

HEARD IN THE HOTELS.

Rosland's Prospective Candidates for Mayorality Honors—Desirable Legislation Suggested.

Free Milling Quartz From Within Twenty Miles of Victoria City.

Things are looking remarkably lively at Rosland, according to Mr. Ebor Smith, who with Mrs. Smith arrived from that bustling town last night.

"There is a combined party day coming into Rosland now," remarked Mr. Smith last night, "and fully half of them remain, so you may easily see how fast the town is growing."

In anticipation of the incorporation of Rosland there is already considerable speculation as to who will have the honor of being the first mayor of the town.

George B. Macaulay, of Spokane, secretary of the famous Cariboo mine, of Camp McKinley, has been in town for the past few days—just for a trip, as he puts it.

"I'll tell you how it is," he said. "You see there are such a lot of private bills in for water power that I thought I would get in my work ahead of the others."

J. D. Marsden, who is largely interested in Slokan country mines, is of opinion that a safeguard in the floating of mining companies should be had by having a mining inspector, who should examine the property to see that the statements as to the property in the prospectus are correct, and also by holding the directors responsible for the correctness of the information given to the public.

J. W. Hanna, mining editor of the Post-Intelligencer, was in the city yesterday and went over to Vancouver last night. He is engaged in compiling matter for the publication on the mines of the northwest, which the Post-Intelligencer is soon to issue.

Mr. Scott Wellman, a practical and experienced prospector, who has been exploring the country 16 miles or more above Goldstream, returned to Victoria yesterday and left the Occidental. His operations during the past few weeks have been confined to the country round about Wolf Lake, and he has brought home with him numerous samples of good quartz that appear to be free milling.

Mr. Jos. E. Roy, of Montreal, the engineer sent out by the Dominion government in connection with the survey of the lower Fraser, arrived last night at the Coast Mr. Roy stopped over at Revelstoke to examine the damage done by the encroachments of the Columbia river on the townsite, and he will prepare a report on the matter to be sent to Ottawa.

W. H. Hayward of Metchoin, returned last night from Westminster, where he last week attended the meeting of the farmers' convention at Westminster.

A BOON FOR EVERY HOME.

Every Wise Woman Should See That She Gets the Best.

In special cotton colors the Diamond Dyes far excel all other dyes. These special dye chemists in the world, and are remarkable for fastness against exposure to sunlight and for retaining any amount of washing with soap.

Special attention is directed to Diamond Dye for Black Cotton and Mixed Goods. This marvelous black has proven its title to first place as a dye for all cotton and mixed goods. It extends to every good quality. One package of dye will do as much work as three of any other make of dye.

THE CITY.

JAMES TYSON, late of Selkirk, and a native of Lander, Scotland, died yesterday at his home on Henry street, in his 83rd year. A funeral is arranged to take place to-morrow.

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CAN CURE ASTHMA.

A Leading Physician's Discovery. He Will Prove It Free of Charge to Every Sufferer in Victoria.

It is but natural that sufferers from that terrible disease known as "Asthma," after trying all the various remedies, without avail, numerous remedies advertised as "positive cures" have come to the conclusion that there is no cure for this most distressing of diseases, and can be pardoned for being still skeptical when they learn that Dr. Rudolph Schiffmann, a distinguished authority, who in thirty years of experience as a medical practitioner, has treated more cases of Asthma and its kindred than any living doctor, has at last achieved success by perfecting a remedy which not only gives instant relief, but the worst and most inveterate cases, but has cured thousands of sufferers who were considered incurable.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

SEALING SETTLEMENT.

West Coast Indians at Last Accept the Wage Offered by the Sealers.

Seal Catches Reported—A Change of Captains on the "Behome"

Captain McLean, Seward and Martin returned on the steamer Tees from the West coast yesterday evening, having been successful in engaging Indian crews for their respective vessels, at \$2 per skin rate, the price at which they had hoped on having here to secure them.

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Advertisement for Boys' 2-piece Suits by B. Williams & Co. at Half Price. Located at 7 Johnson Street.

THE CITY.

The funeral of Frederick, the infant son of Joshua and Annie Holland, took place yesterday from the family residence on Kings road. Rev. Mr. Jenks officiated.

Mrs. R. B. Richardson, a well known resident of Victoria West, passed away yesterday at the family residence on Josias street, at her 72nd year.

SEVERAL of the friends of Frank La Roche, who has been missing since Wednesday last, just one week yesterday, will make a trip to the coast to try to find the truth or falsity of the drowning theory by dragging for the body to-day in the neighborhood of the city landing.

Subscriptions towards the national Indian famine fund have been very liberal in recent days. Yesterday consisted of \$5 given by C. D. Mason; \$1 by Sympathy; \$5 by J.K.W.; \$1 by a friend; \$1 by W.M.; and \$50 cents by a friend; \$2 by G.C.; and \$2 by a friend.

The mining districts on the coast of the province are gradually attracting the attention of the public. The latest company was organized yesterday and is named the "Texada Silver Hill Mining Co.," with a capital of \$10,000. The property is on Texada Island.

COMMANDER Pritchard, of the British naval expedition now advancing upon the coast of the Province, is reported to have been killed in the fighting at Sapele as announced in the COLONIST'S despatches yesterday, will be well remembered by many residents of Victoria and Esquimalt. He served on the station from 1867 to 1881 as navigating officer of H. M. S. Esquimaux, and it is only about four months since his wife passed through Victoria en route to Hawaii, where she is now visiting friends. The news of her bereavement was not received at least there was a repetition of the number.

RESIDENTS of Victoria learned yesterday morning that, if the theory of the police be verified by later developments, the game of poker has been introduced in Victoria—In fact, it has not already gained a foothold. Several days ago through the vigilance of the police it was discovered that at least there was a reasonable ground to suspect that a game of some kind, played with cards, was being played at the residence of a certain store, in which numerous colored checks were used, known as "chips" and red, white and blue, according to nominal varying values.

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A Promising Prospect With Alberni and Cl. —Judge Harr

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Immediately tributary to the Dunsmuir district, lies rapidly to the fore as the leading field for the prospectors on the coast.

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