

Local News.

CLEANING OF CITY AND PROVINCIAL NEWS IN A CONDENSED FORM.
(From Friday's Daily.)

Contracts for the construction of the new schools at Barnett and North Arm have been let by the lands and works department.

Forty-five tons of machinery for the new smelter at Crofton were shipped today on the steamer Strathcona. The Albion Iron Works have been the manufacturers.

The Mt. Baker & Yale Mining Company, the American Type Foundry Company, and the Kootenay Valley Company have been registered as extra-provincial companies to carry on business in British Columbia.

Notices of the incorporation of the following mining companies appear in the current Gazette: The Commodore Mines, Ltd., non-personal liability, capital, \$250,000; the Yukon Mines, Ltd., capital, \$250,000; and the International Gold Mining & Development Company, Ltd., non-personal liability, capital, \$1,000,000.

The Indian accused of throwing a knife at a woman recently was brought up on remand in the police court this morning. Chief Langley applied for a remand for eight days. The woman was unable to leave the hospital at present for evidence. The case was adjourned until the 18th inst. A drunk was fined \$3, or in default five days' imprisonment.

Arrangements have been completed for the moonlight excursion to be held on Wednesday next. The excursion will consist of the Ladies' Aid of the Centennial Methodist church. The train will leave the Victoria station at 7 o'clock sharp, connecting an hour later with the steamer Strathcona. The excursionists will be taken on a delightful trip through the winding channels of the Gulf Islands.

Yesterday's government Gazette contains notices of the incorporation of the Terminal Steamship Company, Limited, with a capital of \$50,000, divided into hundred dollar shares. The Gordon & Son Company, Ltd., with a capital of \$100,000, and A. Williams & Co., Ltd., with a capital of \$100,000, to take over the real estate and insurance business of Alfred Williams, Yates street.

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W. P. Hoffman, formerly of this city, was drowned at Nome on June 25th. Referring to the accident the Nome News says: "The men left with a heavily loaded dory, and on the 25th bound for Hurrah. Their load consisted principally of feed and was very heavy. The dory was a small one, and the men were not experienced. They started out with our aid and yesterday morning when near a government buoy, the dory was upset. Mr. Hoffman, who was asleep, and lying on top of the dory, fell off. Nelson put the boat about and the drowning man. They were some distance from shore and there is little hope that the body will be recovered."

(From Saturday's Daily.)

Guiding W. P. Hoffman, who have been on their honeymoon trip to Dawson, returned from the north by the steamer Cottage City yesterday morning.

The Bermudez cleared for Friday Harbor yesterday afternoon, where she is carrying a load of salmon. She is capable of carrying 12,000 salmon on her deck.

The Mayor has a notice on the bulletin board at the city hall to the effect that he will return the Curfew By-law to the council on Monday for reconsideration, with a view to making two amendments of a technical character.

The big pipe for the carriage of the mud from the dredger to the James Bay street, which has been placed along the Belleville street, is nearly complete. It is expected that dredging will commence early next week.

A letter has been received from Pte. B. H. Anderson, of the second Canadian Mounted Infantry, at Klerford, South Africa, dated May 27th, in which he states that all the Victorians in the regiment are well and wish to be remembered to their friends.

Under date of June 25th, Second Mate Charles W. Boyd, of the steamer whaler William Bayless, writes from St. Michael that the steam whaler Karluk sighted the steamer Portland on June 5th, 6th and 7th, between Cape Prince of Wales and the Diomedes Islands.

Capt. Wallman has officially reported having examined the neighborhood of Race Point very thoroughly, but could not find the rock on which the steamer Bosworth struck in the locality on which it is shown on admiralty chart No. 3,029. He found, however, a rock awash lying S. 20 degrees W. 200 feet from the extremity of Race Point, which is probably the rock mentioned in the report.

The employees of the Victoria Transfer Company were entertained to dinner at Levy's restaurant last evening by J. Rosten, secretary-treasurer, who was married in Montreal. The guests included Mr. Rosten, his wife, and several other guests. The party was a very successful one.

During the next few days Victoria will be visited by a large number of tourists. The first of these is expected to arrive on the steamer Strathcona, which will arrive at 10 o'clock this morning. The steamer will be carrying a large number of passengers, and it is expected that the city will be very busy during the next few days.

