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LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

Imperial Arsenal.

It is rumored that the Imperial government are negotiating for 200 acres of land near Esquimalt for the purposes of a vast arsenal.

Permanent Barracks.

It is stated that the Dominion government will select a site on the Songish Indian reserve for a permanent barracks for "C" Battery.

Failure.

The Frewin Brothers, English cattle-raisers of Montana and the Northwest, have failed. One of the firm, Mr. Moreton Frewin, a brother-in-law of Lord Randolph Churchill, was in Victoria last year.

Good Skin Sales.

The following sales of skins took place at San Francisco on Tuesday: "Carolena," 686 skins at an average of $4.75 each; "Thornton," 403 skins at $4 each; and "Onward," 400 skins at $5 each. These are considered very good prices, as the skins were caught in 1886.

No Leprosy.

The reported case of leprosy in Chinatown is denied by Dr. Milne. The man is suffering from paralysis and was out hunting for food. Although there is a hospital for Chinamen the patients have to get their food the best way they can. The Chinese merchants should be compelled to look to the matter.

A Serviceable Tug.

A private letter from Nanaimo contains something to this effect: "The ship Great Victoria arrived here on Wednesday in tow of the tug Pilot. It is stated that the vessels had a rough time, and it is due to to the superior powers of the tug that the ship arrived here when she did. I understand that Capt Christiansen was warmly thanked by the ship's master, and at once engaged to tow her to sea when she is loaded." The above information not only speaks well for the tug but for her able commander Christiansen and Pilot Morrison who was on the ship.

A Strong Man.

It may not be generally known in Victoria that we have in our midst one of the most powerful men living. But such is the fact. Bomb. Michaud of "C" Battery is credited with being a real giant in this respect, and, if report is true, the renowned Barnum was wont to pay Michaud a goodly sum to retain his services as the "strong man." People who know him say that so great is his strength that he will grasp two men by a girdle around the waist, one in each hand, and raise them over his head. This is commended to the attention of our city fathers who frequently require weighty matters lifted out of their track.

More Nuisances.

Now that the wet weather has set in, it would be a boon to a long suffering public if the street committee would compel owners of houses to provide proper drains to carry off rain water from the roofs of houses. A walk through some of our principal streets on a wet night render the pedestrian liable to an involuntary cold bath at almost every turn. Take Yates street as an example—in one block three juvenile cataracts discharge from the eaves of the houses on to the sidewalks, and if the weather is at all breezy it requires considerable agility to successfully dodge the streams.

The Four Premiers.

Hon. Mr. Norquay in an interview at Winnipeg expressed the opinion that beneficial results will follow from the interprovincial conference. Speaking of the *personnel* of the conference, he said Mr. Mercier was a very astute politician and a clever tactician. He would be sure to make a clever leader. Premier Mowat was a clever fellow, but he was a pretty strong Grit, and regarded matters too much through Grit spectacles. Premier Fielding, of Nova Scotia, was an intensely technical man, entirely too much so to make a great success in politics. Premier Blair, of New Brunswick, was, however, a man after his own heart. He was truly a broad statesman in every sense of the term. He had the mind to regard all questions from a national rather than a provincial standpoint.

The Premier.

Enquiries at the C. P. N. Co.'s office yesterday, did not result in a substantiation of the item in the *Post-Intelligencer*, and subsequently published in THE COLONIST, to the effect that Capt. White had been offered the command of the steamer Premier and that if he did not accept, Capt. Roberts of the Olympian would take command of her. The latter in speaking to a reporter of the *P.-I.* says: "I regret exceedingly the publication of the report that I was likely to take command of the steamer Premier for the reason that neither Capt. John Irving or anybody acting for him or his company has ever, directly or indirectly, tendered the position to me, and the publication, which was made is liable to prejudice me with the people for whom I am working. The Olympian suits me well enough, and there will be ample time after the position on the Premier is tendered me, for the matter to be discussed."

For Victoria.

The following passengers are on the steamer Geo. W. Elder for this port: Mrs. R. Croft, A. Burke, A. Carbosman, Mrs. J. B. Smith, Mrs. S. J. Dawley, K. H. Honneyham.

Port Moody.

A petition was forwarded from Port Moody the other day for incorporation as Coquitlam municipality. Several counter petitions have also been received protesting against the proposed incorporation.

Rock Creek Trail.

Mr. Henry Nicholson, mining recorder at Rock Creek, has been instructed by the chief commissioner to build a suitable trail up the creek to facilitate the work of mining. He has also received instructions to examine the proposed route for a shorter trail to the mines from the head of Osoyoos Lake, and report to the government. If the route is as claimed, the trail will probably be made in early spring, as it will shorten the present trail about fifteen miles.

