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LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

A Sub Port of Entry.

On Thursday last the bill to make Port Angeles a sub port of entry passed both houses at Washington, thereby becoming law as soon as it shall have received the signature of the President.

Columbia and Kootenay Railway.

In the published list of directors elected at the first annual meeting of the Columbia and Kootenay Railway, held at Vancouver on Saturday, the names of Messrs. Thos. G. Shaughnessy and Isaac G. Ogden were inadvertently omitted.

Fence Reigns.

Capt. Brown, of the bark Omega, which arrived yesterday from Honolulu, reports everything quiet at the islands' capital. The much talked of election is over, the planters' party having triumphed. There was no bloodshed although the country was in a state of intense excitement for several weeks, and a revolution appeared imminent.

Freight and Trade Notes.

The City of Kingston last evening brought as freight three carloads of sheep, four of flour and one of general merchandise.

Two new hearses came in by Sunday's Islander for Mr. Lockhart, undertaker. One is a large black conveyance for adults; the other is a small white one for children and young persons.

Their Yearly Inspection.

Steamers Premier and Princess Louise will go into the Dry dock on Thursday morning for their annual inspection, scraping and coating, and will be taken out on Saturday morning to give place to the Danube, which should have gone in sometime ago. The Premier will thus be enabled to resume her regular route on Monday morning.

The S. & O.

The first annual meeting of the Shuswap & Okanagan Railway Company will be held at the company's office on Government street to-day, when the complete report of the progress of construction, and the operations will be presented to the shareholders. The promoters of the road are becoming every day more sanguine in regard to its prospects, the wheat country that it will open up being alone sufficient to ensure its permanent prosperity.

The Last of Two Veterans.

On Saturday afternoon the purchase of the two old hulks Otter and Mary J. Taylor, from Mr. R. P. Rithet to Capt. White law was completed, and yesterday they were quickly pumped out by the buyer's wrecking steamer bearing his name. To-day they will be broken up, probably by explosives, having been towed to some convenient place, it being the intention of Capt. Whitelaw to destroy the hulls for the sake of the old metal attached.

Raymond Excursionists.

Mr. Carroll Hutchins, in charge of another large large Raymond-Whitcombe excursion party, will arrive on Thursday, and spend several days in the city, accommodation having been secured for them at the Clarence. On or about the 30th inst., another of the same company's parties, composed of 100 Chicagoans, will arrive by the C. P. R., and here await the arrival of the Queen, bound for Alaska, about the 4th of July.

Alway vs. Ward.

This was an action tried before the Chief Justice and a special jury yesterday. The two parties in the case had had dealings together since 1875, settlements being made at various times. In 1887 Ward induced Alway to sign a certain document giving his (Alway's) share in a portion of land to him in consideration of being released from a promissory note of $500. Ward took possession of the land, and yesterday's suit was by Alway to recover possession. The Chief Justice held the document to be a mortgage only and gave judgment accordingly. Mr. Thornton Fell appeared for Mr. Alway, and Mr. Jenns for Mr. Ward.

Once More Afloat.

H. M. S. Amphion, which has held possession of the Esquimalt dock for the past six months, during the completion of the greatest piece of ship repairing ever attempted on the Pacific Coast, floated out at 11 a. m. yesterday, amid the cheers of the valiant crew. Steam was at once got up and the warship started on a trial cruise down the Straits, everything working smoothly and well. The Amphion will return to Esquimalt early this morning and receive 400 tons of coal from the ship Queen Victoria, in pursuance of the instructions received to prepare for sailing orders.

More Tourists.

This evening the steamer Olympian will bring to Victoria another large excursion party, in charge of Mr. C. A. Cooke, of the Raymond-Whitcombe company, and comprising the following ladies and gentlemen: Mrs. J. K. Latimer, Miss Latimer, Miss Cowing, Mrs. Peddin, Miss Peddin, L. Lukenbach and wife, John Turner, Mrs. A. Fry, H. C. Graton and wife, J. W. Peck and wife, Mrs. M. A. Misener, R. H. Peabody and wife, Miss A. J. Glenn, Mrs. Glenn, Miss J. E. Glenn, Miss Hoyle, M. E. Everitt and wife, C. Heitman, Mrs. S. Reisin, Miss Davidson, Mrs. Cooke, and W. A. Cameron. The party will remain here for two or three days and then return East by the Northern Pacific. One hundred excursionists by the Queen will also spend a few hours in sight seeing to-day.

The Bazaar To-Morrow.

