FOND OF FORGING.

O. Bristowe Finally in Jail—His Fear at for Swindling All Those with Whom He Comes in Contact.

San Francisco *Chronicle* contains lowing with reference to a charac- ll known in this city and Vancou- He is now under arrest in Port-

en Henry O. Bristowe first landed this continent there were several hmen who were disposed to regard an unfortunate gentleman, who, h very much addicted to drink and mpany of disreputable people, was st heart, and only required some some home influence to keep him ricked ways, which all good persons er a veritable panacea in working rs with genteel criminals.

ry was not an ill-looking fellow, and his peculiarities had a hale-fellow- net manner, a somewhat insinuating s, a well-regulated thirst, somewhat y though ex-stylish clothes, and in tton-hole of the coat's lappel was displayed a rose. This, with a and a stock of unbounded conceit, limited imagination concerning his dents, he managed to introduce f into the confidence of some Eng- milies in this city.

sting with a gentleman whose sym- s for all Britons are readily awak- Bristowe was introduced to others, e a cricketer, and so far succeeded ning for himself friends that he fell e with a Miss Maynard, of this city, entually married her, much to the r, subsequently it is alleged, of the nd her relatives.

stowe claimed that he landed here omething like $5,000, the result of f his property in Australia, but as s completely unknown during this t of extraordinary affluence, his tale ot very generally credited.

ong his other peculiarities Harry O. we had a mania for writing, and hed a friend with an autobiography ich he affirms that drink has always his curse, and further, that "it date fortunate love of drink to the fact drinking before breakfast."

early life was not, according to his nt, a very creditable one. He says a interesting sketch that he was "ex from Harrow for behaving wrongly of the masters; injured his eye- with an ink-bottle," and further that rrowly escaped expulsion from Sand- Military College for insulting a su- officer. He, according to his ac- , however, eventually joined the ser- nd was forced to leave it on account netary matters, and embarked from alia, where he worked as a postmas- d several times drove large bands of at which occupation he made con- ble money. But his main pleasure getting hopelessly drunk and keep- for several weeks, and on one of occasions "a circumstance occurred hich I was, unjustly I firmly believe case, sent to jail for nine months. I associated with criminals and not been for occasional letters from brother, which had some effect in ng me, I should have become utterly ned and bad. When I got out I all the money I could, some $15, and came to San Francisco. On the Zealandia coming from Austra- re I made all sorts of good resolu- and the night before we arrived I verboard. It may seem strange that umstance like this should have been use of my becoming the drunkard retch I did during the nine or onths in San Francisco. Bri- stowe, then, in his confession, drawa aborate picture of his troubles, how t well and how he again fell sick, wed $1000 on the strength of his 's name, who, he alleges, has an im- nt official position in the Duchy of shire.

er several vicissitudes he went down dieto to edit a paper, but finding was not enough work for him, he pyed himself by getting advertise- s for the journal with which he was cted. Coming back to this city he employment with a friend in the usiness and defrauded him and gra- him with this elaborate autobiogra- showing that he was an utterly worth- bject. He then found employment o weekly papers and defrauded one extent of $200 by securing for them bus advertisements, on which he col- commission. One of these papers paid back by his wife's family, the depositing her jewelry with the pro- r as a guaranty that the deficiency d be made good and consequently s not prosecuted. Bristowe then north, and finally, on May 30th last, rrested for passing worthless bank s, and is now held in Portland on a e of forgery. Mrs. Bristowe is now Gatos, having recently gone there Victoria.

INFORMATION WANTED.

THE EDITOR:—The whereabouts of O. Munro, who left his house on the April last, are still a mystery. He in a very comfortable house about a from the 22-mile House, was in or- y circumstances and was blessed with nobling influences of a sweet baby nd a faithful wife.

the 8th April last he kissed the of which he was very fond, took his and stock of ammunition and provi- and started up into the mountains, as not been seen or heard of since. Munro sent out Indians to search ountains for him. They found his s in the snow up in the mountains. llowed them until they crossed a that led to Mancet lake, where they lost.

s thought by some that he followed rail that led to Mancet lake, struck rail that goes to Savona's Ferry, and over to Savona's, took the train and r probably in the Rocky mountains ing on the railroad. He was a car- r by trade and a first class mechanic. Munro's position is not one envied. She has moved up to Ni- Lake and is endeavoring to support lf and baby boy by doing such work e can, meanwhile anxiously awaiting intelligence of her missing husband. mystery as to whether he is dead or is very trying on her and any infor- n that would lead to his whereabouts known would no doubt be joyfully ved by her.

. Munro has the sympathy of the valley, and it is to be hoped that eople in those parts through which supposed to have traveled or is now ng in will, should they see him, unicate to her the intelligence and by relieve her of a crushing sorrow. SYMPATHY.

COLA, June 1st, 1887.

FREIGHT RATES REDUCED.

