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LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

Removing the Chinese.

The city of Portland has decided to follow in the footsteps of San Francisco and remove the Chinese from the business portion of the city.

Fire at Chilliwhack.

The residence of Mr. Brooks at Chilliwhack was destroyed by fire at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning. It originated from the kitchen stove pipe. The furniture was saved; no insurance.

Travelers.

The following passengers left for San Francisco by the Walla Walla, which sailed yesterday morning: J. Merrill, A. A. Magee, J. Campbell, J. A. Russell, W. T. Barton, Jno. Kennedy, Rev. P. McF. Macleod, D. S. Macleod, J. Watkins and P. Gabel.

Steamer Service for Port Angeles.

The steamer Geo. E. Starr left Port Townsend for Port Angeles at 2 p. m. yesterday, her first regular trip. Hereafter her sailing hours will be as follows: Leave Angeles at 6 a. m. each day, and Port Townsend at 2 p. m. each day, connecting with the Victoria boats at Townsend and remaining over night at Angeles.

In Distress.

The steam schooner Jeanie, Capt. Humphreys, arrived in Royal Roads yesterday morning in distress. The Jeanie belongs to San Francisco, and is on her way to Alaska with an outfit for the American Canning Company. When outside the Cape she was struck by heavy seas which shifted her deck cargo and loosened her bolts, necessitating a stop to have them straightened up. She put in here on a pilot and leave for the north at 7 o'clock this morning.

Natural History Society.

A meeting of those interested in the study of Natural History was held in the Provincial Museum last evening, when a Natural History Society for British Columbia was formed with the following officers and committee men: President, Ashdown Green; vice-presidents, Dr. Russell and M. de Lopatecki; secretary, Dr. Newcombe; treasurer, J. K. Worsfold; curator and librarian, J. Fannin; committee—James Deans, H. Wootton, Capt. Devereaux and J. Fielding. The attendance at the meeting last evening was most encouraging, and after a preliminary discussion of the objects for the encouragement of which the society was formed an adjournment was taken for one week.

The B. C. Southern.

Mr. D. C. Corbin, of New York, president, and Mr. A. A. Newbery, of Spokane Falls, vice-president of the Spokane Falls and Northern or B. C. Southern Railways, are at present in the city. Mr. Corbin is naturally disappointed at the defeat of the bills relating to the construction of the roads in the Railway Committee at Ottawa; and states that he regrets not having been afforded the opportunity of building to the coast through British Columbia. He has not yet abandoned hope of coming to the coast, and if he cannot do so through this province he will through the State of Washington.

Slight Fire on the Yosemite.

While the steamer Yosemite was on the way from Westminster to this port yesterday, a pot of boiling grease, which was being taken out of the oven by the cook, became ignited, and in less than a second the whole galley was in a blaze. The donkey engine was started immediately, and before the fire had got any headway a stream of water had it under control. The crew deserve praise for the manner in which they handled the fire, for if it had got a start serious damage might have resulted, as a lot of hay was stored close by the galley door. The cook had his face slightly burned, but beyond that no serious damage was done.

SEALER ARRIVES.

The Annie C. Moore Returns—Very Boisterous Weather—Schooners Spoken.

The sealing schooner Annie C. Moore, Capt. Steward, owned by Capt. Hackett, arrived in the harbor yesterday afternoon with 91 skins. The captain reports having had only three days that the boats could go out at all, the weather being very boisterous. The seals were very thick during December and January, but at present there are few to be seen, and it is thought that they are further north this season than they have been in any previous year.

The Annie C. Moore requiring to be hauled on the ways preparatory to going north, it was though prudent by the captain to do so at once, as sealing off the coast is unprofitable. The following schooners were spoken:—

	Skins.
March 12—Beatrice	50
" 16—Sea Lion	128
" 17—Sapphire	121
" 18—Triumph (since last in)	125

Capt. Cox of the Triumph reported having spoken the following schooners:—

	Skins.
Mollie Adams	131
Sayward	36
Ariel	136
Black Diam. nd	150
Pathfinder	55
Minnie	143
Henry Dennis	17
Favorite; no catch.	
Kate "	
Adele "	

THE OPIUM TRADE.

A Large Decrease in the Business—Several Firms Closing Their Doors.

Kwong On Tai, one of the largest opium dealers in the city, has closed his store on account of the dullness of business which is attributed to the large decrease during the last few years of the Chinese population, and also to the fact that not so much of the drug is being smuggled into the States. The firms of Sing Wo Chang and Lung Chung are also contemplating going out of the business on the same account. These three firms are about the largest, with the exception of Tai Yune, in Victoria, and have all invested large sums of money in their trade.

In conversation with a COLONIST reporter, Tai Yune, the largest dealer in the province, said that during the last four years the Chinese population of Victoria had dwindled down from 7,000 to less than 3,000. He also said that the large dealers would sooner pay the $500 license than $100, as, if the latter sum was instituted for the $500 tax, a large number of small firms would spring up.

