The Colonist.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7TH, 1890.

LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

Statistics.

During the month of January fourteen births, thirteen marriages and twenty-three deaths were registered for Victoria city at the registry office, Bastion Square. Pneumonia, in many cases following influenza, is ascribed as the principal cause of the deaths.

Returned to Work.

The four sailors who refused to obey Capn. Cox of the schooner Triumph were before the police magistrate yesterday and after receiving a lecture from his honor, were sent back to the schooner, as the captain said he would look over their bad conduct if they behaved in future.

All O. K.

The steamer Falcon, which ran on the rocks near the entrance to the harbor on Friday morning, floated off none the worse for the incident at high tide yesterday morning. Her paint was scratched, and that was about the extent of the damage received.

For Charity's Sake.

It is the intention of the Married Ladies' Club, which has given some of the most enjoyable dances of the present season, to hold a grand ball shortly before Easter in aid of the funds of the Jubilee Hospital. The invitation list will be very select and tickets at $5 each will only be procurable by the favored four hundred.

They Mean Business.

The Chemainus sawmills, owned by the Victoria Lumber & Mfg. Co., will be again put in operation next week, their first work being to prepare the material for the erection of the new mills. Although no definite decision has been announced in regard to the new mill site, it is generally understood that Chemainus will be selected.

A Drop in Furs.

During the past week the prices of land furs, not sealskins, have taken a drop on the London market of 30 per cent; the depreciation in values being due to the approach of spring rather that to any exceptional heavy receipts. The season has been a fair average one for the dealers; the British Columbia exportations fully coming up to the standard in quantity and quality.

Both Dismissed.

In the Speedy Trials Court yesterday morning, Mr. Justice Walkem presiding, Jas. Brown, charged with assaulting Capt. Meyer, of the Sardonyx, and Wm. Griffiths, charged with assaulting C. Brewster, were both dismissed. In dismissing the latter, His Lordship stated that he thought Brewster was more to blame than the defendant.

Inland Revenue Returns.

The following are the returns for January for Inland Revenue Division, No. 37, Victoria:

Spirits	$6,329 20
Malt	599 35
Tobacco	529 80
Cigars	978 15
Petroleum	348 30
Total	$8,784 80

Land is Money.

On Friday last the Misses Davey of this city disposed of their property on Puget Sound, which was pre-empted by their father twelve years ago, for about $40,000. Had any one prophesied twelve years ago that the land would to-day be worth the small fortune it sold for he would have probably been regarded as insane, and yet the purchasers are fully satisfied that they have a rare bargain.

High Prices.

Fresh meats of all kinds are now selling at prices never before touched in all the cities of the Sound, where a uniform scale has been adopted; in almost every case at least one-third higher than the Victoria prices. As a portion of the Vancouver Island supply, especially mutton, is drawn from across the Sound, the probability is that the butchers of this city will be compelled to advance their prices, though not to the high water-mark figures of Tacoma, Seattle and Port Townsend.

Freight and Trade Notes.

The Princess Louise brought down 150 tons of grain, 30 of hay, ten of straw and a lot of hides.

Steamer Lakme brought 500 barrels of cement, 3,500 sacks of flour and 40 tons of general merchandise from Portland yesterday.

The City of Puebla brought up 171 tons of freight for this port.

A large consignment of machinery arrived for the Albion Iron Works by the City of Puebla yesterday.

Railway Changes.

Mr. A. Shaw, who has filled the responsible position of local manager at Nanaimo for the E. & N. Railway Co. ever since the road was first in operation, has resigned in order to devote his whole time and attention to the electric light system of Nanaimo. Mr. H. Good, formerly of Koklah, has been promoted to the Nanaimo station.

The down train for Saturday afternoons has been cancelled until further notice.

On the Honor Roll.

The twelve pupils of the second division, boys' school, named below, have the honor of standing first in the division for the month of January: Arthur Frederick Richardson, Thomas Haydn Wilson, Percy Dunkerley, George William Andrews, George Clinton Pickard, Walter Frederick Askew, Leonard Alfred Gill, William Charles Redfern, Francis Herbert Burkholder, Douglas Campbell Tuck, John Henry North, William Fraser.

A Maniac's Freak.