Strange Similarity in Names.

"You have a good many buildings 'To Let' in your town," remarked a tourist to a realestate man at Vancouver, as he pointed to one of the ominous 16x14 placards on the window of an empty store. "Good gracious!" cried the realestate man. "That building is not to let. Those words are Chinese. They are the name of a firm. There are fifty-six of them here."

"There must be a good many Chinamen of the same name."

"So there are, my dear, sir, so there are; and it creates much confusion."

"I should think," continued the eastern man, "that some of them could petition the legislature to change their names—say to 'For Sale Cheap,' or 'To Lease Low.'"

The realestate boomer seemed to feel that he had met his match.

The Israelites in Bondage.

Dr. Nuszessen, of San Francisco, gave a sermon in the Jewish Synagogue last night, on the state of slavery in which the Israelites now were. He said that God's curse was still on the Jews, that it had been on them for ages, but soon they would inherit his blessing. Dr. Nuszessen also spoke on the missions established by the Jews all over the world. In Victoria it was impossible to hatablish a mission as there were only a few Jewish families in the city. The sermon, which was listened to with great attention by the congregation, lasted an hour and a quarter. At about a quarter past eight the gas went out and lamps had to be lit, so that it was very late before the congregation was dismissed. Dr. Nuszessen is one of the ablest Jewish rabbis on the American continent. The heavy showers of rain prevented a great many people from going to hear him.

Police Court.

T. Riley, on remand, charged with stealing a gold watch and chain from H. Habbert.

Mr. Habbert said that he was a farmer and resided at Chemainus; he went to bed in the St. Nicholas Hotel with the prisoner and in the morning missed Riley, the money and watch and chain; believe that the prisoner drugged him; had no conversation with him concerning the money.

In answer to the prisoner, complainant said that he did not give him (prisoner) the money and watch; didn't remember how many drinks they had together, but remembered having attended a dance house.

After the evidence of Wm. Cooper, barkeeper of the St. Nicholas Hotel, and W. Marshall, barkeeper of the Pritchard House, had been taken, prisoner was committed for trial.

A Mrs. Bray charged with committing perjury was remanded for one day.

From THE DAILY COLONIST, November 13.

A Generous Will.

James Bangs, formerly of New Westminster, and Lakeview, Elgin Co., Ont., in his will leaves $250 to the Royal Columbian Hospital, New Westminster, and $250 to the Protestant Orphan's Home, Victoria.

Warning to Storekeepers.

We have been asked to give the local storekeepers a pointer. Goods are displayed outside the doors, and it is very easy for a passer by to whip up anything that might please him. Already the police are after some Chinamen who have taken to this method of obtaining goods on a "long credit" system.

Going Home.

Captain Green, of the steamer Emma Hayward, who ran the Geo. E. Starr to this port for a number of trips, will leave the Sound for his old home in New Brunswick about the middle of November. In speaking of the contemplated trip, he said: "I have been away from home nineteen years. My parents are growing old, and I feel that it is my duty to pay them a visit before it is too late."

A Runaway.

A horse attached to a light buggy, ran away on Fort street yesterday forenoon and in turning the corner at Moss street threw the occupant out. The horse then bolted but was subsequently secured. The person thrown out was not badly injured but some plaster statuary which he had with him was broken to bits. The head of one of the pieces alighted right side up with care, and presented a laughable appearance in the garden of one of our leading citizens.

Cayoosh Creek Quartz.

Cayoosh creek is all the excitement in Clinton and Lillooet just now, writes a correspondent. About twenty locations have already been made and very encouraging prospects obtained from most of them. The Bonanza Co. (the discovery claim) have let a contract to sink on the ledge and run a tunnel on the vein. The work should be completed in ninety days. The claim prospects well on the surface, being amazingly rich in free gold, but as yet they have not gone down more than a foot on the vein. Big things are looked for, however.

British Columbia Fruit.

Mr. Philip Fewster, one of the recently returned British Columbia excursionists, brought to town a number of samples of fruit grown in the neighborhood of Victoria. They include about ten varieties of eating and cooking apples. Anderson Bros., fruit merchants of Victoria, sent on the samples in the expectation of establishing an agency for their sale here. The pears are of very fine quality, and in flavor much resemble the California Bartlett's. The apples are of large size and very good eating, though somewhat coarse and less finely flavored than the eastern varieties usually imported here.—*Winnipeg Free Press.*

For San Francisco.

