

The Weekly British Colonist.

Tuesday, October 10, 1865

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

Tuesday, Oct. 3.

CITY COUNCIL.—This body met as usual last evening at 7 o'clock, present, His Worship the Mayor and Councillors Fell, Smith, Thorne, Carey and Hibbard. The minutes of the previous meeting having been read, Councillor Carey moved that the Council adjourn until 7 o'clock this evening.

MARCH OUT.—No. 1 and No. 2 Companies of the Volunteer Rifle Corps met last evening, at eight o'clock, at Buckley's Drill Hall, for parade preparatory to a march out.

THE FIREMEN'S ELECTION.—The election of Chief and Assistant Engineers of the Victoria Fire Department took place yesterday at the Tiger Engine House, Johnson street, and produced considerable excitement, particularly among the firemen and their friends.

FROM COWICHAN.—The fine weather during the last few days has proved of great service to the farmers, who are engaged in gathering in their crops, much of which is nearly spoiled. Governor Kennedy landed at Cowichan Bay on Friday morning, went to Drinkwater's, thence to Maple Bay, and returned to the bay.

THE GOVERNOR AT COWICHAN.—From the Rev. A. O. Garrett, who has just returned from Cowichan, we learn that Governor Kennedy visited Dr. Davies' farm and other portions of the district, and was most favorably impressed with the farming resources of the settlement.

THE METCHOSAN AND ESQUIMALT SEAT.—We understand that there is some probability of this seat being contested by a gentleman who is a warm advocate for the protection of home industry and productions.

TRADES LICENSES.—Several parties were summoned in the Police Court yesterday for arrears of trades license.

THE RECENT INCENDIARISM.—The police are engaged in investigating the circumstances connected with the fire attempt made on Saturday night to fire the Colonist building, and it is thought that some clue has been obtained that may lead to the detection of the offender.

Wednesday, Oct. 4.

CITY COUNCIL.—The adjourned meeting of the Council was held last evening, at seven o'clock. Present—His Worship the Mayor and a full board.

FOR QUEEN CHARLOTTE ISLAND.—The schr. Alpha, Captain George, left yesterday for the Queen Charlotte Coal Company's mine, taking a portion of the workmen engaged by the company to commence operations, and a quantity of lumber, provisions, stores and material necessary for the work.

ATTEMPTED ESCAPE.—Yesterday afternoon, as the chaingang were proceeding near the top of Fort street, one of the gang, a Sinhalese, attempted to escape.

THE NEW WRIT.—The Speaker of the House of Assembly gives notice in the Government Gazette of the resignation of Robert Barnaby, Esq., junior member for Esquimalt and Metchosen district, and that a writ for the election of a member to serve in the Legislative Assembly in Mr. Barnaby's stead, will be ordered.

SUPREME COURT.—His Honor Chief Justice Cameron, on the application of Mr. McCraith, instructed by Mr. Bishop, yesterday granted writs of Habeas Corpus, returnable on Monday next to bring up the bodies of August Smith and James Hoggan, at present in gaol here, and alleged to have been illegally convicted of whiskey dealing.

UNION HOOK AND LADDER COMPANY.—At a meeting of this company held last evening the name of the Secretary was struck off the list of members, and several new members were enrolled.

MURDER AT LILLOET.—Our Lilloet correspondent "F," writing under date of Sept. 29th, mentions the following:—"A horrid murder has been committed on a ranch about half a mile from this town by two Chinamen one of their countrymen. Rumor was current yesterday at noon that foul play had taken place; and today the Judge, in company with the constables and a number of Indians, instituted a vigorous search, which resulted in finding the Celestial defunct. The three Chinamen had been partners; they farmed the ranch known as the old race course and now owned by Judge Elliott.

FROM THE SOUND.—The steamer Enterprise arrived yesterday morning from Puget Sound with Douglas McTavish, Esq., Chief Factor H. B. C., the Hon. R. Finlayson, Allen Francis, Esq., U.S. Consul, and other gentlemen who accompanied Judge Lander and gentlemen connected with the Commission on the Company's claims to Olympia. They had a delightful trip.

FOR COMOX.—The steamer Emily Harris left yesterday afternoon for Nanaimo and Comox, taking a few passengers, thirty cows, two bulls, three horses and some poultry, and several tons of merchandise for the northern settlements.

PRESENTATION TO THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.—It was announced by Acting Chief Engineer Thain, at the convivial gathering on Monday evening, that ex-Chief Engineer Keenan had forwarded a handsome silver trumpet to his agent in this city, Mr. N. Jacob, to be presented to the Department and to be worn by his successor in office.

Thursday, Oct. 5.

RETURN OF HIS EXCELLENCY.—H.M.S. Devastation, Captain Jolliffe, returned to Esquimalt yesterday afternoon, at half-past two o'clock, from the north, having on board his Excellency the Governor and Mr. Nichol, Manager V. Coal Co. On Governor Keenan leaving the ship the usual salute was fired. We have been favored with the following particulars of the trip:—Steamed from Esquimalt, September 27th, to Cowichan; remained there the night, and in the morning his Excellency landed in company with the Rev. Mr. Garrett, and rode round the settlement. On the 29th steamed to Comox, where the Governor held a *va-va* with the Indians. October 1st, steamed down to Nanaimo. On the 3d, proceeded to Roche harbor, San Juan Island. On the 4th, his Excellency inspected the Royal Marines, and the Devastation then steamed back to Esquimalt. On the night of the 2d, the bark Florida got on shore on the Satellite rock in Nanaimo harbor. We understand that his Excellency is much pleased with his visit.

DEBATING CLASS.—The following is the subject selected for this evening's debate: Resolved, That the advantages arising from a union of the colonies would not compensate us for the loss of our Free Port. Messrs. Diette and Babbitt will, we understand, take the affirmative, and Mr. Pidwell and some other gentlemen will maintain the negative. The subject is an important one and will doubtless produce a highly interesting debate.

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