A young man named J. W. Hewton, of Hewton Bros., butchers, Vancouver, became insane, and Wednesday acted in a very strange manner. As the Westminster train was coming into the city that night he stood on the track notwithstanding the warning of the engine whistle. The train was brought to a standstill when it was almost upon him. He was brought into the city, and shortly afterwards was acting in a frantic manner on Cordova street, when he was taken in charge by Officer Johnson. At the police station he acted in a most extraordinary way. Yesterday morning Drs. McGuigan and Langis ordered his committal to the Westminster asylum, and Officer Haywood brought him over in the afternoon. His insanity is not likely to be permanent.—Columbian.

Again in Trouble.

Last evening Supt. of Police Sheppard received a telegram from the governor of the penitentiary at New Westminster asking him to arrest and hold Dr. D. P. Guthrie, of pool playing fame, as he was about to leave Victoria, and warrants were on the way from Westminster charging him with obtaining money under false pretences. With the sincerity that characterizes him, Sergt. Walker a few minutes after the dispatch had been received, arrested the man wanted. He was seen at the police office by a COLONIST man during the evening, but declined to say anything about the charge. He felt keenly the disgrace of his position, and while expressing himself as confident of clearing himself, he was very anxious to escape spending the night in the cells. On the arrival of the Islander a Westminster officer presented the papers in the case, and will go back with Dr. Guthrie to the mainland. The friends of the young doctor strongly assert his innocence. He had been in the habit of drawing on his father for funds, and every draft but the last had been honored. He expected that it, too, would be, and had no intention of defrauding the bank from which he is accused of obtaining money by false representations. The matter will, in all probability, be settled without coming to trial.

Public Opinion.

The mainland newspapers, without an exception, speak disapprovingly of the tactics resorted to by the opposition. They condemn their nonsensical questions, their bogus motions and their perpetual chatter about the merest trifles.

A Temperance Talk.

Last evening a well attended temperance meeting, under the auspices of the Moral Reform Association, was held in the Blue Ribbon hall, Pandora street. Rev. D. Fraser, Mr. Siddall, Hon. John Robson and Rev. M. L. Rugg delivered practical and interesting addresses, and a choice programme of music further increased the pleasure of those attending.

The Island Railway.

The snow on the line of the Island railway has reached the unprecedented depth of five feet on the level, and eight feet in the hills. Although the fight has been a hard one, trains have been kept running regularly right along, much to the credit of the able management of the road. Yesterday a thaw set in and the snow commenced to disappear in the neighborhood of Chemainus.

They Should be Issued.

Now that the electric street railway is an accomplished fact and the cars will be running on the streets in the course of another week, a great many parents are enquiring if it is the intention of the company to issue school tickets at a reduced rate, as is customary in other cities. It is something that the company should look after, for if the tickets are issued the children's patronage will be by no means inconsiderable.

The Scotch Fishermen.

Friday's Columbian says: A consignment of cod fish came in this morning by the steamer Princess Louise from Victoria, sent by the Scotch fishermen, and although the steamer was delayed some time in reaching port, the fish arrived in fine condition, and are, in fact, the best which have been on the market this season. Arrangements have been made between Mr. Vianen and the Scotch fishermen whereby a regular supply of cod and other fish will be received by every boat.

Real Estate.

Bourchier, Croft & Mallette report the following sales: One lot, Beckley farm, $500; 49 acres, Port Angeles, $4,700; two lots, John street, James Bay, $1,350; 160 acres, Port Angeles, $12,000; ten acres, Port Angeles, $7,500; nine lots, Port Angeles, $750. Total, $26,800.

Dalby & Ballentyne have sold six acres on the Gorge road for $6,000 and a house and lot on Chatham street for $2,500.

Secret Societies.

Members of the Masonic Order will meet at the Temple at 2 o'clock this afternoon to attend the funeral of their late brother H. G. Cox.

Perseverance Lodge No. 1, I. O. G. T., will meet on Tuesday evening next for the Installation of officers. Every chair will this term be filled by a lady member.

At the regular meeting of Victoria Division No. 2, U. R. K. of P., on Friday evening last seven new members were enrolled and the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Sir Knight Capt., H. F. Behnsen; Sir Kt. Lieut., A. G. Black; Sir Kt. Herald, R. J. Plummer; Sir Kt. Recorder, J. M. Hughes; Sir Kt. Treasurer, D. F. Fee, jr.; Sir Kt. Guard, H. A. Dutie; Sir Kt. Sentinel, T. B. Macabe. The division will attend the grand ball on the 18th in uniform, and will give a public parade on the afternoon of Pythian Day, February 19th.