The bazaar to be opened in connection with the new Roman Catholic cathedral, to-morrow noon, will not be a bazaar in the usual sense of the term; that is its whole business will not be to dispose of goods from a certain number of stalls, although a more beautiful assortment of articles have never been offered for sale at a fancy fair in this city. The ladies who have charge of the stalls have been working early and late, for several months past, and have got together an assortment of goods of bewildering variety. The opening will take place at twelve o'clock, and then the sales will commence. In the evening, there will be an entertainment of a varied, but pleasant character. The two pleasantest items on the programme will perhaps be the swinging chorus by the children, and the fan drill by the ladies. The latter promises to be a novelty—it has been kept rather quiet, the ladies practising in some secluded spot and wearing an air of great secrecy and reticence when the subject was broached. It was whispered yesterday, though, that there is something "quite new, you know," in this fan drill. There will be "attention," "stand at ease," "present arms," "advance," "retire," "attack," and "surrender." The latter four, with the exception of "retire," are expected to bring down the house, especially will the graceful "surrender" be a pleasing sight. Bashful young men should go to the bazaar, take a note-book with them and learn these signals, it will save them any amount of confusion in the future. Many other items of a pleasant nature will be dealt out, making an evening of much that is enjoyable.

Garbage Crematory.

A telegram was received from Montreal yesterday to the effect that plans and full information in regard to the garbage crematory had been forwarded by mail by F. W. St. George, city engineer of Montreal. It is very probable that the crematory will be built here, and the vexed question of where the refuse of the city shall be deposited be thereby disposed of.

The Rice Mills.

The rice mills buildings are nearly finished; the greater portion of the roofing is done and a good deal of the interior work is well under way. The offices will be moved into the new structure next week, and the old building, with enlargements, will be used exclusively for manufacturing purposes, while the cleaned rice will be stored in the new building. It is proposed to fix up comfortable offices.

A Missing Buoy.

Capt. Rogers, of the steamer Dunsmuir, reports that No. 1 buoy, North Sandheads, at the entrance of the Fraser River, is missing, and that it is extremely dangerous work for navigators to get the correct channel in coming up river. In fact, the red buoy, which is the guide in the absence of No. 1, is far up on a sandbar and is very misleading at the present time. The matter should be looked into at once, in order to avoid possible calamity.—Truth.

The Contest in Cassiar.

Nomination day in the district of Cassiar has been fixed for the first of August, and the election of a member to represent the district in the Provincial House takes place on the first of September. A gentleman who knows Cassiar well, and speaks without political prejudice, says that Mr. Hall is a sure winner there. Judge Graham, whose only object in entering the field was to keep out Mr. Cunningham, the opposition candidate, has retired in Mr. Hall's favor, and the fight will be a straight party battle, in which, unfortunately for him, Mr. Cunningham is handicapped by his own unpopularity.

Bolton's Lectures.

One year ago the Y. M. C. A. secured Mr. C. E. Bolton to give a course of illustrated lectures. Five nights the theatre was packed, and the entertainment given was most popular. The entertainment committee have been successful in again securing Mr. Bolton, and four lectures will be given—June 24, 25, 26, and 27. This year the topics selected are: "Russia and the Romanoffs," "Beautiful Switzerland," "America's War for the Union," and "Vienna to Constantinople," which will be given in the order named. A matinee will be given Friday afternoon, the 27th. There is no doubt but there will be large and appreciative audiences again this year. Special prices will be given association members.

Demanding Big Pay.

The schooner Venture, Capt. McLeod, which returned to port yesterday, was unable to do any sealing she intended when leaving here. Her captain visited the West Coast stations where Indian hunters are usually obtained, but at each place the Siwashes demanded exorbitant wages, and refused to ship unless their own terms were accepted. For each skin the hunters asked $4.50, together with $300 for their "boss," and $30 and two sacks of flour as a bonus for each canoe. At these figures sealing could not be made profitable, and so, in the hope of obtaining white hunters, the Venture came home. She brought from the West Coast 72 barrels of oil, and a few stray skins.

The "Mischief's" Mission.

During the last few weeks a considerable quantity of correspondence has appeared in the Portland and San Francisco papers, under the head of Victoria Special Correspondence, relative to the mission of the steam schooner Mischief to the north. It was stated that Victoria sealers were bound for a raid on the seal islands; that she went prepared to resist seizure in Behring's Sea, and that she intended to defy the cutters and do divers other rash and foolish things. Naturally Victorians took offence at this distortion of facts, evidently for the purpose of prejudicing British interests in the Behring's Sea dispute. Enquiries were made as to the identity of the correspondent, and it was finally ascertained that he had no existence. Not none of the despatches published, as from Victoria, ever passed through the telegraph office here, and were evidently manufactured in some American city to suit the ends of certain wire pullers. The Mischief has not gone on an illegal mission, but simply to bring back the catch of the sealing schooners. Her intentions are fully understood by the American authorities, and they have done all they can to expedite her trip.

SPORTS AND PASTIMES.

