WEEKLY WEATHER SYNOPSIS.

Victoria Meteorological Office,
9th to 15th March, 1904.

The week opened on the 9th inst. with a falling barometer and indications of an ocean disturbance approaching Vancouver Island. This developed during the day causing fresh southeasterly gales on the Straits and outside Coast. On the following morning the storm had increased to a most unusual extent and became the most severe and widespread storm of the season; its influence extended over Vancouver Is'and, the Lower Mainland, and the states of Oregon, Washington, Idaho and California. The barometer fell at Victoria to 28.84 inches, which is the lowest record in this district since 1891, when 28.80 inches were recorded at Esquimalt. The gale in this vicinity was only moderate in force, but on the Straits and the American outside coast it was unusually severe; the main force seems to have been felt at the mouth of the Columbia river, where an hourly wind velocity of 80 miles was registered. The disturbance eventually moved northeastward to Cariboo and passed beyond the Rockies. The rainfall attending the storm was heaviest in California, where also considerable damage is reported to have been caused by the gale to buildings and shipping at San Francisco. This storm was succeeded by a succession of low pressure areas over this province, which continued for several days, causing fresh gales on the Washington coast. On the 15th the pressure began to rise from California to Vancouver Island. The weather generally throughout the week has been unsettled and cold, with squalls of snow, sleet and rain, and frost at night in many localities. The snowfall on the Upper Mainland has been more than usual during the last month, affording good sleighing in many localities, on the Cariboo road especially as far down as Ashcroft. In the Yukon the day temperatures have slightly moderated, although the nights continue intensely cold, reaching 32 below zero. East of the Rockies the barometric pressure has been high throughout the entire Northwest; the weather has been cold and snowfall very general.

At Victoria, there were recorded 25 hours and 36 minutes of bright sunshine; highest temperature, 50.4 on 10th; lowest, 32.7 on 13th; precipitation, .25 inch.

At New Westminster, highest temperature, 48 on 11th; lowest, 32 on 13th, 14th and 15th; precipitation, .53 inch.

At Kamloops, highest temperature, 48 on 11th; lowest, 26 on 14th; snow, one inch.

At Barkerville, highest temperature, 36 on 13th; lowest, zero on 15th; snowfall, 7.60 inches.

At Dawson, highest temperature, 4 on the 15th; lowest, 32 below zero on 10th and 12th; no precipitation.

The following is the summary of weather for February, 1904:

Precipitation in Inches.

	Rain and Melted Snow.	Snow.	Total.
Victoria, V. I.	3.40	5.25	3.93
Beaver Lake, V. I.	5.71	7.00	6.41
Goldstream, V. I.	2.46	86.00	11.06
Sooke Lake, V. I.	8.05	37.50	11.80
Alberni	9.61	44.25	14.04
Nanaimo	6.02	25.60	8.58
Cowichan	6.23	40.10	10.24
Banfield Creek, to 27th.	22.49	7.00	23.19
Kuper Island	7.16	7.00	7.86
Vancouver	8.25	6.50	8.90
New Westminster	5.70	21.70	7.87
Point Garry	5.29	9.00	6.19
Chilliwack	4.99	11.50	6.14
Coquitlam	9.10	13.00	10.40
Kamloops	.04	24.40	2.48
Barkerville	..	43.00	4.30
Quesnel	..	24.50	2.45
Vernon	..	28.00	2.80
Nelson	.10	69.20	7.02
Enderby	.11	20.50	2.16
Big Creek, Chilcotin	..	7.00	.70
Port Simpson	.99	7.82	1.77
Nass Harbor	.73	2.00	.93

At Victoria, 39 hours and 12 minutes' sunshine was registered, the mean proportion for the month was 0.13; the highest temperature was 49.3 on 21st; and the lowest, 24.5 on the 8th; and the mean, 39.03. The total number of miles recorded on the electrical anemograph was 7,381, and the direction as follows: N., 738; N. E., 503; E., 934; S. E., 1,874; S., 736; S. W., 2,021; W., 618; N. W., 57.