. P. R. Lowers its Rates from Winnipeg to this Coast.

. Robert Kerr, general freight agent . C. P. R. western division, has an- ced a reduction in the freight rates en Winnipeg and Victoria, Van- r and New Westminster, amounting ost forty per cent. The amount of duction may be seen by referring to d and the new rates:

OLD RATES.

m Winnipeg to Victoria, Vancou- d New Westminster:

No. 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.	10.
3.64	3.04	2.60	2.15	1.90	1.40	1.41	—	—	1.06

NEW RATES.

No.	1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.	10.
	2.14	1.79	1.41	1.27	1.09	.98	.91	—	—	.80

ICE TO MOTHERS.—MRS. WINSLOW'S ING SYRUP should always be used when n are cutting teeth. It relieves the ld sufferer at once; it produces natural, quiet y relieving the child from pain, and the herub awakes as "bright as a button." It pleasant to taste. It soothes the child, s the gums, allays all pain, relieves wind tes the bowels, and is the best known y for diarrhœa, whether arising from the g or other causes. Twenty-five cents a Be sure and ask for Mrs. Winslow's ING SYRUP, and take no other. d&w

n an elegant dinner or tea set at the price possible go to the CHINA HALL. ral house furnishing goods at bed- prices. Give us a call and see for elves. G. POWELL & CO. *6m

Weekly Colonist

FRIDAY, JUNE 10, 1887.

From the Daily Colonist, June 7, 1887.

LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

Liberal Donors.

Sir George Stephen and Sir Donald Smith each contributed $100 to the Nanaimo relief fund.

Railway Bills Rejected.

Owing to the announcement of the government's railway policy the railway committee have rejected the Regina and Wood Mountain and the British Columbia and Alberta railway bills.

Committed for Trial.

C. K. Archer, charged with breaking into and stealing from the safe of the Granville Hotel, Vancouver, $800, has been committed to stand his trial in the circuit court in New Westminster on November 9th.

Collapsed.

A buggy containing two ladies, who were driving on the hill Sunday, suddenly broke down. The fair ones suffered no injury, and after the vehicle had been temporarily repaired drove home as though nothing had happened.

Royal Hospital.

Donations for May: Mrs. Jack, butter, eggs and milk; Mr. Andean, milk and rhubarb; Mrs. Evans, Mrs. Perrin, Mrs. Heathorn and Mrs. Earle, clothing; Mrs. J. W. Carmichael, Chair; Mrs. C. Jenkinson, baby buggy; Mrs. Oppenheimer, chair; Mr. Waitt, slates; Good Templars, broken cake.

A Pointer for Victoria.

A Montreal dispatch says: A Children's celebration is going to be arranged here in connection with the Queen's jubilee. The laying of the corner stone of the new public school on Luke street is to be taken advantage of. Five thousand school children will be present and sing a programme of patriotic songs.

Arrival of the Boscowitz.

The steamer Barbara Boscowitz arrived from Fort Simpson and other ports on the northern route on Sunday at 9 o'clock bringing the following passengers: M. Cowan, Rev. Mr. Harrison, W. J. McCulloch and S. Spencer.

The run of salmon has been very light so far, but a big catch is expected later on in the season.

A Lucky Newspaper Man.

Halifax *Recorder*: As will be seen by our despatches the Derby has been now. J. W. Power, sporting editor of the *Recorder*, received a despatch yesterday announcing that he had drawn Merry Hampton in the Mansion House stakes. To-day's despatches gives Merry Hampton as the winner. The first prize is $3,000. The tickets were $5, and there were 2,000 issued in all. There were 192 horses entered.

List of Visitors.

For the month of May at the Cowichan Lake hotel: Admiral Sir Michael Culme Seymour, Esquimalt; Judge P. O. O'Reilly, Victoria; F. J. O'Reilly, Victoria; Lieut. F. A. Garforth, Esquimalt; H. L. Gulline, A. Ferguson, Hills Thorpe, Ashdown A. Green, Victoria; Edward W. Ford, John Machell, England; Wm. McC. Hutchinson, Los Angeles, Cal.; D. Douglas Dick, Scotland; Captain Rose, Esquimalt; Sir William Wiseman, Esquimalt.

Indian Affairs.

In the Senate Hon. Mr. Macdonald made the following inquiry: Before the orders of the day are called, I should like to ask the minister if the papers I moved for with regard to the Indian affairs in British Columbia, about three months ago, are to be brought down? They are not very voluminous and I hope they will be submitted to the House as soon as possible.

Hon. Mr. Abbott—I will take a note of the hon. gentleman's enquiry.

The First White Woman.

The Port Townsend *Argus* announces the death at Dungeness, W. T., of Mrs. Christina Abernethy and adds: Deceased if we remember aright, was the first white woman who ever set foot in Clallam county. She was a native of Scotland, came to British Columbia with a colony of Hudson's Bay immigrants early in the "fifties," and was married to the late Thos. Abernethy, with whom she lived at Dungeness till his death. She leaves two married daughters, Mrs. Wilcox and Mrs. Martin and a brother, Mr. John Bell—all of whom reside in Clalam county.

