

WEEKLY WEATHER SYNOPSIS.

Victoria Meteorological Office,
22nd to 28th October, 1902.

The weather during the past week has been somewhat unsettled and threatening, with, at times, heavy rain. Temperatures have been remarkably mild for the season, only a few occasional frosts being reported west of the Rockies. The rainfall has been moderate in British Columbia, except on the west coast where over 2 inches fell at Port Simpson. Heavy rain also fell on the American coast, especially in California. There has been a good deal of cloudy and foggy weather, and on two days cautionary storm signals were displayed on the American coast. Thunderstorms occurred at Fort Arthur and in California.

The week opened with a low barometer over the Pacific slope, and east of the Rockies a moderate high became area in Saskatchewan. By the evening of the 22nd a storm area of some energy appeared off the Oregon coast, and by Thursday this had developed to a gale, though still remaining central on the American coast; no very marked change took place on the 24th, but on the 25th a high pressure area developed in California and Nevada, the storm area being displaced across the Rockies into the Territories. On Sunday, the 26th, this had assumed much larger dimensions and covered nearly the whole of the North Pacific slope, its movement causing cloudy weather with light rain in the districts bordering on the waters of the Straits and Sound. By Tuesday a notice of heavy rain, marked low pressure area developed at Port Simpson, on the Cassiar coast, and for the remainder of the week this area has hovered over the west coast of the mainland and the northern part of Vancouver Island. It has been from strong winds on the Straits.

In the Northwest the weather has been remarkably fine, very little precipitation has occurred, and temperatures have been excessive and somewhat above the normal.

At Victoria, 26 hours and 6 minutes of bright sunshine were recorded, 2 days being completely clouded or obscured by fog. The highest temperature was 57.0 on the 22nd, and the lowest 41.1 on the 24th; rainfall, 0.48 inch.

At New Westminster, highest temperature, 58.0 on 22nd; lowest, 32.0 on 25th; rainfall, 0.66 inch.

At Kamloops, highest temperature, 64 on 27th; lowest, 32 on 20th; only trace of rain.

At Barkerville, highest temperature, 46 on 22nd; lowest, 16 on 26th; rain, 0.30 inch.

At Port Simpson, highest temperature, 62 on 25th; lowest, 32 on 20th; rainfall, 3.20 inches.

Local News.

CLEANINGS OF CITY AND CONDENSED FORM.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

A ballot will be taken on the question of affiliation with the Western Federation of Miners by the Nanaimo Miners' Union on Saturday afternoon. Messrs. Ralph Smith, M.P., Wm. Neave and Charles Sandy will act as scrutineers.

At the residence of Mrs. Gordon Grant, Spanish rock, on Friday evening, a social entertainment will be given. A good programme is being arranged. Refreshments will be served and those attending are assured a pleasant evening.

On Thursday evening a meeting of the federated board of societies will be held, when business relating to the reunion held here some months ago will be dealt with. The meeting is of great importance and a full attendance is desired.

The first meeting of the new board of directors of the B. C. Agricultural Association will be held at the Victoria Hotel on Monday afternoon, for the purpose of considering business in connection with the recent fair. The reports of the different committees, including that on the financial standing of the association, will be submitted. As the meeting is of the most importance a good attendance is expected.

British ship Lindenhall, Captain Edwards, with sugar from Java for the Head on Tuesday after a stormy passage across the Pacific. Two weeks ago the ship shipped a sea which caught the mate, carrying him against the vessel's side, breaking his leg. The Lindenhall, it will be remembered, met with an accident after leaving Java, and had to call at one of the Oriental ports en route for repairs.

A meeting of the Young People's Literary Society of the First Presbyterian church was held on Monday evening when a social time was spent by those present, a very enjoyable programme being rendered by Messrs. Tolbot, Baird and Fraser. The selection of officers for the coming term resulted as follows: President, J. Marwick; first vice-president, S. Baird; second vice-president, G. Alexander; secretary, Miss Vaughan; treasurer, Miss Baird; poet laureate, D. R. Fraser; A. McPheerson; Miss Vaughan; organist, Miss B. Gill. On Monday, November 10th, Dickens' works will be the subject of discussion.

An important meeting of the Natural History Society was held at their rooms, parliament buildings on Monday, when an interesting address was delivered by James Outram, of England, who spent the last summer exploring the Rocky mountains to the northwest of Laggan. The account of his experience was very instructive. Among other things he stated that he had ascertained that the heights of a number of peaks had been exaggerated. Mounts Columbia and Forbes he had found were both about 12,700 feet high, and another peak had been named for himself, Mount Outram. The lecturer illustrated his remarks with numerous photographs.

