Local News

(From Friday's Daily.)

Exploring West Coast.—W. Reagan, expert timber cruiser, and W. A. Thompson, land cruiser and surveyor, both of Calgary, have left for Alberni and the West Coast, where they will be engaged in surveying and cruising for the C. P. R. during the balance of the season.

Oil Co. Shareholders.—A general meeting of the shareholders of the Flathead Valley Oil Lands Development Co., Limited, will be held at Pioneer hall, Broad street, on Wednesday, August 9, at 4 p. m., pursuant to a resolution passed by the directors.

Fighting Insect Pests.—At a recent meeting of the Nanaimo Agricultural Association it was decided that the secretary write to J. R. Anderson, deputy minister of agriculture, calling attention to the prevalence of insect pests in that district, and asking that an inspector be sent there to make examination of the district.

Mastodon Tusk.—James McKinnell, of Nanaimo, who returned a day or two ago from the Klondike, brought with him a mastodon tusk in an excellent state of preservation. The tusk, which was uncovered 30 feet below the surface on Eldorado creek, measures some 7 feet in length and is about 18 inches in circumference at the larger end. It is Mr. McKinnell's intention to have the tusk polished and mounted, and it will be kept as a curiosity.

Tomatoes Higher.—Up to the present tomatoes have been selling locally at actual cost, landed, and in some instances at less than cost. The stocks now held in the province are light, and the demand for Canadian packed having very materially increased in the last couple of weeks, holders are now obliged to advance the price 15c per dozen to cover themselves on the present Eastern prices. It is probable that another advance will have to be made to meet the Eastern prices.

Funds for the Fair.—On Tuesday afternoon Mayor Keary, of New Westminster, as manager of the Dominion Fair, received a cheque for $8,000, the amount appropriated by the Provincial Government at the last Legislature for the Fair. The city had loaned the Royal Agricultural and Industrial Society over $13,000, to be paid out of the first funds received by the society, so that the work on the Fair grounds would not be hindered by the lack of funds, so as per the conditions of the loan Manager Keary immediately deposited the cheque for $8,000 to the credit of the city.

C. P. R. and Island.—J. S. Dennis, who is formulating suggestions relative to the handling of the lands of the C. P. R. in the interior and Vancouver Island, stated at Vancouver that he was discussing with Mr. Marpole the question of stocking the waters on the lands on the island with game fish and establishing some sort of protection. No definite scheme has yet been decided upon. While in the interior last week Mr. Dennis interviewed the Boards of Trade of different cities in regard to the policy of the C. P. R. of opening up its lands for settlement and development.

Visited Fair Grounds.—His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, Sir Henri Joli de Lotbiniere, visited New Westminster on Tuesday evening. Conducted by the mayor, as manager of the Dominion Exhibition, his honor visited Queen's Park and made an extensive tour of inspection of the work in progress there. The Lieutenant-Governor expressed himself as delighted with the energy shown by the citizens of New Westminster in the Dominion Fair and improvements at the park. This event he felt assured, would redound to the credit of the Province. His honor will assist in making the first Dominion Fair ever held west of the Rockies an unqualified success.

For Nicola Railway.—For some days past the Colonist has been carrying an advertisement calling for men for railway construction work. A Colonist reporter inquired yesterday afternoon at the office of J. Devereux, the agent, as to the project for which the men were being engaged, and was informed that the advertisement was based upon an order from a Vancouver firm of employment agents for from 100 to 500 men. They are said to be wanted for work on the Nicola Valley Railway. The applications up to the present amount to only about 40, but it is not thought any difficulty will be experienced in getting the required number.

Threatened a Whipping.—At Kamloops last week, A. B. Wallace, formerly school teacher at Victoria and latterly at Enderby, was brought before Judge Bole, who, at the request of Judge Spinks, came up to deal with the case. His Honor Judge Spinks sat on the bench with him. The case was not gone into, His Honor Judge Bole plainly stating, for the benefit of the prisoner and his counsel, that if the accused elected to be tried before him, he would, if convicted, sentence him to two years' imprisonment and a whipping. Judge Spinks also expressed himself strongly. Contrary to his counsel's advice, Wallace decided to let his case go to the assizes.

