

The "Ainoko" Apple. — Cf. H. J. A.

Arrival of the Delayed "Walla Walla"
—The "Ritohet" Windbound—

The schooner Ainoka, Capt. Heater, which was reported early in the season as having been wrecked, and which has more recently been heard from as having been seized, returned home last evening, having been 22 days making the trip to Victoria.

from the Russian coast. She brings as her total catch for the season 1,407 sealskins, the majority of which represent those secured on this coast. With reference to his trouble with the Russians, Capt. Heater says he was overtaken by one of the Czar's revenue cutters on July 22, having been in the protective zone around Copper Island. His papers were confiscated and he was advised to go to Yokohama, but instead came home. A few days before he was met by the cruiser he was laying to about fifty miles southwest

of the Copper Islands, when a heavy gale arose, and in spite of all efforts carried him into the prohibited anchorage. Realizing his location he began to retreat, his course legal waters, when the weather became favorable, and he was so was captured. He is not inclined to think that any serious difficulty will arise out of his trouble, as the Russian officers seemed to understand the circumstances which led to the schooner's position, and besides he had no intentions of going out of lawful water. Captain Heater says he does not credit the report that the Annie E. Point, he spoke her on the day of his own seizure, are being in difficulty.

The ship did not find a catch or some fifty odd skins. As for the two American schooners said to have been also taken, the officers of the cruisers confirm the reports. The Arcticas was spoken on July 17 with 1,000 skins, and the Agnes Macdonald was seen earlier in the same month with 2,350. The Triumph was also reported to be doing well since she went over to the Russian side. In one day, it is said, she secured 1000 skins. The number of skins taken by the

The weather on the Copper island coast, Captain Hester says, is very disagreeable and bad for sealing. In April last the Ainoka lost one of her boats on this coast, which Captain Hester has never heard of since, although he kept up a vigorous search for it many days after its disappearance. It contained a white man and an Indian, who were separated from their vessel in a dense fog.

Some anxiety was felt yesterday afternoon at New Westminster and Victoria over the non-arrival of the C. P. N. Co.'s steamer Rithet, which left here on Friday morning for the Royal City with a considerable number of passengers and a large cargo, of which the most valuable portion was a large consignment of sealskins going through to London. The anxiety was relieved, however, by the receipt of a telegram from Capt. Buddin, of the Premier, who stated that he passed the Rithet at

Plummer Pass, where she had laid up on account of the heavy wind out-
side. The Premier took the Rithet's
passengers on to Vancouver, and the latter
steamer was intending to remain where she
was until it was perfectly safe to proceed, as
Captain Jagers did not intend to take any
chances with his valuable cargo.

be felt for the steamship Walla Walla by the time she was reported off Carmanah Point, yesterday afternoon. She was nearly a day late, but this was due to the extremely strong northerly head winds encountered on the voyage. Her passengers for Victoria included, besides a large number of people who go over the C. P. R., 48 Japanese, in the steerage, who landed here to be deported to China, having not been able to gain admittance into the United States. As for cargo, the Walla Walla

FOR THE COAST METROPOLIS.

The following passengers are booked for cabin passage on the steamship City of Puebla, which sails for San Francisco this morning: Miss E. Hibben, Mrs. W. D. Clausen and child, Mrs. Helen Dornbrower, F. McKay, C. A. Gunneson, L. M. King, J. A. Cowan, H. G. Haasinger, P. F. Curlett, Mrs. George Simpson, Miss Frances Simpson, Miss McIntosh, Miss M. A. Green, John Bil-

There was a rather lively competition among the agents for the different railroad lines for the shipment of sealskins which R. P. Ethier & Co. Ltd., made last evening, but the Great Northern men won. The skins were sent up to the Fraser river on the steamer R. P. Ethier this morning, from which point they will be transferred to Blaine, and thence shipped East. The skins, not including 34 caaks, or about 3,000 skins, which Capt. Grant is sending in the consignment, are valued at about \$112,000.

There will be another smaller shipment of about 4,000 skins to-morrow or next day.

Shot by Burglars.

LONDON, Aug. 24.—Burglars attempted to break open the safe in Drumsballe railway station. The agents, John C. Price and Charles, fired at the burglars when they came on a lookout outside returned the fire, fatally injuring a sister of the agent's wife who was looking from a window. The burglars escaped.

Mill Burned.

STRATHROY, Aug. 26.—Pinecomb's three-story oil and cornmeal mill, one of the largest in Canada, has been burned. Loss \$25,000, partly insured.

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