Vancouver—Highest temperature, 47.0 on 17th; lowest, 18.0 on 8th and 9th.

New Westminster—Highest temperature, 44.3 on 18th; lowest, 12.0 on 8th and 9th; mean, 34.89.

Point Garry—Highest temperature, 47.0 on 4th; lowest, 13.5 on 9th; mean, 36.2.

Alberni—Highest temperature, 46.1 on 15th; lowest, 15.9 on 8th; mean, 33.6.

Nanaimo—Highest temperature, 47.8 on 22nd; lowest, 21.0 on 8th; mean, 36.2; amount of bright sunshine, 41 hours 24 minutes.

Cowichan—Highest temperature, 47.8 on 15th; and lowest, 24.6 on 29th.

Banfield Creek—Highest temperature, 47.1 on 21st; lowest, 24.0 on 8th.

Chilliwack—Highest temperature, 45.0 on 2nd, 5th and 24th; lowest, 9.0 on 9th.

Barkerville—Highest temperature, 32.0 on 17th and 18th; lowest, 24 below on 6th; mean, 11.7.

Quesnel—Highest temperature, 45.0 on 18th; lowest, 30 below on 9th.

Vernon—Highest temperature, 44.0 on 27th; lowest, 14 below on 9th.

Nelson—Highest temperature, 45.0 on 12th, 19th and 21st; lowest, 7.0 on 9th.

Enderby—Highest temperature, 51.0 on 25th; and lowest, 16 below on 9th.

Big Creek, Chilcotin—Highest temperature, 35.0 on 16th, 17th and 26th; lowest, 26.0 below zero on 29th.

Port Simpson—Highest temperature, 41.2 on 3rd; and lowest, 12.0 on 8th and 9th; mean, 29.1.

Rivers Inlet—Rain, 5.10 inches; snow, 44.42 inches; total, 9.54 inches; highest temperature, 43.7 on 4th; and lowest, 15.0 on 7th and 8th.

Kamloops—Highest temperature, 42.8 on 18th; lowest, 12.5 below on 9th; mean, 21.5.

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Sir Walter J. Sendall, former governor of British Guiana, is dead. He was born in 1832.

Local News.

GLEANINGS OF CITY AND PROVINCIAL NEWS IN A CONDENSED FORM.

—Rev. J. P. Westman conducted the services on Tuesday in connection with the funeral of the infant son of Mr. Mathews, of Burnside road.

—The wood sawing by-law, fathered by Ald. Vincent, was finally passed at Monday's meeting of the city council. It will now become law. Its provisions were given in the Times a short time ago.

—Monday afternoon Mr. Clare St. George Yarwood, of Dawson, and Miss Helena Anderson, of this city, were united in the holy bonds of matrimony, the ceremony being conducted by Rev. D. MacRae. The wedding took place at the residence of Mr. George Wood, Springfield avenue.

—The secretary-treasurer of the "Warrant Officers, Staff Sergeants and Sergeants' Club," Work Point, is in receipt of an invitation to the club members and their lady friends to a social at the drill hall on Thursday, 17th inst., 8 to 12 p.m. The social, which is being given by the sergeants' mess, Fifth Regiment, C. A., will, without doubt, be largely attended.

—L. Finch, of New Orleans, has purchased the business of Geo. R. Jackson, which, under his control, will be continued as a high-class men's furnishing house on a large scale. Mr. Finch came to this city recently from New Orleans, and became so enamored of its charms and convinced of its possibilities as a commercial centre that he determined to engage in business here.

—A "microscope social" will be held at an early date in connection with the Young Men's Christian Association. It is the intention to secure, if possible, a number of these magnifying glasses together with an X ray, in order to initiate those who attend into some of the mysteries of sciecce. A brief programme will also be provided. Refreshments will also be served.

