Local News.

CLEARINGS OF CITY AND PROVINCIAL NEWS IN A CONDENSED FORM.

—Wm. A. Riddell and Miss Amelia Bettie Garrett, both of this city, were united in marriage in Vancouver last Tuesday.

—The returns of the public library of the city for January are as follows: Books issued, gentlemen, 738; ladies, 776; total, 1,514; average, 61; greatest number in one day, 111.

—A horse belonging to Speed Bros. ran away Saturday, damaging the wagon to which it was harnessed and a milk wagon with which it collided. The animal was startled by the breaking of a strap allowing the breeching to fall on the horse's heels.

—A valuable St. Bernard puppy belonging to Purser Moore, of the steamer Amur, was poisoned a few days ago when taken out for a run around the park. It is the third dog which Mr. Moore has had killed in a similar way. If he can discover the guilty party or parties he promises to make it interesting for them.

—The inland revenue returns for the month of January are as follows: Duty, $57,511.66; Chinese revenue, $18, and other revenue, $572.45; total $58,102.11. The exports for the month amount to $236,918, the domestic being $39,949, and the foreign, $196,969. Imports for the month aggregated $214,596. The free imports amounted to $56,186, and the dutiable $158,410.

—The formal reopening of the Victoria hotel, under the management of Wolfenden & Millington, was largely attended. Reading room, dining apartment and the corridors were elaborately decorated, flags and bunting being used in profusion. A local orchestra furnished an excellent musical programme. Refreshments were dispersed liberally, and everyone spent a thoroughly pleasant time.

—The fire returns for January are as follows: January 1, 12.55 a. m., false alarm; 3rd, 7.50 a. m., fire at Colbert's, Broad street, gasoline explosion, loss $290; January 10th, 3.30 p. m., fire on roof of W. Harrison's premises on Johnson street, damage $2; January 23rd; false alarm; January 27th, fire at Nesbitt's Catherine street, Victoria West, no loss; January 31st, fire at Lenz & Leiser's, approximate loss $12,000.

BABY HUMORS.—Dr. Agnew's Ointment soothes, quiets, and effects quick and effective cures in all skin eruptions common to baby during teething time. It is harmless to the hair in cases of Scald Head, and cures Eczema, Salt Rheum and all Skin Diseases of older people. 35 cents.—55.

—The funeral of Mrs. Winnefred Gibson took place Friday morning from the residence of her son-in-law, W. S. Stamer, 23 Bellot street, at 9.15, and at 9.30 from the Roman Catholic church, where solemn requiem mass was celebrated by Rev. Father Risser, who also conducted the funeral service at the church and grave. There was a large attendance of friends and many flowers. The following acted as pall-bearers: T. Geiger sr., M. Bantly, P. Everett, M. Roake, M. Sweeney and L. J. Quagliotti.

—Several appointments have been made to H. M. S. Bonaventure for her new station in Chinese waters. These include Lieutenants F. E. M. Garforth, who will take up the duties of first and gunnery lieutenant; A. T. Amedroz and S. H. Morris. These appointments with that of Captain H. H. Torlesse to the command date from the 1st of February. The cruiser Flora, which recently returned home from Esquimalt, paid off at Devonport the 16th of January, and has recommissioned with a nucleus crew for service in the fleet reserve.

Lever's F-Z (Wise Head) Disinfectant Soap Powder dusted in the bath softens the water at the same time that it disinfects.

—Rev. H. Piercy again addressed the meeting in Calvary Baptist church on Thursday, taking for his subject the gospel of Christ and speaking from the text, Roman 1-16. Solos were acceptably rendered by Miss M. Freeman and Mrs. J. W. H. King. These meetings are held each evening at 8 o'clock, and a cordial invitation is extended to everyone. At a meeting of the members of the church after the service last night, it was unanimously decided to continue the meetings each evening next week, and it is expected that Rev. Mr. Piercy will be present to assist the pastor.

—Ald. Fell has the following notices of motion on the city hall bulletin board: "That it be referred to the building inspector to report on the following buildings, viz: Building on lot 751, lying between grocery and store on Douglas street, and in the rear of the lot; old sheds on wharf and on lots 4 and 5 fronting on James Bay; old building on block opposite the old custom house; old shacks and cabins in rear of Driard hotel, with a view to their destruction if found in an unsanitary condition and a nuisance. That the contractor for the construction of the Carnegie library be forthwith required to remove all debris and other material from Blanchard street in front of the building, and to replace the sidewalk."

