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LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

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CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS.—Yesterday the teachers of the Central School, Fort street, were in attendance to receive applications for admission to the school. The number admitted was one hundred and eighty-two, of whom one hundred and two were boys and eighty girls. The school-house, of course, is filled beyond its utmost capacity, and it should be one of the first duties of the Board of Education to provide accommodation for those who will necessarily be excluded. There is no doubt that the number of applications will be very considerably increased, and we would suggest to the Board the establishment of at least one primary school for the younger children in some other part of the city. We are aware that the sum voted by the Legislature for Educational purposes has perhaps already been appropriated, but if there is one thing more than another for which the House of Assembly will submit to an over-draft on the Estimates, it is for Education. Retrenchment on a matter of such vital interest to the permanent welfare of the colony would be ill-advised policy.

JOHN BUTTS was charged yesterday before the Police Magistrate as a rogue and vagabond. Mr. Innes stated the prisoner asked him to purchase a bed and some bedding from Bartell, which he did. He had since reason to believe that those goods were stolen. Butts began to talk about calling a witness to establish his innocence when he was interrupted by the Magistrate who informed him that there was already sufficient evidence to attach suspicion.

Butts—Well give me fifteen days. Judge and I'll leave the country. I'll go across the Sound as sure as God made little apples. I have said so a dozen times. I'm telling no lies, only give me time.

Mr. Pemberton—I'll give you an opportunity Butts, but I must bind you over in recognizances to appear here if you fail to go. Butts—Then supposing I go how am I to get the money? The ex-town crier did not seem to relish the recognizance part of the arrangement, preferring no doubt to be released on parole, but saw that his best policy was to bow acquiescence.

FROM THE NORTH.—The schooner Royal Charlie arrived yesterday afternoon, from a trading voyage along the north-west coast of British Columbia. She called at the mouth of the Stekin river on her way down, where she found one of the party of white men who have been mining on the river for the last two years. He was waiting to procure supplies from the labourers. He reported that they were doing pretty well, but gave no particulars. The Royal Charlie met the labourers in Tongass Narrows, bound up the river. The weather during the trip has generally been fine.

SAN FRANCISCO.—Wm. Burrell appeared yesterday on remand in the Police Court charged with stealing a bed and some bedding. The accused called Mr. Read, tailor, who stated that Burrell had been in his employ and had a good reputation during that time. The Magistrate said he would take the character given into consideration, and sentenced the prisoner to three months' imprisonment hoping it would prove a warning to him. Burrell, who is a respectable looking man, expressed regret at the position in which he was placed.

ARRESTED.—A colored man named Gardner, possessed of considerable property in this city, was yesterday arrested on suspicion of being concerned in the robbery of money from the Frenchwoman who keeps a green grocer's shop at the corner of Broad street. We understand that Gardner tendered a coin which it is said was at once recognised by Madame as one of the stolen coins.

GAME AT COWICHAN.—From two gentlemen who returned last night from a short visit to Cowichan, we learn that game is very plentiful in that district. The woods swam with grouse, and the lakes and streams are covered with waterfowl. Deer are also very numerous; while sitting at breakfast our informants saw eight fine ones pass within 100 yards of the house. Someson Lake is also filled with fine trout, of which a good basket was brought down.

GOING HOME.—Messrs. Selim Franklin, Drake, Alston and Cruickshank leave for England by next steamer. The last two gentlemen take their families. Mr. Franklin goes home on business, and will return immediately. Mr. Alston has a year's leave of absence, and during his stay Mr. Pearce will be Acting Registrar General.

DANGEROUS PRACTICE.—Numerous complaints are made of a reprehensible practice very generally indulged in, of throwing broken bottles into the water. Go where they will, on the shores of the harbor or anywhere on the banks of the beautiful Victoria Arm, bathers say that they encounter broken pieces of bottles, and frequently cut themselves severely. So thoughtless and stupid practices should be declared punishable by law.

RIFLE DRILL.—The Victoria Rifles were out for drill on the Reserve last evening. The band was also in attendance, and performed a number of pieces in excellent style, and to the evident satisfaction of a large number of spectators.

Wednesday, August 2.