CRICKET.

The following is the score made in the Victoria-Vancouver game played here on Saturday last:

VICORIA.

1st Innings.		*2nd Innings.*	
Maguire b Griffith	7	b Greery	3
Martin b Griffith	0	b Griffiths	7
Fitzgerald b Griffiths	13	b Griffiths	0
Warrender run out	0	b Griffiths	17
Scroggs b Miles	0	b Miles	2
Green b Griffiths	4	b Griffiths	2
Rhodes b Miles	15	b Greery	2
Jones b Griffiths	0	not out	2
Sivclair b Griffiths	0	b Miles	17
Williams not out	11	b Miles	1
Woolley b Griffiths	2	b Miles	0
Byes	2		4
Wides	0		2
Total	51		54
Grand total			105

VANCOUVER.

1st Innings.		*2nd Innings.*	
Coleman b Scroggs	24		
Clinton b Scroggs	9	not out	13
Greery b Scroggs	8		
Watton l b w Scroggs	6	C Woolley	0
Griffith b Scroggs	4		
Mackay b Warrender	9	not out	5
Nelson b Scroggs	0		
Tripp b Scroggs	2		
Williams b Woolley	17		
Chaldicott b Woolley	1		
Miles, not out	5		
Byes	5		2
Total	87		20
Grand Total			107

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.—Are you disturbed at night and broken of your rest by a sick child suffering and crying with pain of Cutting Teeth? If so send at once and get a bottle of "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup" for Children Teething. Its value is incalculable. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Depend upon it, mothers there is no mistake about it. It cures Dysentery and Diarrhœa, regulates the Stomach and Bowels, cures Wind Colic, softens the Gums, reduces Inflammation, and gives tone and energy to the whole system. "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup" for children teething is pleasant to the taste and is the prescription of one of the oldest and best female physicians and nurses in the United States, and is for sale by all druggists throughout the world. Price twenty-five cents a bottle. Be sure and ask for "MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP," and take no other kind. my31-eod-w

THE NEW HOUSE.

The Government, Exclusive of Oppositionists and Independents, Will Have a Good Majority.

The following is the probable standing in the new House, the figures having been calculated, so far as the government is concerned, from a pseudnistic standpoint:

	Govt.	*Opp.*	*Ind.*
Victoria City	2	4	0
Victoria District	3	0	0
Esquimalt	1	0	0
Cowichan	2	0	0
Islands	1	0	0
Nanaimo	0	0	1
Nanaimo District	0	1	0
Comox	1	0	0
Alberni	1	0	0
Vancouver	0	0	2
Westminster	0	0	1
Westminster District	1	0	2
Yale	2	1	0
Lillooet	2	0	0
Cariboo	1	0	0
Cassiar	2	0	0
E. Kootenay	0	1	0
W. Kootenay	1	0	0
	20	6	7

In the above it will be seen that the oppositionists and independents have been separated from the government, though it is well-known that a number of those classed as independents have but one question on which they differ with the present government—that of redistribution—and that several of them will give the government a hearty support. The opposition organ claims Mr. Stoddard, who heads the poll in Lillooet, as an out and out oppositionist. Although he was wrongly classed so in a list published before the election, letters and telegrams have been received from Clinton stating that he ran and was elected as a straight government supporter. Col. Baker's minority in East Kootenay will likely be increased into a good majority when the returns from the south are heard from, but in the above Mr. Law is credited with the seat. Although Cassiar election has not yet been held, all parties are of opinion that Mr. Hall, the government candidate, will be returned. Should a new election take place in Cariboo, a government supporter will likely be elected by acclamation. That district will not send a member to support the men who propose to deprive it of one or two representatives. However, giving the opposition credits for more than is probable, the government, as will be seen from the above table, will have a good working majority in the new house. Looking at the matter from a more favorable standpoint, however, it is probable that the government will have a total following of twenty-two.

"REMEMBER THE SICK POOR."

A Few Suggestions Which May be Availed of by Intending Benefactors of the Jubilee Hospital.