Had His Money's Worth.

There is a vein of humor beneath the ragged coat and uncouth presence of the professional tramp that occasionally asserts itself provoking a ludicrous sense of his supreme cheek. Last night one of these knights of the road entered a restaurant on Yates street and called for coffee and rolls. During his repast he formed a fond affection for the sugar bowl and quietly proceeded to fill his pockets in the belief no doubt, that stolen sweets are the best. When he stepped up to the counter to settle, the proprietor charged him two bits extra for the sugar in his pocket. The lightfingered gentleman drew himself up proudly and was indignant at the accusation. The proprietor was firm, however, and the culprit reluctantly handed over the money at the same time watching his opportunity when the proprietor's back was turned he deliberately filled his pockets with cakes and rolls until he seemed satisfied and coolly walked out.

A Talented Artiste.

Madame Christine De La Mothe, the celebrated French cantatrice, arrived in the city Sunday night, and at present is stopping at the residence of Charles Gabriel. The fame of Madam De La Mothe has preceded her, and the presence of this talented *artiste* in Victoria will, no doubt, elevate the vocal talent of our city. She is a professor of music from the Paris Conservatory of Music, and possesses a powerful contralto voice of rare sweetness, which has won for her the enviable reputation of being equal to the great Mde. Scalchi. Madam De La Mothe intends remaining permanently in Victoria, and at an early date will give a grand vocal concert at The Victoria, after which she will receive a few pupils for instruction in finished vocal music. This will be a golden opportunity for our local celebrities to become proficient under an instructor possessing such marked talent in singing the most difficult music which she essays to teach. Notice will be given in THE COLONIST when Madam De La Mothe will be ready to receive pupils, also the date of the concert.

"Wild Dick."

In a report of the Colonial and Indian Exhibition just to hand appears the following: "Beyond the opening which leads to this small section of the Canadian court there is, in the central gallery, another assortment of Indian wares, beginning with a collection of stone and other work done by the Indians of British Columbia. There are small models of the totem posts which are set up in front of the chiefs' houses, some of them in painted wood, but most in slate; the latter are carved with an old knife and a file. It cannot be said that the carvings on these models are very handsome—most of them, indeed, are hideous. Then there are carved state spoons, carved walking-sticks, painted canoe paddles, and several hideous masks. A few photographs of Indians are shown among the other articles, including a portrait of Queen Johnnie, queen of a tribe of Indians residing near Victoria, British Columbia. This collection of British Columbia Indian goods is the property of Wild Dick, a well-known character of those parts, renowned as a scout." This is none other than "Wild Dick" Aaronson whose awful visage is said to have made children weep and alligators giggle. "My uncle" is renowned as a scout when at home—scouting around after stray articles under the mystic sign of the three balls. What he *doesn't* know about wild Indians would fill—a pawn shop.

Train Delayed.

The Rithet did not connect with the west bound express yesterday, she being ten hours late. The wires went down in sympathy.

A Rich Strike.

Some passengers who returned by the Boscowitz bring with them rich samples of gold and silver quartz located at the northern end of Vancouver island. A test has not yet been made, but those who are judges pronounce the ore the richest yet discovered in this country.

A Bad Man.

On Sunday evening just after church two young ladies were spoken to by some rough individual on Fort street. They became frightened and ran across the street, followed by the man. A gentleman who saw the incident jumped to the road and caught the miscreant just as he was seizing one of the girls. Although the fellow was powerful he succeeded in holding him until there was no danger of his making another attempt at his previous conduct. If he had been given a severe thrashing he would have secured his deserts.

The West Shore.

We have been favored with advance sheets of the forthcoming jubilee number of the *West Shore*, and have no hesitancy in saying that, whilst the work heretofore done for this province by this enterprising magazine has always been of a very superior character, the present number surpasses all their former efforts. It will be ready in a few days; it entirely devoted to the picturesque, and British Columbians will have no reason to blush at the dainty morsels of scenery placed before the thousands of *West Shore* subscribers scattered over the four quarters of the globe.

McNamee's Claims.

The Ottawa *Free Press* has the following in reference to this matter. The special committee appointed to enquire into the claims of Mr. F. B. McNamee against the government, met this morning. Messrs. A. F. McIntyre and A. Ferguson represented the claimant. A discussion took place as to whether the local government of British Columbia had power to confiscate the plant and the deposit of the contractors. Mr. McIntyre said that the question at issue was whether the British Columbia government should pay the claim. A letter was read from the premier of British Columbia, setting forth that Mr. McNamee should get some return for the plant. Some $50,000 was paid for the plant to the federal government. The appointment of a commission to consider the question on submitting it to arbitrators was suggested by Mr. Weldon. Mr. McIntyre said that the plant seized was now in the hands of the federal government and they were therefore responsible. Mr. Tupper suggested the law courts as the proper place to decide the case, but Mr. McNamee said that he paid so much for law that he was tired of it, and if the committee could not do something for him he would give it up. After depositing his $10,000 in the bank he never got principal or interest, although he was told he could draw interest regularly, and capital on the expiration of his contract. He paid all his debts in British Columbia and left himself without a foot of real estate in Montreal. The committee adjourned to give Mr. McIntyre an opportunity to consult with Mr. McNamee as to the course he intended pursuing.