Presentation at Nanaimo—Mr. Thos. O'Connell found a pleasant surprise awaiting him at the city hall, Nanaimo, on Tuesday evening, where he was invited to meet the other members of the last board of management of the Nanaimo hospital. As member of the board for seven years, and president for two, Mr. O'Connell had shown himself so zealous in the cause of the institution that his confreres determined to show their appreciation of his valuable services, and when they met, the new president of the board, Mr. Joseph Booth, on behalf of the old board presented Mr. O'Connell with a handsome gold-headed cane, which was accompanied by an address.

Preparing Exhibits.—The numerous agricultural associations on the Island are taking steps to make adequate exhibits at the big Dominion exhibition at New Westminster. At a meeting of the Nanaimo association, Mr. A. C. Wilson, who presided, was named commissioner to attend the collection of exhibits, and to find out from Westminster the details of the contest for prizes. Mr. Wilson reported that they had waited on Premier McBride regarding the $350 which the association had spent on the agricultural grounds, and Mr. McBride had advised the association to write an official letter on the subject and he would endeavor to meet the association's wishes if possible.

Survey Party Report.—A letter has been received from Mr. Ed. Johnston, who is with White-Fraser's boundary survey party in the north. The letter reports all to be in the best of health, and with plenty of work to keep them so. Referring to the country, Mr. Johnston says he has seen enough ice to last him a lifetime. The letter was written from Salmon river, Alaska, and the party expected to be in that neighborhood for about three months, investigating the glaciers and snow-covered peaks. The same mail that brought down Mr. Johnston's letter bore a set of photographs of "New Westminster" on the boundary survey. In these are the three Royal City boys, their sleeping quarters, and their tent, labelled "N. W." The photographs confirm Mr. Johnston's statement that all are well.

Prosperity in Interior.—R. Marpole, general superintendent of the Pacific division of the C. P. R., has returned to the coast. He accompanied Mr. D. McNicoll, vice-president and general manager, over the division. With Mr. Marpole were Mr. H. Abbott, Mr. McIver Campbell and Mr. J. A. Mara, of Victoria, who also made the trip, and Mr. J. S. Dennis, who has charge of the lands of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company in the West. "Everything is looking well throughout the interior," was Mr. Marpole's summing up of how he found things on this trip. "The whole of the division was covered, and in the Kootenay we found conditions very favorable. At the coast cities and hotels in the mountains the accommodation is being taxed to the utmost, and there are larger numbers of tourists there than in any previous year."

Railway President Touring.—A passenger from Vaucouver yesterday evening en route to Portland was George F. Baer, president of the Pennsylvania & Reading Railway. He was accompanied by his wife and daughter and the latter's husband, Mr. Smith, Dr. Muhlenberg and Mr. Isaac Heister, all from Philadelphia. After seeing the Fair they will return east. "We have greatly enjoyed our trip across the continent," Mr. Baer remarked. "We came via New York, Chicago and Moosejaw, stopping for a week at Banff. There we enjoyed ourselves immensely. I am particularly pleased with Canada and what I have seen of Canadians on this, my first trip to the West. We are out simply for pleasure." Mr. Baer is one of the most prominent of Eastern Americans, and figured sensationally in the inquiry into the strike conditions in Pennsylvania a few years ago.

Now Shipping Ore.—The Hetty group of mining claims, on the West Coast, has been this season added to the list of shipping properties. Last month they shipped 3,500 sacks of copper ore, which gave them a good profit, returning 8 per cent. copper, 1 oz. silver, and .01 in gold. On the return of the Queen City on the 14th instant they sent again to the Ladysmith smelter another 1,370 sacks, on which Mr. O'Sullivan made the check sample assay and obtained as follows: 10 per cent. copper, 1 oz. silver, .01 in gold. The property is owned by James Thompson & Sons, commission merchants, of Vancouver, and Mr. M. A. Ward, the well-known Arlington hotel proprietor of Alberni. Mr. Thompson states that they intend shipping from 75 to 100 tons monthly during the season.

Drowned Man Identified.—The body found floating in the harbor at Vancouver on Tuesday evening, reported in telegraphic dispatches to the Colonist, has been identified as that of W. R. Cuthbertson, the well-known mining engineer. The description given by Mr. Squire, who saw him off in the boat, left little doubt that the unfortunate man was Mr. Cuthbertson, well-known here and in the north. Mr. Cuthbertson had extensive mining interests both in the Yukon and in Mexico, consequently he had not been much at home of late years. In an interview Mrs. Cuthbertson said that her husband had only returned about two weeks ago from a business trip to Mexico and California. On Tuesday afternoon at about 3 o'clock he left the house, apparently in quite normal spirits, and taking his bathing suit with him, said he was going for a swim. He did not return that night, and Mrs. Cuthbertson spent a great part of the following day making inquiries about him.