Several other dealers were called upon and they all complained of the slackness of business, which had been diminishing for the last few years on account of the lessened Chinese population. Some also thought that the action of the brick-layers' union in refusing to work on buildings with Chinamen would force many more Chinamen to leave town.

ARRIVAL OF THE MARY ELLEN

Trouble Between Master and Crew—The Latter Obtain Legal Advice.

The sealing schooner Mary Ellen, Capt. D. McLean, which left San Francisco December 27th, arrived in the harbor yesterday afternoon with 115 skins. The captain reports having had very boisterous weather with very few chances of sealing. The schooner came into this port on account of the seamen on March 12th refusing to work, the cause, the captain says, being that they had received their pay in advance and wanted to get out of working their time out. Consequently he refused them rations. The crew tell a story of ill-treatment at the hands of the captain, and being forced to exist for eight days on a little corn meal and water which they managed to secure. Upon arrival in port they secured the services of Eberts & Taylor, and the matter will be fully ventilated in the courts.

THE BUNDALEER ACCIDENT.

The Vessel Floated off Dungeness Spit Uninjured—How the Accident Occurred.

A despatch from Port Townsend to THE COLONIST says the bark Bundaleer, which went ashore on Dungeness Spit Tuesday morning, floated off at high tide on Wednesday night uninjured. The particulars of the accident, as given by one of the officers of the tug Sea Lion, is as follows:

"We started from Nanaimo with the Bundaleer in tow Monday afternoon, and if nothing had happened we would have got the vessel to sea next morning between 6 and 8 o'clock. Captain Oliver was on deck most of the time while we were going through the Gulf of Georgia, but on the vessel's getting into clear water and the captain growing tired he told the mate of the tug that he would lie down awhile and left word with the mate to call him in twenty minutes. The mate asserts that he did call the captain but that he failed to make his appearance on deck. However, the mate thought everything was all right as the weather was clear and he could see the land and the light on Race Rocks, which in due time he passed at a safe distance, and, as he supposed, headed the boat down the Strait of Fuca on his way to sea, but what was his astonishment at about 4 a.m. to find both vessels aground. He immediately called the captain, who discovered that they were on the flats some distance inside of Dungeness spit. On asking the mate how he happened to put the vessel in that position, the latter replied that he mistook the lights on Dungeness for that on Race Rocks."

PERSONAL.

C. D. Rand, of Vancouver, is in the city.

R. and Mrs. Douglas, of Westminster, are at the Driard.

D. McIntyre, of Cowichan, is at the Clarence.

J. Sehl and A. C. Flummerfelt were passengers to the Mainland this morning.

A. J. Huggit, one of Michigan's big lumber men, is registered at the Clarence.

Capt. H. G. Lewis, agent marine and fisheries, returned from Westminster yesterday.

Wm. Gill, inspector of Inland Revenue, returned from the mainland last evening.

Jno. Hendry and Judge McCreight, of New Westminster, went home by the Islander this morning.

T. J. Burnes, who has been confined to his residence for the past ten days by illness, is convalescing.

Miss Tolmie and Miss Ettie Tolmie left on the Sound steamer this morning for a month's visit at Tacoma.

Mrs. E. E. Blackwood and daughter left this morning on the steamer Olympian for a month's visit to Mrs. Edward Huggins, at Tacoma.

LITTLE LOCALS.

Yesterday the sun crossed the mystical equinoxial line.

A sturgeon weighing 700 pounds was caught in the Fraser on Thursday.

Up to the present date there are no cases to come before the Assize Court to be held in May.

Seattle has forwarded $500 to San Francisco for the relief of the unemployed workmen.

The stone for the foundation of the new Methodist Church in this city will be procured from the V. C. Co's quarry at Nanaimo.

The new Pandora street fire station, No. 3, is being fitted with a slide similar to the one in use at headquarters.

Steward Garland of the Royal Hospital wishes to thank Mrs. McTavish and Mr. H. Croft for parcels of clothing.

The run of spring salmon in the Fraser has attracted numbers of seal, which are quite an annoyance to the fishermen, as they prey upon the fish in the nets.

The salmon catch in the Fraser continues good, and the fishermen are making excellent wages. Seven hundred pounds of spring salmon were shipped to Montreal on Thursday.

Hon. Mr. Robson informed the House yesterday that it was intended to commence the night sessions of the legislature next week, the first being held Monday and thereafter every alternate evening.

Jas. Dickson, a native of Scotland, aged 73 years, died at the Royal Hospital yesterday morning. Deceased was a member of the corps of Royal Engineers who came to the province in 1858.

J. H. Baker, proprietor of the Bon Marche Boot and Shoe Store, Government street, has admitted J. E. Church as a partner. The business will be conducted under the firm name of J. H. Baker & Co.