The Chinese Steamers.

In the senate Hon. Mr. Dever enquired: Whether the government are willing to furnish information to the house as to the time steamers will be placed on the route between British Columbia, Japan and China, for the purpose of carrying freight and passengers from these two latter places, into Canada and vice versa.

He said: The question of which I gave notice is one which speaks for itself. In fact I may say it speaks with the commercial voice of Canada to-day. Seeing that our great Pacific railway is constructed from ocean to ocean the next project naturally arises in the commercial mind is that a line of steamers be placed between British Columbia and Japan and China. I am fully aware that our government and the Pacific railway company are doing their very best to accomplish this desired end, but I regret exceedingly that they are not met in the same spirit by the British government. As my object is not to discuss this question, but simply to elicit from the government a reply to my enquiry I shall simply put as meeting the wishes of the Canadian people to-day.

Hon. Mr. Abbott—I regret that the government is not in a position to state that arrangements have been made for such communication as my honorable friend asks about, but it has no official intimation of any line of steamers being placed on this route. I may say that it is a matter of public notoriety, and generally understood, that a certain number of steamers have been placed on the route by the Pacific Railway Company, and it is also a matter of common knowledge, and the government is aware, amongst others, that negotiations have been going on for some time with the view of putting on a more efficient and important line of steamers between those two points.

Rhea's Famous Queen of Holland Dress.

Many of our lady readers will no doubt consider M'lle Rhea an exceedingly fortunate woman, if for no other reason than the fact that she possesses one of the most superb costumes ever designed by a modiste, and which was originally intended for no less a person than the Queen of Holland. Its falling into the French actress' hands was a matter of accident supplemented by a goodly sum of francs. The accident came about in the death of a near relative of the royal being for whom it was intended. Rhea hearing of the sad event, immediately offered a bid of 10,000 francs for the costume, and the bid was accepted. A description of the queenly gown may interest some of our fair readers, although it must necessarily be seen in order to thoroughly appreciate its wondrous beauty. The front of the dress is composed of heavy yellow satin, richly covered with raised flowers in embroidery, and ostrich plumes. A little to one side is a beautiful bird of Paradise artistically wrought in gold thread. The material of the sweeping train, four yards in length, is black satin, profusely covered with gold flowers. The corsage matches the train in color and material, gold embroidery and ostrich plumes again forming prominent features, a bunch of the plumes being displayed on the left shoulder. The jewels worn with this costume are an echo of the royal garment and consist of a magnificent set of diamonds, bracelets, necklace and tiara, presented to M'lle Rhea in St. Petersburg, as a souvenir of her first visit to the dominions of the Czar.—*Columbus Journal.*

PERSONAL.

Geo. F. Kyle, of Vancouver, is at the Clarence.

Dr. McSwain returned from Banff on on Sunday night.

Dr. Trew arrived from New Westminster last night.

Ex-Mayor Bate, of Nanaimo, was in the city last night.

Mrs. C. Watson, Miss Grant and Miss Gosnell were passengers from New Westminster on the Rithet.

The Misses Tolmie returned from Puget Sound yesterday afternoon.

Lady Boville, Miss Boville and K. S. Boville are guests of the Driard.

Miss Ella Nelson returned from California last evening on the Chester.

Rev. W. W. Percival and family, accompanied by Miss Clarke, of Portland, left for the east this morning.

Alex. McPherson, general agent of the Union Mutual of Marine, has arrived in the city from a successful trip east of the mountains.

Revs. D. Fraser and D. McCres left for Winnipeg this morning. They will attend the general assembly of the Presbyterian church.

A. M. Beattie, late of Richmond, P. Q., has located himself in Vancouver as auctioneer and appraiser. He has secured a large auction hall, and intends doing a real estate and commission business.

THE HOT SPRINGS.

The Banff Springs as the National Park and the Harrison Hot Springs in B. C.—A Description of Their Merits.

