

THE "EMPERESS OF JAPAN"

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SCHOOL BOARD.

The Barristers' Opinion is That No Libel Lies Against the "Colonist."

Trustee Glover Expresses His Opinion on Complaints Against Mixed Schools.

The solicitors of the school board do not consider that any action for libel lies against the COLONIST, as the following letter read at last night's meeting of the board pretty plainly sets forth:

THE Daughters of England hall, or what is better known as Harmony hall, was occupied by trippers of the light fantastic last night, one of the customary social and dances given by the Daughters of England being held, and was as usual well attended.

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THE CITY MARKETS.

This season's hay, grain and other saleable farm products did not come in as plentifully as expected during the past week.

The necessary permission having been granted by the city council, the fine band of the B. C. F. G. A. gave a select concert at Beacon Hill on Sunday afternoon next.

BEING an ancient mariner himself, "Mark Twain" appreciated the disadvantages that would doubtless be incidental to his attempting to continue his journey to Honolulu in advance of the Warrimoo and being of an accommodating disposition he has reluctantly agreed to do with opinions or comments of the steamship authorities.

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THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

By the Charmer yesterday evening the Governor-General and Lady Aberdeen arrived in Victoria.

The assistance of the Board was asked by the agricultural association for children's day during exhibition week, the date being Sept. 18.

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THE WORLD OF SPORT.

Yesterday the eighth round of the international chess tournament was played at Hastings.

THE various requests were then taken up separately, some being granted and others refused.

THE presentation of prizes to the successful competitors in the Y.M.C.A. aquatic sports took place at the association parlour last night.

A QUARREL between neighbors at Millstream resulted in William Ridge bringing a complaint against Mrs. E. Pyke for using threatening language and damaging property.

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