—On Friday the third sitting of the Y. M. C. A. mock parliament was held, there being a good attendance of members. Speaker Higgins took the chair shortly after 8 o'clock. The usual formalities having been complied with, the government introduced several bills, which were read a first and second time. The resolution censuring the government for their failure to provide for a railway policy in the speech from the throne was then debated, the leader of the opposition delivering a vigorous address condemning the Premier and his colleagues for their lack of foresight in this particular. Speeches were delivered by members on both sides of the House. During its progress a sensation was sprung by the opposition, through its leader. They charged the finance minister with corruption and demanded that a committee be appointed to conduct an investigation. This was granted and a full report will be submitted at the next sitting. When a division was taken on the vote of censure the government was supported by a good majority. On motion the House adjourned until Friday evening.

—The shipments of coal from Ladysmith during the month of January amounted to 22,759 tons. Comox shipped 6,900 tons.

—The foreign shipments of coal made by the Western Fuel Company at Nanaimo for the month of January totalled 11,660 tons.

—The warrant officers, staff sergeants' and sergeants' club will hold a social in the Fives court, Work Point barracks, on Thursday evening, beginning at 9 o'clock.

—A rumor is in circulation in Vancouver to the effect that James Dunsmuir was disposing of his coal mines on Vancouver Island to the Great Northern Railway Company. Mr. Dunsmuir was questioned with respect to this, and states that there is nothing in the report.

—The King's Daughters will hold a "railway" social on Wednesday evening, February 8th, at their rooms, 75 Fort street, upstairs. An interesting and delightful journey is assured to all who purchase tickets. The train will call at six stations en route, and at the end of the journey refreshments will be served to passengers.

—Alex. McDermott, of the Victoria & Vancouver stevedoring firm, received a telegram on Monday announcing the death of a sister, Mrs. John Berry, a resident of St. John, New Brunswick. This is the second telegram of the kind Mr. McDermott has received of late, another sister having passed away but a short time ago. Mrs. Berry had been ailing for some time.

—At the regular meeting of the Victoria Stationary Engineers' Association last Thursday evening, the sixth of the series of papers now being given by the members was delivered by W. Robertson on "Feed Water Heaters." This subject was very ably handled, the lecture being illustrated on the blackboard by drawings, etc., and was greatly appreciated by the members. The next paper will be given by L. Heuther on "Lubrication" on Thursday, February 16th.

—Rowland Brittain, patent attorney, of Vancouver, sends the following abstract from the Official Gazette of the United States patent office for the week ending January 17th, 1905: During this week 418 patents were issued to citizens of the United States; Belgium, 1; Canada, 9; Great Britain, 11; France, 4; Germany, 20; New Zealand, 2; Russia, 2; Sweden, 4; Switzerland, 3, and Victoria, Australia, 2. Herbert Gilley, of New Westminster, received last week a United States patent on his improvement in sheave blocks.

—On Thursday evening next D. W. Higgins will read one of his inimitable stories, and also give a selection from Eugene Field, in the Y. M. C. A. auditorium. After each reading Hugh Kennedy will sing a group of songs. One of these groups will be Scotch, both grave and gay, while the other will consist of selections from Schumann. The last part of the programme will be an exhibition of beautifully colored limelight pictures of animals and scenery. Though this will probably be the best entertainment of the season at the Y. M. C. A. there will be no extra charge, the rate remaining at ten cents, with children free.

—R. M. Palmer has returned from the Lower Mainland after conducting a series of meetings there under the British Columbia Fruit Growers' Association. Mr. Palmer spoke at all the meetings held, dwelling principally on the benefits resulting to growers by local co-operative associations. By organizing an association, crates and other supplies can be purchased much more cheaply, better freight rates can be obtained by combining the shipments, and, further, prices can be maintained. As a result of the meeting at Chilliwack, a central shipping station is likely to be established there shortly, while similar action may be taken by associations at other points. The past season was, on the whole, a very satisfactory one for growers, according to Mr. Palmer, the favorable results being, in a large measure, due to the organization of local associations.

