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TRIALS COURT. Justice Walkem.) pplication for a speedy frey, charged with steal-ch-chain, mo ey and an from an intoxicated of Wales saloon, was court, yesterday. Mr. eputy-attorney general, Messrs. Taylor & Eberta defence. The counsel asked for a remand of witnesses, which wa

ME COURT. Justice Drake.)

eron and Hughes-This t by one Parker, a sealnder the American to Behring's Sea on the L. R. ch. The schooner rchased by the Victoria ster changed to the port er was not taken voyage, and he brought It was shown that ccepted his release from cles, and, consequently, Judgment was "non-nty Court costs." Mr. ff, Belyea & Gregory

I. B. Begbie, C. J.) t for \$2,000 on ccount wr ngtul rejection of for Victoria's sewerage aship held that the ading plans could not be tract, and accordingly r the ci'y, with costs. Ir. W lls, for plaintiff; r the city. AMBERS.

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THE VICTORIA WEEKLY COLONIST FRIDAY JANUARY 9, 1891. -

LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

II. M. S. Melpomene.

every fair request. The arbitrators could, therefore, reach a definite c uclusion and amicably settle this muddle in a mighty The Colonist. FRIDAY, JANI ARY 9, 1891. short time."

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rbitration, but Mr. Blaine refuses, be-

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AMERICAN CRITICISM.

For fear that our readers might think that we were partial in what we have said with respect to the merits of the dispute between Great Britain and the United States Respecting jurisdiction over the waters of Behring's Sea, we will quote what intelligent and patriotic Americans say about the claims which their Government is making. The Oregonian, which is Republican in politics, does not allow its national partialities to blind it to the weakness and the unreasonableness of the contention of the United States minister. In an article headed "An Hereditary Diplomat," the Oregonian says :

"But the most conspicuous proof of lisbury's ability is found in the fact st thus far he has the better of Secrethat thus far he has the better of Secrebers belong sure and speedy condemna- to be favored with a much more genial tary Blaine, who, in the Behring Sea negotiation, has planted himself upon a position that is likely to prove utterly has not made a great many more enemies boast of have suffered from the inclemency tenable. Blaine contends th t as than friends in his own country by what of the weather. In Loudon the British Behring Sea was a closed sea prior to our purchase of Al ska, we acquired with he has already written and done on this Columbian shivers. He has not been used our purchase of Al ska, we required with the territory the maritime rights of Rus-sia over that waterway. This position lacks historical foundation, and is at variance with international law and

CONVERTS AS COLONISTS.

usage. Lord Salisbury is so confident in his position that he offers to' submit it to General Booth's proposal to send his coldest part of the night it was only 38" reformed paupers and thieves to the colo- Even in Italy the weather was raw and stuse he knows that no tribunal would nies is not received with enthusiasm in cold and the railways to Bucharest, a sustain him in his position. There is no internati nal tribunal worthy of respect any of the great colonies. Canada does Vienna dispatch says, were blocked with internati nal tribunal worthy of respect that would sustain Mr. Blaine's position for a moment, and therefore his refusal not want accessions to its population, snow and the weather was intensely cold. composed of men and women who are A snow storm was raging at Queenstown, for a moment, and therefore his retush to arbitrate is a confession of a bad case, and pl ces our Government in a most un-fortunate position. We are not able to make war, and yet we refuse to arbitrate of settlers in a new country. The new training to do the rough work required When we read these accounts and country training to do the rough work required When we read these accounts and country training to do the rough work required training a claim we dare not vindicate by the settler should possess both bodily and trast the cold and stormy weather which sword." word." No British Columbian or other British

that many Americans would condemn it him and who has been employed in some tries. This is the 8th of January, and as inspired by national jealousy and an- department of labor that gave no scope there has been neither frost nor snow in · for his ingenuity, will find himself sadly or near the city. The Oregonian, we see, places very out of place in a position in which it will little dependence on the statements be necessary for him to be from the very

made by the American Government and first, and particularly at the first, a jackits agents respecting the decrease of the of-all-trades. He must be able to turn of the effects of the McKinley seals in Behring's Sea and the waters ad- his hand to a score of things, which he jacent thereto. Our Portland contempor-did not even attempt in his old world sugar. Granulated sugar was lately sold ary takes strong ground on this point, life; and, being his own master, his mind in Philadelphia for April d-livery at 42

In February last the old company, which new occupation. had held the privilege for twenty years. General Booth's colonist

had held the privilege for twenty years, was willing to pay an advanced price for the renewal of the privilege. The Can-adian sealers came in with their usual oatch this y-ar and better, and deny the diminution of the seals. The slaughter of the seals since last February must have been enormous, and beyond reasonable belief, and until the dispute is cleared up by further and more conclusive evidence. by further and more conclusive evidence Lord Salisbury is justified in refusing to act on Mr. Blaine's assumption by order-ing English vessels out of Behring's Sea onsenting to a close season.'