THE BROAD STREET ROBBERY.—Francis H. Gardner was charged yesterday in the

police court on suspicion of being concerned in the burglars robbery that occurred some weeks ago at the premises of Madame Maitre, who keeps a green-grocery establishment at the corner of Broad street. Mr. Copland appeared for the defence. Sergt. Wilmer was first called to prove the arrest which he had caused to be made on suspicion. He had further obtained a search warrant, but had failed to find any of the money. Madame Maitre was sworn, and through Mr. Beckingham, who acted as interpreter, deposed that—On the 7th July she left her shop and on her return found that a quantity of money amounting to \$2,300 had been stolen. She suspected the prisoner because he was frequently left in charge of the premises and was better acquainted with them than any other person, although she had always reposed great confidence in him. The prisoner, after the loss, did not come near the place until she requested payment of a sum of \$25 that the prisoner owed her, and on Friday evening he paid the money, tendering with other coin a ten franc French piece for \$3, which she at once recognised as one of those stolen; it had some gum on it that enabled her to swear positively to the coin, and she thereupon caused information to be laid before the police. In cross-examination witness again declared her certainty as to the coin. She had always been on the best of terms with Gardner, who had her entire confidence. She rubbed the gum off the coin without showing it to any person as she wanted to satisfy herself on the point. Witness produced a book showing a debit entry of \$25 lent Gardner on 29th June. Sergt. Wilmer was re-called and stated that the accused told him several times after he had been duly cautioned that he had no money, and had not paid \$25 to the complainant. He (witness) examined the premises carefully after the robbery, and was satisfied that it had been committed by some person well acquainted with the premises. From appearances he came to the conclusion that an entry had been effected through the window. There was no fastening to it. The back door of the yard had been forced open. The drawer of the cupboard in which the money was said to have been deposited remained intact. It was reported to him that \$1100 of the money lost, was in \$20 gold coin pieces, the balance in notes of the two city banks. It was not mentioned that there was a ten franc piece stolen. The prisoner's house adjoins that of the prosecutrix, and their back yards are close together. Mr. Porteous stated that about four months ago he paid the prosecutrix a ten franc piece for some eggs purchased. He was in the habit of sticking foreign and rare coins on to the glass behind the bar with gum. The coin in question had been so stuck on, and removed with water. The accused was remanded for three days, the magistrate on the application of Mr. Copland agreeing to take bail, two sureties in \$100 each, prisoner in \$2000.

SUPREME COURT.—Ab Sou v. Trousseau and others. In this case the plaintiff sued the defendants Thos. Trousseau and Donald, his servant, for obstructing him in going up the steps at the side of Selkirk's wharf, Esquimalt, with his goods, and compelling him to pay the bit for the privilege of going up. Plaintiff contended that the landing was a public landing and that the public had a right to go up the steps with or without their goods into the town of Esquimalt, and claimed \$500 damages. The defendants contended that it was not a public landing and that they had a right to prevent people from going up with baggage or goods unless they paid a certain sum as wharfage. Mr. Wood, instructed by Drake & Jackson, for the plaintiff, and Mr. McCraith, instructed by Mr. Bishop, for Trousseau and Donald, Mr. Cary, instructed by Mr. Copland, appeared for Mr. Selkirk. Ab Sou, the plaintiff, and Messrs. Selkirk, Howard and others, were examined on behalf of the plaintiff. The defendant's case will be taken up to-morrow.

ANOTHER RIFLE CORPS.—An advertisement appears in another part of our columns this morning, calling a public meeting in Smith's Hall to-morrow evening, to take steps for the formation of a second company of Volunteer Rifles. We understand that the proposed company will have a distinct organization from the present one, selecting its own officers, etc., in a similar manner to the two companies will, however, be placed under one command, for purposes of drill, etc., forming the wing of a battalion. The present company has its full number of members, and there is plenty of room for the formation of a second, which we hope to see vigorously and successfully taken up, as the existence of the two separate companies will create that healthy spirit of emulation which is ever one of the strongest incentives to excellence.

CRICKET MEETING.—The meeting of Cricketers, called by advertisement, took place at the Bee Hive Hotel last night, and was numerously attended. Resolutions were passed appointing committees to canvass for new members of the club, and to invite offers of suitable sites for the formation of a permanent cricket ground. We hope the public will come forward and afford a generous support to our excellent cricket club, which has so well sustained the honor of the city. We feel convinced also that some of our landed gentlemen only require an application to place a suitable ground at the disposal of the club at a merely nominal rental.