—On Saturday the Times published some school attendance returns which, however, did not include a list of the divisions exceeding 95 per cent. These are as follows: Kingston street, Div. 1, 97.94; South Park, Div. 1, 97.79; High school, Div. 1, 97.61; Boys' Central, Div. 2, 96.15; South Park, Div. 8, 95.62; Boys' Central, Div. 6, 95.47; Girls' Central, Div. 4, 95.42; Boys' Central, Div. 2, 95.10; Girls' Central, Div. 2, 95.02. Each teacher reports the number of pupils against whom no absence have been recorded during the month. These "perfect attendances" aggregate for January, 1,331, a little less than half the whole number present during the month; the Boys' Central, Spring Ridge, and Girls' Central having the best records—53, 53 and 52 per cent., respectively. The best record for perfect attendance in individual classes was made by the second division of the Boys' school, where out of a class of 44, 30 were present every session, or 68 per cent.

—Mrs. Flora Heckman lectured to a large and appreciative audience in K. of P. hall on Sunday evening upon psychic phenomena as revealed in modern science, showing in the course of her address that the word science covered all forms of knowledge that the truly scientific mind investigated beyond matter, and had discovered that the whole world is animated and lighted down to its most material shapes by a world within it. This inner world is called astral, and as the word astral means starry, and as stars are luminous bodies which give light of themselves, this name was the most appropriate one to be given. Every man whose senses were not dulled or prejudiced has guessed, or perhaps discovered with some certainty, that there are subtle senses lying within the physical senses, and by proper training these senses his intuitive faculties will be developed, where he will grow into an expanded consciousness of other worlds than this. Mrs. Heckman is an earnest, forceful speaker.

—Harold Robinson, the sailor on the ship Eurasia, charged with broaching cargo, came up for his hearing in the provincial police court on Saturday afternoon. He was acquitted of the charge.

—J. W. and Mrs. Matheson, of Tacoma; Allan MacRae, of Springfield, Manitoba; Alex. Bonnan, of Arrowhead; Alex. Calder and wife, of Winnipeg; R. J. Hutchins, Mrs. and Miss Smith, John Buchanan and Joseph Jones, of Seattle, are among the guests at the Dominion hotel.

—Thursday afternoon the funeral of Fred. M. Rogers took place from the family residence, Kingston street. A large number of sympathizing friends attended, and many floral tributes were presented. The following acted as pallbearers: J. E. Wilson, Geo. Weiler, D. E. Campbell, W. B. Shakespeare, W. Spencer and P. R. Brown, jr.

—Near Ladysmith on Friday afternoon C. H. Tait and wife had narrow escapes. They were out driving, and while going down a hill one of the lines broke and the horse ran away. Both Mr. and Mrs. Tait jumped and escaped with slight injury. The horse finally arrived home with the shafts and a few odd pieces of buggy behind him.

—It is expected that the C. P. R. offices in course of erection at the foot of Menzies street, and situated on the waterfront adjoining the new C. P. R. wharf, will be ready for occupancy by the first of March. The new premises will provide accommodation for the offices of the company now located on Wharf street and on the Hudson Bay wharf, but not for the general ticket office on Government street, which will remain where it is.

—Walter E. Clark, a native of Inverness, Scotland, and a resident of this city for upwards of 25 years, died at the family residence, 92 Niagara street, on Saturday night. The late Mr. Clark was 75 years of age. He was a millwright by occupation, and built a number of mills in this city. He leaves a widow, a son, Duncan, who is well-known in stevedoring circles, and a daughter, Mrs. R. Stevens, a resident of Mancouver.

—His Lordship the Bishop of Columbia, assisted by the incumbent, Rev. R. Connell, preached at St. Luke's church, Cedar Hill, on Sunday morning. The occasion of the bishop's visit was the formal dedication of certain recent improvements made in connection with the interior decoration of the church, a pretty edifice affording abundant accommodation for a large and appreciative congregation. The interior of the church has been lined and wainscotted with cedar. The large east window is now colored, and the pattern and subject, "The Good Shepherd," deserves commendation. New furnishings for the holy table, new communion rail, lecturn and pulpit are among the improvements. Credit is certainly due to the residents of the enterprising and beautiful suburb of Victoria, who, actuated by generous sentiments, have expressed them so serviceably.