The average citizen blessed with means knows little, or it may be, nothing of the inner workings of a general hospital where human nature of almost every phase is seen in its invariable repulsiveness. It is usually the poorer classes who seek its aid when sickness or accident overtakes them, and the poorer the applicant for shelter and attention, the sadder the sight. One cannot wonder at their physical affliction when one looks at their scanty dress, the pinched features and depressed manner. Indeed it is in nine cases out of ten, a miracle that such beings, so reduced, can be restored even to comparative health, and yet such is the fact. A hospital in any community is a boon demanding the earnest support of the community to which it belongs. Victoria has such an institution, and it is but justice to her citizens to say that they have generously and willingly stood by the men who projected, engineered and completed the undertaking of establishing that institution—the Royal Jubilee hospital—and throwing open its doors to the poor sick of Victoria. Happily for this fair city its poor are, in comparison with other great cities, but few. But besides aiding the hospital by money there are divers ways in which those unable to give sums of money can extend a helping hand. Island people generally have gardens; well, fresh vegetables represent more than medicine; fruit is a luxury costing but little. How nice a basket or two of strawberries would be. A sick person just recovering would esteem them as a treat of no small worth. There are many delicacies which ladies could give in the way of jellies, custards, jams and other preparations which woman so well knows are pleasant for the invalid. All these things cost little or nothing; they do an immense deal of good, and their receipt cheers the weary moments of sickness and the still drearier hours of convalescence. Then, again, how many young people of both sexes spend sums of money on novels, and when they have read them they are thrown aside to litter the place, or they are burned. These would be more than welcome to the sick man or woman in the hospital ward or corridor. When convalescence gives place to complete recovery, another responsibility falls upon the institution and that is to return their patients to the world in some sort of respectability, so far as dress is concerned. The management are not obliged to do this; their duty terminates with the physical recovery of the patient, but they morally assume this extra good work, and the citizens invariably help them out by donations of clothes. Any donations of this character will be gratefully received and acknowledged by Mr. Garland, the stewart of the Jubilee hospital. These few hints are thrown out with a view to reminding many good intentioned people of the opportunities that present themselves to enable them to relieve the suffering and cheer the recovering patient, but which chances are overlooked on account of their apparently trivial nature.

In many homes in large cities a box is kept, in which loose spare coin is put and the contents periodically given to the hospital. It is often a great pleasure to see the willingness with which the pet of the family will take this family donation to the hospital when the times comes round.

DRINKING THE STIRRUP CUP.

The B. C. B. G. A. Bid Good-bye to Col. Prior—He is Going to Enhance Canada's Reputation in England.

The Canadian boys will soon be on their way to represent Canada at Wimbledon, at least what is called Wimbledon merely from old associations. Their leader hails from British Columbia, and he was wished godspeed last evening with military honors by the B. C. B. G. A. There was a good muster of both officers and men, and a grand march was taken up to Col. Prior's residence last evening. Col. Prior met them on their arrival and welcomed them. He said that he fully appreciated the honor of leading the Wimbledon team this year. Canada's team had always borne a high reputation in England, both for their skill with the rifle and their thorough good-spiritedness and social qualities. It was not his intention by any means to let the standard fall this year, so far as his ability as leader went (cheers). In fact he would endeavor to excel her reputation (renewed cheers).

Col. Wolfenden bade him good bye in a neat speech, in the course of which he congratulated the B.C.B.G.A. on having their colonel leading the Wimbledon team. There was, however, no reason why British Columbia should not have some competitors on the team, as well as the leader. They could do it if they liked just to settle in to work and try for it. Government aid was needed, and British Columbia boys had that quality if it were only supplemented by a decent range in Victoria.

Three cheers were given for the colonel and three more for Mrs. Prior to compensate her for the staying at home. A parting cup was then drunk to the departing leader.

THE ST. ELIAS EXPEDITION

Of the United States National Geographical Society in Connection With the Geological Survey—An Important Trip.

Steamer Queen, which sailes this afternoon for Alaska, will take with her a party known as the St. Elias expedition of the National Geographical Society of the United States. The party is in charge of Mr. I. C. Russell, who is not only a member of the society, but has had charge of several important surveys sent out by the society. Mr. M. B. Kerr is his principal assistant, and Mr. E. F. Hosmer is also an assistant. Mr. J. H. Christie, of Seattle, foreman of the expedition, was a member of the Olympic party last winter. There are also six camp hands, all men of a good deal of experience in these undertakings. They are all Seattle men—Lester, Doney, T. P. Stamy, W. Partridge, Thomas Grafhite, Wm. L. Lindsley, and John Crumback, the last named was in the Olympic expedition. The route is from here to Sitka by the Queen and from there to Yakutat Bay, near Mt. St. Elias. Here the survey exploration commences, working northward across the St. Elias range and into the unexplored country beyond to the head of the Tenaund. If practicable, Mr. Russell will endeavor to make the top of Mt. St. Elias. This expedition is also working with the co-operation of the Geological Survey. It is expected that they will be back about the middle or the end of October, when a report of the geographical and geological features of the countries visited will be made, and Mr. Russell will probably add to his report something of their experience. This will be of no small interest, apart from the ordinary account of the journey, the object of which is purely scientific, and to seek information for the society.

Mr. Russell went up the Yukon river with the coast survey expedition last fall, over the Chilcat and down the Lynn canal to Juneau. A station was established up there and a party passed the winter in log cabins. They were provided with all the time, and provisions were afterwards sent up, but there is some uncertainty as to whether they received them or not.