—Efforts will be made by the Victoria Poultry Association to make the next annual show eclipse anything yet held by the club. A general meeting will probably be held on Tuesday, the 12th of April, for the purpose of taking steps to increase the membership of the association. It is likely that L. N. Cobbledick, who will judge the Tacoma show, to be held from December 28th to January 3rd, will act in that capacity at the next show in Victoria.

—A pioneer clergyman of this province passed away at Ailbury, Guildford, England, on February 19th, in the person of Rev. Robert James Dundas, the first rector of St. John's church in this city. He was here in 1859, and officiated at the laying of the corner stone of St. John's by Sir James Douglas in May, 1860. He left Victoria in 1864, and was rector of Ailbury when he died. The announcement of his demise appears in the London Times.

—The concert and social under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid of St. Paul's church, Victoria West, on Monday evening, was an unqualified success. The following took part: Soloists, Misses McKenzie, King and McCoy, and Mr. Forester. Rev. Mr. Ewing gave an interesting reading from the "Bonnie Brier Bush," and Major Bannister a recitation. Mrs. L. Hall was accompanist. Light refreshments were afterwards served.

—Lemon & Gonnasen, proprietors of a planing mill and sash and door factory in the upper harbor, are making extensive improvements to their plant. A new sawmill is in course of erection which will have a capacity for 20,000 feet of lumber a day. The building will be located on the waterfront, and its dimensions will be 130 by 40 feet. It will be equipped with new machinery. Boilers 66x60 will be supplied by B. R. Seabrook, Wharf street. The firm are making improvements in order to better to compete with the growing demands of their business. They hope to have their new plant running in June next.

—At Monday night's regular meeting of Queen Alexandra Hive, Ladies of the Maccabees, Mrs. H. Rogers was appointed past lady commander. Miss Cook, R. K., read a communication from Mrs. Hollister, supreme commander, complimenting the hive on the assiduous manner in which they are preparing for the next grand rally. Deputy Mrs. Spofford, who was in attendance, stated that she would be present at the state convention of Washington, which is to be held at Everett on March 24th. The record keeper was authorized to convey the greetings of Alexandra Hive to the convention. Lady Commander Mrs. Harris, who presided at the meeting, gave an interesting report of the work carried on by the hive at Skagway.

—Monday afternoon the regular meeting of the Women's Council was held at the city hall. There was a large attendance and important business was considered. Mrs. Jenkins signified her willingness to take over the duties of recording secretary, owing to the retirement of Mrs. Gordon Grant. Progress was reported by the standing committees having in hand the investigation of matters recommended at the annual meeting. Instructions were given the recording secretary to prepare a number of lists of the industries of Victoria for circulation through affiliated societies. This step was taken to assist in the promotion of the consumption by Victorians of home products. The committee having in hand the revision of the prize list of the women's department of the B. C. Agricultural Association reported that the work was almost completed, and would be forwarded to Secretary Swinerton as soon as ready. Mrs. Cummings, secretary of the National Council, wrote suggesting that the annual meeting be held at Winnipeg in October instead of September. This was not approved. The meeting shortly after adjourned.

—All the robins imported out here from England by the Natural History Society are not yet dead. One perched on the window sill of A. J. Dallain, South Turner street, a few mornings and appeared quite spry. It had a new lot of plumage and looked as though it was enjoying its freedom.

—Dr. Anita Newcomb McGee and party of nine Spanish-American war nurses, who were to have left here on the steamer Iyu Maru, but were detained on the journey overland, have arrived at Seattle. They will embark for Japan on the steamer Shawmut sailing for the Orient two weeks hence.

—Monday night a meeting of the Bricklayers' Union was held when the question of making an appropriation to be devoted to the furnishing of one of the Strathcona wing wards of the Jubilee hospital was discussed. The matter was laid over until the next meeting. Other business of importance was considered.

—The Tyee smelter returns for February are certainly very gratifying. The establishment ran 25 days in that month and treated 5,392 tons of Tyee ore. After deducting refining charges and freight this gives a return of $60,007. The showing is a splendid one, and a marked commentary on the increasing progress made by both mine and smelter.