—Goodacre's slaughterhouse on Richmond road was destroyed by fire Friday night. A telephone alarm was received at the headquarters of the fire department about 9 o'clock, and two hose wagons were taken to the scene. This apparatus was supplemented by the combination hose reel and chemical engine from No. 2 hall, on Yates street. Unfortunately, with the exception of a well, there is no water in the vicinity, so a bucket brigade and the chemical had to do the work. The firemen were unable to save the main building, but they prevented the flames from spreading to the sheds. A thousand dollars' worth of hides, seventeen dressed beef and a lot of mutton were destroyed. All the live stock escaped. The total loss will be about $4,000. The origin of the fire is unknown. Goodacre & Sons will begin rebuilding at once.

—Chief of Polic Langley is expecting a telegram from Chief Delaney, of Seattle, regarding a couple of suspicious characters who were taken in charge by the Sound city police upon their arrival there from Victoria on Wednesday morning. As a matter of fact the local detectives were aware of the departure of these men, for they saw them board the steamer, but as there was absolutely no evidence against them it was deemed advisable to get them out of the country. At the same time it was decided to wire to the Seattle police that there were two shady-looking customers aboard, whose antecedents might be inquired into. When they landed they were searched, and upon one was found a revolver. They are regarded by the Seattle police as professional crooks, and there is every reason to believe that they were the men who attempted to blow open the safe at Johns Bros.' store.

VICTORIA-SOUND SERVICE.

Summer Schedule of One Company May Begin Towards the End of April.

While no announcements have yet been made by either company operating on the Victoria and Sound route, it is expected that a service equal to, if not better than, that of last year is contemplated for this year. When the fine weather sets in the Princess Victoria will, it is thought, resume her double daily service, while the Alaska Steamship Company will have two vessels running again on the route, starting possibly late in April.

The latter are about to build a new steamer for their Alaskan business. The craft designed is to have plenty of deck space, which will give the passengers outside staterooms. The contract for the engines has been let to the Hefferman Engine Works at a cost of about $160,000.

A name for the steamer has not as yet been selected. The engines will develop a speed of seventeen knots, making the ship the speediest running to Northern ports. Oil is to be used instead of coal as fuel on the craft. It is the intention of the officers of the company to make the contractor build the vessel with two funnels. The steamer will cost in the neighborhood of $300,000.

VICTORIA WESTERS GOT THEIR REVENGE

TROUNCED JAMES BAYS AT BASKETBALL GAME

A Well Fought Struggle on Saturday Night—Victoria Team Beat R.G.A. at Hockey.

Victoria West turned the tables. On Saturday evening last the James Bay basketball team went down to defeat before the champion five of Victoria's western suburb. The match was played at the Y. M. C. A. annex hall, corner of Broad and Pandora streets, and was witnessed by a large number of interested spectators. Like the first contest between these teams, when the J. B. A. A. succeeded in winning after playing overtime, the match was desperately fought throughout, and Victoria West's victory can only be attributed to better team and individual work, resulting from assiduous training. The score was 18 to 8 points, but this must not be accepted as a criterion of the game. In the initial half the V. W. A. A. made five and the J. B. A. A. four points. Taken all round this period was in favor of the Bays, their opponents having the advantage of a number of free shots. But, after the usual intermission, the Bays could not keep up the pace, and, leaving the Victoria West players unchecked, the latter obtained the advantage desired. The score mounted steadily amid the applause and cheers of V. W. A. A. adherents.

P. Marchant was a strict referee, and it wasn't long after play commenced that he began exercising his authority. The James Bay boys were called to account for disregarding the new rule prohibiting the checking of a player by two men of the opposing side. Being determined to enforce this the referee found it necessary to use the whistle very frequently. The teams did not seem to be familiar with the regulation, and constantly transgressed it. No less than 13 fouls were against James Bay, while seven went the other way. Many of those present made thoughtless accusations of partiality against the referee. Unbiased spectators, however, came to the conclusion that Mr. Marchant acted in the interests of the game, showing no favors but endeavoring to suppress rough play and prevent the game from degenerating into an indoor exhibition of Rugby football. The contest came perilously near this mark sometimes, and had the referee not displayed his authority it would have become a deplorable rough and tumble struggle. In the first half the play was close and interesting, and when time sounded only one point separated the rival teams.