The testimony of a Puget Sound jourual on this subject is peculiarly valuable.

no answer to these arguments except this: "We have claimed sovereignty over the waters of Behring's Sea, and, right or wrong, we mean to do our best to enforce the claim." We have a very strong suspicion that this is how many of the men who support Mr. Harrison's ad-ministration read Mr. Blaine's letters, and this is the meaning which their writer wishes them to convey. The bear musical note, that instantly makes one think of the boat's graceful lines and handsome appearance. It is very loud, and can be heard for miles. Collector Milne has received in circular form copies of the declaration to be made by the foreign owner of goods shipped before the collector, or the mayor, or any other chief municipal officer at the place in the United Kingdom, or in Her Majesty's possessions abroad from where the goods ahip ped on consignment, described in the state ment of the full market value when sold for the stipper is the owner of goods shipped the stipper is the owner of the goods ahip ped on consignment, described in the state ment of the full market value when sold for voice, which contains a full and true state ment of the full market value when sold for the declaration is to the effect that the stipper is the owner of goods shipped the consignment, described in the state ment of the full market value when sold for voice, which contains a full and true state ment of the full market value when sold for to the stipper is the owner of he goods ahip ped on consignment, described in the state ment of the full market value when sold for woal, then before a full market value when sold for place. The declaration is to the effect that the stipper is the owner of the goods ahip ped on consignment, described in the is the full market value when sold for mode, which contains a full and true states ment of the full market value when sold for home consumption; that such fair market value includes any bounties, drawbacks royalties, rents or oharges that may have been, or are expected, to be allowed or paid

From THE DAILY COLONIST, January 8. WEATHER CONTRASTED. The contrast between the weather on

this Pacific coast and that of countries in

Alderman John Robertson, has obtained the contract for mine ventilators to be placed in H. M.S. Melpomene. The work is to be completed with all possible expedition The opinions on the course which the same parallel of latitude on the other the United States Government is side of the Rocky Mountains is most pursuing with respect to this striking. On the 5th of last month, when Substantial Results. fur seal question, which these two the fl wers were blooming in our gardens organs of public opinion have expressed, and the air could hardly be said to be are, no doubt, the same as those held by even chilly, a man and his wife near hundreds of thousands of intelligent Charlottetown, P. E. I., endured the Marcican ci.izens. Mr. Harrison's Administration knows this, and so does the in a blinding snow-storm. The poor Republican majority in Congress. It is woman perished before help came,

not likely that knowing this Mr. Blaine and the man was in such a state that it and his colleagues will proceed to ex- would have been better for him if he had tremities. To make a little capital in died too. In Montreal we read that the certain quarters by twisting the tail of weather has been very cold, the mercury the British lion will, perhaps, be excused, in the thermometer being a long way be but to incur the hostility of a powerful low zero, when here it was in the forties. nation, by insisting on a claim which all The weather has been somewhat milder intelligent Americans know to be unteu- in Toronto, but further west the cold has

to such bitter cold. On the last day of the old year the mercury stood at ten de-

grees above zero. Here, in Victoria, it was as high as 45°, and during the very

subject would care to use stronger lan-guage than this. If he did, we are afraid has all his life had his thinking done for indeed, favored among northern coun-

EDITORIAL COMMENT.

ONE of the effects of the McKinley also. It continues : 'Mr. Blaine has also failed to satisfy Lord Salisbury that the seals in the waters of Behring's Sea are rapidly being exterminated by reckl-as and indiscrim-inateslaughter. The official records of the United States treasury show that in 1888, Special Agent Tingley reported that seal life; and, being his own master, his mind will have to be as active, as nimble and as versatile as his hauds. The peculiarity of the native Canadian or of the Ameri-can is, that he can with ease change his occupation. If one kind of work is not to be had or does not suit him he very soon tries another, and it is really sur-prising how short a time it takes him to do passably good work in an altogether In February last the old company, which

 is, that he can with ease change in the field by taking the duty off raw sugar, comparison. If one kinds of work is not be had or does not suit him he very some tries another, and in states him to be delivered in April sexplained by the first of a sugar delivered in April sexplained by the first of the best were provided. If the best were provided and an erican set of the states him to be delivered in April sexplained by the first of the base of the states him to be delivered in April sexplained by the first of the base of the states him to be delivered in April sexplained by the first of the that the states in the delivered in April sexplained by the first of the that the states in the delivered in April sexplained by the first of April.
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on the said goods, &c., and that no different invoice or account thereof has been or will be furnished to any one by or on behalf of Minstrelsy at The Victoria, and the shipper.