The Times last evening promised not to lie about theatrical companies any more. That is right. It will give complimentary notices in advance of first-class companies, but if "snide" shows want "puffing" in advance such notices must be paid for. Is this right?

The logging camps throughout Westminster district and up the coast, which were nearly all shut down during the cold weather, are in full blast again. A number of new camps are being started up the coast; one of them for the Hastings Sawmill Co., will have a force of 75 men.

The missing man Meiss has turned up in Port Townsend.

Mr. E. M. Johnson is moving into his handsome new offices at the corner of Government and Broughton streets.

Capt. Whitelaw of San Francisco is repairing the ship Clan Mackenzie, a work which will involve an expenditure of at least $22,000.

Colbert & Warner have a staff of workmen busy removing their old frame premises to make way for the brick building to be erected on the site.

The rumor that the C. P. N. Co. is negotiating for the purchase of the steamers Rainbow and Amelia is pronounced without foundation by Capt. Irving.

THE INFLUENZA.

Who lays us low with secret treacherous dart,
And from each victim takes away all heart
And needed strength to play our daily part?
The Influenza.

Who racks us with sharp, agonizing pain
So that on fevered bed we toss in vain
To find one favored spot of rest again?
The Influenza.

Who weakens us with such consummate skill,
That nothing can we do but lie quite still,
For never have we felt more truly ill?
The Influenza.

Who deals to rich and poor alike one fate,
Country and town their dreaded share await,
Doctors are powerless to exterminate!
The Influenza.

Who shakes us as a terrier would a rat,
Leaving us just alive, and only that,
And with our spirits very, very flat?
The Influenza.

Whence comes this dread mysterious foe,
From poverty's vile haunt, from lane or alley low?
Nay—from proud Russia's land of wealth and show.
The Influenza.

Two Men Testify.

GENTLEMEN,—One bottle of Hagyard's Yellow Oil cured me of lumbago after all else failed. PETER A. WATSON.
Four Falls, N. Y.

"I used Yellow Oil for croup this winter, and must say I find no better remedy for it. FREDERICK BURKE.
Four Falls, N. B.
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Freight and Trade Notes.

The freight by the Islander last night consisted of one car load of European goods, and three car loads of general merchandise.

The Duke of Connaught.

No special arrangements are to be made by the C. P. R. Steamship Co. for the accommodation of H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught and his party. The required rooms, etc., on the Abyssinia will be set apart for their use, but the fine steamship will require no "fixing up." Mayor grant has as yet received no reply to the telegram sent His Royal Highness proferring Victoria's hospitality.

Alberni News.

Mr. Armstrong, the Alberni mail carrier, arrived at Nanaimo Thursday evening on his usual trip, and states the snow is still deep in the mountains. In many places it is three feet deep, and the road is difficult to travel. It will probably not be clear until the month of May. He reports the steamer Boscowitz calling in there last week, and states the ranchers look upon her arrival as a great boon. It would be greatly to their advantage if a boat service could be arranged more frequently.

The Speaker Spoke.

In committee of the whole of the provincial legislature a day or so ago upon Mr. Duck's bill to prevent canvassing before elections, Hon. Mr. Higgins took an active part in the debate—in fact turned the tide of opinion, which was in its favor, against the bill by his logical arguments in reference to the want of "workability." It was the first instance in the history of provincial politics since Confederation of the speaker taking part in parliamentary debate from the floor of the House.

A Derelict Sloop.

R. Stone and J. Snow, two Newfoundland fishermen, yesterday found a sloop floating around in Ross bay, with her bottom smashed, her mast broken, and bearing the appearance of having been beaten around for several days. The sloop is well finished, nicely furnished, and a lot of clothing, cooking utensils, etc., were found in the cabin, among which was a type stamp with the name of A. Tomfield on it. The fishermen have pulled her in the beach and intend to repair her if the owner can not be found.

The Horticultural Show at Duncan's.

The Horticultural, Dog and Poultry Show to be held at Duncan's on the 1st of July promises to be a great success, and a large gathering may be expected—a large number of exhibits are expected from Victoria, Nanaimo and other places. Many special prizes are to be offered. In the afternoon amusements such as horse and foot races, "gymkhanas" and hurdle races will occur. Parties offering special prizes or wanting information should communicate with the committee.

No News of Meiss.

Nothing at all has been heard of the missing man Meiss since he disappeared from his accustomed haunts about a week ago. His eccentricities made him well-known in Victoria, and his disappearance calls to the memory of old Victorians the fact that once before he was lost sight of for eight years in a very similar manner. Then on his return to this city he explained to his friends, who had long believed him dead, that he had been paying a visit to his old home in Australia.

Alaska Salmon Fishing.