The steamer Mexico, which sailed for San Francisco yesterday, carries the following passengers: Mrs E G Prior and servant, M M English and family, three daughters and one son, J C Brown, W H Hains and wife, P H Cran, Thos E Ladner, W S Flood, M Lopalick, S Gray, Wm Wallace, Mrs J Reid, Miss M Doane, Miss Taylor, Edward Toy, H Dorsett, Major E S Foster and wife, Mr and Mrs Crane, Mrs Beiber and child, Miss Fanny Beiber, Miss Hattie Beiber, Miss Silvia, Mrs A R McKenzie, Miss Greenwood, Simon Fraser, Mrs W C Waldron, Captain H Flank, Miss Millie Wilson, Miss Madigan, J A Sayward and wife, in addition to 40 others, overland passengers, and 20 in the steerage. The steamer also carries a heavy cargo.

Another Runaway.

A horse, with what was once a fancy harness, but then broken and torn, was seen darting down Cadboro Bay Road last evening about 5 o'clock. Where it came from or to whom it belongs, no one seemed to know.

Heavy Freight.

The Elder, which arrived from San Francisco yesterday, had about 400 tons of miscellaneous freight destined for New York and other eastern points over the C. P. R. The bulk of the shipments consist of wool, beans and salmon.

Assistant Engineer.

Mr. David F. Fee, Jr., is out as a candidate for assistant engineer. His card will appear in our next issue. Mr. Fee was a candidate at the election two years ago, has been in the department for the last nine years and has always been one of the most active and energetic members.

The Traffic Bridge.

The work of constructing the general traffic bridge across the harbor at the foot of Johnson street is progressing favorably, the piles for the approach being driven, and the wood piles for the end cylinders are also in position. The pile driver yesterday was engaged in driving the piles for the centre cylinders on which will rest the machinery for the swing. About fifty feet of mud lies at the bottom at the Indian reserve shore.

A Small Steamer Sunk.

About 5 o'clock Thursday morning the small steamer Virginia, lying alongside the Union wharf, Port Townsend, sank. A tug boat was alongside at the time and it is supposed the Virginia was run down. The weather was very rough and the steamer could not be raised. Only two persons were aboard and they escaped safely. The steamer Rustler, belonging to Morgan & Hastings—the same firm which owns the Virginia—was swamped on last Thursday night while docked at the sawmill wharf.

Seriously Wounded.

On Thursday night a man named H. O'Hagan, a tailor, imbibed a little too freely and got into an altercation with one of his employés named T. J. Enright. Words soon came to blows, and Enright beat O'Hagan severely about the head and face with the handles of a pair of heavy tailor's shears. Mrs. O'Hagan ran for help, which soon arrived in the person of Officer Haywood, who promptly separated the combatants. Enright was taken to the police station and O'Hagan put to bed. Dr. Langis was summoned and dressed the wounds of the unfortunate man, which are serious, although not dangerous, unless erysipelas should set in. At the police court yesterday Enright was remanded for a week to enable O'Hagan to appear and testify against him.—*Vancouver News.*

The Squamish Settlers.

Mr. Geo. Turner, C. E., who went to the Squamish river on the steamer Buzz to survey the lands occupied by the Norwegian settlers, telegraphed on Friday that the lands were several feet under water, and that the unfortunate settlers required assistance. The government telegraphed back to render them every needed assistance. The whole valley is flooded, and owing to the rush of water the steamer could not ascend the river. Five men from the settlement were met at the mouth, who reported that all the houses were flooded, and that it had been impossible to cook food for several days. The Norwegians naturally do not desire to stay at the point which seemed to promise so well at first, and it will be necessary to care for them for the present, and provide a more favorable locality for them to settle.

The Steamer Pearl Sunk.

The steamer Pearl, which has been plying between this city, the North Arm, Ladners and Vancouver, for about a year sank on the Sandheads early Friday morning while on her way to Burrard Inlet. It is supposed one of the planks must have sprung, for she made water very rapidly. Capt. Savary, who had charge of the steamer, seeing that she was sinking, got the small boat out, and in this the passengers and crew, six persons, escaped. They were shortly afterwards picked up by the steamer Princess Louise and taken to Vancouver. The Pearl sank in 18 feet of water. She was owned by Capt. Savary, Capt. Edwards and Mr. Mallory. At the time of the accident she had on board about twelve tons of potatoes for Hendersoii Bros., Vancouver. We believe she was uninsured.—*Columbian.*

[Yesterday passengers on the steamer Princess Louise on her trip to this city, observed the pilot house of the sunken steamer in the gulf and from this it is presumed the vessel has broken up.]

Blue Ribbon Club.