Dr. A. W. McSwain arrived down on Sunday night from a visit to the Banff and Harrison river hot springs. To a Colonist representative the doctor said that the scenery along the route was indescribably grand, and he and his wife were delighted with the trip. Banff is situated among a panorama of grand and inspiring scenery. The Bow river furnishes a sheet of water for boating, the picturesque surroundings provide romantic walks, while the country comprising the park needs but little improvement to make it a most delightful resort. Dr. Brett's sanitarium is always filled and a hotel is being built to accommodate a large number of guests. While there is everything to charm and delight the eye of the tourist, the doctor does not think it will ever become noted as a resort where invalids will be benefited. During the day the thermometer registered 110° in the sun, and at four o'clock in the morning it was down so low that thin ice had formed on mountain pools. The great atmospheric change was seriously urged against Banff as a spot where invalids may hope to regain health and strength. However, to those in the full enjoyment of health the national park is a place where unbounded satisfaction and enjoyment may be had, the beauties of the place being of a character varied and lovely. No doubt it will be visited by many thousands this summer, and as the company intend sparing no expense every comfort and convenience will be provided.

The doctor got off at Agassiz station on the return and took the stage for Harrison Hot Springs, situated five miles from the station. The passengers were landed at a large, well-built, cosy hotel, and on entering the doctor was surprised to find such a handsomely furnished and well-equipped house. The dining room is, he thinks, the finest on the coast, while the hotel is filled with every comfort and convenience that could be required. For invalids, a number of rooms are specially prepared and the hot spring water has been introduced into the rooms, so that those desiring to do so may have private baths. The hotel is surrounded with verandahs and the grounds are well laid out. The baths are about four hundred yards from the house, whereas at Banff they are three miles from the hotel and an ascent of 1800 feet has to be made. The rooms instead of being numbered are called by the names of cities. The doctor was in Paris, while Hon. F. J. Barnard was in London. Jos. Spratt was in New York and Judge Gray at Berlin, though his lordship afterwards secured the bridal chamber and generally enjoyed the best to be had. The temperature during 24 hours does not vary more than twenty degrees; the water of the springs is always 160°, while that of Banff is 116°, and the curative properties of Harrison springs are attested to by all who have tried them. The doctor states that he was much benefited by them. The surroundings of the lake and river, mountain and prairie are lovely, grand and pleasing, more of a soothing character than the awe-inspiring mountains of Banff. All things taken into consideration, the doctor considers that Harrison springs are of a more pleasurable and healthy character than their Rocky mountain rival and as a resort for invalids there is no comparison. Messrs. Brown, the proprietors, deserve great credit for their enterprise, which no doubt will soon be amply rewarded. When the government road is built there will be a pleasant drive from the station. A steamer is being built to carry visitors up and down the lake and river, while the waters and woods furnish grand sporting grounds.

The C. P. R. are issuing cheap return tickets good for fifteen days from New Westminster and Vancover, and it is understood that a train will be soon fixed for Victoria. There is no spot in the province the doctor visits, where a few days visit will bring with it more pleasurable and health giving returns than the Harrison hot springs.

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

A special meeting of the council was held yesterday afternoon in the mayor's rooms. Present: His worship Mayor Fell and Coun. Grant, Braden, Harris, Styles, Pearse, Higgins, Vigelius and Coughlan.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted.

THE WATER WORKS.

Mr. Bell laid a diagram before the council explanatory of two different methods of supplying the city with water.

One method is that originated by Mr. Hendry and approved by Mr. Pickering, giving the city about 305,000 gallons of water per day in conjunction with a two-horse power hydraulic engine to pump 100,000 gallons per day to a high level reservoir.

Another method is that of cutting the present main at a point near the intersection of Douglas and Queen's avenue and establishing there a pumping station to pump up to one main high level reservoir for the whole city, to be situate on some high point up Fort street, and to contain about one and one-half million gallons per day. By cutting the city main at the point mentioned it could be made to deliver double the quantity of water to be got by the method of supply first referred to.

Coun. Higgins asked if Mr. Hendry's scheme was good, why the councillors were present to discuss a new one.

His worship—You say that you can adopt any other plan you choose. If you do so though, you will have to go before the people again. When you asked for the loan you went before the people with plans.

Coun. Coughlan—Let us see the plans. I never saw any.

Coun. Higgins—Where are they?

Coun. Braden thought the plans submitted by Mr. Bell a much better one than the others proposed. It was fuller and more definite.

Coun. Vigelius—Mr. Bell, have you ever seen Mr. Hendry's plans?

Mr. Bell—Yes.

Coun. Styles—I have not seen any diagram or plans.

Coun. Higgins—I have never seen any plans. If any were presented to the council it was done while I was up country. When I returned I was informed that plans had been drawn by a young man in the Albion Iron Works. As far as I am concerned no plans were ever shown.

Coun. Styles—Mr. Bell's plans are the first I have seen.

Coun. Grant—The plans have been in existence over a year.

Coun. Harris—I believe Mr. Bell did not condemn the previous scheme.

After a few more remarks, in which all the councillors joined, the meeting broke up.

MARINE.

(Specially compiled for THE COLONIST.)

Ship Sintram, 13 days from San Francisco, arrived last night and loads coal at Departure Bay.