The coming season promises to be a busy one for Alaska salmon canners. There are a number of vessels now at San Francisco fitting out for salmon fishing in the north. The Alaska Commercial Company's steamers Berthe, Dora and St. Paul have been overhauled and are now building, and will leave for the far north in a week. Business is comparatively brisk along the water front, and every vessel which leaves takes away a number of men, both white and Chinese, for cannery work. The following sailing vessels will sail in a day or two: Kodiak, Pearl, James A. Borlan, Coryphine, Gatherer and Percy Edward.

Seattle, Lake Shore & Eastern.

Contractor McLeod has sent up 100 men to work on the line of the Seattle, Lake Shore & Eastern. The track is now completed to a point about fifteen miles north of Snohomish. Large additions in the force of graders and track-layers are being made daily, as it is the intention to complete the work before cold weather sets in again. The Canadian Pacific have started work on the bridge to cross the Fraser river, and will have it completed by the time the road is built from the American side. The work of grading on the other side of the line is very light, and the entire distance can be completed inside of thirty days.

The Steamship Rate War.

The Seattle Journal reports that the Pacific Coast S. S. Co. have lowered the steerage rate on their vessels to San Francisco another dollar, making the fare by the company's boats as cheap as that of the Barnard line. When asked whether there would be a still further reduction the local manager of the company replied that it was but a starter. The Journal also states that the Barnard people are negotiating for the purchase of one or more steamers to put on their route, and that when the Haytian leaves on her next trip, in about two weeks, the fare, both first-class and steerage, will have been materially reduced.

The Incorporation of Port Angeles.

A meeting of Port Angeles citizens was recently held, a board of trustees elected, and other preliminary arrangements made for the incorporation of the town as soon as a suitable law is passed. A stock subscription list has been started among the business men there to build a first-class hotel on the bluff overlooking the bay, and one-half of the $25,000 needed has already been taken. The hotel company will soon be incorporated, and it is expected that the building will be under way by the 1st of April. A move is on foot to build an opera house on Front street, on a fine lot 50x140, recently purchased for that purpose. A joint stock company is being formed to carry on the enterprise, and several thousand dollars of the stock has been subscribed.

A Big Scheme.

Reeve Sexsmith, of Richmond municipality, is in the city for the purpose of interviewing the government and members of the legislature in reference to a scheme he has on hand for running an electric railway from a point at or near the boundary of Vancouver, thence southerly along or adjacent to the North Arm road to a point near the Fraser river, thence westerly along the north shore of the Fraser river to the Sea Island bridge, then across the bridge and continuing across Sea Island and the bridge connecting Sea and Lulu Islands, thence south to the south side of Lulu Island, then to connect with a ferry to Ladner's Landing. A branch will also run from Sea Island bridge along the Granville street road to Vancouver. The line would be about thirteen miles in length and would cost in the neighborhood of $150,000 to construct. The power house would be built near the centre. The idea is to establish a ferry from the southern end of the line to Ladner's, the ferry to make a trip to different landings along the Delta district, bringing the produce and traffic of that rich section into Vancouver.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria

From THE DAILY COLONIST, March 24.

LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

Whites vs. Chinese as Bakers.

For some time past the Islander, running between Victoria and Vancouver, has not been making so good time as she should. The cause was attributed to the inability of the Chinese stokers to do their duty properly, and as a result they have all been discharged and white men installed.

Opening the Case.

Two sailors belonging to the sealing schooner Mary Ellen, yesterday laid information with the provincial police, upon which summons were issued charging Capt. Dan McLean with assault. The case, which is the outcome of the alleged trouble between captain and crew, will be heard in the courts early next week.

The Timber Fell.

Yesterday morning Charles McCorkick, an old pioneer who is well known about town, was passing along View street, when a plank being handled by workmen in the upper story of a building in process of construction fell to the ground. In its descent it struck McCorkick on the head, knocking him down and stunning him.

Obituary.

Mrs. Marian Cook, formerly Mrs. Montgomery, died at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. C. Cameron, Fort street, last evening. The deceased lady was 67 years of age, and a native of Scotland. She came to Victoria in 1859 with her husband, a Hudson's Bay settler, and was well known to all old timers. She leaves two daughters, Mrs. Cameron, and Mrs. Conway of the Four-Mile-House.

Safe Home.

Messrs. Robert Ward and Co., charterers of the Danish ship Doris Brodersen, yesterday received a cablegram announcing her safe arrival in London on Friday. The Brodersen was the first of the Victoria lumber fleet away, and made an unusually long trip, of about 189 days. Fears for her safety were beginning to find expression, although she was known to be a staunch ship in the hands of a good captain.

Fire at Seattle.

The most serious conflagration that has visited Seattle since the great fire of June 6th, occurred Friday night. The Stetson & Post building, a wooden structure two stories high, covering the entire block bounded by Commercial, King and Weller streets, and the alley on the west, was completely destroyed by fire between the hours of 9 and 12 p. m. The total loss is $40,000, and the insurance $15,950.

Real Estate Sales.