In the tug-of-war during the final period the James Bay five was found wanting. They became either too anxious or over-confident. Instead of taking things coolly, checking determinedly and watching for an opening, aggressive tactics were adopted. This was the opportunity Victoria West wanted. Their forwards were left comparatively free, and were well backed up by the redoubtable Baker at centre. A couple of goals were netted, and then the J. B. A. A. team began to lose heart. Victoria West still pressed, but for some time was held in check through the efforts of Messrs. Pettingell and Grey, at guard. At this juncture an unexpected factor came to the assistance of the V. W. A. A. team, sealing the doom of the James Bay boys. It was, the phenomenal shooting of J. Faizal. He was playing guard, but despite his distance from the basket succeeded in scoring twice in quick succession. This really brilliant play elicited rousing cheers. Every endeavor was made by the James Bay to recover lost ground, but it was too difficult a task, and when the whistle blew the score stood as mentioned, and Victoria West team had fulfilled its promise to subject the James Bays to a severe defeat in return for the latter's hard-earned victory of several weeks ago.

Taking the match as a whole, no person can deny that the Victoria West team outclassed its opponents. Shortly after the commencement of the second half there was no doubt of the outcome. The James Bays showed lack of practice, while the Victoria West team was in the best possible form.

For the losers R. Peden played well, his wonderful accuracy in shooting making it necessary for the opposing check to be continually on guard. A. Belyea was somewhat off-color, although he showed up to better advantage in combination than in scoring.

A feature of Victoria West team was the play of the new forward, A. Patton. Fast, alert and cool, as well as a fair shot, he is a decided acquisition. Baker played his usual good game. He and Hughes, the James Bay centre, were ruled off for rough play towards the finish of the match. Fairall and Crocker at guard were a defence very difficult to penetrate.

The next game between these teams will be awaited by enthusiasts with great interest.

Appended is the league standing:

	Plyd.	Wn.	Lost.	Pts.
Victoria West	3	2	1	4
J. B. A. A.	2	1	1	2
Fernwoods	1	0	1	0

GAME TO-NIGHT.

An exhibition match will be played this evening between the business men of the Y. M. C. A. and F. Y. M. A. at the annex hall. Play will commence at 8 o'clock

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

A LEAGUE GAME.

A junior league match was played between the South Park and North Ward teams on Saturday morning at Beacon Hill. It resulted in a win for the former, the score being 3 points (1 try) to nil. Play was fast from the start, and both teams tried desperately to score. The South Park team took the aggressive and succeeded in securing a try in the first half. The effort to convert failed. In the second half the North Ward team had the best of play, but was unable to penetrate the opposing defence. The game was refereed by J. C. Barnacle.

Appended is the league standing:

	Pld.	Won.	Lost.	Pts.
South Park	2	2	0	4
High School	1	1	0	2
Central	1	0	1	0
Collegiate	1	0	1	0

HOCKEY.

VICTORIA, 6; R. G. A., 0.

At Oak Bay on Saturday a league match was played between the Victoria and R. G. A. teams, resulting in a victory for the former by a score of 6 goals to nil. Although it was a rough exhibition the contest was exceedingly interesting. The soldiers played recklessly, their combination being comparatively poor, and their defence most unreliable. During the first half Scannell, of the Royal Garrison Artillery, was the victim of a serious accident. The ball struck him on the head knocking the unfortunate player to the ground in a dazed condition. He was assisted from the field and given every attention. Meanwhile the Garrison filled the vacancy with Price, and the match continued.

Soon after the bully-off Victoria scored as a result of a combined rush, J. Hart sending the ball into the net. The soldiers retaliated with desperate efforts to penetrate the opposing defence, but they were always checked. The Macleans and Gillespie played coolly, stopping all rushes so successfully that the soldiers became exasperated, and hurled themselves on the defenders. But the defence was equal to the occasion, and again the puck found its way to centre field. Being secured by the local forwards it was quickly carried to the other goal. Schwengers passed to Gibson, and the latter shot. It was stopped by the goalkeeper only to be sent back by J. Hart. This made the score 2 to nil in favor of Victoria.

About this time the accident to Scannell occurred. Half time being called it was decided to continue play without the usual rest.