Dominion Fair Feature.—The management of the big Dominion exhibition at New Westminster are arranging a special programme of contests for the Indians who will be in attendance from all over the province. The Indian women will have an opportunity to display the skill with which they ca nsew and embroider, both after the style of the palefaces and in their own peculiar manner of ornamentation, while to the men prizes are offered for wood-carving, work in silver, and the products of agriculture. What promises to be the most interesting division of the Indian exhibit will be that which includes all manner of articles of native manufacture. A few of the items in this division are miniature canoes, silver rings and bracelets of native work, wooden fish-hooks, work in stone and slate, models of Indian houses, churches and Columbia river fishing boats. The attention of the Indians is drawn to the fact that they are permitted to sell their wares after the close of the fair, and there can be no doubt that this will be a privilege eagerly taken advantage of by tourists.

(From Saturday's Daily.)

Steveston Orderly.—Chief Constable Spain, of the provincial police, stationed at Steveston, reports everything very quiet on the river for this time of the year. The sockeye capital is well populated and business seems to be rushing both there and afloat, but law and order is, generally speaking, in the ascendant.

Splendid Cherry Exhibit.—F. Sere, of Victoria, has received the following self-explanatory letter from R. M. Palmer, who is at the Winnipeg exhibition: "Your shipment of Royal Anne cherries arrived in fine condition, and are much admired. They are the best cherries received. The British Columbia fruit is a great success."

Sawmills for Clayoquot.—John Horsch and party of surveyors, who have been surveying timber lands from Clayoquot to Quatsino for the Seattle Manufacturing & Lumber Co., returned, together with H. McEwen, manager of the company, by the Queen City. On the next trip of the Queen City a party will be despatched by the above company for the purpose of erecting saw-mills and works at Clayoquot, which, under their auspices, will soon develop into a place of some importance.

Exodus of Cranes.—F. Davenport Chapman, of Mill Bay, Shawnigan, writes to the Colonist as follows: "On Sunday, the 16th inst., I saw a large flight of cranes passing over Mill Bay, Saanich arm, making their way southward. I have observed these birds for the last nine years, both in Manitoba and British Columbia, but have never seen them going south before prior to the middle or end of September. Can any of your readers, more versed in the habits of these birds than myself, explain this early exodus?"

Hunter's Sad Fate.—The official report of Constable Woolacott, describing the discovery of the remains of a hunter in a shack on the banks of the Erie river, a branch of the Adams river, confirms the press reports already published. From papers in the shack it was found that the dead man's name was Theo. Nelson, and he was last seen when buying a winter's supply at Peterson's store, Salmon river, in August, 1900. Constable Woollacott conjectured from various signs that the man had shot himself somewhere about November, 1900, so that for five years almost the skeleton has been bleaching.

A Fruit Market.—As indicating the big market which exists in Winnipeg for fruit, the following item is taken from the Winnipeg Free Press of Tuesday last: "An assortment of seven cars arrived in one day recently for one of the large fruit firms of the city, from seven widely different regions. Three were oranges from California, small fruits from Washington and melons from Georgia. Tennessee had sent a carload of tomatoes; Alabama, one of bananas; Michigan, one merely of salt, and Ontario one of assorted vegetables."

Railway Bringing Business.—A gentleman who has just returned from interior points, who went in to the Nicola via Spence's Bridge, going over the wagon road by stage, says a boom has struck the route, and two lines of stages were operated daily a little over a week ago, where a bi-weekly service struggled for an existence three months ago. So much business is offering that another line of stages is to be put on this week. Gangs of men are now at work grading the line of the Nicola, Kamloops & Similkameen Company's line from Spence's Bridge to Nicola Lake, and construction is being pushed so that every advantage may be taken of the existing fine weather.

The Delta Crops.—The oat crop on the Delta is one of the best that has ever been grown there. The straw is in some places as much as six feet high. In fact, the farmers state that so heavy is the crop that rain might cause a good deal of damage by causing the stalks to break down. Roots are doing well, despite the fact that the dry weather is inclined to dry them up. Potatoes have never been better, and the other vegetables all show signs of giving a great yield.