At Monday's literary meeting of the James Bay Epworth League, "Resolved, that the press is more beneficial than the pulpit," was the topic of an unusually interesting debate. The respective speakers were: Miss A. Morry (leader), F. Ware and P. Schroeder (affirmative); Miss V. Emery (leader), E. Whyte and D. Sprinkling (negative). After a lengthy interview with the writer, Mr. Whyte, the chairman, explained that it was impossible to decide, as the speakers on both sides had brought forward splendid arguments, and the excellent manner in which the debate had been handled he felt that no definite sides did not permit of a decision one way or the other.

The Hornet Rugby Football Club, of Nanaimo, has reorganized for the en-

uing season. The Free Press, referring to a recent meeting, says: "Letters from Victoria and Vancouver clubs regarding about dates for games were read and a committee was appointed to make the arrangements. The players will commence practice immediately, and expect to be able to make a showing in their first match that will encourage their supporters to believe that they are going to carry off the championship this season. The election of officers resulted in the following: President, S. Baird; vice-presidents, Dr. Hople, Charles J. Trawford, Dr. Drysdale; treasurer, Jos. Neve; secretary, Russell Simpson."

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

R. M. S. Empress of Japan is scheduled to sail for the Orient on the 3rd prox.

Commencing on Monday next the city schools will open in the morning at 9:30 o'clock, and close at 3 p.m. The arrangement remains in force until March.

Geo. A. Keefe, agent of the public works department, went out to Sidney on Wednesday to inspect the harbor and report on the advisability of building a breakwater.

A counter petition is being circulated by those who hold contrary views to H. J. Knott and the other signatories of the petition regarding Sunday entertainments.

The total of the Victoria clearing-house for the week ending October 28th follows: Clearances, \$521,706; balances, \$174,041.

The London Wanderers are holding a banquet on the 10th of November at the Boomerang. The event is an annual one and forms a pleasant reunion for old Londoners.

An important meeting of the Victoria City Kennel Club will be held in Pioneer hall, Broad street, on Friday evening at 8 o'clock. The election of officers for the ensuing year will take place and other business will be discussed.

Steamer Tees, from Northern British Columbia ports, reached Vancouver on Tuesday. She will sail again on the first, when also the Queen City will take her departure for West Coast ports.

Provincial Assayer Carmichael has gone to Campbell River, where he will, in connection with his work upon the iron deposits of the province, examine the body of hematite which has recently attracted the attention of Premier Dunsinuir.

Sealed tenders for supplying and placing in position the heating apparatus at the pulp mill building, Nelson, B. C., according to plans and specifications, are seen at the office of Wm. Henderson, will be received at the office of the department of public works, Ottawa, up till Thursday, 3rd of November.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Frederick Wood took place on Tuesday afternoon. The services were conducted by Rev. W. Leslie Clay. The attendance was large, and there was a beautiful collection of floral offerings from the friends of the deceased. The pall-bearers were: Messrs. W. Humphrey, J. H. Fullerton, John Jardine, W. Crimp, Jas. Paterson and J. T. McDonald.

Tuesday evening a "Chinderella" dance was given at the Dallas in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Langworthy. The hotel was beautifully decorated for the occasion, no pains being spared to give the affair a most artistic appearance. The lighting of the room, the decorations, the scene a most brilliant effect. Over 250 guests were present. The music was furnished by Finn's orchestra.

A ping pong tournament will be held in St. John's schoolroom on the 11th and 12th of November. One interesting novelty is promised in the shape of a champion player's table, reserved for winners of final prizes only. This means the loss of several players will have far more chance of winning in the regular events. The entry book has been taken charge of by R. N. Hibben & Co., and those desiring to enter are requested to do so as soon as possible.

Ah See, the veteran Chinese navigator, who comes to Victoria periodically with a schooner load of wood, has made what would appear to be a very important find of coal. Ah See lives on Coal Harbor, and adjoining his house, facing the little harbor of the island, he has located a seam with a large surface showing. He has not traced the seam but is of the opinion that it extends for a great distance. A sample of the coal he brought to the city on Wednesday and the quality of it would certainly indicate that the Chinaman has made an important discovery.

