

LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL

News of the Day Selected from Thursday's Evening Times.

Died This Morning.

Charles Wilkes, an old man who was admitted to the Old Folks' Home a week ago, died this morning. He was a laborer and his chief occupation was well digging.

The Walls Walls Arrives.

The steamer Walls Walls, Captain Thomas Wallace, arrived from San Francisco at 4 o'clock this morning with 110 passengers and 100 tons of cargo. After discharging her Victoria freight she proceeded to the Sound.

Contract Let.

A dispatch says the contract for the Nelson & Port Sheppard railway was let yesterday to Peter Larsen, of Great Northern, contractor, whose tender for the whole work was \$800,000. Work is to be commenced immediately and is to be completed by October 1st.

The Americana.

A four-masted schooner, supposed to be the Americana, Henry, which has a general cargo from Liverpool for Turner, Beeton and Company, of this city, was reported in the straits last evening. She did not arrive today. The Americana left Liverpool 100 days ago.

To Make Acids.

Mr. Frank McQuillan has arranged with the proprietors of the Victoria Chemical Works to supply them with pyrites of iron which is used in the manufacture of acids. Mr. McQuillan will obtain the pyrites from his mine on Barclay Sound just opposite the Barclay tonnage. He leaves for the mine on Saturday and will take with him about a dozen days work to the mine. About 50 tons will be used monthly.

A Murderous Japanese.

The steamship Mogul which arrived here yesterday brought in a Japanese passenger in round 315 sea he got into a bottle over his head. Not contented with that he stabbed the victim in the back several times with the broken glass. The captain very promptly put him in irons. On arriving here Capt. Golding called on the provincial police but as the man was in doubt as to the willingness of the man who was assaulted to testify against his assailant nothing was done. The Mogul finished discharging and left for Tacoma this afternoon.

Spokane to Kootenay.

Mr. E. E. Blackwood has received information regarding the service between Spokane and Kootenay points. The Spokane Falls and Northern train leaves on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays 7 a.m. making direct through connection with the boat at Northport. After May 1st there will be daily service between Spokane and Kootenay. The Northern Pacific conductors to wire to Spokane, trains will be held for 15 minutes to make connections with the boat at Northport. The passenger train from Spokane to any point on Kootenay lake is \$10.50.

A Lively Chase.

Officer Bob Walker had a lively run through Chinatown this morning. An Indian was arrested last evening with a couple of dollars of opium. He told the police that a Chinaman had supplied him with a "fire-water" and offered to take an officer down and point the Chinaman out. Officer Walker went down Chinatown accompanied by the Indian. The Chinaman they were looking for was wearing a red hat and a hundred yards of him. He started down one of the many alleys off Comorant street closely followed by the Indian. The Chinaman led his pursuers through a number of alleys but they could not find him. The Chinaman was wearing a red hat and the other articles of wearing apparel. He will be given a hearing in the police court to-morrow.

Peace River Wheat.

A small sample of wheat grown in the far northern Peace river country was afforded attention from the members Monday after noon. The grain was of a good color, and is as good for milling as anything grown in this province. The sample is from the exhibit which is being sent to the World's Fair, and was grown by Rev. J. Gough Brick, of Shaftesbury Mission, which is situated at the confluence of Smoky and Peace rivers. The seed was sown on May 2nd, and the grain was harvested on Aug. 20th. The yield was 34 bushels per acre, and the weight of the government test, 64 pounds per bushel. Shaftesbury Mission is just 200 miles north of Edmonton, Alberta.—Commercial.

Killed Their Father.

Pittsburg, Pa., April 11.—Thomas Morgan, a three sisters, Jennie, Rebecca and Caroline, entered the Western Penitentiary this morning. They are to serve long sentences for the murder of their father, John Morgan, near Waynesburg, Green county, last August. John Morgan was a prosperous farmer who owned a large tract of land. He was killed by his three children, ranging from 15 to 28 years of age, lived with the father and were also popular in the neighborhood. John Morgan installed a strange woman as housekeeper who was objectionable to the children. The old gentleman was deaf to their entreaties and frequent quarrels occurred, finally resulting in a terrible tragedy. The father was driven from his home to an outbuilding and shot by his son Thomas. During the fight Thomas unintentionally shot

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