Williams' Directory.

R. T. Williams has just issued his directory of Victoria and Nanaimo cities, compiled by Thos. Draper. Besides the names and addresses of the inhabitants of the island cities, with street directories of same, the work contains a vast amount of interesting and valuable information of both cities and of the province generally. All Provincial and Dominion officials are enumerated, with lists of all societies, banks, companies, municipalities and their officers. The book also contains the Dominion and Provincial land and mining laws, and other useful information. The Victoria list is introduced by a well written description of its beauties, progress and business, the population, based upon the names in the directory, being placed at 22,500, which many well-informed believe to be a fair estimate. The work is indispensable to all business men within the province, and a copy of the directory should be in the possession of all. The price has been placed at the low figure of $1.25, and it is surprising that a work which must have occupied so much time and expense in its compilation can be sold for so small a sum.

PERSONAL.

Norman Macauley is in West Kootenay.

R. P. Rithet arrived from San Francisco yesterday.

Thad. Harper, of Ashcroft, is back from California.

E. V. Rodwell went over to Vancouver this morning.

W. D. Creighton returned to Vancouver this morning.

A. Begg was a passenger to the mainland this morning.

Mrs. Wm. Dee has left on a visit to her parents in Toronto, Ont.

M. M. English and wife returned to the mainland this morning.

Rev. A. L. Parker was a passenger by the Olympian last evening.

Beaumont Boggs is home again, having greatly enjoyed his trip East.

Vernona Jarbeau and her company arrived by the Puebla yesterday.

A. Dunsmuir will be a passenger for San Francisco by the Walla Walla to-morrow.

John Polley, better known as "Jack," captain of the New Westminster Lacrosse Club, is in town.

T. Heamans came up from San Francisco yesterday and went over to the mainland this morning.

R. G. Cunningham will be a passenger by the Walla Walla, which leaves for San Francisco on Monday.

J. M. English and wife will leave for San Francisco as soon as the overland road is open for traffic.

C. J. Mulkey, deputy collector of customs at San Francisco, arrived by the Oceanic steamer last evening.

Robt. Irving, agent of the C. P. R., is convalescing rapidly, and will soon again be at his accustomed place.

Capt. John Irving has so far recovered as to be able to drive to his office. He is rapidly recovering his usual good health.

Purser Ames, of the City of Puebla, has resigned, and has been succeeded by Mr. Barker, formerly freight clerk of the Queen of the Pacific.

F. J. Stephens, freight clerk on the Princess Louise, left for Vancouver this morning to act as C. P. N. agent there, vice G. F. Carlton, who is off on a holiday.

W. H. Phipps, land commissioner of Hudson, Wis., and secretary of the Victoria Lumber and Manufacturing Company, with Mrs. Phipps is visiting Victoria.

MARINE.

Steamer Walla Walla leaves for San Francisco to-morrow.

Steamer Lakme arrived from Portland yesterday and left last night for Nanaimo.

Steamer Sardonyx arrived from Nanaimo yesterday and will tie up for repairs.

Steamer City of Topeka is to be replaced by the Santa Cruz on the Alaska route. The Santa Cruz leaves San Francisco to-morrow.

Steamer City of Puebla arrived from San Francisco yesterday, making the trip in 51 hours.

Ship America, for several days wind bound at Esquimalt, has sailed for San Pedro, coal laden.

The Great Annual Boot Sale.

At Russell, McDonald & Co.'s, opposite the iron church, Douglas street, is now on. All goods are being sold at an immense reduction.

A FATAL FALL.

Engineer Fox, of the Sardonyx, Pushing to His Death.

On Thursday evening as the steamer Sardonyx was lying at the wharf at Nanaimo, H. G. Fox, the chief engineer, while walking in the cabin fell through the main hatch to the floor of the hold, seriously injuring his skull, although not breaking any bones.

The injured man lay in the hold for some time unconscious, when he was missed by his shipmates, who found him in a very dangerous condition.

The marine surgeon, Dr. T. L. Davis, was immediately summoned and gave orders that the injured man should be taken to the hospital, but on account of the position of the steamer he could not be removed until next morning. In spite of everything that could be done, however, he succumbed to his injuries before he reached the hospital.

