LOCAL NEWS

—The Sons and Daughters of St. George will hold their masquerade ball on November 12th.

The books of the exhibition association will be closed on October 26th, and Secretary J. E. Smart requests that all accounts be presented before that date.

—An informal meeting of the Sergeants' Mess of the Fifth Regiment will be held on Tuesday evening immediately after drill. All members are requested to be in attendance.

—An organ and sacred recital will be given at St. Andrew's Presbyterian church on Tuesday evening, October 22nd., by the choir of the church, who are busy preparing a choice selection of sacred music. Choruses, quartettes, duets, solos and instrumental numbers will be given. More particulars will be given later.

—An invitation was sent by the Canadian Club to Hon. R. Lemieux, postmaster-general, to address the club at a luncheon when passing through the city on his journey to Japan. The Hon. Mr. Templeman to-day received a reply conveying the thanks of the postmaster-general, and regretting that he could not accept any invitations to speak while on the mission to the Orient.

—At the regular meeting of the Orphans' Home management on Wednesday it was decided to go ahead with some necessary repairs to the building, the matter being referred to a committee with power to act. Offers for the Rae street property are to be solicited through local real estate agencies. Mrs. Lester's resignation from the ladies' committee was accepted with regret, and Mrs. J. Langley was appointed in her place.

—The following donations are gratefully acknowledged at the Aged Woman's Home received in September. Mrs. Wallace, Richardson street, clothing; Mrs. Kerr, reading matter; Mrs. Milne, pears; Mrs. Brooker, tomatoes; Mrs. Knight, dressing gown; Church of Our Lord Sunday school, fruit and flowers; Rev. Bishop Cridge, cash $5.00; Times and Colonist, daily papers; Mrs. A. Weir Brosby, Metchosin, large box grapes.

—The beautification of the Quadra street cemetery was the subject of an interview between Premier McBride and a local deputation yesterday, among those present being H. Dallas Helmcken and Alderman John Meston. The point of the interview was that the government should make a contribution toward the expense which would be entailed by the proposed work. The premier expressed himself favorably toward the scheme and promised to give the government's decision in the matter in a few days.

—Under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid Society of St. Paul's church, Victoria West, the 16th anniversary of the opening of the church will be celebrated by a social and concert in the church on Monday evening next, at 8 o'clock.

—The provincial bureau of information has just shipped 31 boxes of agricultural bulletin No. 10, dealing with the agricultural possibilities of the province, to the agent-general's department in London. The consignment consisted of about 12,500 copies. The bureau has lately received a package of literature for distribution from Kamloops.

—Certificates have arrived from Toronto College of Music for pupils whose names have already appeared in this paper. They are all students of Miss S. F. Smith. The grades are primary, first and second. The examination was conducted by Mr. Fairclough, F. R. C. O., of Toronto College of Music. Last year Mr. Fairclough set the examinations for both the Toronto College of Music and the University.

—Judging from the interest taken by the local skaters, the carnival to be held in the Assembly rink, Fort street, is sure to prove a great success. This is the first masquerade of the season, and the management is sparing no pains to make the evening one that will be long remembered by all those who participate. Prizes are also being offered, so all should be there on Monday evening, October 21st, at 7.45.

—Magistrate Jay this morning announced that he had no jurisdiction to try the case brought by Peter Cable, a seaman, against Capt. J. H. Witt, of the sailing ship Socotra, to recover wages under the provisions of the British Merchant's Shipping Act. Richard Lowe, for the plaintiff, argued that the magistrate was entitled to hear the case under this act and said that his ruling practically meant that no cases could be brought by seamen of British ships to recover wages out of the United Kingdom. F. Peters, K. C., appeared for the defence. The case will be taken to the higher court.

(From Monday's Daily.)

—The little tug Queen is being overhauled on the Victoria machinery depot ways.

—The annual masquerade ball of the Sons and Daughters of St. George will be held on November 12th. This was decided upon at a committee meeting on Saturday night.

—The service of Rev. William Duncan in the mission fields of the north was celebrated recently at Ketchikan. The reverend gentleman has been laboring in these fields for fifty years.

—A social dance will be held by the members and friends of Court Victoria, A. O. F., at the close of their meeting to be held on Wednesday, October 16th, in the Sir William Wallace hall, Broad street.