Crane, McGregor & Boggs report sales for the past week as follows: Lot 1627 Humboldt street, $5,800; four lots, Victoria West, $1,100; nine lots, East Fernwood, $3,200; one lot, Oak Bay Avenue, Oaklands Addition, $3,050. Total, $13,150.

Charles Green & Co. report the sales this week of Port Angeles acreage property, $6,000, one lot, in Port Angeles village, $1,500; twenty acres, Esquimalt road, $9,000. Total, $17,100.

Change in Officials.

F. W. Carleton, who has acted as agent for the C. P. N. Co., on the wharf at Vancouver for some time back, has resigned his position for the purpose of entering into the real estate business in Anacortes, to which place he will remove shortly, much to the regret of his many friends in Vancouver and elsewhere throughout the province. It is understood that Mr. C. Gardiner Johnson has been appointed to the position occupied by Mr. Carleton.

Y.M.C.A. Conference.

The district conference of the Young Men's Christian Associations of British Columbia opened in New Westminster yesterday with thirty-five delegates present. Mr. John Horner of Nanaimo was elected president, and Mr. E. A. Morley, of Victoria, assistant. The city was divided into committees, each of which will call on the committee on initiation work. Mr. F. W. Teague, general secretary at Victoria, preaches in the Baptist church, Westminster, this evening, and a reception to the delegates will be given in Vancouver to-morrow night.

The Fall of a Veteran.

How little a thing it takes to draw a crowd was well exemplified yesterday afternoon, when a hundred or more men and boys collected in the neighbourhood of the post office to watch a workman engaged in felling the tall flag pole that for the last 15 years has stood sentry at the corner of Government street and Trounce alley. The pole was finally came down with the anticipated big crash, bringing with it the illuminated sign of the Grotto. When first placed in the ground in front of Wells, Fargo's agency on Yates street, 24 years ago, the old pole was 100 feet in height, and a splendid specimen of British Columbia timber.

AN INTERNATIONAL QUESTION.

What Constitute "Canadian Waters" in the Straits of Fuca.

Yesterday morning the owners of the American tug Mogul called at the Custom House and made a deposit, under protest, of $100, the amount demanded by Inspector Young for what he claimed was a violation of the towing laws.

The circumstances of the case, which opens up an international question as to what constitute Canadian waters in the Straits of Fuca, were explained by Inspector Young briefly as follows: The Mogul, he alleged, had violated the Customs laws in two instances—once last fall, and once about three weeks ago—in accepting ships and towing them through Canadian waters in the Straits. The Mogul was accordingly libelled for $400 in each instance, and in order that their legitimate business might not be interfered with the owners immediately deposited the sums named, pending the consideration of the point at issue by the authorities at Ottawa, to whom full data of the case has been forwarded.

The stand taken by the Mogul's owners is that the 3-mile limit prevails in regard to the Straits; Inspector Young says that the international boundary is in the centre of the Straits. Should the former contention be sustained the loss to Victoria tugmen will be very considerable.

ASPHALT PAVEMENTS.

The Pacific Asphalt Co. Take Trounce Alley in Hand.

Several weeks ago a representative of the firm of Coit, Barton & Cowles, which is largely interested in Ventura County asphalty visited this city for the purpose of interesting enterprising British Columbians in this excellent material for street paving, pile and pipe covering, etc. Mr. John Coughlan was one of those who saw the good qualities of Ventura asphalt, and after paying a visit to San Francisco to see the pavements laid with the material in question, he expressed himself as greatly pleased with it. Yesterday the formation of a company, to be known as the Pacific Asphaltum Co., was formed, and incorporation will be at once applied for. The capital stock of the company, which is designed to manufacture and handle all kinds of asphalt, is fixed at $50,000; divided in shares of $100 each. The trustees of the new company are John Coughlan and J. E. Cease, of this city, and C. C. Morrell, of Vancouver.

The first work undertaken in this city will be the paving of Trounce alley, which was cleared yesterday, and will graded to-morrow. The pavement will be laid from wall to wall as a sample of what should be on every street in the city, and it will no doubt be a striking and practical advertisement.

PERSONAL.

T. E. Ladner is in town.

J. Sehl returned home last evening.

W. P. Janes of Quamichan is in the city.

G. W. Clinton of Union, B. C., is in town.

D. N. Baxter of Seattle is at the Driard.

M. King returned from Anacortes last evening.

H. Fry, jr., of Cowichan, is at the Oriental.

J. S. Clute, jr., of Westminster is in the city.

Sergt. Langley returned from Puget Sound yesterday.

J. A. Sayward returned from the mainland last night.

A. C. Hatfield of Port Townsend is registered at the Clarence.

T. O. and Mrs. Townley of Westminster came over last evening.

Edward Allen, M.P.P., is still very sick at St. Joseph's Hospital.

Judge Bole of New Westminster arrived over by the Islander last evening.