Engagement Announced.—The Montreal Star in a recent issue published the following: The engagement is announced of Miss Violet Innes-Ker Dubois-Phillips, eldest daughter of Captain E. C. Dubois-Phillips, R.N., F.R.G.S., of Great Crosby, Lancashire, to Seymour Hastings O'Dell, eldest son of Frederick O'Dell, of West Hampstead, London, Eng. Mr. S. H. O'Dell served in South Africa with the First Contingent, joining it at Victoria, B. C., formerly private secretary to the Minister of Finance and Agriculture, and acting private secretary to His Hon. Sir Henri Joly de Lotbiniere, Lieutenant-Governor.

Okanagan Peaches.—From Okanagan valley information has been received that the peach crop is an exceptionally large one this season. Several weeks ago as high as $350 per acre was paid by Winnipeg people for peaches on the trees. The buyers at this price agreed to do their own thinning, picking and packing, and took all chances of adverse weather conditions till the fruit was in the boxes. One grower was offered $400 per acre for his peaches on the trees, but he refused it. Last season he sold his fruit on the trees, but this year he will do his own picking and packing, and thinks he can make more money that way than if he sold the fruit on the trees.

"Montana's Fairest."—Yesterday Victoria was visited by a party of ten young ladies accounted the fairest representatives of the gentler sex to be found in all the State of Montana. They were accompanied by a chaperone and a number of gentlemen escorts. Leaving Butte they traveled by their special car, the Wenatchee, to Seattle, making short stays at all points of interest en route, and from there went south to the exhibition. After taking in the exhibition they returned north, and, leaving their car on the Sound, boarded the steamer Princess Victoria for this city. Last evening they embarked for Vancouver, where they will again connect with the coach Wenatchee. Among the interior points to be visited are Banff, Nelson and Spokane. From the latter city the party will return home by way of other cities of interest.

Homeseekers Coming.—A large advance party of homeseekers is leaving St. Paul on August 23 for the Pacific Coast, and it is settled that British Columbia points are to be included in the important places visited. This is taken as a welcome innovation instituted by the Great Northern railroad, and a significant indication of the increasing interest of the Hill system in fostering business on this side of the line. The advance party of homeseekers is being sent out in a representative capacity for the purpose of studying conditions in the various localities offering opportunities for settlement, and this will be the first time British Columbia has been afforded a chance to reach in an effective manner the class of homeseekers handled by the Great Northern.

Farmers Need Help.—This year's hay crop promises to be a big success, and with the favorable weather the farmers are experiencing no difficulty in getting it cut. They are now busy gathering in the crop, but a great deal yet remains to be cut, and it does not look as if the last of it would be harvested for some weeks. In the Delta, where the hay crop is magnificent, the farmers are experiencing a good deal of difficulty in getting enough men. So pushed have some of them become on account of shortage of hands that they meet all the boats calling at their landings for the purpose of trying to induce men to come and work for them. The fact that so much difficulty is being experienced in getting help is partly accounted for by the fact that only $2 a day is being offered, and the majority of laboring men are unwilling to do all the hard work required of them for that amount.

The Fernie Fire.—Further particulars reached the city yesterday of the losses in the disastrous fire at Fernie on Thursday morning, as follows: Fernie Free Press, plant, $8,000; G. G. Henderson, blocks, loss $6,000; Sheppard & Elliott, hardware stock, loss $20,000; Northern hotel, loss $12,000; Fernie Cigar Factory, loss $10,000; Cuthbert, estimated loss $33,000; C. O. Demaurez, jeweler; C. W. Laidley, tailor; Kenny & McLeod, tailors; Master's barber shop and the Great Northern Railway city ticket office were all burned with more or less loss. Sheppard & Elliott, the largest firm concerned, carried $9,000 insurance. There was $30,000 insurance in all. By hard fighting the loss was confined to one side of Victoria avenue, between Hanson and Cox streets.

A Paper Sued.—The case of J. G. V. Field-Johnson vs. the Farmer's Advocate, of Winnipeg, came up in the county court before Judge Henderson at Vancouver on Thursday. The case is a somewhat complicated one, but the gist of it is that the plaintiff Johnson claims from the Farmers' Advocate the sum of $168 as balance due for work done for them in writing descriptive articles of different portions of British Columbia, and in soliciting advertisements and subscriptions. The defendants state that the portion of the work for which the balance was withheld was done by another member of their staff named Lindsay. Mr. Johnson says that he actually did the work and handed it over to Lindsay, who merely gave it in to the paper.