It was about 7 o'clock in the evening when he met with his awful fall, and at 9 o'clock the next morning he died, not having regained consciousness during the whole period.

The deceased was a native of England and aged 46 years. He came to Victoria about three years ago, and had been in the employ of the C. P. N. Co. ever since.

The remains were brought down from Nanaimo yesterday and will be buried to-day from the Masonic Temple, he having been a member of the Masonic order. The deceased leaves a widow but no family. At the request of Mrs. Fox no inquest was held.

THE EARTH TREMBLED.

A Little Earthquake Surprises Victoria with a Hurried Visit.

At exactly twenty-eight minutes past five o'clock last evening the entire business portion of Victoria felt the effect of a slight shock of earthquake which caused every building between Quadra street and the water front to shiver as though shaken by a gale of unusual violence. The trembling sensation lasted for only about four seconds and the wave apparently passed up, as houses above Quadra street felt the unusual sensation a few minutes later. The shock was a silent one and did not partake of the undulating character of the usual southern earthquake; the ground simply shivered as with the force of a noiseless explosion.

Goods upon the shelves of several establishments on Government street fell to the floor; crockery was demolished in a few homes, and two chimneys, one on Pandora avenue and one on Work street, suffered.

Earth-tremblings are not entire novelties to Victoria, shocks of various degrees of magnitude having occurred almost annually. In 1864 a pronounced shock occurred at about six o'clock one bright morning, causing consternation throughout the city. Again in 1878 a convulsive movement of the earth was felt, accompanied by a detonation like the discharge of a battery of artillery. The last severe, though not disastrous shock, was felt about five years ago. It made its appearance at about 9 o'clock one evening, greatly to the alarm of a large audience gathered to witness a theatrical performance.

CITY POLICE COURT.

(Before Hon. A. N. Richards, P.M.)

In the city police court yesterday morning F. McLaren was charged by his wife with having assaulted her. The prosecutrix stated that her husband was a drinking man, and had come home drunk several times. On Friday he came home and threw a can of water at her, and said he would shoot her. She left him about five weeks ago, but he came back and said he would stop drinking if she would live with him again, and she did so. The couple were married about five years ago and had two children. The wife said when he was sober there was not a better man living than her husband, but when he had liquor in him he was terrible.

To his honor—I knew he took his glass when I married him.

His honor—You can never trust a man who "takes his glass." Young girls should be very careful when they marry.

J. Smith, sworn, said that he was Mrs. McLaren's brother-in-law. He corroborated the evidence of the prosecutrix, and said that McLaren was a regular brute, and the prosecutrix could show marks where the prisoner had kicked her.

R. Crowther and Fred Vidler gave corroborative evidence, and the case was remanded until to-morrow.

SPORTS AND PASTIMES.

THE RING.

Patsy Cardiff, the pugilist, of San Francisco, has accepted the offer of the Parnell Athletic Club of Boston, for a fight to a finish with Geo. Godfrey of Boston, for a purse of $1,200; $1,000 to go to the winner and $200 to the loser. The fight is to occur within seven weeks of the signing of articles.

SOCIAL AT SICAMOUS.

[Correspondence of the COLONIST.]

Mr Forrester here was the recipient of a very pleasant surprise on Thursday evening. A large party of ladies and young gentlemen from Enderby and Landsdowne suddenly appeared accompanied by two musicians, and two most onjoyable evenings were spent. The party then took a flying trip to Revelstoke by morning train, returning in the evening for the ball. Among those present were the Misses Hasard, Miss Christian, Mr. and Mrs. Hamill, Mrs. Frayne, Miss Nora Shubert, and the Misses Wilson. Mr. G. Shubert gives a ball at Lansdowne next Wednesday evening. Your correspondent will say that it has never been his lot to meet a more gentlemanly lot of young men than our upper country people, and we look forward with pleasure to the time when they will come again.

LITTLE LOCALS.

A laboring man named Duncans had his leg very badly bruised, but not broken, while unloading a heavy piece of machinery from the Puebla at the Outer wharf yesterday afternoon.

Capt. Henry Bohnson's commission as Port Chancellor of the Uniform Rank, K. of P., signed by the Supreme Chancellor, was on exhibition in the window of Mr. John Kurtz' tobacco and cigar store yesterday.