Mrs. W. H. Ladner arrived over from the Landing by the Yosemite yesterday.

Mrs. Bushby and Mrs. W. F. Bullen have left on an extended visit to the east.

Robert Irving, who has been spending a few days in Tacoma, returned last evening.

Revs. J. F. Betts and J. A. Jeffries were passengers by last evening's boat from the mainland.

Rev. Father Van Nevel went to Nanaimo yesterday to officiate at the Catholic church there to-day.

A. C. Flummerfelt and wife will be passengers for San Francisco by the city of Puebla, which sails on the 25th.

J. Allan Clark, manager of the B. C. branch of Penhill nurseries, returned last evening from a visit to his home in Toronto.

E. J. Buckley, the well known actor and old time Victorian, who has been spending a few days in the city, left for the east this morning via the C. P. R.

A. H. B. Macgowan, secretary of the Vancouver school board, arrived down last night. Vancouver having been liberally treated in school matters, Mr. Macgowan is now enabled to look after private business while in the capital city.

SPORTS AND PASTIMES.

LACROSSE.

A COLONIST special from Vancouver last evening says: The lacrosse association formed here to-day, there being a full representation from the three clubs, was named the British Columbia Amateur Lacrosse Association. The following officers were elected: Honorary president, D. Oppenheimer, Vancouver; president, Jos. Leamey, Westminster; first vice-president, A. E. Suckling, Vancouver; second vice-president, W. G. McKenzie, Victoria; secretary-treasurer, W. H. Cullin, Vancouver. Council—W. T. Taylor, H. Quigley, of Vancouver; C. Lockhart, Victoria; J. C. Whyte, and L. A. Lewis, New Westminster.

The following schedule of games was adopted: May 24th, Victoria and Vancouver, at Victoria; June 14th, Westminster and Victoria, at Westminster; July 12th, Vancouver and Westminster, at Vancouver; Aug. 9th, Victoria and Westminster, at Victoria; Sept. 6th, Vancouver and Victoria, at Vancouver; Sept. 4th, Vancouver and Westminster, at Westminster.

FOOTBALL.

Despite the fact that the weather and the ground were in miserable condition yesterday afternoon a goodly crowd assembled at Beacon Hill to witness the Victoria-New Westminster football match. The Mainland players arrived over by the Yosemite, and the two teams quickly got to work, playing well, with the advantage in favor of the home team. The Victoria team finally secured five minor points, against which the Mainland boys claimed a try. The try was disputed and the match came to an end, the question of whether the try was gained or not, not being decided upon.

BASEBALL.

At a meeting of the Maple Leaf and Mayflowers baseball clubs held Friday night a committee was appointed, consisting of three members each, to settle the affairs of the two aggregations and prepare the way for their amalgamation. It is expected that the two clubs will unite this week under the name of the Victoria Baseball Club. The new club will be able to put a strong team on the diamond this year, and Kamloops will be forced to arise and hustle if her nine retain their glory as champions.

Articles of incorporation have been filed with the county auditor of Seattle by Messrs. Struve, Haines and McMicken, representing the Seattle Baseball club. The objects of the association, as stipulated in the articles, are to organize, control, direct and maintain a baseball club, cricket club, football club, and encourage all athletic sports. The capital stock is to be $10,000, and divided into 100 shares of $100 each. The incorporators and trustees are W. R. Thornell, R. Washburn, W. A. Hardy, S. L. Crawford and Maurice McMicken.

IMPORTANT RAILWAY EXTENSION.

Pushing the Tacoma & Lake City Railroad North to Port Angeles.

The Tacoma Globe says: The Tacoma & Lake City Railway and Navigation company will extend their line from section 36, the state fair ground, to the water front between the Pacific mill and Point Defiance park. From thence the company will operate a ferry to Gig harbor, with a railroad connection from Gig harbor to Seabeck, on Hood's canal, making a direct line to Port Orchard, the navy yard, thence across Hood's canal by additional ferry boat, running thence by rail to Port Townsend and the terminus at Port Angeles. Work is under way and will be prosecuted vigorously. This is the first direct line that has the wish and enterprise to penetrate the rich country about the famous waters of Hood's canal and then reach on to the Straits of Fuca direct from Tacoma. This line will shorten the distance to Victoria four hours.

LITTLE LOCALS.

The Provincial Government have appropriated $300 a year to induce a resident physician to locate at Alberni.

A sealing boat was stolen from the schooner Lily L. at Port Townsend on Thursday last. It is supposed that it has been brought to Victoria.

Wm. McHugh, of Saanich, was yesterday united in marriage to Miss Jane Fairhall, of Russell's station. The wedding took place at the residence of the bride's father, only a few friends being present.

The remains of three human beings, badly charred, have been found among the ruins of the building which was burned at Seattle on Friday night. The bodies have been identified as those of a man and wife named Mayes, and a man named Jones, all strangers in the city.