The second annual picnic of the tailors of the city takes place at Hasen Bay on Sunday, July 13th. The picnic will be held on the shore of the bay, and it is expected that a large number of people will attend. The picnic is a very popular one, and it is expected that it will be a very successful one.

H. H. Podgett, of the Duncan Mining & Development Company, reports that the first result of the trial of the new property on Cowichan lake, the

and it is anticipated this will continue while the cheap rates are in force.

The long delayed Eastern mail arrived on the Chamer last evening and an enormous number of letters and papers were distributed this morning.

A list of the lights and fog signals in the Dominion of Canada, including those in British Columbia waters, has just been published by the department of marine and fisheries. Copies will be supplied to mariners free on application.

The barque Tidal Wave, arriving from San Francisco on Port Gamble, reported that on July 5th, while running before the wind she sighted a quantity of wreckage. This was in latitude 44 degrees, 5 seconds north, longitude 123 degrees, 55 minutes west. The wreckage was made out to be part of a ship's steps and some white-painted wood.

Capt. Fletcher, post office inspector, returned from an official visit to the Yukonist this morning. During the course of his tour post offices were established at Last Chance, ten miles from Dawson; Stewart, on the Klondike river, and at Cariboo Crossing, on the White Pass & Yukon railway. The latter of the Yukonist, Mr. Fletcher, is at a favorable stage, and steamers are running regularly between White Horse and Dawson.

Local customs officials say that they have not been advised from Ottawa regarding the proposed reopening of the border on Sunday excursions entering Canada from the American side, and are of the opinion that the proposed excursions will be allowed. The Ottawa dispatches announcing the fact that no clearance certificates will be allowed for excursions on Sunday apply so far as known only to the business being conducted on a large scale on the Great Lakes.

In a letter from C. A. Boyle, fourth officer of the whaling steamer William Bayless, at Nome, news of the murder of John morning, Captain of the "Bismack," was learned. According to the letter, he was shot three times by the crew of the ship. The murder was committed on a trip through the channels of the Gulf Islands.

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ledge is 26 feet wide and carries a big percentage of galena. The tunnel has been driven in 400 feet, and several rich strings have been cut through.

Twelve thousand dollars' worth of gold was melted at the government assay office to-day. Most of the metal came from the Yukon.

H.M.S. Phaeton sailed for the southern station this morning, where she will be engaged in the coast survey. Her destination will be Acapulco.

The chief commissioner of lands and works, Hon. W. C. Wells, is in the line of inspection which includes visits to the site of the new reformatory at Vancouver, the Burrup bridge over the Burrup Arm of the Fraser, and the Fraser river bridge at New Westminster. Before returning here, Mr. Wells will probably visit several other places on the Mainland, where public works are proceeding.

The deputy minister of agriculture, J. R. Anderson, has received from Paris the gold medals and diplomas awarded him at the recent exhibition at the Exposition Universelle. A diploma of merit has also been received which was awarded to the B. C. Fruit Growers' Association. The medals are massive, and very beautifully designed.

Granville H. Hayes was this morning formally committed for trial before Magistrate Hall on the second charge of the three preferred against him by Capt. Irving—obtaining \$24,000 under false pretenses. An application for bail is now pending before Judge Walker. The third and last case comes up in the city police court to-morrow morning.

Sir Edward Stuart Richardson, Bart., of Scotland, is paying a brief visit to Victoria before returning to the Old Country. Sir Edward served on the staff of Lord Laminington, lately governor of Queensland, and went to South Africa from British rule. He is a member of the Queensland mounted infantry, and was 16 months in the field. Sir Edward is a member of the United Kingdom and the Watch (Royal Highlanders), and his stay in Australia terminated recently when he sailed for London. He is now on the governorship of Queensland to his successor.

An excursion to northern seas will be run by the steamer Garonne under the auspices of the Tacoma committee. The Garonne is a passenger steamer, and will be carrying a large number of passengers. The excursion will consist of the Ladies' Aid of the Centennial Methodist church. The train will leave the Victoria station at 7 o'clock sharp, connecting an hour later with the steamer Strathcona. The excursionists will be taken on a delightful trip through the winding channels of the Gulf Islands.

The trial of Douglas v. B. C. Electric Ry. Co., before Judge Walker and a special jury, was further adjourned until Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock. The trial is expected to be a very successful one. The trial is expected to be a very successful one. The trial is expected to be a very successful one.