The Crown Prince of Siam, the young man with three hundred steps, will pass through here on Monday, December 1st, en route to his home at Bangkok, the headquarters of his illustrious father, Chulalongkorn I. The young man has been touring the United States and will come West over the Northern Pacific. The party numbers 25, including some United States officials, who will accompany the Prince as far as Seattle, where the Pullman observation car Columbia, in which he is traveling, will be transferred to the C. P. R. At Vancouver the steamer Empress of China will be boarded and the Prince will return to his own dominions by way of Japan and China. The Prince is 22 years of age and speaks English fluently, having been educated in English colleges. He is a little fellow, his feet barely touching the ground when he is sitting in an ordinary chair.

(From Thursday's Daily.)

The board of underwriters have made reductions upon the insurance rates in Nanaimo varying from 10 to 20 per cent. This has been done as a result of the improvements made to that city's waterworks.

In connection with the report of the proceedings of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, it should be understood that the government grant is not available for any help in carrying

on branches after they have been formed, so that none of this can be used for carrying on the work in Victoria or in other branches. A cheque for \$20 was handed in at last evening's meeting by a city member, who has been a consistent supporter of this society. If other people would subscribe in a similar spirit, the work of the society would be carried on much more effectively.

A meeting of No. 2 Company, Fifth Regiment, will be held at the drill hall this evening at 8 p.m. Business will be done in connection with the proposed regimental ball. Every member is requested to be present.

The birthday of the matron of the Protestant Orphan's Home was celebrated Wednesday by a party given to the children at the Home. A number of ladies, including Lady Joly, interested themselves in the matter, and made the time pass pleasantly.

There is nothing so pleasing to a lady as a neatly dressed table and there is nothing that so improves a room. Weiler Bros. are advertising a very pretty line from \$20, and guarantee them to be of thoroughly good workmanship, as well as up-to-date in style.

At a meeting of the Sons and Daughters of St. George held Wednesday it was decided to hold their regular annual ball on Thursday, the 15th of next month. Reports from the respective committees on progress made were very satisfactory. For the best dressed and best sustained character numerous and valuable prizes will be offered.

J. Davis, who was committed to jail for a month upon a charge of vagrancy, escaped from the chain gang while working at the Government buildings Wednesday afternoon. He made for the park, and last night he spent on the steamer Nell. Detective Palmer this morning espied him and took him into custody, and at once took him into custody.

When the Crown Prince of Siam calls at Victoria en route to his home, he will doubtless be waited upon by local civic officials. As they will be required to provide his name in the papers, they commence practice at once, as they have only a month in which to learn it. If it is repeated quietly about two scores times a day no difficulty should be encountered in getting it down properly. It is Chowfa Maha Jaijiravudh. What his royal father calls him when in a hurry nobody in this part of the world can tell.

Notice of sale by auction of 850 acres of lands in Delta municipality appears in our advertising columns. Parties requiring dairy farms should not miss this opportunity for obtaining lands in one of the best dairying districts of the Dominion. The lands offered for sale are known as the Imperial Farm, Ladner, the most fertile district of British Columbia, advantageously situated with low freight to coast ports, and with there is a wonderful demand for herding on that day. He received \$17,500, \$9,500 of which he paid out for clothes. In the afternoon, in company with two or three others, he had a few drinks, staying in the Prince's saloon places, couple of hours. He didn't remember seeing a man, and they went to the Leland hotel with two others. They had some drinks there, and he tried to change a \$50 bill, but could not get it. In fact, he went into the back yard and was knocked down. When he awoke his money was gone, and he was bleeding. He couldn't remember anything else.

ROBBERY CASE BEFORE THE COURT

CHIEF'S WITNESSES WERE VERY RETICENT

Some Rather Peculiar Features in the Affair—Batch of Drunks Dealt With.

The chief of police had a very trying time this morning, certainly one that required a great store of patience. He was endeavoring to elicit from witnesses the story of the robbery with which Conrade Stutter is charged. As has been already stated, the complainant, Axel Martinsen, a Swedish sailor, charges the accused with assaulting and robbing him on the yard back of the Leland hotel. The two witnesses were Martinsen and a young fellow by the name of J. F. Delaney, alias Hayes, who was with them on the Saturday night when the robbery took place. The English was not of the best, and he appeared very dull of comprehension. All he remembers of the actual assault was that someone "yumped" on him in the back yard, at the Leland hotel, and when he awoke he was bleeding from the mouth and ears.