The City of Kingston.

The new steamer City of Kingston will be placed on the route between Tacoma and Anacortes to-day and will run every day until the 15th of April, when she will be put on the Tacoma-Victoria route. This arrangement has been made on account of the contract between the Union Pacific and Northern Pacific railroads in reference to the carrying of freight by the Union Pacific steamers, which does not expire until the 15th.

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LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

Real Estate.

Mr. Chandler of Nanaimo, on Saturday purchased eighteen acres of land facing on the Foul Bay road, some distance beyond the cemetery, for $850 per acre. The land forms a portion of the Gonzales farm.

Petty Thieves at Work.

A cabin on the old Esquimalt road, occupied by T. Anderson, foreman of the road, was broken into on Saturday and a suit of clothes, a watch chain and several other small articles were taken. The thieves gained an entrance through the door, which is generally left unlocked.

Washington's Imports and Exports.

At the port of Puget Sound, Wash., the imports for February were $11,471; exports, $232,083. For eight months in 1889 the imports were $176,340, against $337,468 for the same period of 1888. Exports, $2,268,714 for 1889, against $3,243,769 for 1888.

The New Hotel.

Mons. L. Redon returned from San Francisco yesterday, bringing with him the ground plan for the new hotel. The elevation plan will arrive by next steamer. The secretary this morning advertises for tenders for excavating the site. The work will be energetically pushed, and before the year is out Victorians may expect to see a handsome structure ready for occupation.

A Salmon Syndicate.

A scheme is on foot among the cannerymen of the Columbia River to form a corporation, including as many cannerymen as possible, with a capital stock of $3,000,000, so that the interests of the cannerymen will be identical. All canneries will be run in favor thereof, plan except Hume & Kinney. The only thing likely to prevent the carrying out of the scheme is the necessary sum to wipe out the indebtedness of several cannerymen.

Capt. Roberts' New Command.

Capt. Roberts was on Saturday relieved of the command of the steamer Olympian to become master of the City of Kingston. While on the way from Victoria on Friday he was presented with a pair of marine glasses by the crew of the Olympian. Captain Anderson, formerly of the North Pacific, is now in command of the Olympian, and in his turn succeeded by Captain McAlpin, of the Oregon R. Starr. Andrew Jorgenson, heretofore mate of the Starr, succeeds Captain McAlpin as her master.

Fur Seals in the Fraser.

For the first time in the memory of the oldest fishermen the genuine fur seal has been seen in the Fraser river. Several have made their appearance since Monday and have been seen by the fishermen, who, of course, were not prepared to effect their capture. The fact that fur seal have invaded the Fraser river, is admitted to be rather strange, but it is argued that the animals are getting disgusted with their treatment by Uncle Sam in Behrings sea, and have decided to move down and occupy our river, which is a mere cleasum to the American fishermen at least.—Columbian.

SPORTS AND PASTIMES.

THE GAM.

Hamp, Gaudaut, Ten Eyck and Hosmer rowed a race Saturday afternoon on the St. Johns river, sixteen miles above Jacksonville, Florida. Gaudaut was handicapped three beat lengths on account of his recent victories. He won the race easily, Hamm second, Ten Eyck third and Hosmer fourth. Hosmer is not yet fully recovered from his recent severe illness. A thousand people witnessed the race.

Interest in the coming Oxford-Cambridge boat race is increasing as the date of the event approaches. Cambridge has been practicing in better form than Oxford, but Oxford is showing exceptional strength in rough water, and betting is still in Oxford's favor by 40 to 100.

WRESTLING.

It is reported that Dan McLeod is not looking for Quinn but that he is arranging for a match with Joe. Acton.

Richardson came down from Nanaimo yesterday and left for the Sound to-day, looking for a match. He says that Nanaimo has some hard men to beat.

There has been talk recently of a match between Quinn and Cameron. Quinn is now at San Francisco and Cameron at Vancouver.

Matsada is anxious to make a match with McLeod, the Nanaimo wrestler, to take place in six weeks or two months after signing articles. He says McLeod is the best man among all of the wrestlers that have come from Victoria and British Columbia, and that he can beat either Quinn, Cameron, Woodbine or any man on the Coast, except perhaps Joe Acton and himself.

PERSONAL.

Geo. Stelly returned last evening from a trip to the Sound.

Thos. Burnes, Jr., leaves by the City of Puebla on a trip to the Bay City.

C. N. Gowen will be a passenger for San Francisco by the City of Puebla this morning.

L. Redon, of the Driard, returned from San Francisco on the Umatilla yesterday.

Wm. H. Lee, manager of the Hotel Tacoma, was in the city yesterday, and registered at the Driard.

W. C. Haywood and A. P. Black, of Vancouver, returned from the Sound last evening, and are at the Driard.

W. F. Cockshutt, merchant of Brantford, Ont., arrived on the San Francisco steamer yesterday and is at the Driard. He has just returned from a tour to Cuba and Lower California.