—After five months among the timber limits of Cariboo, where he located a number of claims for his company, H. C. H. Sprague, of Winnipeg, who passed through the city five months ago en route to the north, is back in Victoria. Mr. Sprague represents the Sprague Lumber Company, of Manitoba.

—S. B. Netherby, formerly of the South Park school teaching staff, resigned his position on Friday last. His place has been taken by S. L. Gray, M. A., who has been in the province for some time. Mr. Gray commenced his new duties this morning.

—The ladies' aid of St. Paul's church, Victoria West, will spare no effort in making the 16th anniversary concert and social in the church this evening at 8 o'clock an occasion of special interest and pleasure. There will be no admission charge, but a collection will be taken in aid of the funds of the society.

—Word has been received that Cuthbert Holmes, a student of Victoria college, has been sucessful in passing the matriculation examination for London University. While preparing for the examination Mr. Holmes was also taking the first year in arts. Mr. Holmes is a grandson of Henry Dumpleton of this city, and son of Mr. W. Holmes, late of the Indian civil service.

—At the residence of her parents, 1309 North Pembroke street, last evening, the death occurred of Elsie, the eldest daughter of Daniel and Alice Cross, at the tender age of 6 years. The funeral has been arranged for Wednesday afternoon at 2.30 from the residence and 2.45 at St. Barnabas' church, with Rev. Mr. Miller officiating.

—On Wednesday evening a meeting will be held in the board room of the Y. M. C. A. for the purpose of organizing a literary society. The proposed institution will take the form of a mock parliament and a debating society. It is intended to study parliamentary usage and it is hoped that all who are interested will be present.

—The annual school for training militiamen for promotion will commence at the Drill hall this evening. Sergt.-Major Macdonald, of the Royal Canadian Artillery, has been engaged as special instructor. A recent militia order signifies that all N. C. O.'s. have to qualify in such before they are entitled to draw N. C. O.'s. pay. There is a special significance attaching, therefore, to the work of the school this year. Instruction will be given two nights a week during the next two months.

—Mr. W. Thomas, manager of the Vancouver Gas Works Company, has just received a United States patent on a split sleeve designed for repairing or for making branch pipe connections to gas or water mains and the improvement has been directed to the provision of interlocking and embracing lips on the adjacent edges of the sleeve joint that will effectively resist the severe bursting strain imposed in caulking the joint. The patent was obtained through the agency of Rowland Brittain, patent attorney, of Vancouver.

NEW CHURCH OPENED.

Rev. W. Leslie Clay Officiated at Formal Dedecation Yesterday.

The new St. Andrew's Presbyterian church was opened at Duncans yesterday, when Rev. W. Leslie Clay preached at each service. The sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered at the close of the morning service. Both services were very well attended, and the future of the Presbytrelan congregation is an assured success.

On Saturday evening there was a concert in the Knight's of Pythias hall for the purpose of defraying the expenses connected with the furnishing of the interior of the church. The programme was provided by local talent, and was of a very high order. There was a good attendance, and quite a large sum added to the furnishing fund. Rev. Leslie Clay returned home on the noon train to-day.

—Samuel Johns, of the firm of Johns Bros., Douglas street, has been ill for some days with pneumonia.

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AN INSPECTION OF GOLDSTREAM

CONDITIONS AFTER SEASON'S CONSUMPTION

Citizens Paid a Visit to the Esquimalt Company's Water Supply on Saturday

(From Monday's Daily).

About a score of city representatives, officials and citizens visited on Saturday the Goldstream watershed and inspected the holdings of the Esquimalt Waterworks Company at that point. The trip had a direct bearing on the proposed extension of the city's holdings for the porpose of water supply, being designed to give the visitors an idea of the extent and value of the property which Mr. Lubbe's company has offered to the city for the sum of $1,382,000. It will be remembered that in his report Expert Adams placed the commercial value of the Esquimalt system to the city of Victoria at about $400,vvv.

The trip was made via the E. & N. to the water tank above Goldstream station, where rigs awaited the party, transporting them up the Summit to the lakes, which were reached about 11.15. Part of the party rowed across lake No. 1 (the main reservoir), while the remainder walked round the shores to a point where the creek from No. 2 lake flows into No. 1. From this point a good wagon road leads to lake No. 2, about half a mile distant. Thence another wagon road, about a mile and a half in length, leads to the uppermost of the chain No. 3 lake.