AMUSEMENTS.

Last Evening.

Appreciated-The Late Christ-

mas Trees-Gossip.

A combination of concentrated 'complete

"THE CHEMISTRY OF THE SUN."

t "THE OHEMISTRY OF THE SUN," A scientific lecture is usually but poorly attended in Victoria, but that, given in the Y. M. C. A. rooms, last night, by Rev. Percival Jenns, was a happy exception to the general rule. His subject was the chemistry of the sun, and it was handled in a manner that made it in no way "dry" or f tedious. A number of interesting and in-structive experiments were made during the evening, some of them highly amasing, and all well appreciated by the andience, which filled the lecture hall, and contained a good percentage of ladies.

IONA SOCIAL DANCE.

The social dance held in Harmony Hall last

a good percentage of ladies.

Fined \$20. Varied Pleasures Elsewhere, An unlucky Chinaman was brought before An unnucky Unitaman was brought before the city police magistrate yesterday morn-ing, on a charge of selling a lottery ticket and thereby obtaining the sum of 25 cents. He plead guilty and was fined \$20. Instructive Scientific Lectures Well

Lower Rents Demanded.

Mr. Wilson's Cauvass.

The drama of Robert Macaire, which was The Port Townsend-Dungeness Cable. produced at the Victoria a few weeks ago, resulted in the addition of \$249.35 to the building fund of the new Roman Catholic Cathedral. The Port Townsend Dungeness Choice. The Pacific Postal Telegraph Co.'s new wire between Port Townsend and Dunge-ness was completed yesterday, and works most satisfactorily. This gives Victoria direct communication with Portland and San Francisco.

Court Notes. The defendant in the case of Hayward v. the detendant in the case of Hayward V. Hoisterman (libe) will be examined before the registrar and a shorthand reporter at 11 o'clock this morning. The trial of C. P. R. Co. v. Sinclair has been adjourned until Justices McCreight and Walkem can sit. Lower Rents Demanded. The business men of Saattle, Tacoma and Spokane Falls are taking action towards in-ducing their landlords to reduce the rents at least 25 per ceut. It is contended that the present system of high rents, high in-surance, light and water rates, unless modi-fied, will compet many merchants either to assign or retire from business.

Awaiting an Owner. Awaiting an Owner. A letter has been received at this office from Devonshire, England, stating that if Mrs. Elizabeth Cordelia Jane Charley, who resided in Victoria in 1879, and in Somenos in 1886, will communicate with her uncle she will receive £2,100, left as a legacy by her aunt, who recently died.

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In about two weeks. A Woolen Factory. The Vancouver World says: Mr. Henry Gandry, & woolen factory man, who recently arrived from the east, has been thinking seriously of erecting a woolen factory some-where in this province, and if sufficient en-couragement is given him he is willing to of giving employment to thirty men. Accused of Robbery. Last night word was received at the police station giving the description of a man accused of having stolen a coat, watch and chain valued at \$15 from one George Barchay, on Chatnam street. Sergeant Wal-

Barolay, on Chatma street. Sergeant Wal-ker immediately went after his man whom he found in one of the saloons on the way out to Equimalt. He made him his priso-ner and brought him to town.

The social dance held in Harmony Hall last night, under the direction of the Iona Social Club, was enjoyed to the full, by everyone present. Twenty-four couples were in the hall, all of whom were young and bent on having a thoroughly good time, and as is usual in such cases, the hours proved all too short to hold the pleasures that, they brought. Music of the best was provided, and it is no wonder that the club have reason to feel proud of the success of their last night's party.

University of British Columbia.

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NOT YET CONCLUDED.

Evidence Taken in the Case of Joseph Silk, Who is Further Remanded Until Friday.