—A women's missionary society was organized in Strawberry Vale church Monday afternoon. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. (Rev.) T. H. Wright; vice-president, Mrs. James Turner; secretary, Mrs. Ethridge; corresponding secretary, Mrs. W. H. Allison; treasurer, Mrs. D. Lehman. Interesting readings on missionary work were given by Mrs. F. Adams and Miss Sherlock.

—Baxter Hive, No. 8, L. O. T. M., held its regular review on Tuesday at Victoria West. Important business was discussed, and the ladies have arranged to give an entertainment in the form of a "railroad excursion" on April 5th. This promises to be very amusing and quite novel, and a good attendance is looked for. The lady commander gave an interesting report of the work of the local Council of Women.

—The fame of the office and store fixtures manufactured by Carruthers, Dickson & Howe of this city has increased to such an extent that a lively trade has been built up by them outside of the province. A contract has just been closed with an Edmonton firm for a car load of fixtures for that city. This is the second carload ordered from Edmonton of the local firm in question, and indicates how popular their goods are becoming.

—Bulletin No. 9, containing information concerning the northern interior of British Columbia, has been reprinted for the bureau of provincial information. There has been a great demand for the bulletin in consequence of the projected Grand Trunk Pacific turning attention to the northern parts of the province. It has, therefore, been found necessary to issue a new edition to meet this demand. The information given is carefully compiled by R. E. Gosnell from the best sources available.

—On Tuesday a card tournament was held in the R. E. mess between members of the Royal Engineers and Royal Artillery. The games played follow: Whist, cribbage, euchre, draughts and dominoes. One of the closest contests of the tourney was the game of draughts between Sergt.-Major Friar and Corp. Knight. The result was a victory for the R. A. teams, the score at the finish being 40 to 30 points. Every thanks is due the committee in charge of the preparations for their painstaking efforts to make the affair a success.

—At the drill hall Tuesday evening a shooting competition was held between sections 1 and 3 of No. 1 Company, Fifth Regiment, the gallery range being used. Some exceptionally good scores were made, that of Gr. Moss, who hit the centre of the target 47 out of 50 times, being especially notable. Number one section was victorious, securing about 481 points. These competitions are for a prize presented by Lieut.-Col. Hall, and will be held on three evenings of every week.

—There was a large attendance at the social held on Tuesday at the Y. M. C. A. rooms under the auspices of the Women's Auxiliary of that association. Rev. W. C. King occupied the chair, and after a few introductory remarks, the first part of the programme was taken up. Conundrum solving was first introduced and the correct answers when read created much amusement. Miss Winnie Beckwith was awarded the first prize, and the second was captured by Mr. Wagge. This was followed by some musical selections by Miss Anna Hendry, Miss Westwood and Mr. Coles. Refreshments were served by the ladies during the evening.

—The seventh report of the department of agriculture for the province has just been issued. The report is illustrated by full page half-tone engravings representative of farming and fruit growing in British Columbia. In addition to the regular reports for the year the different districts are described, and their adaptability for crops given. The diseases affecting live stock, fruits and grains and the insect pests with which the farmers has to contend, together with the remedies to be employed, are described, making the work valuable to the industry. In addition to other information, a summary of legislation, both Dominion and provincial, bearing upon farming is published in the report.

—On Friday evening the Y. M. C. A. "business men's" basketball team and the senior five of that association will play a friendly match at the annex hall, corner of Broad and Pandora streets. The former players have been training for several weeks, and claim to be in the best of trim. There are still some, however, who find it somewhat difficult to keep up a fast pace for the regulation 40 minutes, and the question of reducing the length of the match to 20 minutes—ten minutes each way—is being discussed. Whether the seniors will consent to this proposal is not known. The seniors are devoting all spare time to making preparations for the forthcoming struggle.

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—At Portland on Monday last Rev. Chas. W. Hays united in matrimony Mr. Frederick J. Esmond and Mrs. Nellie Kircheimer, formerly of this city.