It should be explained that these "lakes" were evidently, originally, very inferior bodies of water, being catch basins between the surrounding hills, into which the surface water ran, thence finding its way by natural channels down to Goldstream river. The company has immensely enlarged the capacity of each by building across the outlets large retaining dams of rock and gravel. These dams are very substantial, and in each case they alone seem to serve to retain the walls, which fall in the winter time, when precipitation is very heavy. In a few instances some supplementary work has been done at other points on the shore to further increase the area of the basin. The trees below high water mark have all been cut away, although the stumps remain, being alternately dry or submerged, according to the season of the year. The general character of the lake beds is good, the country rock being overlaid to a slight depth by soil. The single exception to this is the upper lake, which is now dry, and where there seems to be a deep deposit of peat below the level of the outlet.

The lakes are marked by an almost entire absence of the water weeds which have been such a source of trouble in Elk lake, although small patches can be seen at different points. The absence of weed is possibly accounted for by the great fluctuation in the level of the water which falling to such a low level in the fall would cause the death of such vegetation as finds its roots in water in Elk lake twelve months in the year.

Owing to the extreme dryness of the season, the lakes were found at extremely low level. In fact the two upper lakes Nos. 2 and 3 are practically dry. The main lake of about two hundred acres (No. 1) still has from six to ten feet of water in it at its deepest point, but the submerged area is now becoming so limited that this will be rapidly run out unless heavy rains follow in the next few days. In fact in one week No. 2 has fallen two or three feet and the rate will increase daily till the rains come.

A comparison with Elk lake as a source of water supply is extremely difficult because the two supplies are drawn on for different purposes and to a greatly different extent. The B. C. Electric Company have been all summer drawing for power purposes about 12,000,000 gallons daily which is, of course, greatly in excess of 3,000,000 or 2,500,000 taken daily from Elk lake for domestic consumption. In addition the water from the Goldstream lake could be used after passing the power house, for the domestic system of the city, as after leaving lake No. 1 it passes down to Cabin Pond, and thence to the power house, from which it flows into the channel of Goldstream. The latter pond is 470 feet above sea level, so that it is still ample for city use, exclusive of Thetis lake, from which the company now pumps water into the mains of Victoria West.

During the inspectio nof the holdings the party was accorded every courtesy by Caretaker Pope, who personally escorted the company to the different lakes and otherwise facilitated the examination.

The party which made the trip consisted of Mayor Morley, Aldermen Dr. Hall, Meston, Fullerton, Fell, Gleason, Vincent and Henderson, City Engineer Topp, Water Commissioner Raymur, President Pauline, of the board of trade; Manager Doig, of the Bank of British North America; A. Johnson, R. Hall, M. P. P., F. Norris, J. Nelson, D. R. Ker and Andrew Gray.

LAID AT REST.

Funeral of Mrs. Wriglesworth Yesterday Afternoon Was Largely Attended.

An eloquent tribute to the memory of the late Sarah Elizabeth Wriglesworth was paid at the funeral yesterday afternoon, which took place from "Kimbolton," the residence of W. Fernie, Oak Bay. A great number of mourners assembled at the house, where Rev. A. J. Stanley Ard conducted the services. Scores of floral tributes were sent by friends and sympathizers.

The funeral was one of the largest ever witnessed in this city, the popularity of the deceased and the general recognition of her qualities in life drawing great crowds to pay their last tribute of respect to her memory. The officers of Court Vancouver, No. 5,755, A. O. F., attended, and the following acted as pallbearers: J. A. Virtue, F. Burrell, S. Wilson, T. Shotbolt, C. R. Stewart and W. [illegible]

WHAT THE CLERGYMAN SAID.

Hanover, Ont.—No other class of men have the opportunity to do as much good, and be such helpful influences, as the clergy. Not only in their sermons, but in their daily life, they can teach us the better way of living. The example of the Rev. Mr. Brand, of Hanover, is one to be followed in every home in Canada. Owing to the arduous duties, incident to his parish, the reverend gentleman suffered severely with liver trouble accompanied with constipation and indigestion. But he quickly found relief, and in a letter, tells how. "I can say I like Fruit-a-tives very much, as I am troubled with Liver Trouble—and shall continue to use them."