The inclement weather caused a falling off in the attendance at Temperance hall last night. Vice-President R. W. Roper occupied the chair. After singing "Only an Armor Bearer," Vice-President Rudge offered a prayer for the success of the temperance cause. The chairman next addressed the meeting and, in a few well chosen remarks, pointed out the importance of aiding the work which is progressing so favorably in the east. An instrumental duet by the Misses Merrill and Sears received an *encore*, which the beautiful piece so richly deserved. Miss Mesher recited "The Lover's Sacrifice," a very pretty piece which was given so nicely that the young lady received an *encore*. Mr. E. A. Sharp favored the audience with two musical gems and was accorded loud applause. After recess President Rudge alluded to the petition for a Sunday closing law, and thought the citizens should vote on the question. Chairman Roper made a few closing remarks, alluding to the legalized traffic which was causing so much misery and crime. He alluded to the necessity of assisting in forwarding the labors necessary to carry on the work. The band played several fine selections during the evening. "God Save the Queen," closed the interesting and entertaining meeting.

A Donald Incident.

John Deane, for sometime in the employ of the C. P. R. Co., was found dead on the floor of his room at the Forest House, Donald, this morning. He was employed on the section gang, east of Donald up to about two months ago, when he came into Donald and took up his quarters at the Forest House, where he has since lived. The deceased was a man of about fifty years of age, active, and looking much younger; his hair, which was very dark, was streaked with gray, and he wore a heavy dark moustache. Since his death some little knowledge of his former life has been brought to light. He commenced service in the English army during the Crimean war, rose to the rank of lieut.-colonel, was disgraced, and joined the ranks again, from which he rose to commissioned officer. It is difficult to follow so checkered a career, he has seen active service in many a brilliant engagement in India, the Cape, and elsewhere, has received thirteen different medals, was a very intellectual, well-educated man, speaking eight different languages fluently, and was heir by entail to his uncle Sir Thomas Deane's estate in Ireland. It is sad to think of a life so brilliantly began to have so dismal an end, away from all relatives and friends, none near to express a word of sympathy, or drop a silent tear, it is sad when one thinks of what might have been accomplished by one so gifted.

Donald, Nov. 10, 1887.

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From the DAILY COLONIST, November 15.

Whalers Arrive.

Three more whaling barks arrived at San Francisco on the 4th inst.—the Ohio, thirty-three days from Okhotak, with 670 barrels of oil and 7,500 pounds of bone; the Charles W. Morgan, thirty-four days from Okhotak, wtih 1,350 barrels of oil and 11,000 pounds of bone; and the Hidalgo, twenty-five days from Fox Islands, with 450 barrels of oil and 7,000 pounds of bone.

N. W. Rifle Association.

The annual meeting of the New Westminster Rifle Association will be held at the rifle range, Brownsville, on Thursday, Thanksgiving Day. Firing will commence at 9:30 a.m. sharp. A large number of our marksmen ought to attend as the prizes to be presented are of value. Those who go can return to the city on Friday on the Yosemite.

Paralytic Stroke.

It is feared that another old pioneer is about to pass from our midst. Yesterday morning Mr. Thos. Innes, better known as "Tommy," was stricken down with paralysis, and anxiety is felt for his recovery. Mr. Innes is a prominent Oddfellow and also a member of the St. Andrews & Caledonian Societies, and is held in the highest esteem by this brethren. He came to this province in 1856.

The Squamish Settlers.

Acting upon the telegram from the chief commissioner Mr. C. Warwick, government agent at Westminster, chartered the steamer Stella and a scow, and purchased provisions and other supplies. At eleven o'clock Saturday morning the steamer left for Squamish river with Col. McGregor on board, who has charge of the relief. The Norwegians will be brought to Westminster and quartered in the immigration sheds until another and more suitable location is decided upon.

The Wrecked Steamer.

An attempt was made on Saturday to save what is left of the steamer Pearl, but just as the tugs Samson and Emma got within a hundred yards of her she capsized. Capt. Savary, of the Samson, succeeded in anchoring her and she is now floating one mile north by west of No. 1 buoy in the south channel of the Fraser in two-and-a-half fathoms of water. Shipmasters and others navigating in that locality are warned and advised to govern themselves accordingly.

Fire Department Election.

The election for chief and assistant engineers of the fire department takes place on the 12th December, and Mr. D. F. Fee, jr., is the Richmond in the field, announcing himself thorough our columns as a candidate for assistant engineer. Mr. Fee is a through fireman and has been an active member of the fire department for many years, during which period he has rendered valuable service, and no doubt has obtained by practical experience many qualifications necessary for the office he aspires to.

"Interior Decoration."

This is the title of a handsomely bound volume published by Wm. T. Comstock, of New York. The authors are Arnold W. Brunner and Thomas Tryon, architects, being papers published from time to time in *Building*, an architectural magazine, but now revised, partly re-written, and, with the addition of many new illustrations—there are 65 in all—presented to the public in a more complete and convenient form. The contents are as follows: Introductory; the hall; the staircase; the library; the parlor; the dining room; the study, and the bed-rooms. Price, $3.50; for sale by the B. C. Stationery Co.