—Victorians will be interested to learn that Charles E. Fowler, president of the Puget Sound Dredging Company, has been appointed president of the park commissioners for Seattle. Mr. Fowler is a frequent visitor to Victoria.

—L. P. Duff's commission as a puisne judge of the Supreme Court of British Columbia arrived from Ottawa on Tuesday. He went over to Vancouver Wednesday morning, and was sworn in in that city on Wednesday.

—The following appears in the list of divorces granted in the Seattle Times of Saturday last: "Nellie Kircheimer vs. Gustave Kircheimer, non-support and conviction for felony in British Columbia."

—The annual reports of the corporation have been printed and bound, and may be secured on application at the city clerk's office in the city hall. The work was neatly executed by the Victoria Printing & Publishing Company.

—A basketball game was played the other evening at the Y. M. C. A. annex hall between the Victoria ladies' team and the Victoria West ladies' five. The match was very closely contested. At the finish the score was 10 points to 9 in favor of the Victoria West team.

—B. E. Ohlsen, an employee of the Giant Powder Works at Telegraph Bay, was injured Wednesday by the bursting of a melting pot containing lead. Mr. Ohlsen was rather severely burned, and parts of his body impregnated with particles of the metal. He has been taken to the hospital, and is progressing favorably.

—In the case of Turner, Beeton & Company vs. Cook, in the Small Debts court Wednesday, J. H. Sweet, jr., applied for an order restraining the sheriff from proceeding with the sale of the piano, sewing machine and vases advertised in to-day's Colonist. The court granted the order, with liberty to apply to have the injunction dissolved within 24 hours' notice. The goods are claimed by Mrs. Cook as belonging to her before marriage.

—The James Bay Epworth League held their regular literary meeting last Monday evening in the League room of the church, when the following programme was rendered before a large number of friends: Piano solo, Miss B. Fick; reading, Mr. F. Schroeder; solo, Miss S. Howard; recitation, Miss O. Sweeney; duet, Miss H. Emery and Miss A. Lewis; reading, Mr. E. M. Whyte; solo, Miss A. Morris; reading, Mr. F. Schroeder.

—Preparations are being made by the young people of Knox Presbyterian church, Spring Ridge, for a bazaar to take place on the afternoon and evening of Thursday, the 24th inst., at the Temperance hall. There will be a number of stalls in charge of the ladies of the church, and a large and varied assortment of fancy articles will be sold at nominal prices. Refreshments will be served both in the afternoon and evening.

—President indications are that the field day to be held in connection with the public schools this summer will be a success. The committee, which were appointed at a recent meeting of the principals of the different schools and members of the sports committee of the school board to arrange a programme, has obtained the promise of the management committee of the J. B. A. A. to assist in the preparations. The intention is to secure a number of challenge cups for some of the permanent events, and to secure prizes for other contests.

—A meeting of the executive of the British Columbia Agricultural Society and the canvassing committees engaged in collecting subscriptions for the forthcoming show was held Tuesday at the city hall. His Worship Mayor Barnard presided, and among those present were H. B. Thompson, G. W. Anderson, M. Baker, Ald. Fell, L. Pither, G. Wynne, C. E. Redfern, Robt. Mowat, Gus Hartnagel, Steve Jones and C. H. Lugrin. The various committees reported progress, and although the citizens have so far contributed liberally, more subscriptions are required.

—Mr. J. C. Stover, until recently an engineer on the tug Lorne, and Miss Louise Aspeck, eldest daughter of Mr. Richard Aspeck, proprietor of one of the principal Terminal City hotels, were united in the holy bonds of matrimony at Vancouver on Tuesday. Rev. G. A. Wilson, pastor of the Mount Pleasant Presbyterian church, conducted the ceremony, which was performed at the family residence, 124 Ninth avenue, Mount Pleasant. The bride was attended by her sister, Miss Freda Aspeck, while the groom was supported by her brother, Mr. C. Aspeck. Mr. and Mrs. Stover are spending their honeymoon on the Sound, and on returning will take up their residence at Vancouver.