Almost all of the crew of the schooner Mollie Adams, which leaves for the sealing grounds on Monday or Tuesday, are Victoria boys. All the hunters, excepting Mr. G. C. Gerow, who is an old timer, are native Victorians.

Andrew Hendrick, the sailor who fell to the bottom of the hold of the bark Wilna at Nanaimo last Sunday, is lying at the hospital in a very precarious condition. Other than a few bruises, it was at first thought that he had received no injuries.

The leasing of the rights and privileges held by the Alaska Commercial Company has been postponed until the 21st inst., owing to the recent death and present sickness in the family of Secretary Blaine.

CONDENSED DESPATCHES.

Dr. Edward McGlynn is seriously ill at Chicago.

Clarsen, the erring bank president, cannot get bail.

Mrs. Coppinger, Secretary Blaine's daughter, is a little better.

Mrs. Thos. Barham, of Riverside, Cal., is the mother of triplets.

At Sacramento there are fears for a continuation of the blockade.

Mexico has officially recognized the United States of Brazil.

The reduction in the U. S. public debt during the past month was $12,245,892.

Catcher McGuire has been released by the Toronto Baseball Club and signed with Rochester.

The heaviest slide ever known on the Teloichani Mountains occurred at Mojave, Cal., Friday night.

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LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

Tug-boat.

The steamer Walla Walla carried the tug-boat launched from this port for Sidney Island yesterday. R. Griffin, A. Dunsmuir, Mrs. R. Edwards and child, Wm. Gallagher and wife, Capt. Gibson and child, Miss Mallette, A. B. Hadley and wife.

Coal Shipments.

The following are the shipments of coal from the islands for January, as recorded at the Nanaimo custom house:

New Vancouver Coal Co	19,667
R. Dunsmuir & Sons	12,857
East Wellington Coal Company	1,320
Union Colliery Co	4,200
Total	38,044

Miners' Meeting.

A mass meeting of miners was held on Saturday afternoon at the Nanaimo opera house for the purpose of discussing the reduction of wages at the Wellington collieries. A committee of three was appointed to confer with the manager of the Wellington collieries, and at their discretion to call another mass meeting.

The Customs Service.

Several changes have recently been made in the Custom House staff, with the object in view of carrying on the business in a more systematic and prompt manner than heretofore. In all departments of the service, Collector Milne is determined that the work will be kept up to date.

Want to Divide the District.

Petitions are being circulated in Kootenay for signature, to be forwarded to the Government, urging that the district be divided into two districts—East and West Kootenay. It is claimed by the Kootenay Star that the district is too large to be attended to by one member, and that its population and importance is rapidly increasing.

Perry Creek.

At the annual meeting of the Perry Creek Gold Mining Co. held on Saturday afternoon, it was decided to borrow money from the shareholders upon the credit of the Company's property, to continue the prosecution of the work. The directorate is as follows: Col. Baker, W. C. Anderson, T. C. Sorby, L. H. Solly, M. Moss, N. P. Snowden and A. J. Smith.

Customs Returns.

The Vancouver custom returns for the month of January, 1890, were as follows:

Duty collected	$ 8,762 56
Other revenue	3,562 77
	$12,305 33

The Nanaimo custom returns for the month of January were as follows:

Customs	$2,951 32
Sick mariner's dues	414 10
Petroleum	21 50
Miscellaneous	1 50
	$3,403 52

In Days of Old.

The steamers Cariboo Fly and Maude, which are now on the star ways for an overhauling, are the only two boats left to tell of the troubles of early navigation in these waters, their contemporaries the Beaver, Grappler, Otter and Wilson G. Hunt, having long ago gone to the marine bone yard. Old-timers will remember the Maude as a fine boat, which were in early days considered fast and commodious, did the work which it now requires the Islander, Olympian, North Pacific, Louise, Rithet, Isabel and the Island Railway to handle.

Off for Westminster.

Late on Saturday night Dr. J. P. Guthrie, who was arrested in the early part of the evening, was discharged from the city lock-up, it being shown that the warrant upon which he was arrested was signed by a magistrate having jurisdiction for New Westminster City only, not the province of British Columbia. Yesterday a fresh warrant was obtained by Officer Miller of the Provincial Police, who arrested the Doctor on the charge of false pretences, and took him to Westminster this morning. Guthrie is confident of his ability to fully explain the circumstances connected with the transaction which led to his arrest.