Westminster Ahead.

The result of the entrance examination for law students at Dalhousie college, Nova Scotia, is published, says the *Columbian*, and the result is that of sixteen applicants eight were plucked. Mr. G. W. Howay, of this city, heads the list by about 200 marks, and that against an under graduate of Dalhousie college. He has made the following remarkable score: For associated arts, he was second against all competition; at 17 years of age he stood first of the "A's" for "A" teachers' certificate, and at 18 he went up again and stood at the head of the list against an honor student of Dalhousie. Mr. Howay received his training at the high school in this city.

Disgusted With Vancouver.

The boat house belonging to the Vancouver Boating and Canoeing club, and which stands at the eastern extremity of the C.P.N. wharf, has shown its disgust for Vancouver in a rather forcible manner. During the late gale the house got adrift and, filled with boats, cedar canoes and all sailing apparatus, floated away in the direction of Victoria. On Sunday morning the passengers on the Princess Louise were surprised to see, in the distance, a house afloat, and on coming nearer to it they found it was the boat-house. Later in the day the tug Emma went to capture the fugitive and was successful in bringing back the house to its proper place and thus relieving the minds of all those who owned the property.

THE WRESTLING MATCH.

Barr Defeats the Champion—McKeown Breaks His Knee—Great Uproar.

Although the match was timed to begin at 8 o'clock sharp, the men did not face one another till 9:29, when, at the word "Time" being called by Capt. McLean, who acted as time-keeper, both Barr and McKeown at once jumped into the ring, and the struggle began. From the outset Barr had the best of it, but was very nearly being thrown on his back outside the ring. His activity saved him, and with a sudden turn he grasped McKeown round the shoulders. This move on Barr's part was fatal to McKeown, who, though he held out very long, was eventually thrown after a struggle of 31 minutes. Ten minutes was allowed both contestants, and when the short interval was up, they rushed at one another again. McKeown did not do so well as might have been expected of him; he was evidently suffering from a bad cold, and his hoarse gasps for breath frightened those who had bet on him. Barr was doing wonderfully well, his friends cheering him loudly and repeatedly. After they had been wrestling for 16 minutes McKeown fell on his knees, and time was called to the surprise of the lookers on. The reason for time being called when neither party was thrown was that McKeown had hurt, if not broken, his knee. The spectators were evidently astonished at the turn things had taken, and were very much inclined to be rather suspicious of the whole affair. However, it only wanted 13 minutes for the hour to be completed, and McKeown had neither thrown Barr once, nor had he any hopes of throwing him. He gave the victory to Barr, but declared that he would wrestle him again as soon as he was able to. Barr was evidently the favorite, and the cheers that greeted him must have made him long for more laurels. As regards the man Richardson, who has challenged McKeown through the press to wrestle for $100 a side, the latter says that he will accept the challenge as soon as he has recovered from his fall. More will yet be heard of the wrestling championship of Canada. Gabe Matheson, of Vancouver, seconded McKeown, whilst Jim Gray held the sponge for Barr.

IRON RULE IN IRELAND.

Balfour's Declarations at Birmingham.—A Remarkable Speech.

Hard Lines Ahead in the Green Isle—The Threats of the London Anarchists.—Bismarck's Hand.

LONDON, Nov. 5.—Balfour's speech last week at Birmingham, remarkable for many things, is remarkable for nothing more than its courageous cheerfulness and confidence. The Irish Secretary unquestionably believes the Government is winning in Ireland, that the league has had its innings and made a good score, but that the turn of the other side has come. That is the substance of his statement. Not less remarkable is Balfour's handling of Gladstone. There has been nothing like it since Beaconsfield. Balfour has taken hold of Gladstone's Nottingham speeches. These startled, even pained, some of Gladstone's best friends. They thought his way of dealing with the Mitchelstown affair reckless, and what he said of the Whelehan murder more reckless still. Balfour has made the most of his opportunity. His accounts of the Mitchelstown and Lisdoonvarna affairs are given deliberately. He has the evidence in his possession and he directly contradicts Gladstone on the most essential points of history. "The demon of inaccuracy pursues him," says Balfour, "when he comes to a statement of policy."

FREE SPEECH AND FREE CRIME.

Again, it must be said, right or wrong, neither clearness nor courage is wanting to this young minister. He has said openly that which the Government intend to do—that they will not tolerate free speech when it leads to free crime, and they have suppressed, and will continue to suppress, public meetings directly inciting to crime. "When," says Balfour, "they pass beyond the bounds I have indicated, when through any cause a meeting becomes the precursor of barbarous crimes, the executive would be failing in its primary duty if it hesitated to stop them."