As promised, the Crown was ready to proceed, when the case of Joe. Silk, charged with being an accessory to the Fee murder, was called in the city police court, yester-day morning. day morning. The Deputy Attorney-General called, as

ness is the Goodyear, Elitch and Schilling

A combination of concentrated completements is the Goodyear, Ellitör and "Schilling minstrels, who opened at the Viboria, yester-terday avening. Very, very seldom, does a minstrel company redeer the forming made by its heralds, but the company neders. The formants, and vocan music is a way above par, shd: the stip content as before's personal appearance on the stage settings, with their gold and gitter, satin and silver, is simply "gorgo ous." The grant description year, Eddard, states and the victum had lost his life the stage settings, with their gold and greenest the way for backer, thing scene, which introduces the even and tabore a quieted of Mr. Gwynn if it was a part of the case for the Crown to prove that there abound the mean and the victum had lost his life through his being mintaken for some and Lambert, carry a fait, percent, age of the best stories, known the prisoner could not be an accessory to also with the solution granuttetis is all that it has been pronounced—aad more. Is specialized, introduces in the wing dance. The clock, was therefore placed in the victor hadden the prisoner could not be thered, the work for some south strong. Little stage of the best stories, shown to work and posing for lotter-gorge, refind and the store and work and decore it was the company comes out stored, had wing dance. It is now too, Charles Goodyear is and says? The barley forthers, is vocal unitation of whelen. Mr. Wilson on the down to reson the winness the company comes out stored, the wing dance. If we and the other was a statement, made during geniuses. Mr. Youlling in musical special work and posing for lotter-gorge, refind and has been way who saw last stipping and how too. Charles Goodyear is and years with origina way the origin the show to with weak as tight and the show to with sening with origina work and posing for lotter-gorge, refind and how how tow is well work sening with origina work and posing for lotter-gorge, refind and the show to with who is client in securing his evidence will so discust

finished. Instead of the time wors farge, the minstrels close the evening with original shadowgraphs, novel and way, attractive. No doubt many who saw last night's per-formance will go again this evening, as the show is well worth seeing twice, and to-night is positively the last, of the engage-ment.

WILL GO TO WORK.

The Directors of the British Columbia Agricultural Society Form Their S.anding

The president, Mr. R. D. Ker, was in the chair last evening, when a well attended meeting of the B.C. Agricultural Society was held in the City Hall. The principal business of the evening was the formation of working committees for the year, and these were drafted in the following order: Finance-R. Seabrook, J. H. Todd and Dr. Milne.

Dr. Milne. Printing and Advertising-B. Scabrooke, W. J. McKeon, jr.; W. J. Pendray and T.

W. J. McKeon, jr.; W. J. Pendray and T. Carter. Hall-T. J. Partridge, W. J. Pendray, M. Baker, J. T. Mellmoyl, E. Hutcheson, and F. Page. Yard-T. Carter, W. Thomson, W. Lori-mer, H. Webb, A. C. Wells, J. Kirkland, and W. J. McKeon, jr. Racing and Sports-D. H. Ross, Jno. Braden, W. Dalby, E. John, A. Templeton, H. Benson Band-U. Hayward, J. H. Todd, R. Sea-brook, C. Major.

brook, C. Major. Reception-Officers and Board of Direct-

ors. Prize List-Dr. Milne, T. J. Partridge, J. H. McIlmoyl, T. Carter, E. Hutcheson, and W. J. McKeon, jr. Building and Grounda-W. Dalby, D. H. Ross, C. Hayward, W. Templeman and Dr.

Ross, C. Hayward, W. Jongtonai and Milne. Milne. The secretary was instructed to engage an assistant, and, as the committee know their work, a strong and systematic effort will be made at once in the direction of se-curing new grounds and buildings.

PERSONAL

A Ten of Optum. There is at present stored in the customs house at Port Townsend about one ton of contraband optum, the result of many month's work on the part of the customs officers. Most os this optum came from Victoris, and, in sdiffer to the present lot, a considerable amount fine been sold at dif-ferent times, and has brought excellent prices, but if this lot was auctioned off at its actual face value on the American soil, which is about \$16, the receipts would amount to \$35,840. This lot, so it is claimed, consists entirely of prepared optum, and the larger portion is considered the finest that can be secured.

seals when found far out at sea, because we ourselves have made precedents the there were

ler way. As a matter of courtesy, and on the the sun ever so genial for, as the Argus ground of international comity, she has as yet shown no unwillingness to grant that independence is difficult."

Now that matters have settled down in

Pitts v. Phillips-This case was opened yesterday, and the evidence for the plaintiff is now all in. That of the defence will be put in to-day. The Attor-ney-General appears for the plaintiff, and Mr. F. G. Walker for the defendant.