—The usual meeting of the Sons of England Benevolent Society was held Wednesday in the K. of P. hall, Douglas street, and a good number of members were present. It being the quarterly meeting a large amount in dues was paid in. The lodge is in a flourishing condition, and shows signs of success in all branches of its work. Several new names were mentioned for membership, and on suggestion of the worthy president every member pledged himself to at least bring in one member before the end of the year. If that is done the Lodge Alexandra, S. O. E., will have made an important advance. After business was practically finished it was decided to hold a smoking social at the close of our next meeting, which takes place on Wednesday, April 6th. A. E. Jones was appointed lodge editor.

—The death of Mrs. Fraser, of Barkerville, removes one of the early settlers of the province. She had resided in British Columbia about 29 years. After a few years spent in Barkerville she moved to Victoria, where she resided about seven years, returning to Barkerville later. She was 51 years of age. Some of her daughters reside in Nanaimo.

—Members of the crew of H. M. S. Flora have formed two associations. The marines have organized an athletic club and have taken up the Sandow course of training. Recently a "Spun-yarn" club was formed, and dances are held on the upper deck every evening. A piece of spun yarn tied around the great toe of the dancers is the badge of the order.

—Wednesday the ball committee of the James Bay Athletic Association held a meeting for the purpose of making preparations for the annual event, which takes place on Friday, April 8th. Among other preliminary arrangements subcommittees were appointed to take charge of the printing and advertising, the decoration of the hall and securing the services of a capable caterer.

—Wednesday the funeral of the late David Ferguson took place from the residence of his brother, No. 56 Quebec street, at 3 o'clock. There was a large attendance of friends and many floral offerings. Rev. W. Leslie Clay conducted religious services at the church and grave. The following acted as pallbearers: Messrs. J. M. Langley, S. Jones, R. F. Green, M. P. P., A. Cook, W. H. Cullin and J. W. Crawford.

—R. M. Palmer, the provincial freight rates commissioner, has returned from the fruit growing districts of the interior. He addressed meetings at Vernon, Kelowna, Summerland and Salmon Arm, urging the necessity for co-operation among the fruit-growers. There are a great many large estates being subdivided into small holdings in the Okanagan district, the purpose of purchasers being to engaged in fruit farming.

—The remains of the late Nels H. Ohlson were laid at rest Wednesday afternoon, the funeral taking place from the family residence, Lansdowne road. There was a large attendance of sympathizing friends and many floral tributes. Some beautiful emblems were received from friends in Vancouver. Religious services were conducted by Rev. J. P. Westman. The following acted as pallbearers: Messrs. C. Julian, M. Clarke, C. J. McRae, R. Glendinning, J. Manton and L. Clarke.

—The management committee of the James Bay Athletic Association has already taken steps towards preparing a programme for the forthcoming field day meet in connection with the public schools. At a recent meeting a committee, comprising Messrs. T. Watson, D. O'Sullivan and E. E. Billinghurst, was appointed to co-operate with the principals of the different schools and the sports committee of the school board in making arrangements for the event.

—Rev. W. Leslie Clay Wednesday united in marriage Mr. Robt. Nelson Flichett, of Everett, Wash., and Miss Dorothy Mion Norton, daughter of Mr. Joseph Norton, of Salt Spring Island. The bride was attended by the Misses Cross, and Mr. Walter Norton supported the groom. The ceremony was performed at the residence of Mr. J. Cross, 149 Menzies street. Many handsome presents were received by the newly-married couple. They will make their home in Everett.

—A special meeting of the Victoria Farmers' Institute was held at Saanichton last Wednesday evening to discuss the question of forming the district into a municipality. A motion favoring a municipality, to include the whole of Saanich electoral district, which had been carried at Cedar Hill and Colquitz, was submitted, but after considerable discussion was voted down, the Saanich people objecting to joining the districts suburban to Victoria. A motion was then put and carried, favoring a municipality to include North and South Saanich and Lake district. The question will be further considered at a meeting to be held at Boleskine road next Wednesday.