Gladstone's offer to break up Welsh and Scotch church establishments is, says Balfour, a bribe to the non-conformists to engage in his policy of dismembering the empire by offering them the plunder of the church.

THE ATTACKS ON CHAMBERLAIN.

Many influential Liberals disapprove the lecturing of Chamberlain, which certain Radical organs keep up, and they disapprove not less strongly such outbursts as those of the Toronto *Globe*. "The policy of that journal," says one writer, "must seriously embarrass the delicate negotiations, and cannot fail to weaken the authority not only of Chamberlain but of Sir Lionel West and Sir Charles Tupper." Nevertheless such powerful provincial journals as the Liverpool *Post* and Manchester *Guardian* are firing off broadsides against Chamberlain. They fasten on Goldwin Smith's remark in a letter to the *Times* that Chamberlain could not have committed himself beforehand against a commercial union between Canada and the United States, but he did, they say, so Goldwin Smith's defense becomes a censure. "Sitting on the commercial safety valve," said Professor Goldwin Smith, in his epigrammatic way, "may produce a political explosion." But Chamberlain has declared, says the Liverpool *Post*, that this is just what he is going to do.

BISMARCK'S HAND.

If the *Times* version of the triple alliance between Germany, Austria and Italy be correct, the peace of Europe has a better guarantee than ever before. Bismarck's hand is visible in every line. This explains, among other things, the new departure in Germany's policy respecting Bulgaria. Russia can no longer count upon benevolent neutrality at Berlin toward her high-handed proceedings in the Balkans. France and Russia alike find themselves in the presence of a combination capable of keeping both in order.

THE ANARCHISTS THREATEN.

Yesterday's arrests in Trafalgar square signify that Sir Charles Warren is once more to be allowed to use his own judgment in suppressing meetings where crime it openly advocated. The anarchists who lead these meetings openly threatened a great riot on Lord Mayor's day. One of them advised the roughs to come with a supply of stones. Warren admits he expects trouble on that day, and considers if he is held responsible for order he must use his own discretion. Public confidence in him is considerably greater than in the Home Office under Matthews, whose resignation is both expected and desired.

TRADE WITH HAWAII.

The Various Phases of the Matter Discussed by the Dominion Cabinet.

OTTAWA, Nov. 3.—Mr. Theo. Davies, British vice-consul at Honolulu, Hawaiian Islands, yesterday interviewed Sir John A. Macdonald and subsequently Hon. Mr. McLelan, acting finance minister in the absence of Sir Charles Tupper, and discussed in a general way the probabilities of extending trade between Canada and the islands. It will be remembered that in 1886, when Mr. McLelan had control of the finances of the Dominion, the Government commissioned Adjutant-General Powell to proceed to Honolulu and investigate the advantages that might accrue from a closer commercial relationship between those two countries. Col. Powell made a careful analysis of the whole question, which he embodied in a report to the council. The Government have discussed the various phases of the matter and are known to be favorable to any action which will open up a new market for our flourishing industries. The interest manifested in the proposed extension of trade by Mr. Davies will doubtless be of value to the Dominion and assist in materially paving the way for a better condition of affairs. For some time past a commercial treaty has been in existence between the Islands and the United States government, but that has expired, and there is said to be a strong feeling against a renewal unless on more favorable conditions. The chief products of the Islands are sugar and rice. With a proper arrangement a profitable interchange of exports could be effected with Canada.

WASHOUTS ON THE C. P. R.

VANCOUVER, Nov. 14.—Owing to the unusual severity of the storm on Saturday night several washouts and slides occurred between Keefer's and the Mission. These have all been repaired except one near Harrison river, which will take till to-morrow night to repair. Expect passengers down to Westminster to-night by steamer from Harrison and to-morrow's train will leave here on time with the expectation of going through.

H. ABBOTT.

ASHORE AT ESQUIMALT.

A Norwegian Bark Gets Ashore in the Gale Last Night.

About 1:30 this morning a telephone message came from the Globe hotel, Esquimalt, stating that the keeper of Esquimalt light had come ashore and reported that a Norwegian bark, from Honolulu, had gone ashore between the light and the island, stern on. Captain Christiansen was telephoned for, and the tug Pilot was to have gone to her assistance at five o'clock this morning. The name of the bark or the amount of damage sustained could not be learned.

HUMPHREYS IN COMOX.