GERMANIA SING VEREIN.—At a semi-annual meeting of the Germania Sing Verein, held last evening, the following officers were elected to serve for the next six months: President, J. L. Jangerman, re-elected; Vice President, C. A. Schmid; Secretary, Jacob Schli, re-elected; Treasurer, Wm. Lohse, re-elected; Librarian, A. DeNeuf.

RIFLE CORPS AT CHURCH.—Owing to Rev. Mr. Somerville being obliged to go to New Westminster next Sunday, the Rifle Corps will not attend service in the Pandora street church till the Sunday after next.

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION met yesterday at 8 o'clock, Dr. Tolmie in the chair. One of the principal subjects under discussion was the want of funds to carry out the views of the Board, and their consequent inability to go on with many of the projected improvements, especially with regard to Nainaimo. This latter question, however, is not yet settled. Miss Beattie, teacher for Lake District, was to enter on her duties on the 1st inst. The question of an assistant teacher for the Central School was adjourned till next meeting.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.—The bark Domingo having taken on board a full cargo of goods for the San Francisco market, was hauled alongside the Hudson Bay wharf yesterday, and will sail to-day.

THURSDAY, August 3.—THE MARINE DISASTER.—The few particulars which we are enabled to record of the loss of the ill-fated steamship Brother Jonathan, unfortunately leave all those who are apprehensive of having had relations or friends on board in a most heartrending state of suspense. Gladly would we, if we could, soothe each aching heart by being able to state that the loved ones was not amongst the victims of the sad catastrophe, but there is no alternative left but to patiently and submissively await the receipt of further intelligence by the Enterprise from New Westminster this evening. We were besieged yesterday with anxious enquiries respecting the names of those who were on board, but the telegraph so far is painfully silent as to the names of either the lost or saved. We have learned the names of many who were supposed to be on board, but while all is mere surmise it would be cruel to probe a bleeding wound, and to add to the anguish of suspense by publishing names. "Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof." We are told by the despatch, that General Wright and his family were on board and are supposed to have perished. The General was on his way from San Francisco to Fort Vancouver, having been appointed to the command, vice Col. Currie, of the District of Columbia, which includes Washington Territory, Oregon and Idaho. The spot where the steamer is reported to have been wrecked is well known to be a dangerous locality and from the number of lives said to have been lost, the probability is that the casualty occurred some distance from shore. Only one of the ship's boats, containing fourteen men, a woman and child, had reached land so far as stated. Two other boats are said to have been swamped alongside the ship, but a gentleman who knows the "Brother Jonathan" well says she carried six boats, leaving room for conjecture that some portion of the passengers may have escaped in the remaining three boats. Nothing was known of the disaster until the arrival of the boat at Crescent City, where a company of soldiers is stationed, and the officer in command (Capt. Buckley) appears to have at once despatched his men to the spot to guard the shore and endeavor if possible to save life. We have despatched a special reporter to New Westminster, and hope to be able to furnish full details of this most unhappy occurrence in to-morrow's issue.

WHISKY SELLING.—Andrie Porteous was charged yesterday in the police court, with selling, and Samuel Porteous with permitting the sale of liquors to Hydash Joe, an Indian. Mr. Sebright Green defended the accused, and from the evidence adduced it appeared that Joe had entered the Enterprise Saloon, on Government street, dressed in black with kid gloves on, and wearing a Kanaka hat. He called for cigars and treated two or three persons present, representing himself as a Kanaka. The police thereupon entered the premises and stated that information would be laid against the proprietors for selling spirits to Indians. Two witnesses proved clearly that Joe not only resembled but stated that he was a Kanaka, and Mr. Pemberton thereupon dismissed the charges, stating that it appeared to him the parties had acted in good faith.

SUPREME COURT.—The case of Ab Sou v. Trousseau and others terminated last night at ten o'clock, after the jury had been locked up three hours, in a verdict for the plaintiff, damages 25 cents. This does not carry costs, but it establishes a precedent as to the right to charge wharfage on parties' landing. The new Jury Act came in force for the first time on this occasion, the verdict being given by seven out of eight, one more than the three-fourths required.

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