Steamship Walla Walla called at the outer wharf for a pilot about 8 o'clock yesterday morning and proceeded to Vancouver, where she will load 50 tons of freight for shipment over the C. P. R. R.

Steamship City of Chester arrived at the outer wharf yesterday at 5:30 p.m., eighty hours from San Francisco, with a large passenger list and 196 tons of freight for this port. She left for the Sound late last night.

STABBED IN THE BACK.

Jas. Harris Seriously Wounds Joseph Mathers.

(Special to THE COLONIST.)

NEW WESTMINSTER, June 7.—This evening while James Harris and Joseph Mathers were together at Gladstone house, about four miles from Vancouver, a slight dispute arose between the two men regarding some work, when Harris drew his knife and stabbed Mathers in the back, inflicting a serious wound. Mathers was brought to New Westminster for treatment. Steps will be immediately taken for the arrest of Harris.

From the Daily Colonist, June 8, 1887.

LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

Provincial Statutes.

We have to thankfully acknowledge the receipt of a copy of the Provincial statutes for 1887 from the government printing office.

Mainland Freight.

The steamer R. P. Rithet will leave this port this morning with a large quantity of freight. She has 1,000 cases of tin for the Fraser river canneries.

For Alaska.

Fifty workmen came through to Port Townsend from the east on the Cascade division of the N. P. on Monday night and will go to Alaska on the Ancon today. They will be employed in the Treadwell mines.

For the North.

The steamer Barbara Boscowitz was taking on considerable freight consisting of 200 boxes of tin and 570 bags of salt yesterday, for the Skeena and Naas river canneries. She will leave to-morrow evening at 6 o'clock for the north.

Equimalt Concert.

The concert to be given this evening in the Blue Ribbon hall at Esquimalt by the officers of H. M. fleet will be a grand affair, as great preparations have been going on for some time back. Many visitors from this city are expected to attend.

A Crowded Boat.

A crowd of people thronged the decks of the steamer Yosemite last evening as she came up to her wharf. An old man remarked that the night did him good as it put him in mind of old times on the Sacramento when the same boat stemmed the current.

Will Parade.

The batteries of the B. C. B. G. A. will parade at the drill shed on Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock for the purpose of proceeding to Macaulay's Point to join the Royal navy and marines in practicing the various manœuvers to be carried out on the day set apart for the sham fight. All who attend may be sure of having a pleasant time. The exercises will be most instructive.

Enterprise.

The San Francisco *Journal of Commerce* publishes a special lumber edition which reflects the highest degree of credit upon that enterprising journal. It is a twelve page paper, nicely engraved and containing a vast amount of information invaluable to the lumbermen generally but more especially to those of California, Oregon and Washington Territories.

C. P. R. Traffic.

Says the *S. F. Chronicle*: As an evidence of the increasing traffic from this city east, *via* the Canadian Pacific road, it may be noted that D. B. Jackson, the ticket agent of the Pacific Coast Steamship Company, refused yesterday afternoon to book passengers on the City of Chester leaving to day for Victoria, as the entire accommodations were taken up.

Our Defences in the Senate.

Hon. Mr. Abbott in reply to Senator Macdonald, said: In answer to my honorable friend I may say that there has been a proposal made by the Imperial government to furnish an armament at a cost of £25,000 upon Canada providing the works, etc. An officer has been sent out by the Imperial government to examine the ground and to prepare plans and report, and his report is understood to be before the Imperial government but it has not been received here, and until then no further steps can be taken.

Fraser River Appropriation.

Hon. Mr. Abbott, replying to Senator McInnes, said he regretted that he was unable to follow his honorable friend in the details of the work which he thinks should be done in the Fraser river, but he was able to assure him that the government takes a great interest in improving this navigation, and desires to place it in the best possible form, for the access of ocean vessels. During the past year the works for improving the navigation of the mouth of the Fraser were commenced, and a sum has been placed in the estimates for continuing the work during the next fiscal year.

"Pygmaleon and Galatea."

Rhea invests the character of Galatea with more than the usual life and fire for a part supposed to be a senseless block of stone. The second and last acts especially she enlivened with some flashes of feeling seldom found in a Galatea. Unlike other Galateas, she does not pose for effect or spend her time in arranging her drapery, to the detriment of her lines; but after coming to life she ceases to be a statue, and walks and talks like an ordinary mortal.

The fair actress never seemed more beautiful her finely chiselled features made an ideal Galatea and one of the most fascinating stage pictures one can imagine.—*Boston Herald.*

Police Court.

Mary, a Fort Rupert Indian woman, was fined $25 for being in possession of an intoxicant.

Ah Sing and Wee Wah, charged with an infraction of bylaw No. 131, viz., removing night soil out of the regular hours, were each fined $1.

Ah Hee, for supplying Mary, the Indian woman with liquor, was fined $50 and $1 costs, or three months' imprisonment with hard labor.