The second half was Victoria's throughout, J. Hart scored again almost immediately after the bully-off. The local defence being called upon to act did so very successfully. Then another attack on the R. G. A.'s goal took place and, after some exceptionally fine combination, Gillespie sent the puck past the opposing custodian. This was repeated a few minutes later, and Schwengers added another to the account. After a rush on Victoria's goal, which made it necessary for Carne to save a dangerous shot, the puck travelled swiftly down field, and once more Schwengers was successful. Time was called shortly after with the score 6 to 0 in favor of the home eleven.

It would be difficult to criticise Victoria's play in Saturday's game because the team was not called upon to put forth its best efforts. The work of the defence deserves special mention, however, as it was splendid, there being no weak spot among the halves or full-backs, while G. Carne, as goalkeeper, is undoubtedly the most reliable the local eleven has had for years. Among the forwards there was a little selfish play, but on the whole the combination was excellent. The soldiers tried hard, but were outclassed. They played pluckily and deserve every credit.

Lieut. Ellison made an impartial referee.

Appended is the league standing:

	Pld.	Won.	Lost.	Pts.
Victoria	4	4	0	8
R. G. A.	4	2	2	4
R. E.	3	1	2	2
Vancouver	3	0	3	0

RESULTED IN DRAW.

The second eleven of the Victoria Club and the High school played a game on Saturday afternoon at Oak Bay. It was well contested, and resulted in a draw, neither side succeeding in scoring. T. B. Tye acted as referee.

SOUTH PARK WON.

An interesting match was played between the South Park and Central school girls' teams on Saturday morning. It resulted in a victory for the former by a score of 5 goals to nil. The game took place at Beacon Hill. The winning team showed much better form than their opponents, probably owing to continual practice. A. Rogers made a satisfactory referee.

GOLF.

SATURDAY'S COMPETITIONS.

Appended are the scores in the "A" class men's competition which was held on Saturday afternoon at the Oak Bay links:

	Score.	Hcp.	Tl.
*A. S. Reed	89	6	83
C. S. Birch	96	12	84
C. N. Cobbett	88	1	87
H. Combe	87	3	90
J. A. Rithet	102	10	92

C. J. Prior, C. W. Rhodes, L. O. Garnett, W. F. Burke, R. H. Pooley, A. W. Goward Jones, H. D. Twigg, B. Drake—No returns.
*Medal.

The scores made by those participating in Saturday's "B" class competition follow:

	Score.	Hcp.	Tl.
*W. P. Pemberton	105	24	81
*P. S. Lampman	95	14	81
A. Robertson	108	18	90
B. Goward	102	12	90
S. Robertson	109	18	91
F. S. Barnard	116	24	92
T. Ambery	112	18	94
Arch. Ewing	114	18	96

D. Rogers, R. Bethune, S. Breeze, R. Jones, M. D. Twigg, B. Drake—No returns.
*For sweep.

MRS. COMBE WINS.

The ladies' monthly medal competition, which took place on Friday afternoon, resulted in a win for Mrs. Combe. Among those who took part were: Mrs. Combe, Mrs. Laing, Miss Foster, Miss Cornwall, Mrs. Holland, Mrs. Thorpe-Doubble, Mrs. Lampman, Mrs. H. Beaven, Mrs. Martin, Mrs. Hood, Mrs. Irving and Mrs. Burton.

Appended are some of the scores:

	Score.	Hcp.	Tl.
Mrs. Combe	77	1	78
Mrs. Holland	85	5	80
Mrs. Martin	94	10	84

Mrs. Burton, Mrs. Laing, Mrs. Irving—No returns.

BOGEY CONTESTS.

Following is the result of the monthly bogey competition of the Victoria club:

Gentlemen.

Capt. Hunt, R. N.—4 up.
C. J. Prior and J. A. Rithet—3 up.
C. N. Cobbett—
B. Drake and A. L. Robertson—1 down.

Ladies.

Mrs. Langley—3 up.
Miss Mare—3 down.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

ON THE MAINLAND.