From West Coast.—Amongst the passengers on the Queen City was Mr. Price, manager of the Irondale Steel Company, of Seattle, who returns after completing the purchase of the iron mine originally owned by Messrs. Hicks and Frank. The Irondale Steel Company is owned by Messrs. Moore and Pigott, of Seattle, who are also interested in the pulp business and have just completed the survey of some 80,000 acres of a concession granted by the government to the Quatsino Pulp & Power Company. Some irritation has been expressed at Quatsino that although the concession has been in force now for nearly three years, nothing has been done upon this immense area, which has consequently lain idle, and is inaccessible to others.

Nanaimo Strike Situation—The local union of the United Mine Workers of America, realizing that they may have a long fight on their hands to win the controversy with the Western Fuel Company, are laying their plans accordingly, says the Nanaimo Herald. The international organization has promised them enough to support all their members and their families from want, but there are many who, while dependent on the operation of the mines for a livelihood, and will soon be in need, are not now and cannot become members of the union, and it is up to them to see that these people do not suffer from the closing of the mines. This being the case, the union is asking assistance to care for these men and their families. So far, responses from the unions in the province have been generous and prompt.

Circling the Globe.—Now at the Coast awaiting the arrival of the Manuka, on the return voyage of which they will embark for the Antipodes, are two young French medical students, MM. R. Lamperiere, aged 23 years, and N. Gerolin, 19 years, who are on a walking tour around the world. They have entered into a unique contract with Le Petit Parisien, the leading paper of the French capital, to make a prescribed tour of the globe, and starting in November, 1903, they are to be back in Paris again in November, 1907. One of the conditions attaching to the trip is that the journey must be made on foot, no transportation being paid for, and when passage is taken on ships it must be worked for. The travelers left Paris clad in paper suits, made from copies of the paper they represent, and wore even paper boots. Now they are clad in heavy blue walking suits, and special boots are supplied them by an English firm. Already they have worn out sixteen pairs.

West Coast Mystery.—Alex. McKee, of Dodge's Cove, on the west coast of the Island, has forwarded a letter to James Walker, of Vancouver, in which he says: "Your brother Stanley has been missing for about three weeks. He was at my store on June 29, and has not been seen or heard of since. On the 15th instant my wife and I went up to his place on Hill Island to see if we could see any thing of him. We found his tent blown down, but his blankets and clothing all there, and his canoe on the beach close by. We looked all around where he had been working, but could find no trace of him. We did not find his axe, so came to the conclusion either that he must have gone into the woods and met with an accident, or that he had been in bathing and was taken with cramps or something of the sort. On the 17th instant there were a number turned out to see if they could find him, but with no success. I write you, as you may want to come out and see for yourself. Should he be found I will let you know."

Tyee Smelter Returns.—The Colonial Goldfields Gazette (London), in its issue of July 15 had the following item: "A cablegram received on Wednesday gives results for the month of June as follows: Smelter ran 13 days, and smelted—Tyee ore, 1,988 tons; customs ore, 294 tons; total, 2,282 tons; matte produced from same, 267 tons; gross value of contents (copper, silver and gold), after deducting costs of refining and purchase of customs ore, $30,950. (Office Note—Part of June product was treated in the first few days of July, in order to suit the visit of the American Institute of Mining Engineers on the 4th instant.)"

Cariboo Consolidated.—The Colonial Goldfields Gazette (London), in its issue of July 15 had the following: "In continuation of the good news recently received from the resident manager of the Cariboo Consolidated, a cablegram has been published this week to the effect that 565 cubic yards of gravel have been washed, the value of the gold recovered amounting to $1,130. This gravel was not taken from the centre pay lead, but was merely stuff taken in the course of driving towards the channel proper. It is expected that regular drifting will commence shortly, and in view of the substantial progress made since the statutory meeting of the company held in February last, shareholders have been invited to attend a special meeting on Tuesday next to hear the latest information concerning their company's affairs."

(From Sunday's Daily.)

A Good Showing.—Cable advices from London yesterday were to the effect that the British Columbia Development Association made nearly £2,500 profit last year. The working debentures have been paid off.

Exploring Bulkley.—A letter has been received from the provincial mineralogist, W. F. Robertson, who is conducting the exploring party through the Bulkley valley. At the time of writing he was about 75 miles beyond Quesnell and getting along splendidly.