In Chambers on Saturday in Blackett & Co., by British Yukon Railway Co., the case of the Yukon Railway Co. v. the British Yukon Railway Co. was heard. The case was heard by the court, and it is expected that the city will be very busy during the next few days.

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—Scientist's Opinion.

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VISIT TO DUNCANS.
Knights of Pythias Drill Team Give
Exemplification Before Maple
Lodge.

A number of members of the Far West lodge, No. 1, and Victoria lodge, No. 17, including the members of the drill team, made a fraternal visit to Maple lodge, No. 15, Duncan, on Saturday. On arrival the visitors were met by a committee of the local lodge and escorted to the K. of P. hall. They were entertained in a pleasant manner until the time for meeting by making a tour of the town and taking in everything of interest.

In the evening a meeting of the local lodge was held, at which the visiting drill team gave an exemplification of knight work in an efficient manner, bringing forth the highest praises from the Duncan brethren, who expressed their appreciation by inviting the Victoria brethren to visit them again in the near future. After the completion of the business the visitors were royally entertained. Speaking of this part of the programme, one of those who attended from this city said that the time the members of Maple lodge had given them would not be soon forgotten.

Those who had charge of the arrangements deserve great praise for the successful manner in which they were carried out. The committee consisted of the following: W. P. Allen, L. Oliver, A. E. Greenwald, A. J. Gold, W. T. Tyson, W. J. Smith, D. P. Barnhart, Jos. Hilton, L. Burmeister, F. Robert, H. Petticrew, J. J. Randolph and W. L. Stamer.

They arrived back on the noon train yesterday.

NO BOATS OUT.

Vancouver, B. C., July 14.—Eight sailboats of the big lumber steamer Kirkland refused duty this morning and the steamer is held. The men were all arrested. The hearing is in the police court this afternoon.

No boats are out fishing salmon, and all the men seen are holding out. The police are controlling things pretty completely. A meeting between the grand lodge and the canners is projected.

LEGAL NEWS.

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It is quite likely that King Edward VII. the big dredge which is to save the city about \$36,000, will commence operations some time to-morrow. The work of extending this suction pipe along the south shore of the harbor to the dam has been progressing throughout the greater part of the day, and Capt. De Beck thinks they will make the acquaintance of the Victoria harbor bottom before another 24 hours have gone by.

The dredge is stationed not far from where Dan Macintosh's boat house was formerly situated, and will start at this spot. The pipe is carried on pontoons to the south side and under the dam. When the pipe is ready 800 feet will be out. If necessary 3,000 feet can be worked successfully. In this connection it is interesting to note that at New Westminster, with 1,500 feet of pipe out, the quantity of material conveyed was as great as it would have been had the pipe been a few feet in length.

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HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.
Rules for New Association Drafted by
Committee—The Flower Show.

The committee appointed at the recent public meeting to prepare a draft constitution for the Horticultural Society have carried out their work, and will submit the subject matter and regulations to the meeting to be held to-morrow afternoon at the city hall.

The name shall be the Victoria Horticultural Society.

The officers shall consist of honorary president, president, ten vice-presidents, honorary treasurer, honorary secretary and executive committee of ten, of which five shall form a quorum, who shall have entire control of all matters connected with the society, including exhibitions, the drawing up of the prize lists, and regulations connected therewith, with the appointment of judges.

All amateurs, i.e., those who are not engaged in gardening for living, or who do not employ a permanent professional gardener, who are members of the society shall be eligible for election in any class, free of charge, but the professional shall only be eligible to show their plants.

All professionals, i.e., those who maintain conservatories, nurseries, as show plants, or who are employed as professional gardeners, shall only show in class A, or such other classes as may be determined by the society.

All subscribers of \$3 or upwards shall be entitled to four tickets to the meeting. The tickets shall be sold at 25 cents each.

In the event of a vacancy occurring on the committee, the committee shall have power to fill the vacancy by calling a special meeting of members.

A meeting of the members shall be called annually on the first of January. The meeting shall be held at the Victoria harbor board. The meeting shall be held at the Victoria harbor board.

The committee also decided to recommend to the public meeting the following regulations for the flower show, which has already been fixed for August 1st.

That the show be held in the Douglas summer gardens.

That a suitable building be provided.