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HAD NARROW ESCAPE.

Occupants of a Rowboat Were Turned Over by Princess Victoria.

Clinging to their over-turned rowboat which was being dashed about in the swell from the steamer Princess Victoria, five persons had narrow escapes from drowning at the mouth of the inner harbor, near the Brackman & Ker wharf on Saturday night.

A small boat, belonging to Mason's boathouse, was being pulled into the harbor by Mr. Milligan, the other occupants beint Mrs. Ellard, her son, E. Wootton, son of B. E. Wootton, and Mr. Milligan's sister, aged 16, when the Princess Victoria swung round the B. & K. wharf on her way out. The small boat had no light at its prow, and the officers of the steamer were unable to discern in the dark. Mr. Milligan was rowing, and, becoming excited at the rapid approaching the Princess, he rowed clidly and lost an oar. The steamer struck the stern of the rowboat, overturning it and precipitating the occupants into the water, where, screaming with fright, they all contrived to gain a hold on their boat. As soon as the screams were heard Capt. Griffin, of the Princess Victoria, brought the steamer to a stop and ordered three boats away, the searchlight being turned upon the water.

The drowning people, however, were saved in a most commendable way by J. Temple, an experienced boatman, who, from his boat nearby, heard their cries. Jumping into a rowboat he quickly pulled to the scene, just in time to save Miss Milligan, a girl about 16 years of age, from sinking for the last time. He pulled Miss Milligan into the boat and then picked up the boy, Master Ellard, who was almost drowned. Then turning his boat Mr. Temple assisted the others to keep afloat until a boat from the tug Forager arrived on the scene, together with another rowed by C. C. Temple. The Forager's boat picked up the other three, and Mr. Temple took the overturned boat in tow.

The three boats from the Princess were all in the water within a few minutes, but through the speediness of the rescuers were not required.

The accident, which came very near to resulting fatally, was caused through a miscalculation of the part of those in the boat, who were deceived by the Princess heading out from the corner of B. & K. wharf before turning in on the deep water channel. As it was quite dark those on the steamer were quite unable to see the small boat, and were only aware of its presence when the cries of the unfortunates were heard.

The quintette are little the worse for their immersion, although the two ladies are suffering slightly from the exposure.

TO RESTRICT TRADE.

Hamilton Grand Jury Brings in True Bill Against Wholesale Grocers' Guild.

Hamilton, Oct. 12.—The Hamilton grand jury has brought in a true bill against the Wholesale Grocers' Guild, charged with combining to restrict trade. The case will likely go to Toronto for trial.

CHILCOTIN FOR COASTING TRADE

Union S. S. Company Awards Contract for New 15 Knot Twin-Screw Vessel.

Vancouver, Oct. 11.—The Union S. S. Co., of Vancouver, has awarded a contract in Scotland for the immediate construction of a fine twin-screw passenger steamer with a guaranteed speed of fifteen knots for the Victiria-Vancouver-Prince Rupert route.

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SIDNEY MILLS CHANGE HANDS

LATE ARRIVALS IN CITY MAKE PURCHASE

W. Carlin and J. Billing Will Take Over Works To-Morrow—Industry Will be Extended

The Gulf Lumber Company's mills at Sidney have again changed hands. They have been purchased by Mr. Carlin and J. Billing, two experienced lumber men who have recently come to Victoria to reside.

Mr. Carlin has been making a number of investments on Vancouver Island since he disposed of his interests in the lumber business in the Kootenays some months ago. He has bought considerable real estate in and around Victoria. He has apparently found it impossible to keep out of the lumber industry, however, and has, in company with Mr. Billing, purchased the mills at Sidney.

Mr. Billing is a practical mill man. He was formerly identified with the Yale-Columbia Milling Company. He will take active charge of the mills at Sidney as manager.

The new proprietors will take formal possession to-morrow. The intention is to extend the business, but at present the new proprietors are not able to say exactly to what extent. They will commence work with the present outfit, adding as they see fit to the equipment.

The purchase of the mills does not carry with it any timber limits, the raw material being obtained from various sources. The mills turn out lumber and lath.

VICTIMS OF FOG IN SEATTLE CITY

One Man Killed and Another May Die—Run Over by Vehicles.