TO THE EDITOR:—Thomas B. Humphreys has been hawked and dragged over this district for some time, indeed some ten days before Mr. Stenhouse resigned, and with indifferent success, though he offers us "poor benighted Comoxians," as he terms us, all manner of things—$50,000 per annum, two steamers a week, roads and bridges innumerable, and, forsooth, no less than a gravel walk to every man's door! The only chance we ever had of every man, woman and child being happy and contented, is when he, rejected of almost every constituency in British Columbia, gets into the house of assembly with his terrible besom of destruction. He trusts that his eloquence will charm the electors of Comox as a snake charms a bird, and that we cannot help ourselves, we must vote for him. Yet the shallow braggart cannot but know that we see through him. We well know that his constituency usually is T.B.H., and that alone. T.B.H. is a disciple of St. Paul; he is "all things to all men." To an Englishman he is an Englishman; to a Scot a Scot; to an Irishman he is a native of the "Green Isle;" to a Welshman he is Welch; sometimes he is a Canadian. In religion he is just the same—to our Roman Catholic settlers he is a follower of the vicar of Christ; to the Protestants of course he is one also; and I suppose to Mr. Stenhouse he is a Mormon, which really comes nearer than any. To what have we fallen when we are supposed by consummate cheek to be cajoled into accepting a castaway. He is a great talker; but yet what is the good if he talks for a week, if we hear nothing but falsehoods. We are not quite as green as he takes us to be, if he supposes we cannot see through his statements manufactured out of whole cloth.

Y.

Comox, Nov. 8th, 1887.

WHERE IS STENHOUSE?

TO THE EDITOR:—Mr. Stenhouse is at present somewhere in Comox settlement, but where few can tell, and why no one professes to know. Perhaps Mr. Stenhouse has learned that rotten eggs are at a premium. Whether he does so or not, he is not to be seen anywhere. Fresh eggs are scarce, but rotten ones are going at $1 per dozen, and quite a number have been secured and are ready for use, while others are being placed in warm places to give them that peculiar flavour which makes them "egg-streamly" valuable on some occasions. It is a good job that Mr. S. confines himself so much in doors, where no one sees him. A week ago he ventured on the street (in daylight) and canvassed one our of citizens in favor of Mr. Humphreys. We were going along the street at the time while he was holding forth in favor of his would-be successor. The answer he got was, "I'd as soon vote for Qoukam the Siwash as I would vote for Humphreys." "Oh, don't talk so loud, you'll make me deaf," answered Stenhouse. The scene put me very much in mind of a wood-cut in the Nanaimo *Free Press*, where a tall man is impressing upon a very small man the cheapness and superiority of his wares, "and don't you forget it."

REMUS.

STENHOUSE'S CHATTELS.

TO THE EDITOR:—Depend upon it that Comox is preparing a stinging rebuke for its late member. He peddled this constituency round Victoria, and never told a soul of us that he intended to resign until he had got hold of a *Victorian* to stand in his place. Then he allowed us to know what he had done. Look at the treachery of the thing. Stenhouse the member. He resigns to leave the country. He is selling out his farm. No matter what may be the legislation in the future as far as it concerns Comox, it can't affect him. He will be out of the swim. But have we unfortunate settlers here got to take the man whom he has chosen to succeed him? Not much. He looks on us as his chattels to dispose of as he may like.

Is this right? Is it proper that he (who is going away) should be allowed to saddle us with a *Victorian* while we have a local man like Dingwall, whose interests are our own and who will do his duty by us.

The "convention" here on Thursday was called in the Stenhouse and Humphreys interest. It was a complete failure. Dingwall's friends were so strong that the other party did not attempt to do any business for fear of a vote of censure.

As for Mr. Stenhouse he keeps out of sight. He'd better!

EAST COAST.

Comox, Nov. 9.

LETTER FROM BAYNES SOUND.

TO THE EDITOR:—Mr. Humphreys has called here again and has passed on to another part of the district. His arrival was preceded by a copy of the *Standard* attacking Mr. Beaven, and, of course, Mr. H. has had to suffer for the sin of his organ. There is but one feeling here now on the subject. If parties were pretty nearly divided in the house I think Humphreys would have stood some show of getting in; but as the Opposition has amashed up and Mr. Beaven has left it, what hope is there for us if we were to send down an Opposition man? We might as well have no member at all. Stenhouse was bad enough; but he *did* know a little about the district; but Mr. Humphreys doesn't know the first thing, besides he wouldn't have any show in the house with only three or four on the Opposition side, could he? We might as well be without any member at all as to return Mr. Humphreys. If we farmers haven't got a man among us intelligent enough to represent us we'd better go back to school. If we send to Victoria for a member to represent a farming district we must be badly off for brains.

CAMP FIRE.

Baynes Sound, Nov. 7.

STANDARD TIME.