—Word has been received by E. E. Leeson, proprietor o fthe Victoria hotel, to the effect that the Commandry of Royal Templars, who will leave Pittsburg, Pa., on August 25th, for a tour of the Pacific Coast by special train, will be unable to include Victoria in their itinerary. This will be disappointing to local business men, who were expecting them to spend at least a day here. They will call at Vancouver, and after staying there for ten or twelve hours, continue their trip to Seattle, and from there down the Coast, stopping at the principal cities en route. The party will be one of the largest to visit the Coast during the summer, it having been necessary to secure 25 cars for their accommodation. An effort will be made by Victorians to induce them to make a side trip to this city by the steamer Princess Victoria.

PERSONAL.

Leon Sloss, of San Francisco, prominently identified with the Northern Commercial Company, is visiting the city. He is accompanied by Mrs. Sloss and family, who are guests at the Driard. Mr. Sloss has not been to Victoria for twenty years, and is struck with the transformation of the place. He says there is no business significance in his present trip, which is entirely for pleasure. He and his family are devoting all their time here to visiting the points of interest about the city.

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W. Grant returned home from Atlin a few days ago from a business and pleasure trip combined. Mr. Grant says he left Atlin on the last of February. There was then 18 inches of snow on the ground and the weather was very cold, the thermometer registering as low as 67 below zero. On the way out to the Coast he heard a good deal about the Alsek country, but received no definite news. He predicts, however, that between fifteen and twenty thousand people will enter the country this year. Work in Atlin this season will be confined chiefly to the old creeks.

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Mark Cuzner, formerly of this city, but more recently of Oakland, California, returned Monday afternoon after an absence from the city of more than a year. He made the trip from California by the overland route. Mr. Cuzner intends to resume his residence here, and he says he is the advance guard of a large number of other Californians who, captivated by the charms of picturesque Victoria, will come here when the place is an Eden of flowers and sunshine. A great deal of Victoria Tourist Association literature is distributed throughout the Golden State, and may be seen in abundance in hotels, railroad stations, etc., etc. Mr. Cuzner, it will be remembered, was prominent in basketball circles while here, having played a number of games on the J. B. A. A. team.

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W. P. Lockwood, of Tacoma, travelling freight and passenger agent of the Wisconsin Central Railway, and Geo. S. Taylor, of Portland, travelling passenger and freight agent of the line, were in the city Wednesday conferring with the local N. P. agent, C. E. Lang.

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Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Parliament of Canada at the present session thereof by the Pacific Northern & Omineca Railway Company for an Act extending the times limited by section 12 of the Company's Act of Incorporation, being 2 Edward VII., Chapter 90, of the Statutes of Canada, for the commencement and completion of the railway and for the expending of 15 per cent. of the capital stock of the Company thereon.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 15th day of March, 1904.

M'PHILLIPS, WOOTTON & BARNARD,
Solicitors for the Company.

BORN.

GIBBS—On the 15th inst., the wife of Dr. J. Gibbs, of a son.

STEPHENS—On the 13th inst., the wife of R. W. Stephens, Pine street, Victoria West, of a daughter.

MARRIED.

YOUNG-WATSON—At the residence of Hon. Richard McBride, No. 12 Park road, on the 15th inst., by Rev. W. Leslie Clay, M. A., Henry Esson Young, B. A., M. D., C. M., L. & C. P., Lond., M. P. P. for Atlin, B. C., to Rosalind Watson, M. A., late of the Victoria High School staff, and daughter of the late James Watson, D. D., of Huntingdon, Quebec.

JORGENSON-MARSTRAND — At Vancouver, on March 15th, by Rev. G. A. Wilson, G. Jorgensen and Miss K. Marstrand.