Seattle, Oct. 11.—As a result of a heavy fog this morning one man was so badly injured that he died after being run over by a Northern Pacific switch engine, and another man is so badly hurt that no hopes are entertained for his recovery, having been run over by a South Seattle street car.

The victims are F. G. McCune, marine fireman, about 40 years old, who died soon after the accident, and A. Carlson, laborer, 32 years old, who is now at Providence hospital in a critical condition. McCune's both legs were cut off close to the body.

The fog was so thick that the trainmen could not see him. Carlson's left leg was so badly mangled that it was amputated. His right leg was also smashed. It is feared he is injured internally.

KEEP RESULTS A PROFOUND SECRET

Dr. Howe, of the Anglo-American Arctic Expedition, Says no Information Can be Given.

Dr. George P. Howe, of the Anglo-American expedition, who has returned from the north with the members of the crew of the Duchess of Bedford, gives an interesting point in connection with the trip which Captain Mikkelsen and E. Leffingwell made across the ice of the Beaufort Sea, in search of land. Dr. Howe says the members of the expedition are sworn not to divulge the results of their discoveries except to the promoters of the undertaking. The most northerly point reached was latitude 72 degrees, 20 minutes.

Dr. Howe, who has arrived in San Francisco by the whaling schooner Narwhal, would not say whether land was discovered or not.

The three remaining members of the expedition, Captain Mikkiesen, E. Leffingwell and one other of the crew, were well and had plenty of provisions when Dr. Hawe left.

GAZETTE NOTICES.

Appointments in This Week's Issue Together With Companies Incorporated.

This week's Provincial Gazette contains notice of the following appointments:

Seymour Traynor, M. D., of Stevenson, to be a coroner in and for the province of British Columbia.

To be notaries public for the province of British Columbia: Samuel Bartholomew and Charles Henry Cordy, of Summerland, David W. Elder, of North Vancouver, and Leander Shaw, of Vancouver.

Frederick W. Valleau, of Hazelton, to be the deputy of the registrar of voters for the Skeena electoral district.

The following companies have been incorporated:

The Dominion Home-Seekers' Association with a capital of $25,000.

The Wide-Awake Furniture Co. Ltd. with a capital of $100,000, to take over and operate the business now operating in Vancouver as J. W. Gilmer & Co.

The Fair, Ltd., with a capital of $100,000.

The Watkins Logging & General Contract Co., with a capital of $100,000.

The Thomas Lawson, Ltd., with a capital of $50,000 to take over and operate the general store at present conducted by Thomas Watson in Kelowna.

The Nelson Cement Works, Ltd., with a capital of $25,000, for the manufacture of cement at present operated by W. F. Mawdsley and C. W. Bourke at Nelson, B. C.

The Sphinx Mountain Mining Co., Ltd., of Spokane, has been registered as an extra-provincial company.

Formal notice is given that cock Pheasant may be shot from October 18th to December 15th in Newcastle electoral district.

KILLED BY ENGINE.

Hamilton, Ont., Oct. 11.—Frank O'Brien, a young employee with the Hamilton Iron and Steel Company, was instantly killed by a light engine in the company's yard yesterday. He is supposed to have fallen beneath cars.

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DIED.

OLDERSHAW—In this city, on the 8th inst., at the family residence, Edward street, Victoria West, Mary Ann Oldershaw, relict of the late Alfred Oldershaw, aged 69 years, a native of County Monaghan, Ireland.

The funeral will take place from the residence as above on Thursday, Oct. 10th, at 2.30, and from thence to Ross Bay cemetery.

Friends will kindly accept this intimation.

WRIGLESWORTH—At the Royal Jubilee Hospital, on the 10th inst., Sarah Elizabeth, the wife of Joseph Wriglesworth, of this city.

The funeral will take place from the residence of William Fernie, Esq., "Kimbolton," Oak Bay avenue, on Sunday afternoon at 3 p. m., and from thence to Ross Bay cemetery.

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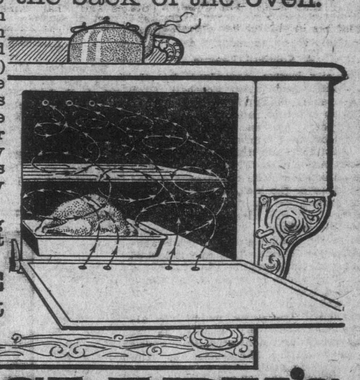

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