Progress at Crofton.—The wharf repairs are about completed, the ore bins reconstructed, and everything ready for the handling of the ore from the Britannia mines, which is to be smelted at Crofton. It is expected that the smelter will be ready to begin operations in about a month. A large addition, it is understood, will be built to the present works in order to increase the output.

On Prospecting Trip.—Three of the miners who have been on Mt. Sicker for some years past left for a prospecting tour in the northern wilds. They are going up the Portland canal and have taken two years' supplies with them. They are also taking their own boat of two tons capacity. Their names are R. Chapman, Charlie Bibeau and James Hattie.

Western Pulp Company.—According to a special cable from London, in Justice Eady's court some depositors obtained orders for the return with 4 per cent. interest of their investments in the Western Canada Pulp & Paper Company on the ground that the underwriting agreements were not in accordance with the companies act.

A Generous Gift.—At the last meeting of the Cumberland (Comox) council the mayor reported that Mr. Dunsmuir had presented the city with the block of land embracing the recreation grounds and extending to First street, for a public recreation grounds. It was moved by Ald. Tarbell, seconded by Ald. McLeod, that a vote of thanks be tendered Mr. Dunsmuir for his munificent gift.

Cut Worm Active.—Although a great deal has been said about the cut worm, and some did not think they would amount to much, they are here and are doing considerable damage to some root crops, says the Cowichan Leader. Several have reported them working in mangolds, turnips, carrots, etc., one crop of turnips being entirely eaten up by them. To sow poisoned bran is the best way to kill them.

Goes to Port Arthur.—E. F. De Foe, who for the past five years has been in charge of the optical department at Messrs. Challoner & Mitchell's establishment, has severed his connection with the firm and leaves at once for Port Arthur, Ont., where he will engage in business on his own account. Mrs. De Foe and family have preceded him to Port Arthur, where the family will in future reside. A wide circle of friends regret their departure from Victoria.

Escaped Convict.—Washington State police firmly believe that George Wade, one of the convicts who escaped from McNeill Island penitentiary on July 4th, is somewhere on the lower mainland of British Columbia. Wade is well acquainted with the Puget Sound country, and it is thought has made good use of his knowledge in escaping across the line. He is 49 years of age, and five feet eight in height. He is the only remaining one of those who escaped at large.

Island Beauty Spot.—Recet visitors to a point called Genoa, situated on Cowichan Bay, have returned declaring it to be one of the island's real beauty spots. With Cowichan Bay, calm and beautiful, dotted here and there with trim little craft carrying their precious burdens on pleasure bent, hemmed in by the rugged old Mt. Tzouhalem on one side and the Cowichan valley on the other, with its shore line dotted with tents and the point where once the hum and buzz of machinery and the clank of the anchor chains made it a busy little centre, now nestles in solitude at the very foot of the mountain side.

Mining Company Defunct.—The celebrated 43rd Mining and Milling Company, of Ottawa, (of which Colonel Wright was for some years manager, and in that capacity made annual trips to Manson creek via Ashcroft and the Cariboo road, to finally defunct and the Bank of Ottawa, as mentioned in a recent Colonist special from the Federal Capital, is sueing Messrs. Stuart, Ronde, chief of police, Ottawa, Thos. Kenney, W. Jamison, J. Wright, H. Waters, A. P. Waters, chief of Dominion police, Ottawa, C. Sparks, Ottawa, and Fred Valleau, mining recorder of Cassiar, for five promissory notes aggregating $107,000. A large expenditure was made by Col. Wright, who is very favorably known in Cariboo and Omineca. Every spring, for four or five years, a pack train would be made up at Ashcroft, usually 40 or 50 animals, and would go through to Omineca, returning in the fall.

To Develop Property.—A company is being organized with a capitalization of $1,000,000, divided into 1,000,000 shares at $1 each, to develop the tripoli deposits near San Juan. The provisional directors have been named as follows: J. J. Baird, F. W. Morris, W. E. Carter, A. F. McCrimmon, E. C. Smith, T. Redding and S. A. Baird. The commodities to be manufactured by the company includes the following: "Shino," a general household cleaner; a metal polisher which is used altogether by the C. P. R. on their steamers; a plate powder for cleaning fine goods; and a number of other marketable preparations of which the basis is tripoli. A writing ink has been perfected also. This has been tested and is regarded as one of the most perfect inks on the market. The deposit of tripoli is inexhaustible. It is at least nine feet in depth and covers an area of about 100 acres. This mineral is used as the basis of the principal polishes in Great Britain, and the intention is to ship it in a prepared form to be used in these factories in the old country.