STOVER-ASPECK — At Vancouver, on March 15th, by Rev. G. A. Wilson, J. C. Stover and Miss Louise Aspeck.

SMITH-WITHROW—At Vancouver, on March 14th, by Rev. C. C. Owen, Clarence B. Smith and Miss Mabel Withrow.

DIED.

FERGUSON—On the 19th Dec., 1903, near Saanich, B. C., David Ferguson, a native of Grand Bend, Huron County, Ontario, and late of Ferguson, B. C., aged 42 years.

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SOLEMN HIGH MASS ... CATHOLIC C...

An Oration Will Be Deliver... ing—Interesting Accou... Saint's Caree...

(From Thursday's ...

The veneration of sons a... of the Emerald Isle throug... world for the memory of ... saint is receiving active e... day. This is "March the ... and many a garb is adorn... bit of shamrock. The birt... tional heroes are not alw... and sometimes the dates ... torical events slip from ... to-day is never forgotten w... is a loyal impetuous son ... sod" to impress it on the n... morning solemn high ma... brated in St. Andrew's Ro... cathedral, at which Archb... preached an eloquent sermo... a concert will be given in ... when A. E. McPhillips, K... liver an oration on the sain...

A correspondent has fu... Times with the following in... count of the life of St. Pat...

The number of histories ... been composed on the life ... saint of Ireland has, in a gr... tended to darken the k... should have of the truth ... cerns him. Of the 63 the... to contradiction are the "C... St. Patrick," his letter to ... his life, written by some of ... He was born in a village ... van, in the territory of Tab... northern extremity of Brit... from the Western sea. The t... descriptions have made hi... the birthplace of St. Patri... Patrick, between Dumbrito... gow. The time of the birth ... this saint and the number ... lived, are not less a subjec... than the country which gav... The most general opinion is ... rick lived 120 years, and th... happened in A.D. 493. If w... years there remain 373, w... counted the year of his birt...

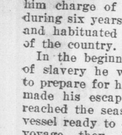
The apostle of Ireland w... his baptism Succath, signi... like," and it was Pope Cel... gave him the name of Pat... trician was a title of honor... ancient Romans, and a digni... high privileges were annexe... carefully brought up by his ... mildness of his disposition a... his morals rendered him the... of all who knew him. Pat... his sixteenth year, when bro... tive into Ireland and sold ... prince of Dalardie, in Ulster... him charge of his flocks. ... during six years he learned t... and habituated himself to t... of the country.

In the beginning of his s... of slavery he was warned ... to prepare for his return; he ... made his escape from his ... reached the seashore, where ... vessel ready to sail. After a... voyage they landed in Al... called Scotland. After under... dangers Patrick arrived in ... country, where he was tende... by his parents. At the age ... he left home and went to the... of Marmoutiers, near Tours ... was received by his uncle, ... and presented with the cleri... and monastic habit. He ... Rome nine years later, a... through the monastery of t... Lerins. Pope St. Celestine ... Patrick with every mark ... and respect, then consecrat... pointed him Archbishop of I... sent him with all apostolica... to preach the gospel to the ... of the island.

On his arrival he devoted ... tirely to the salvation of th... ians and travelled over the ... on foot; slept on bare groun... was the fruit of his preachin... ferings that he consecrated ... baptism, an infinite number... Many desired to confer earth... him, but he made it a capi... decline self-interest and wha... dishonor his ministry. He t... from the many thousands h... and often gave back the lit... which some laid on the altar... gave until he had no more to ... rejoiced to see himself poor... Divine Master, knowing pove... flictions to be more profitab... than riches or pleasures.

St. Patrick built 365 churc... erated almost as many bisho... claimed nearly three thousa... He died and was buried at ... Ulster. Nothing can be foun... the zeal with which the ne... lent their aid to St. Patrick i... down their idols, demolish... temples and building churches... den a change can only be at... Him who has the power of so... most callous hearts. It migh... be added that no other peopl... served its faith with more for... courage.

Wood's Phospho...



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