TO THE EDITOR:—Your issue of Thursday announces that Mr. Redfern has cast his lot with the advocates of standard time in Victoria. A good example is better than precept! Why does not Mr. Redfern put his clock right instead of misleading hundreds of people daily and causing no end of bother with the boats and every visitor to the city?

If he would simply move those erring hands of his on Monday morning and put a notice in his window, "*Standard Time*," the whole difficulty would be solved and everybody would recognize the wisdom and gracefulness of the move.

T. C. S.

Victoria, 11th Nov., 1887.

Valuable to Know.

Consumption may be more easily prevented than cured. The irritating and harassing cough will be greatly relieved by the use of Hagyard's Pectoral Balsam that cures coughs, colds, bronchitis and pulmonary troubles. tu-th-sat-dw

For Frost Bites.

There is no better remedy for frost bites, chilblains and similar troubles, than Hagyard's Yellow Oil. It also cures rheumatism, lumbago, sore throat, deafness, and lameness and pain generally. Yellow Oil is used externally and internally. tu-th-sat-dw

Prevailing Sickness.

The most prevailing complaints at this season are rheumatism, neuralgia, sore throat, inflamation and congestions. For all these and other painful troubles Hagyard's Yellow Oil is the best internal and external remedy. tu-thu-sat

SHOCKING ACCIDENT.

A Woman So Badly Burned About the Body that She Will Probably Die.

On Sunday night about 9 o'clock H. J. Cook, the proprietor of the ways of that name on the Indian reserve, retired to bed with his son, leaving Mrs. Cook in the sitting-room lying on the sofa reading. He fell asleep and about 11 o'clock was awakened by loud screams. He started up, when the door of the bedroom was suddenly burst open and his wife rushed into his arms

ONE MASS OF FLAMES.

Although startled and almost overcome by the dreadful sight, the husband did not lose his presence of mind and, hastily picking up a blanket from the bed, he wrapped it around the suffering and frantic woman. By this means the flames were smothered and Mrs. Cook, by this time wholly insensible, was placed upon the bed. Dr. Milne was sent for and applied remedies to restore her to her senses, and after sometime his efforts were rewarded. The burns are of a serious nature, the entire back and front of the body, from the waist up, being a horrible sight to gaze on. All through the long hours of the morning and yesterday the agony of the poor woman, it is said, was terrible, and Dr. Milne gives but little hope of her ever recovering. How the accident occurred the woman can give no explicit account except that she fell asleep and was awakened by the horrible sensations she experienced.

C. E. T. S.

The Concert a Great Success—The Hall Crowded Music and Song.

The regular concert given by the Church of England Temperance Society was held last night in the cathedral schoolroom. In spite of the inclemency of the weather a large audience of ladies and gentlemen rewarded the efforts of those who have to to do with the management. The programme, arranged by Mrs. L. M. Caldwell, was a very good one, and the songs and recitations were so well rendered that not only hearty applause, but also hearty *encores* were accorded the amateurs. The concert opened with a few remarks by the Rev. Mr. Davis, who also, later on, gave a lecture on Temperance. Mrs. P. T. Johnston then sang "Consider the Lilies of the Field," and was accompanied on the piano by Mrs. T. N. Hibben. Mr. J. N. Muir then recited "A Thanksgiving Sermon," and, receiving an *encore* gave a short but pithy lecture on the effects of drinking too hard. The next song was by Mrs. Moresby. The power of song possessed by Mrs. Moresby can be better imagined than expressed. She answered to two *encores* and an attempt was made to get her to sing a fourth time. Mrs. Moresby has very kindly promised to sing at the next concert so that those who wish to hear a good voice should make a note of it. The next concert will be given on the 12th of this month. After Mr. Davis had given his lecture on Temperance, refreshments were handed around, the Ladies' Committee receiving the grateful thanks of the epicures present for their kind services. The second part opened with a solo by Miss Nellie Broderick, who showed that the musical part of her education had certainly not been neglected. Dr. Tenwick then recited a piece, drawing forth great admiration for his careful and good reading. Mr. Offerhaus sang "The Lighthouse Light," and in response to an *encore*, repeated the last verse. "Home So Blest" was sung by Miss Cameron, accompanied by Miss Nellie Broderick, and was *encored* no less than three times. Miss Jamieson recited an incident of the battle of Solferino, and pleased the audience so well that to hush the applause she had to recite another piece.

Miss Maggie Faron then played "The Mexican Dance," and was followed by Mr. T. Gore, who sang "Thy Sentinel Am I," accompanied on the piano by Mrs. Arrowsmith. This being the last piece on the last verse on the programme the audience was about to rise, but there was something new in treat for them. Willie Bucket, Willie Gabriel, George