THE MARY ELLEN CASE.

Capt. McLean Arrested while Attempting to Leave the Harbor with His Vessel.

Yesterday afternoon Officers Miller and Robb, of the provincial police force, who had a warrant for the arrest of Capt. McLean, went out to the Mary Ellen to execute it. When handed the warrant, McLean coolly pocketed it and ordered his men and twelve others, that he had hired to help him out, to heave the anchor, get up sail and go to sea. Officer Miller saw that two men could do nothing against a whole crew, so he despatched Officer Robb to tell Sergt. Langley that more help was needed. The captain made two attempts to get out, but each time he ran his schooner on a sand bank, which more than likely averted serious trouble, as Officer Miller was determined to arrest his man. Sergt. Langley, after having made arrangements for securing a steam cutter from Esquimalt if it was found necessary, and taking two officers from the city police force with him, proceeded to the schooner and succeeded in arresting the captain and bringing him to the jail. The ringleader of the twelve men, who hired themselves to help the schooner escape, will very likely be served with a summons to show cause why he acted as he did. The crew, who defied the two officers, became pretty cool when Sergt. Langley came aboard with reinforcements. The sheriff has a capias in his possession which will be served on the captain as soon as the charges brought by the sailors are disposed of.

A Brilliant Record.

WILL speak for itself not supported by genuine merit. The success of Burdock Blood Bitters is founded on merit and approved by trial. It purifies the blood, and cures dyspepsia, constipation, biliousness, sick headache and all similar complaints. B. B. B. is purely vegetable. swt

PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE.

FIRST Parliament—Fourth Session.

THIRTY-FOURTH DAY.

MONDAY, March 24, 1890.

The Speaker took the chair at 2:10 p. m.

Prayers by Rev. Arthur Beanlands.

SAMUEL GREER'S CLAIM.

Mr. Smith moved, seconded by Mr. Thomson: "That the report of the select committee appointed 4th March, 1890, 'to ascertain what action the government has taken respecting the reports of the select committees appointed to enquire into the claim of Samuel Greer to certain lands in the vicinity of English Bay, adopted on the 27th April, 1888,' be adopted."

A discussion ensued upon the powers of the select committee, and their report was ruled out of order. The honmember for Lillooet was advised to embody his wishes in a resolution upon which the House could express itself.

Mr. Orr said that the government had disregarded the unanimous wish of the House in regard to the Greer claim, as contained in the report of the committee of 1888.

Hon. Mr. Robson denied that any advice of the House had been disregarded. The advice was that the government take Mr. Greer's claim into serious consideration. This they had done, and they had found that Mr. Greer had no claim either in law or equity. They therefore refused to give Mr. Greer a title.

THE BUDGET DEBATE.

Mr. Duck, in resuming the debate on the estimates, said that had he not moved the adjournment of the debate he would have had nothing to say upon the estimates. He was satisfied that the government found themselves in a position to expend over a million dollars during 1891 without negotiating another loan. He commended the opposition for manufacturing grievances, not giving credit where credit was due, and departing from the criticism of the subject in hand, the estimates, to go into the questions of civic government, personal libels, and unfounded charges of bad government.

The House went into supply at 2.45 p.m., Mr. Duck in the chair. Very little discussion took place in committee, the great majority of the votes passing without debate. The committee rose on vote 121 E, supplementaries, to sit again.

The House adjourned at 6 o'clock until 7:30 p.m.

EVENING SESSION.

On the resumption of business at 7.30 p.m. the House returned to committee of supply. The committee rose at 8.30 o'clock, reported the resolutions, and asked leave to sit again.

MUNICIPAL ACT.

On the further consideration of the report on this bill (Hon. Mr. Beaven), it was moved to amend section 96 by adding thereto the following sub-sections:—(121) For purchasing, acquiring, holding, managing, maintaining land, or improvements, or lockhart, for the purpose of a fire hall, or halls, within the municipal limits. (122.) For purchasing, acquiring, holding, managing, maintaining land, or improvements, or both, for the purpose of a wharf, a free public library, or a partially free library, within the municipal limits."

Hon. Mr. Beaven explained that he did not consider it advisable to grant the power to a municipality of expropriating land for the purposes contained in the amendments. If the land was required it was fair for the corporation to purchase in the open market in the same manner as a private individual.

f (Col. Baker enquired if the acquiring of land for a wharf was provided for elsewhere in the act.

Hon. Mr. Beaven replied that provision was made for the purchase of land for the purpose referred to.

Col. Baker thought that it was in the public interest to provide that land for drill shed site might be expropriated.

Hon. Mr. Robson said that for once during his public life he could agree thoroughly with the leader of the opposition. He considered it was only fair and just that a corporation should be required to purchase land for a drill shed site as a private individual would.

Mr. Grant said that the law governing