Mr. McGrath, who is in charge of the party in Yukon, occupies the house of Ogilvie, the Canadian surveyor.

PERSONAL.

Col. Baker of Kootenay is at the Union Club.

B. Campbell of the U. P. R. is at the Driard.

Rev. J. E. Starr left for Toronto this morning.

D. M. Eberts, M.P.P., left this morning for Ottawa.

County Court Judge Bole of Westminster is in the city.

Dr. W. W. Walkem, of Nanaimo, was in town yesterday.

Rev. D. McRae arrived from the mainland last night.

C. Z. Perry, of Winnipeg, formerly of this city, is at the Clarence.

Joseph Hunter, member elect for Comox, has returned from his constituency.

E. A. Wadhams and W. E. Ladner arrived from Westminster last night.

Sir Victor Brooke, Bart., and his son, A. D. Brooke, are guests at the Clarence.

A. C. Connally, Portland, Or., and Miss A. Connally are registered at the Driard.

C. F. Clapp, president of the Port Crescent Improvement Co., arrived over last night.

J. P. Tompkins of Vancouver spent yesterday in town, returning home this morning.

F. T. Childs, Kansas City, and S. W. Inglebright, Ohio, are stopping at the Driard.

Capt. Larkin, president of the Shuswap & Okanagan arrived from the east on Sunday night.

W. A Hambell, L. M. Cohn, Mrs. Ida Allen and Miss Grib of Newburg, Neb., are at the Clarence.

A. Badlam, Miss Badlam and Albert Gallatin and wife of San Francisco are guests at the Driard.

Col. Prior was a passenger by the Islander this morning, on his way to England in command of the Wimbledon team.

Mrs. E. Grey Hulton, wife of Captain Hulton, of H.M.S. Amphion, left this morning for her home in England, by way of the C.P.R. and New York.

R. Finlayson and the Misses Finlayson left this morning for England by the Islander and C.P.R. They had intended going several days ago, but were unavoidably delayed.

Col. Anderson, who has for the past week been a guest of W. C. Ward, Esq., will be a passenger to Alaska by the George W. Elder on the 22nd inst.

James Robertson, for many years agent for the Victoria & Seattle Transfer Cos., arrived last evening by the Sound steamer to visit his many friends in this city.

Carl King, the composer, Alvah Salmon, his pianist, and Sam Mott, the veteran theatrical man, returned from the mainland Sunday night and went over to Tacoma yesterday.

W. H. Snedakers and Amos Burr, San Francisco; Jay W. Adams, Los Angeles; M. Luhn, Ogden, Utah; Mark L. Wilson, St. Louis, Mo.; E. Francis Pocutello, Idaho; all one party of railroad men, are at the Driard.

John A. and Mrs. Ervien, John T. and Mrs. Greenwood and Miss Greenwood, all of Philadelphia, will be passengers by the Alaska steamer Queen, which sails from Victoria to-day. They have been enjoying the past week with friends here.

Ald. R. Kimmitt of St. Catharines, Ont., who came to British Columbia to fill an important position during construction of the Shuswap & Okanagon, is in the city for the purpose of attending the annual meeting of the company to-day.

Joseph W. Dorr, publisher of the Blaine Journal, is at the Clarence. Any one who desires information regarding the International City is invited to call on him between the hours of 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. to-day.

Gilbert Parker, connected with the St. James' Gazette (London, Eng.) is in town. He was formerly a member of the Sydney Morning Herald (Australia) staff and travelled extensively in that journal's name. His object here is to write some articles on Canada for the Gazette and some Australian papers.

A Cure for Toothache.

Gibbons' Toothache Gum is guaranteed to cure toothache instantly. Prepared by J. A. Gibbons & Co., Toronto, and sold by druggists. Price, 15 cents. jy20-12m-w

PASTOR AND PEOPLE.

Rev. Mr. Starr Bids Farewell to His Congregation and Friends—Sunday's Impressive Sermons.

A Large Gathering Last Evening at a Very Enjoyable Social—Address and Presentation.

The fact that the popular preacher who has filled the pulpit of the Methodist Church for the past three years was going away, attracted a large audience to that place of worship, on Sunday last, and both services proved of an exceedingly interesting character.

WEIGHING THE TREASURES.

In the morning Rev. Mr. Starr delivered a most effectual sermon from "Watch ye and keep them until ye weigh them before the chief of the priests and the Levites and chief of the fathers of Israel at Jerusalem in the chambers of the house of the Lord," Ezra, viii. v. 29. After describing the circumstances under which the injunction of the text had been given, the reverend gentleman dwelt with great force upon the treasures that had been committed, not alone to the Church, but to every individual. Upon the nature of these treasures he spoke with much earnestness, and affectionately warned all who heard him that their treasures would eventually be weighed in the future, towards which all were hastening, and that from each would be required a proper use and improvement of them. It therefore behoved all to be continually on the watch and always in earnest.