Lifebuoy Soap—disinfectant—is strongly recommended by the medical profession as a safeguard against infectious diseases.

Results in the Teachers' Exams

A Splendid Showing Made by the Pupils of Victoria College.

Vancouver Representatives Are Left Behind by the Local Candidates.

The results of the teachers' examinations held throughout the province about a month ago are now available. The pupils of Victoria College have made a most creditable showing. A. N. King has made the highest aggregate of marks, 1,081; there being quite a margin between his total and that of the leaders in other centres. Miss Lena Stevens and Miss Margaret I. Driver, both Victorians, with totals of 1,047 and 1,027, respectively, have also beaten those holding premier places in outside districts. Appended are the complete results:

Victoria Centre

Junior Grade—Maximum Marks, 1,400.

King, Alfred N.	1,081
Stevens, Lena	1,047
Driver, Margaret I.	1,027
Green, Cecelia R.	996
Belyea, Marie L.	966
Whyte, Robert S. R.	966
Freeman, Jennie	938
Dinsdale, Alfred E.	935
Irving, George C.	904
Ewer, Frederica	902
Sommerville, Margaret S.	897
Beckwith, Harold A.	856
Sprague, Ernest D.	853
Selman, Gordon S.	851
Hutchison, Henrietta B.	849
McIntyre, William H.	845
Grant, Olive E.	844
Russell, Annie C.	841
Williams, Florence F.	826
Rogers, Harrison W.	824
Gauley, Ethel M.	819
Crozier, Arthur I.	811
Billingsley, Millie	818
Williams, Constance	811
Gowen, Albert W.	809
Wilby, William J.	804
Morgan, Hearr	804
Hanna, Marion W.	802
Harris, Lena C.	791
Eberts, Harold F. H.	784
Huggett, Alfred P.	783
Bannerman, Percy D.	773
White, Cleeve G.	774
Blankenbach, Marian E.	772
McKenzie, Martha M. M.	771
Carne, Fred	750
Rannells, William M.	739
Coats, Bessie M.	723
Cameron, Elizabeth	717
McInnes, Angus	715
Etheridge, Effie L.	714
Etheridge, Effie L.	711

Number of candidates, 61. Passed, 42.

Chilliwack Centre

Intermediate Grade—Maximum Marks, 1,500.

Franklin G. Calvert	1,004

Number of candidates, 1; passed, 1.

Junior Grade—Maximum Marks, 1,400.

Edna P. Crankshaw	833
Clarence W. Stare	779
Mildred C. Calbick	777
Marion A. Street	769
Thomas Robinson	752

Number of candidates, 6; passed, 5.

Cumberland Centre

Intermediate Grade—Maximum Marks, 1,500.

William H. Harrison	956
Ethelyn M. Short	915
Katherine B. McArdle	868
Margaret B. Carwithen	843
Francis W. Smith	790

Number of candidates, 6; passed, 5.

Junior Grade—Maximum Marks, 1,400.

James F. Grant	893
Vina McKenzie	850
Ruby E. Short	848
Charles O. Smith	827
Harper C. Nixon	818
Elsie D. Collis	778
Edith J. Abrams	773
Ethel W. Dowell	749

Number of candidates, 9; passed, 8.

Grand Forks

Junior Grade—Maximum Marks, 1,400.

Jessie A. Stuart	860
Isaac B. Langford	829
Winifred C. Stuart	728

Number of candidates, 3; passed, 3.

Kamloops Centre

Junior Grade—Maximum Marks, 1,400.

Henry S. Irwin	833

Number of candidates, 1; passed, 1.

Nanaimo Centre

Senior Grade—Maximum Marks, 1,400.

Howard J. Fisher	710

Number of candidates, 2; passed, 1.

Intermediate Grade—Maximum Marks, 1,500.

Ethel Hodgson	963
Katherine W. Johnston	937
Mary A. Crossan	889
Mary Frame	871
David J. Thomas	866
Clara Chadwick	845
Flora C. Lawrence	810
Mary L. Jones	757
Hosanah Berridge	757
May B. Grant	756

Number of candidates, 11; passed, 10.

Junior Grade—Maximum Marks, 1,400.

Ernest L. Manson	992
Jessie Mercer	976
Nellie Brown	933
Edith Mainwaring	904
Netta H. Hardy	892
Fanny E. Bulman	887
Annie M. Webb	878
Lesley I. Shaw	867
E. Olice Thomas	848
Herbert C. A. Shaw	818
Thomas Rogers	786
Ralph G. Smith	776
William E. Bray	763
John O. Neary	762
Lily G. E. Rath	762

Number of candidates, 19; passed, 15.