Mabel Wilson, a drunk, did not appear and her bail was therefore estreated.

The Sham Fight.

The following order has been issued to the City Volunteers:

"The battalion will parade at 4 p.m. Saturday, the 11th inst., for the purpose of proceeding to Macaulay's Point and joining the Royal Navy and Marines in practising the various manœuvres to be carried out on the day set apart for the celebration of Her Majesty's Jubilee."

As this parade will take place during the ordinary business hours, the fulness of the parade altogether depends upon employers, who it is hoped will view the matter in a proper light and allow any members in their employ the few hours necessary for the drill.

Heavy Freights.

Scarcely a day passes that the mainland steamers do not leave this port heavily laden with freight for the interior. The C. P. R. Co.'s sheds are full every day and night and the crews of the vessels are kept very busy in consequence. What strikes the stranger perceptibly is that Victorians complain of dull times when to all appearance they have more than they can do. The business outlook throughout the province is excellent, and although some people look on the dark side of everything, others say they have every reason to be satisfied with the state of business affairs at the present time. The northern steamers are also doing a large business and endeavors are being made to open up that trade, which in time will be extensive.

After the Sealers.

The revenue steamer, Richard Rush, sailed from San Francisco on Monday for a cruise to Alaska and the Seal islands for the protection of the seal fisheries. It is stated at the department that the instructions to Captain Shepard, her commanding officer, were substantially the same as those previously sent to Captain Healy, commanding the revenue steamer Bear, which is now cruising in Alaskan waters. The orders to Captain Healy made no reference whatever to the treatment of foreign vessels found fishing in the vicinity of the Seal islands. An officer of the department said to-day that the course to be pursued in cases of alleged foreign invasion of our fishery rights will depend almost entirely upon the circumstances to the discretion of the commanding officer of the revenue cutter.

Dr. J. S. Tunstall, of Kamloops, is in the city.

Journalistic.

We are glad to welcome the Vancouver *Daily Herald* to our exchange list. It is a bright newsy sheet, and we wish it all manner of success.

Arrested for Assault.

Charles Zolle was arrested last evening by Constables Houghton and Robb, charged with assault with intent to do grievous bodily harm.

Missing.

About three weeks ago Mr. Presswell, of Donald, started to row from Golden to the Columbia lakes. He has not been heard from since he left Canyon creek, about eight miles south of Golden.

Blake's Resignation.

Blake will matriculate at Murray bay. He communicated his intention of resigning to Scriver, chairman of the liberal caucus, and it was decided not to accept his resignation, but to place the leadership in the hands of an advisory committee. Mills is temporarily acting as leader, but Cartwright will undoubtedly succeed him if a new permanent leader is chosen.

Farewell Performance.

Baird's minstrels closed a very successful engagement at The Victoria last night, a large number of people attending. The company, although a small one, have introduced an entirely new system of minstrelsy, which took the audience by storm. Their jokes are new and brimful of fun, and the applause at times was deafening. From here the company play the Sound and afterwards San Francisco, where they will show for several nights.

Fraser River Navigation.

In reply to Senator McInnes, Hon. Mr. Abbott said that it was impracticable to use the sing-boat Sampson for keeping the first twenty-five miles of the Fraser river free from floating ice. Several applications had been made to have the Sampson used in working amongst the ice in the lower portion of the Fraser, but they have always been necessarily refused, as the boat in question was not built for the purpose, nor is it suitable for it.

Chapleau's Position.

A deputation representing the Montreal and Terrebonne conservative association waited upon Chapleau and asked him not to accept the lieutenant governorship of Quebec. He replied that the decision rested with his doctor. The same deputation waited upon Sir John and asked him to retain Chapleau in the cabinet. Sir John told the deputation he would be most happy to have Chapleau remain in the cabinet, but the matter rested entirely upon the medical advice given to Chapleau.

Much Married.

A Mrs. Lizzie Taylor has got into trouble in San Francisco. She owned up on examination to having been married nine years ago to Mr. Moxon, whom she believed died recently. While he was still alive she married Mr. Roberts, four years ago, and, he being still hale and hearty, two years ago she wedded Albert Taylor, now a resident of British Columbia. In going over the intervals between her different marriages she became very much mixed in her statements, and the evidence developed the fact that she was a bad woman.

Harrison Hot Springs.

The following are the late arrivals at St. Alice hotel, Harrison Hot Springs: F. M. Barnard, Mrs. Anderson, Dr. McSwain, J. Spratt and wife, Judge Gray and wife, Victoria; W. Rae, A. C. MacKay, L. L. Doane, J. C. Armstrong, New Westminster; Dr. Travorne, H. M. S. Triumph; W. Wilson, W. Smith, W. Hudson, Kamloops; H. Smith, Calgary; W. R. Plunkett, Lytton; L. Johnson, Norway; Miss McLeury, California; Martin Newman, Moodyville; W. McGregor, J. Sutherland, Yale; Jas. McIntyre, Winnipeg; Wm. Ridley, Banff; W. S. Case, Vancouver.