RELIGION A BUSINESS.

In the evening the church was crowded to its fullest capacity, there not being even as much as standing room, hundreds having to leave for want of accommodation. The text was "Therefore watch and remember that by the space of three years I ceased not to warn every one night and day with tears." Acts xx, v. 31. Rev. Mr. Starrb egan by remarking that under the Methodist system the term of three years—the period of a minister's itinerancy—had in his case expired, and therefore it had become necessary for him to appear before them in the pulpit for the last time. He next spoke of religion as a business, conducted by God, Son & Co., in which professed Christians were partners, and were bound by every conceivable consideration to promote its interests. He observed that the most insignificant part of a service was the sermon, yet many were perfectly content provided they were in time to hear the sermon, forgetting that in the lesson God was speaking to man, while in the prayers man was approaching God. No business man, if he had his own interests at heart, would neglect such important details in his daily life as were these in his religion. Many people would neither work in the church nor leave it, and, moreover, some of them were not willing to pay their bills or meet their obligations—neglects that in ordinary life would not be tolerated. A church must be enterprising and its ministers and people must keep abreast of the times, otherwise they could not expect to retain the people, who were every day getting more advanced. The church could no more expect to succeed by sticking to old methods than could the farmer of the present day prosper by ploughing with Elisha's crooked stick. It would, among steamship men, be considered ridiculous to expect that vessels like the Boscowitz could compete with others of the same class as the Islander, and in the same particular religion should be governed upon business principles. He had always endeavored to build up a liberal church, and, for many reasons, now-a-days, the gospel of money was in some particulars almost as important as that of salvation. Indeed, it gave him a cold chill to realize the manner in which some people treated the demands of religion as if it were a mere mendicant. He was pleased to bear testimony to the liberalism of Methodism in Victoria. During the three years of his pastorate it had raised $30,000 for church purposes, and he would remind them of the promise—give, and it shall be given to you full measure, heaped up, and running over. He deprecated the tendency that existed towards stiffness and lack of warmth. Too many churches were made up of people who sat in their pews like Egyptian mummies, rigid, stiff, and dead. The people of the Church of God ought to be the happiest and most cheerful family circle that the world contained. He had no faith in christians whose religion was made up of sanctimoniousness, censoriousness, and almost all the rest whine. We wanted a cheerful church and withal a soul-saving church, as he had reason to think this church had been. Mr. Starr concluded by personally appealing to all who were connected with the church to remember their privileges and corresponding duties, charging them all that they would at the last be called to the strictest accountability. Since he had been in Victoria he had been treated with nothing but kindness. It had been all kindness and forbearance, though, doubtless, in the course of his ministrations, he had found it to be his duty to say what might have grieved some of his hearers. He should ever hold in the warmest memory his three years pastoral labors in Victoria, and commending this church to God called upon the congregation to sing, "God be with you till we meet again."

SOCIAL AND PRESENTATION.

Last night a farewell social to the Rev. J. E. Starr was given in the school room of the Pandora Avenue church, Mr. W. McKay in the chair. There was a very large attendance, the room being crowded almost to its fullest capacity. The proceedings were opened with a chorus by the choir; selection by Messrs. Parfitt, reading by Miss Bailey; solo by Miss Lewis; instrumental selection by Miss Adams, and solo by Miss Humber.

The chairman referred to the extreme sorrow that was felt by all at the departure of their friend, Mr. Starr, but he felt sure that within a few years he would be back again, as was the case with most people who had remained any length of time in this province.

Mr. Jessop remarked upon the fact that three years ago Victoria had allowed Rev. Coverdale Watson to return to Toronto, and in exchange had obtained Rev. J. E. Starr. Now the latter was returning to Toronto and Mr. Watson was coming back for good. In three or four years more he anticipated that Mr. Starr would follow Mr. Watson's example, the onus of the Pastoral Chair being so beneficial as to lead those who had experienced it to come back again. If it were not for the conviction that Mr. Starr would soon be back again, to-night's parting would be much more painful. Mr. Jessop then read the address to Mr. Starr, signed by some 36 official members. It read as follows:

VICTORIA, June 18th, 1890.

To Rev. J. E. Starr.

DEAR SIR,—We, the members of your official boards cannot permit the three years of your pastorate allowed by the policy of Methodism to close without an expression of our hearty appreciation of the zealous and untiring energies manifested by you in behalf of the Pandora Avenue church. We look back with thankfulness upon the progress made since you took charge; nor shall we ever be likely to forget your efforts to organize our latent forces and give a new impetus to the cause of Methodism in this city.

