

FORESTERS HOLD SUCCESSFUL REUNION

Many Hundreds Visit Nanaimo Saturday Where Parade and Field Sports Make Interesting Programme.

The local courts of the Ancient Order of Foresters entertained fully two hundred visiting Foresters from all parts of the province on Saturday at Nanaimo.

Long before 1 o'clock the scheduled time for the parade, the streets were lined with hundreds of people. The parade was over a mile in length, and the two bands of the Boys' Brigade and the Victoria Foresters.

The sports. Although the Victoria athletes and Foresters carried off the majority of the trophies, the Nanaimo juveniles decisively proved that they were masters of tug-of-war, winning two pulls out of three consecutively.

The first event was the 100-yard dash, in which Sid Winsby, of the J. B. A. A., won from the V. M. C. A. champion, Harry Beasley, in 11.2 seconds.

The one-mile event was won by E. L. Odom, of Vancouver, from J. B. A. A. champion, Murray, also of Vancouver, in 17 minutes and 30 seconds.

The 50-yard event for lady Foresters brought out a good field of the fair, and was won by Victoria's Mrs. Hancock.

The 800-yard flat event, Harry Beasley, of Victoria, took first, with Geoffrey, of Vancouver, a tidy second, in 17.12 seconds.

The five-mile race was won easily by Baylis, of Victoria, with Carroll second, and Coleman third. The race was a very close finish, with a limit for the race was set at 30 minutes.

The half-mile event is disputed by the Vancouver men and will be settled by the B. C. A. U. The race was won by McDowell, of Seattle, and E. L. Odom, of Vancouver.

The obstacle race caused much merriment and was easily won by Geoffrey, with Hodgson second.

The last of the relay race, was won by the local order of foresters in an exciting race.

The day's entertainment was concluded by a dance in Foresters' Hall.

Claim that Cutting Down of Homestead Grant in Railway Belt Would Be Breach of Faith.

It is with surprise and indignation that the squatters on logged-off timber limits in the railway belt of this province have learned that the department of the interior is considering cutting down the homestead grant to forty acres.

A call for the annual convention of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada was read at the last meeting of the Trades and Labor Council, and will be acted upon immediately.

GOOD COAL ON THE STIKINE

Areas Look Exceedingly Promising and Are Conveniently Placed As Regards Water Transportation.

A. G. McClarty, of Auld, Gwin & McClarty has returned from Vancouver from a prospecting trip through the Cassiar district in the interests of the Northern Coal company.

The tracklayers reached Healey on Thursday last.

Labor is in strong demand throughout East Kootenay.

The Vancouver Horse Show, was opened last Friday with over 1500 in attendance.

The Vancouver Board of Trade is arranging to banquet Sir Charles Rivers-Wilson.

The Mainland Christian Workers meet in convention at Salmon Arm on the 23rd inst.

The Scheidt Steamship Company is to establish a mail boat connection between Ladysmith and Vancouver.

Tenders have been invited by the Canadian Bank of Commerce for the erection of a new bank building at Ladysmith.

Discovery of coal on Haslam creek is confirmed. The drill had only been running six weeks when an eleven-foot seam was struck.

Burnaby's municipal council has decided to proceed with the Edmonds water scheme if the ratepayers approve yesterday.

Teredo-eaten to the last extreme, Robbins and his associates used Saturday with 200 tons of salt, a total loss of \$5,000 being occasioned.

J. M. Cameron, of Grand Forks, has been appointed C. P. R. trainmaster at Vancouver, and the purchase of the B. C. Electric Company.

Hon. Sydney Fisher, Minister of Agriculture, and Sir Charles Rivers-Wilson, president of the Grand Trunk railway, has accepted invitation to address the Vancouver Canadian Club.

Peter Anderson, a pioneer resident of Chinatown, died Saturday morning at the door of his cabin on Baynes Sound, under circumstances suggesting foul play.

Mr. E. G. Walker, of Walker Brothers, of Burnaby, has completed negotiations for the transfer of 738 acres of land.

A large section of Vancouver and almost all New Westminster went dry Saturday, so far as milk was concerned.

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PROVINCIAL NOTES

Vancouver's East End Masons are forming a new lodge of their own.

An unfortunate tramp named William Burrows had both legs cut off by jumping from a train.

Reports from all parts of the Island are to the effect that bird shooting will be good this season.

The marriage has just taken place in Nelson of Mr. William W. Innes and Mrs. Emma May Sommerville.

Information as to the whereabouts of Eric Cooper Flinn, of the Towers, Torquay, Eng., is desired by the police.

Mr. Robert Kelly, who has just returned from the North, expresses amazement at the rapidity of development in the localities of Prince Rupert, the Skeena generally, and the Queen Charlotte Islands.

The British Columbia Electric Railway Company announced that they will construct the New Westminster-Eburne line from the C. P. R. and operate it electrically on and after the 1st instant—next Sunday.

The wedding took place at Cumberland on Tuesday evening of Mr. John C. Brown and Miss Kate McDonald, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel McDonald.

At Cumberland on Wednesday morning the marriage was solemnized of Mr. J. B. Bennett, principal of the North Vancouver Public School, and Miss Mounce, late pupil of the Cumberland General Hospital.

The Fraser River Cannery Association are requesting an extension of the fishing season, which otherwise will close on September 1st.

Charles E. Robertson, a nineteen-year-old inventor, was seriously injured by an explosion of gasoline.

R. G. McConnell, of the Dominion geological survey, will spend the next two months on the Queen Charlotte Islands.

It is reported that Mr. Swen, who has been running the drill on the eleven-foot seam of coal.