The Foster Mines.

Geo. Henderson returned from the Foster mines last evening and reports that work has been discontinued for several days on account of the rise in the river, which is now 18 feet higher than last year. The problem concerning the sulphurets has been solved, and as soon as a new chlorinator has been secured it is expected that everything will work satisfactorily. Tons of sulphurets are on hand, while many tons have already been roasted. On Monday the water receded five feet and Mr. Henderson thinks work will be resumed in less than ten days. Up to the time the works were stopped the ore taken out was equally as good, if not superior, to that sent down for assay.

The Canadian Pacific Steamers.

The Canadian Pacific Railroad company, says the *S. F. Bulletin*, has secured three large iron steamers for the tea season. They are not the ones at first reported, though belonging to the same (Cunard) line. From an official notice in a New York paper we learn the names of the steamers secured and their time of departure as follows:

To sail	Steamer	Tons
June 29	Abyssinia	3,327
July 11	Parthia	3,176
August 2	Batavia	2,653

The line is advertised as a three-weekly line, and to deliver goods from Yokohama in the Atlantic States and Canada in about 28 days, and Hongkong and Shanghai in about 33 days. We recently discredited the statement about the Parthia being due at Port Moody. From the above notice, published for the first time in New York on the 17th, we see no reason for believing that the pioneer steamer will leave Yokohama on the 29th May, as announced in a morning paper. The Cunarders will only go to Yokohama, connection being made at that point with local lines to Shanghai on the one hand and Hongkong on the other. Last season the Canadian Pacific brought over seven cargoes of Japan tea by sail.

PERSONAL.

A. S. Farwell is staying at the Driard.

W. B. Wilson, of Vancouver, is at the Driard.

Deputy Sheriff Langley returned from Portland yesterday.

E. Gannaway came down from the mainland last evening.

Captain Lewis left for Vancouver today on the New Westminster and will return on Friday.

It is reported that Dunn, returning officer for Queens county, N. B., will be appointed a landing waiter in the Toronto custom house.

H. B. Roycraft, superintendent of provincial police, Alderman I. Oppenheimer, M. Humbser, R. Collister and Dr. McGuiggan, arrived down on the Yosemite last evening.

Captain Wm. Powers, of Moodyville, came down yesterday to take part in the Pioneers' celebration in honor of his old friend Lieutenant-Governor Nelson, and is at the Driard. He returns home to-morrow.

M. E. Davis, of Davis & Sons, Montreal, returned east this morning after a very pleasant stay. Mr. Davis is charmed with the climate and general appearance of Victoria, and will return at a no distant date.

Wm. Lawson, formerly of this city and now manager of the Bank of British North America at San Francisco, and Mrs. Lawson and child, arrived yesterday on the sound steamer and are staying at the Driard.

S. J. Taylor, New York artist of *Puck*, and Julian Ralph, of the New York *Sun*, have left for Winnipeg and British Columbia. They intend to sketch with pen and pencil as they journey by the way, their articles appearing in *Harper's* and a series of associated journals in the United States.

Worth Remembering.

MRS. T. DOAN of Harrietsville, Ont., was for a long time troubled with neuralgia of the stomach. Failing to find benefit from physicians, she tried Burdock Blood Bitters, from which she found speedy relief, to which she testifies, hoping it may prove beneficial to others. Many physicians recommend B. B. B. tu-th-sat-dw

AMERICAN NEWS.

The Atlantic Wins the American Yacht Race—Galatea Third.

O'Brien Receives the Approval of the National League for His Recent Action in New York.

An Appeal from Michael Davitt—A Catholic Priest Suicides—New Arrangement for the Australian Mails.

Murder or Suicide.

ANAHEIM, June 7.—This morning Rev. Father V. H. Foran, Catholic priest, was found in bed with two bullet holes in his head and a revolver lying by his side with two chambers empty. Either wound would have proved fatal. Whether it is a case of murder or suicide has not been ascertained.

Australian Mails.

SAN DIEGO, June 7.—E. S. Babcock, a leading capitalist here, said to-day that the press dispatch of Sunday associating the oceanic steamers with San Diego for the transportation of Australian mails to England was correct. He had been in treaty for six weeks with J. D. Spreckels, of San Francisco, and has secured *carte blanche* in making all rates.

No Yellow Fever.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., June 7.—The *Times-Union* to-day in an editorial summing up the situation, says there is no yellow fever in Florida, except at Key West, which is on an island nearly 200 miles south of Tampa and nearly 100 miles from the nearest point on the mainland which borders on the Everglades.

The Galatea Behind.

NEW YORK, June 7.—The annual regatta of the Atlantic yacht club is taking place to-day. It is raining and the wind is very light. The English cutter Galatea is taking part in the race, but both the Atlantic and Priscella are