We praise God for what has been accomplished towards the erection of our large and beautiful stone church; regretting as the same time that you are called away before its completion. It will, however, be gratifying to know that your name will always be associated with this undertaking, as its successful carrying out was only made possible by your devotion to ministerial duties and the decorously attractive character of all the services in connection with the church during your stay amongst us.

Our sincere prayers and good wishes will accompany you and your family to your new field of labor.

Signed by David Spencer, John Jessop and about forty representative members.

Mr. Spencer here rose, as he said, to emphasize the address, with a presentation from the ladies of the church and the official boards on the part of the entire congregation.

This took the shape of a purse containing over $250.

Rev. J. E. Starr, in returning thanks, said he had come fully prepared for the address, but he never dreamed that they would unite to pay his expenses out of the country. If he had succeeded in the object which he had set before him when he came here, all he had to say was that his efforts had been ably seconded by all the members of the official Board. At their meetings there had not been a single jar. So far as his official relations were concerned, there had been harmony from the commencement to the close, and he desired, in response to the address, to express his personal thanks to the officials and to say that unless his endeavors had been seconded with enthusiasm it would have been impossible to have accomplished anything like what had been done. Rev. Mr. Starr here paid a warm tribute to the exertions of the secretary-treasurer of the board of trustees, Mr. Jessop, in connection with the new church building and the ordinary church work continuing that, if in the providence of God it should be his duty to return here, he did not know if, in all the Methodism of Canada, there would be a more desirable appointment than this. In five years, nay, in three years, he believed there would be seen here a population of over 50,000 people. He had, indeed, a good opinion of the place. He believed there was a great future for it, which could not be checked, as Sir John had done that of Manitoba. When Victoria got the two railways—and were he in its place he should be content to pay half the cost—her future would be an immense one. Undoubtedly the Canada Western would come here, and the Canadian Pacific must come, if she desired to compete with the other roads. To himself the people of this church had been only too kind, and he had to express his thanks and heartfelt gratitude to all who were connected with it. He again thanked them for the accompanying purse as well as for the address, and concluded by asking that he might be remembered in the prayers of his Victoria friends.

After a solo by Miss O'Neill, refreshments were served, Rev. Mr. Starr departing, after heartily shaking hands with most of those present.

FROM KOOTENAY.

A Rich New Ledge Discovered on the Upper Bluewater—Col. Baker's Chances.

Col. James Baker, of Kootenay, who is still in doubt as to the result of the election in his district, arrived in Victoria on Sunday evening, and will remain here for a week or ten days. He says that the published reports in regard to the vote in East Kootenay have been incorrect in one very important particular, Mr. Law's majority, with Cranbrook, Fort Steele and Windermere still to hear from, was FIFTEEN, not forty-five. The three places whose votes are yet to be recorded contain 53 voters, almost every one a government man, and should give the Colonel a majority. If defeated he will attribute it to the fact that his friends were so sure of his success that they did not think it necessary to vote.

Between Wild Horse Creek and Sheep Creek a new quartz ledge has just been discovered by Mr. David Griffiths. It shows copper and silver which assay very high, and is large enough to satisfy the most fond expectations. Development has already commenced, and great things are looked for from the new ledge. A government trail has been made to follow the ledge down and when the Crow's Nest railway comes in it will pass very near to it.

The government has also had a trail made up the bluewater, and there is every prospect that the country thereby opened will be found rich in minerals. That it is a valuable district is shown by the large quantity of float containing minerals always to be found on the creeks. Hitherto the country has been literally inaccessible.

THE DUKE OF CONNAUGHT.

TO THE EDITOR:—The Opposition organ has made a very grave mistake, and one that proves their utter ignorance of events that have taken place in very recent years. In speaking of the Duke of Connaught they dub him as a Carpet Knight and one who has never smelt powder, save as it was wafted to his nostrils at target practice. Was not the Duke of Connaught present in command of his division during the late Egyptian war, and especially mentioned in despatches at the battle of Tel-el-Kebir, one of the most sanguinary and decisive battles of the campaign?

AN ENGLISHMAN.

The East African Concession.

LONDON, June 13.—Special despatches from Berlin report that the opinion published in the St. James Gazette on Wednesday, regarding the settlement of the East African question, only represents German concessions.

A VERY GOOD PROGRAMME

Provided at the City Police Court, Yesterday Morning—Sunday's Rich Harvest of White Drunks and Chinese Gamblers.