Ed. Whyte, goalkeeper for the Vancouver Celtic team, which captured the Mainland championship, has returned to Victoria. Discussing conditions in Mainland football circles, he says:

"Now that the Mainland Association football championship has been decided, the footballers of the Mainland are going to co-operate and assist the Celtics in every way possible by arranging games in order that the champions may be in the best possible condition to meet the Island champions in April. With this object in view the champions and the ex-champions have held meetings and the following resolution carried unanimously: 'That the secretaries of the clubs mentioned write to the secretary of the Mainland Association asking him to call a meeting at the earliest date possible to discuss the formation of an inter-city league to be composed of two teams from Vancouver (possibly three), one from New Westeminster, and Central Park teams.'

"This would be the best way to keep the team in practice, because there would be something to play for. Another proposition which has been very favorably received is that a representative team be chosen from the other six teams in the league to play a series of games with the champions for the purpose of arousing interest in the game, these contests to take place at Brockton Point.

"The Celtics are endeavoring to place intermediate and junior teams in the field in the near future to contest for the provincial championships in their respective classes. Columbia College and the High school are combining in New Westminster with the intention of placing an intermediate team in the field to fight for the British Columbia championship.

"Association football is to a great extent taking the place of Rugby on the Mainland. In Chilliwack they have organized a district league, comprising six teams—Chilliwack, East Chilliwack, West Chilliwack, Sumas, Sardis and North Chilliwack. In Vancouver there will be a city league formed, composed of four teams, Celtics, Shamrocks, Vancouver and Vancouver Scottish. An endeavor is also being made to get the schools interested in the formation of a junior league along the same lines as Victoria."

THE ISLAND LEAGUE.

A meeting of the Island League was held on Thursday when the question of providing medals and no cup for the winning team was introduced. No decision was reached, the matter being left in abeyance until the next meeting. It was agreed that if the Victoria West team withdrew, as reported, some changes in the present arrangements would be necessary. There being no further business the meeting adjourned to Thursday, the 16th inst.

BONAVENTURE WON.

At the Canteen grounds on Saturday an Island League match was played between H. M. S. Bonaventure and H. M. S. Egeria teams. It was won by the former, the score being two goals to nil. Following is the league standing:

	Played.	Won.	Lost	Pts.
Victoria West	1	1	0	2
Garrison	1	1	0	2
Bonaventure	2	1	1	2
Egeria	2	0	2	0

HANDBALL.

FERNWOOD TOURNEY.

The Fernwood tournament will be continued on Tuesday evening next. Appended is the present standing of the series:

Player.	Played.	Won.	Lost.	P.C.
P. K. Winch	8	8	0	100
E. B. Jones	7	6	1	85
H. Jameson	9	7	2	77
W. P. Marchant	10	7	3	70
A. Wescott	10	7	3	70
A. Marconini	6	4	2	66
W. P. Bassett	9	5	4	55
W. Wilson	6	3	3	50
E. E. Wescott	10	4	6	40
H. Spengler	5	2	3	40
W. Malcolm	6	2	4	33
A. Baines	3	1	2	33
H. L. Gray	11	3	8	27
N. P. Davis	9	1	8	11
H. V. Johnson	4	0	4	00
B. Selmon	7	0	7	00

—In the Assize court the trial of Wong Gow and Wong On, charged with murder, is in progress. Several witnesses are being called to give rebuttal evidence. The defence put up was that the two men charged with the crime were not present when the murder was committed. It is possible that the trial may be concluded about the middle of the week.

In the births, marriages and deaths column of a London paper the other day notices appear of the deaths of eight octogenarians and one nonogenarian. Their total ages amounted to 778 years, or an average of 86½.

BORN.

BOSQUET—At Nelson, on Feb. 1st, the wife of Fred. Bosquet, of a son.

TAYLOR—At Revelstoke, on Jan. 22nd, the wife of T. E. L. Taylor, of a son.

BRADSHAW—At Nelson, on Jan. 31st, the wife of Joseph Bradshaw, of a son.

HUNTER—At Nelson, on Jan. 31st, the wife of Robert D. Hunter, of a daughter.

MARRIED.

COLLINS-GRIFFITH—At Rossland, on Jan. 31st, by Rev. G. E. Smith, J. F. Collins and Miss Edna Griffith.

BATE-LAMBERT—At Vernon, on Jan. 26th, by Rev. J. H. Lambert, Ernest S. Bate and Margaret Eadburga Lambert.

MOODY-MOODY—At Vancouver, on Feb. 2nd, by Rev. G. A. Wilson, Albert A. Moody and Miss Etta Moody.

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