Nelson Centre

Senior Grade—Maximum Marks, 1,400.

R. Edison Wallace	1,017
Annie M. Fawcett	762

Number of candidates, 2; passed, 2.

Intermediate Grade—Maximum Marks, 1,500.

Olaf Anstad	1,070
Grace Allison	1,024
Margaret M. McVicar	994
Ada M. Cartwright	797
Evah M. Cartwright	786

Number of candidates, 5; passed, 5.

Junior Grade—Maximum Marks, 1,400.

Alfred H. Davies	921
Mary C. Davies	913
Roy Harris	879
Lottie McVicar	878
William Brown	862
Pauline Annable	831
Kenneth McD. Weir	828
Alberta Middleton	823
Geraldine Brown	769
Gertrude M. Bard	756
Nellie J. Park	746
Jean F. Clark	728

Number of candidates, 13; passed, 12.

New Westminster Centre

Junior Grade—Maximum Marks, 1,400.

Robert H. Mauzer	895
Elizabeth J. Laldlaw	882
James Gordon	849
Mabel J. Budge	840
Annie L. Wilkie	840
Frances H. Atkins	835
Elizabeth G. Wilkie	812
Jeanie D. Forrester	794
Stanley H. Gilchrist	789
Clarence B. Clement	757
Minnie O. Carter	756
Donald E. Murphy	756
Henry W. Sangster	735
Joseph Weaver	707

Number of candidates, 21; passed, 14.

Revelstoke Centre

Intermediate Grade—Maximum Marks, 1,500.

Maude H. Grant	940
Emily Atkinson	901

Number of candidates, 2; passed, 2.

Rossland Centre

Junior Grade—Maximum Marks, 1,400.

John Buhanan	918
Alice Cooper	762

Number of candidates, 3; passed, 2.

Vancouver Centre

Senior Grade—Maximum Marks, 1,400.

Agnes E. McEwen	881

Number of candidates, 1; passed, 1.

Intermediate Grade—Maximum Marks, 1,500.

David M. Moore	954
Rosannah Wall	804
Gertrude M. Frederickson	801

Number of candidates, 4; passed, 3.

Junior Grade—Maximum Marks, 1,400.

Nicholas D. Munro	1,012
Frances M. Stone	1,012
Mabel M. Brooking	990
Christina M. McDonald	964
Frances McKeen	950
Hugh N. Lister	943
Mabel W. Stone	938
Eva Anderson	900
Violet B. Daniels	900
Dorothy Tunstall	900
Robert B. McLellan	892
Helen Bajus	887
Mabel H. McKeen	887
Hester A. Barker	882
Francis M. Brophy	881
Olive C. Morrison	874
Anna F. K. Goldsmith	866
Henry E. Sorby	863
David A. Boyes	862
Ruby E. Boake	853
Alice V. McL. Aske	846
Hazel E. McLeod	840
Annie E. Nyman	838
Helen H. Shaw	838
Lenies V. (Zenies) Manning	828
Hazel M. Smith	828
Norma Campbell	827
Addie Whitley	823
Kathleen E. Watson	822
Arthur C. Skaling	817
Frank Menzies	815
William P. McMillian	814
Edna E. Chew	812
Muriel Whitehead	807
William L. Hunt	804
James T. Wall	803
Agnes M. Thomson	795
Nellie Raleigh	794
Carroll A. Stewart	791
Owen J. Thomas	790
James de Pas Murray	780
Hazel R. Kyle	779
Roy Horie	774
Irene Shaw	771
Alice Martin	770
Gertrude Lawson	769
Harry J. Rousseau	765
Helen M. Sparling	762
Helena E. Campbell	750
Margaret Paterson	746
Joseph C. Teetzel	744
Josephine B. Yeomans	743
Lewis E. Clark	742
Kathlen M. McNeely	731
Lena Letvinoff	713
Margaret M. Scott	730
Frederick C. Underhill	718
May C. Rath	714
Dorothy V. Frith	714
Laura M. E. Keenan	714
Mildred Clark	708

Vernon Centre

Junior Grade—Maximum Marks, 1,400.

Jay C. Becker	790
John L. McMillan	786

Number of candidates, 5; passed, 2.

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