Interested parties seriously thought of shutting up the police court, disbanding the police and issuing an announcement that anyone desirous of go ing drunk could do so by paying five dollars towards some charitable object. Really had people begun to sneer at the stupid goodness of Victoria's citizens, and wonder whether the police were merely kept for ornament. This state of extreme goodyness could not last forever, though; a break was made and the court was largely patronized by spectators both Saturday and yesterday. There were two or three acts, the performers being not only different persons, but different nationalities in each act. The first was opened by white people, with a dash of Indian blood in it to give it an appearance of real north-west life. Johnny was the Indian hero, a Bachanalian, his part was short and consisted in saying "guilty." He never made a mistake throughout the piece. Geo. Sims, Thomas Preston and James Ibbotson played the same role. George Cain appeared in the piece to raise cain, but he didn't; he paid his five dollars. End of first act and exeunt actors.

Second act—same scenery—Enter Ah Bab, dicto Tong, Now, Hong, Gee, Bong, Gong, Jay, Lung, Jo, all attired like real Chinese and just as dirty. They were ranged along by the rails, making an impressively ugly picture, set off to considerable advantage by a sombre background of filthy-faced Chinamen. The chief figures in the picture were, on the whole, incarnations of bleary-eyed, repulsive ugliness; ten unwashed bodies in all. Their presence was explained by Sergeant Walker and Officer Redgrave, who had gone fishing for Chinese gamblers on Sunday evening. They had fifteen or twenty bites, but had been able to secure only ten, the gambling appurtenances and a sum of money. The performance before the court audience was simple, merely coming forward, passing a casual, off-hand remark and paying twenty dollars, after which they retired from the scene and disappeared.

Acts 3 and 4 combined.—The man Krause was called upon to answer a complaint of beating his wife. It transpires that it was a case of a man marrying a wife and taking over her maternal parent and other goods in the way of relations just as part of the marriage contract. This was not definitely stated to him as being implied when he was asked to endow his wife with all his earthly goods, so he demurred—hence the complaint. He did not answer to his name, and as he had left his place of work, it is presumed he has also left the country. The woman is with her parents.

The next scene was between James Dunn and William Thompson, the latter charging the former with robbery. The charge was not proved and Dunn was entered in his own recognizances for $100 for one week.

This concluded the performance and the audience dispersed (not amid the strains of the National anthem) well satisfied with the programme provided.

FOR SCHOOL TRUSTEES.

Nominations Received Yesterday and the Election Takes Place To-day.

In the past few years the nomination and election of school trustees has become very much of a routine proceeding. Public interest in regard to who filled the seats upon the board was at a very low ebb, and aspirants for the honor of being trustees found little opposition to contend with. The recent controversy upon the subject of corporal punishment, and the extent to which it shall be carried in the schools has wrought a change this year, and more than ordinary interest was evinced at the nominations which took place yesterday.

In Johnson street ward, the nominees were Mr. W. H. Burkholder and Mr. Richard Hall. Mr. H. F. Heisterman declined nomination for a further term, and Mr. Noah Shakespeare, who was mentioned as a probable candidate, decided not to contest the seat himself, but to support Mr. Burkholder's candidature.

Dr. Morrison, proposed by John Braden and James Fell, and Walter Walker, nominated by John Fullerton and G. Kirsop, are the candidates for Yates street ward, the doctor being opposed to corporal punishment in the schools.

Col. R. Wolfenden, proposed for re-election by W. Northcott and J. R. Stamford, was the first nominee named in James Bay ward. The next was Thomas McConnan, whose nomination bore the names of R. S. Rendall and R. B. McMinnis. Lastly, C. E. Mallette was nominated by W. Christie and Sidney Wilson, and in his favor Col. Wolfenden retired. The fight will be between Mr. Mallette and Mr. McConnan.

The vote of the electors will be taken for the candidates named to-day at the usual polling places, viz.: The City Hall, Burnes' Building, Bastion Square, and Hook and Ladder House, Government street.

RESIDENT PHYSICIAN AT NICOLA.

TO THE EDITOR:—When I came to Nicola it was mentioned to me that they wanted a resident doctor here. I told them I did not think there was sufficient inducement for a medical man to reside in the valley, but if they would raise $500 I would try it for a year. Circumstances have prevented the annual subscription.

I was informed a subsidy would be granted to a resident physician; if I wished for the appointment to get a few signatures of influential men in the valley. As opposition is the order of the day, "quite an endemic here," another petition, with numerous signatures, has been going round. An unheard of circumstance heretofore is that those gentlemen who put their names desiring the subsidy to be given to me, don't sign the contra petition. JNO. CHIPP.

Nicola Valley, June 12, 1890.

An Epidemic of Rabies.

LONDON, 13.—An epidemic of rabies exists in the neighbourhood of Dorchester. On Saturday last a farmer was bitten by a mad dog, and before it could be destroyed had bitten several farm animals. The man will probably be sent to the Pasteur institute for treatment.