frauds.

Dominion Looks After Manitoba Lepers but Refuses British Columbia.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, May 19.—The coon has come down. No, not quite; he has promised to do so, and between the two, the promise and the fulfilment, there is a wide difference, as old-time Liberals who had pinned their faith to the carrying out of the Ottawa convention programme well know. Day had fully dawned yesterday when the weary legislators left the parliament buildings for their temporary homes in this city. The previous four hours had been momentous ones for the country. They had seen the government driven along by a triumphant opposition to that point that there was no escape from granting an investigation into the election frauds. For three days the official Liberals had argued against it, but after the challenge of Mr. Foster and the speech of Mr. Richardson, the Liberal member for Lisgar, Sir Wilfrid took to cover. Mr. Richardson had informed the house that he would vote for the opposition amendment unless the administration would pledge itself to appoint a commission of Superior court judges to sift these frauds to the bottom. When Mr. Foster spoke he referred to the chestnuts of reported Conservative corruption which Mr. Cowan had brought up against the opposition, and he invited the Premier to submit everything relating to electoral fraud in Canada, no matter how far back it might be necessary to go, to an independent judicial tribunal. The Premier dodged the issue for a while. He argued that he would not have granted a committee of inquiry last session had he known that the Conservatives had the information respecting the West Huron frauds in their possession before the expiration of the forty days within which a protest can be lodged under the controverted elections act. Finally he admitted what his followers had been arguing against for three days, that a gross system of ballot manipulating and ballot switching had prevailed in this country for many years, and he promised that there should be an exhaustive and thorough investigation by the highest judges in the land, and that the evil-doers should be punished, even if special legislation had to be adopted to accomplish this end. Sir Charles Tupper, Mr. Foster, Mr. Quinn and Mr. Clancy pressed for details of the reference to the commission, but the Premier was somewhat chary about committing himself. He said he would not be dragged into details, and he would not admit that he was offering a compromise. A considerable time elapsed before Sir Charles got an opportunity to question the Premier, and in the meantime many Conservatives had left the house. The opposition leader had accepted the Premier's promise in good faith, and when he came to ask for particulars the opposition did not get much satisfaction. The division took place, and the Conservatives having been caught napping, the governments majority was larger than it otherwise would have been.

There is much speculation in view of Sir Wilfrid Laurier's peculiar attitude yesterday, as to when the commission will be appointed. Both Mr. Foster and Sir Charles Tupper asked that it should get to work at once, in order that the findings of the commission might be known to the country before the great appeal to the people, which cannot be long delayed. The Premier, by his refusal to furnish any particulars, invited the suspicion that the elections will be held before the commission reports to parliament. Sir Wilfrid pretends to be sincere in his efforts to expose the frauds with which his party is associated, and to bring the guilty ones to justice. Why was it necessary, then, for him to wait to be driven to this course by a fighting opposition? If the government knew about these election frauds to-day, they knew about them last August, as the evidence forthcoming was sufficiently strong to have warrant the appointment of a commission as it is to-day. Were there any reason that can be given for the government's tardy action it is the fear that many of their followers would have bolted when the division took place, and the effect upon the country at large of a refusal to grant an inquiry.

Sir Wilfrid was put in a peculiar position this week. The debates committee has had so much trouble with the French translators that it was at last deemed necessary to hold an examination of the members of the translators' staff. The result was a decision, apart altogether from the political proclivities of the French translators, to recommend the dismissal of three of the old men and the appointment in their places of three others who had passed a very superior examination. One of the three to be removed, Mr. Gelinas, is a great friend of the Premier and a brother-in-law of Mr. Desmarais, M. P. for St. James division of Montreal. The Premier made an urgent appeal for the retention of Mr. Gelinas, but it was of no avail. His own followers would not hear of such a thing. Mr. Somerville, of North Wentworth and Brant, told the house some pretty plain things. Referring to the examination which Gelinas had written, Mr. Somerville said that he had skipped all the hard sentences in the translation, and did not do half the work given to him. Mr. Somerville gave this final dig to his leader: "The less said about Mr. Gelinas as a translator the better for him, as he may have to make his living outside of the public service after this." Mr. Richardson spoke in a similar strain. The Premier was greatly annoyed at the turn the discussion took, and when the motion was put, Sir Wilfrid finding the whole house against him, had to agree to it.

According to an answer which the acting minister of the interior gave to Mr. Turcotte this week, there are 129,920 acres of land under license in the Yukon territory. The first nine berths granted in the territory were disposed of at public competition, the average bonus per mile received being $172.35. On each berth subsequently granted a bonus of $250 per square mile has been paid.

Red tape at the war office is still preventing the Ocean Accident & Guarantee Company from paying its insurance to the next of kin to the brave Canadians who have lost their lives in South Africa