The other witness, though sworn to tell the whole truth, appeared to be keeping John Bray, an old experienced British Columbian in the business, is now in the city for the purpose of establishing the industry here. Being familiar with the fishing grounds about Victoria, he is already in possession of the desired information as to the quantity of fish available, and therefore has now only to arrange for catching them. He wants from ten to twenty-five barrels of the fish per month, and, in fact, is confident that he can find a market in Seattle for all that can be secured. Fish are caught in great numbers on the Sound, but they run only in certain seasons of the year, while in these waters they are to be found at any time, and their close proximity to the market where they are consumed greatly enhances their value to the company. Hence it is that Mr. Bray is confident that a very remunerative industry can here be developed. He will pay, he says, \$20 a ton for herring, and believes that at that figure fishermen who now go out for \$50 per trip will secure sufficient fish for the local demand could find continuous and profitable employment. He will erect a smoking house at some convenient place ashore, probably in the harbor, and in this building cure and pack his fish. The proposed enterprise will give employment to probably 50 people, it being estimated that one barrel will represent the work of three.

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PRIESTLY'S CRAVENETTES WATERPROOFS, 3 cases just opened; all marked to Sale Prices for cash. B. Williams & Co.

The pupils of the Central school and High school are protesting against the limited space now at their disposal for playing grounds. Even before the High school was erected the grounds were not large enough for the combination of the boys' Central, Girls' Central and High school. Some time ago, it will be remembered, Master Lemy, of the High school, wrote the school board to bring this matter to the attention of the trustees. Members of the board then felt that something ought now to be done, but the necessity for action now is even greater than ever.

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TO CATCH LARGE AND SMALL FISH

OPERATION WILL BE STARTED SHORTLY

Promoter Wants From Ten to Twenty-Five Barrels Per Day for Seattle Market.

From a small beginning the business of canning, salting and handling fresh fish for commerce has expanded into one of the largest and most profitable industries on the coast. This is the undisputed contention of the Interstate Fisheries Company of Seattle, which in future purpose looking to British Columbia for much of their supply of herring and halibut.

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A special police officer has been detailed to enforce the Curfew By-law. Where breaches of this law are made the offenders will not be arrested, but the parents or guardians will be summoned to appear in the police court and show cause why they should not be fined.

Among those who arrived in the city on Tuesday evening by the steamer Tees from the North were Mr. W. J. Jefferson and bride. The happy couple were united in matrimony at Port Essington last week, and are now on their honeymoon. The groom is the well known foreman of the Claxton cannery, at Claxton, on the Skeena river, while Mrs. Jefferson (nee Miss Gray), was formerly from Port Essington. Mr. and Mrs. Jefferson will spend several days in the city, after which they will visit Victoria and the Sound cities before returning to the north.

Lieut.-Colonel Wesson, commanding the Sixth D. C. O. Rifles, has received a very fine photograph of H. R. H. the Duke of Connaught, honorary colonel of the regiment. The photograph, which is 12x18 inches, and shows His Royal Highness in the uniform of a field marshal of the British army, and bears the inscription, "Arthur, F. M., Colonel, Sixth Canadian Regiment, 1902." It was received through Major-General Sir Charles Parsons, who inspected the headquarters corps of the regiment on the occasion of his visit to the Hongkong coronation contingent. The photograph will be framed and hung in the drill hall.

The marriage of Miss Jane Fawcett, of Sackville, N. B., to Mr. W. C. Sprague, D. D. S., of this city, took place at Christ church on Tuesday evening, Rev. L. Norman Tucker officiating. The bride and groom are both former residents of Sackville, N. B., but Dr. Sprague came to Vancouver as a practitioner of dentistry some time since. Miss Fawcett only arrived in the Terminal City on Tuesday by the C. P. R. express, but she found many friends among the local New Brunswick colony awaiting her.

On Tuesday night at the residence of the bride's parents, 923 Hornby street, Mr. Leslie Hoagy, of the Street Railway Company, was united in marriage to Miss Ada Louise Smith, the ceremony being performed by Rev. R. G. MacBeth.

The remains of the late P. F. Mathias, one of the victims of the recent fair fire, were interred at St. Ann's church on Tuesday in the care of Mr. Nesbitt. Rev. H. Underhill, Aid. Blackmore and others met the train bringing the remains, and the funeral was held in the afternoon. Mr. Nesbitt, who performed the sad duty of fulfilling the request of the deceased that his remains be brought to this city for burial, also conveyed the remains to the residence of the late Mrs. Mathias, where they were laid to rest.

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