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Dependency of the Cause.

SEATTLE, Aug. 16.—Dependent over a reprint, Sergeant F. A. Berger of the Marine Guard of the cruiser Tennessee cut his throat on Saturday.

Enormous Graft Annually.

NEW YORK, Aug. 16.—General Bingham, former police commissioner of New York charges that a hundred million dollars change hands annually in graft and blackmail in New York City.

Japanese to Build in China.

TOKIO, Aug. 16.—A Japanese syndicate has been formed here for the primary purpose of building railways in China and advertise the country through which the lines run.

Man Killed in Auto Accident.

SEATTLE, Aug. 16.—Wendell A. Odium, a real estate salesman of North Adams, Mich., was killed here Saturday when an automobile in which he was riding turned turtle.

Chicago Strike Prevented.

CHICAGO, Aug. 16.—It is rumored here that a new wage scale for street railway employees is being put through which will prevent a strike within the next three years at least.

Heat Kills Six in St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Aug. 16.—Intense suffering is resulting from the heat here and six deaths and 35 prostrations have been reported.

Dynamite Explosion.

GARRY, Ind., Aug. 16.—Two workmen are dead as the result of a terrific dynamite explosion at the stonery of the Acton Powder Company at Acton, Ind. One building was wrecked and many damaged.

Scalded to Death.

ELKHART, Ind., Aug. 16.—One man was killed, one fatally scalded and another seriously injured when a plug in the boiler of a locomotive in a roundhouse here blew out.

Found Body in Morgue.

SALEM, Ore., Aug. 16.—Walking into the morgue here purely out of curiosity Walter W. Johnson of this city found the body of his 16-year-old son lying on the slab. The lad had been strangled and stripped so by being dragged in the bushes when his horse ran away that the police could not identify him.

Not Settled Yet.

SPOKANE, WASH., Aug. 16.—The differences between Secretary Ballinger and Chief Forester Pinchot have not been settled although the irrigation congress has concluded its session here. It is understood that the matters will again come up for discussion at the conservation congress in Seattle the week after next.

Saloon Straddles Line.

OGDENBURG, N.Y., Aug. 16.—American and Canadian excise officers acting in concert by pre-arrangement, swooped down today from opposite sides of the border on John Overton, who for years has straddled the line near House's Point with a saloon that has long been an annoyance to the officers of both countries.

Overton and his wife were arrested after a stiff fight, in the Canadian ward of their house, and nearly a wagon load of whiskey was confiscated.

In two other raids on line saloons, much liquor was seized, but no arrests were made.

A branch of the American Association for Labor Legislation was formed in Minneapolis, Minn.

now, forty years later, are only being opened. There is, he admits, the possibility that the stake marks a lonely grave where lies the remains of one of the country's pioneers, but Mr. Campbell says there is no indication of a grave and he points out that the stake corresponds to the idea of a claim stake.

Mr. Campbell and McDonald think they have struck it rich in a claim they have located. Some exceedingly fine ore was found on some of the properties, average samples produced between \$75 and \$80 and others away above this. These claims, it may be said, are within a comparatively short distance of the Echo group, in which N. J. Cavanaugh with a number of others is interested.

Mr. Campbell, who has been thirty-seven years in the mining business, twenty years in the Kootenay, thinks the district between Sheep and Summit Creeks is as rich as either. While away Mr. Campbell looked over the Bayome property which, he says, is the most wonderful in the country.

AFTERMATH OF SENSATION

Esther Mitchell, Central Figure in Seattle Tragedy of Two Years Ago, Found in Nanaimo Opium Den

The story of a crime bred of religious fanaticism which excited a country-wide sensation at the time along the entire Pacific coast has been brought back to memory by the discovery of a Nanaimo opium den, utterly lost to even the shreds of a vanished decency, of the principal character of the two-year-old drama.

It is believed that after the present session of the Dominion Parliament, at which an adjustment of the differential charters held by the Spokane and British Columbia Railway company will be applied for, that company will push the construction of its line through to the coast. The work being done at the present by the company is believed to be for the purpose of holding its charter or to gain the confidence of the government.

RAILWAY PROGRESS.

Work on Midway-Vernon Extension Merely for the Purpose of Holding the Charter.

Mr. James Goldie reports that a gang of ninety men are actively engaged on the Midway extension. Work has been begun, not at the grade constructed by the Midway-Vernon a few years ago, but a little farther on. The work is expected to last for two months, and although the people in the vicinity do not view seriously the present operations, it is believed that after the next session of the Dominion Parliament, at which an adjustment of the differential charters held by the Spokane and British Columbia Railway company will be applied for, that company will push the construction of its line through to the coast.

Forty Years Ago.

Oldtime Location Stake Discovered Close to Old Dewdney Trail.

"Joseph Morgan, June 8, 1869," reads a mining stake which was discovered close to the old Dewdney trail, near the intersection of the trail with the old trail, and was located by John J. Campbell, a veteran prospector who has just returned to Nelson after a stay in Seattle.

There is, according to Mr. Campbell, only one way of accounting for this stake, which is almost ten inches square, with the name and date cut in it, and that is that it is one of the location marks of a mineral claim. Before the time inscribed on the stake placer mining had its rise and fall in the Kootenay country. Millions had been taken out in this way and it is possible that one, at least, of the men whom the yellow metal had attracted to this country was seized with an idea of the possibilities of lode mining in that particular district. Sheep Creek and Summit Creek camps, which

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