Set Upon by Thugs.

Early on Sunday morning as Night Watchman Thompson was patrolling his beat, accompanied by a petty officer from one of H. M. N. ships, he was attacked by two men, one of whom struck him in the face while the other seized him savagely by the throat. Thompson struck out bravely in self-defence, and his companion also took a hand in the melee, when he too was set upon by another brace of ruffian thugs. The two officers were roughly handled before the approach of a couple of pedestrians caused the thugs to take to their heels. One of the toughs was recognized by Officer Thompson, and the police are scouring the city for him. It is thought that the gang intended to attack another person, whom they supposed to be on Thompson's beat. Both officers were painfully but not dangerously injured.

Borne to the Grave.

The funeral of the late H. G. Fox took place Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Masonic Temple and at 2:30 from the Reformed Episcopal church, where Rev. Dr. Reid officiated. An unusually large number of friends, including the members of the Masonic order, followed the remains to their last resting place. Messrs. M. McCahill, Jas. McArthur, J. Anderson, Thos Shaw, Capt. Meyer and J. T. Gregg acted as pallbearers.

The remains of the late Louis Boller were also interred on Sunday afternoon, the funeral leaving the residence, Douglas street, at 2 o'clock and Christ Church Cathedral at 2:30. The Queen City band attended and played appropriate music. The following gentlemen acted as pallbearers: Thos. Garvin, W. Stevenson, C. G. Sayer, Thos. Harmon, J. A. Johnson, C. Williams, G. Cicero and C. Zoelle.

The Sealing Fleet.

The schooner C. H. Tupper, Capt. Kelly, arrived in San Francisco on the 28th of January with her boom, topmast and fore topmast missing and the decks swept bare. The schooner will be refitted immediately.

The Sea Lion, also belonging here, arrived in the Bay City on the 22nd ult. with her boom gone. She was only recently built and owned by Capt. Collins, of this city.

The schooner Minnie, Capt. Jacobsen, is lying at Pechina, and it is reported that she also lost her boom.

The Ariel, Annie C. Moore, and Mollie Adams will leave this morning, weather permitting.

The Walter L. Rich, which left last week, had to put back to Esquimalt for shelter. The numerous accidents reported on the coast are making the owners of sealing schooners a little anxious for the safety of their boats.

A Small Affair.

It is amusing to note the descriptions which appear in the Vancouver press anent industries started there, or any transaction which may have occurred. It is sure to be described as either the "largest" in the province, the "fastest" or some other superlative. An instance of this will be found in Sunday's News-Advertiser. A little tug is being built on False Creek 80 feet long, 18 feet beam, 7 feet 10 inches depth of hold. The boat is to cost all told $11,000. Yet this is described as being "probably the finest tug yet built on British Columbia." It may interest the verdant editor of the Advertiser to know that a tug costing $125,000, and capable of towing a dozen such as described with full steam against her, was built at Victoria last year; and that the largest sailing craft built at she one being erected on False Creek is

of frequent occurrence in Victoria shipyards. The imaginative style of description is followed to an absurd length at the Terminal city.

There Was Fire in the Air.

At about 6:30 o'clock last night several electric wires became crossed near the corner of Douglas and Yates streets, and the result was a grand gyrotechnical exhibition which lasted for several minutes.

A Fifty Dollar Steal.

Early Sunday morning the office of Mr. W. Busk, C. E., Chancery Lane, was entered by some one possessed of a key which unlocked the door, and fifty dollars in cash, which was in the till was stolen. Suspicion attaches strongly to a Chinaman employed about the place.

Whisky of Work.

Last evening Officers Hawton and Abel visited a filthy cabin on Herald street, where they found and arrested two Siwashes, both in a state of senseless intoxication. In another corner of the hovel was found the dead body of an Indian woman, who had evidently passed away while under the influence of the liquor she had imbibed during a long debauch. An inquest will be held on the body this morning.

A Big Boom Lost.

George W. Downs, of the Port Townsend saw mill, lost a boom of logs in the heavy sea a few nights ago near Foulweather bluff. The boom contained 740,000 feet and cost over $3,000. Downs purchased them of the Satsop Railroad Company, and was having them towed from Big Skookum to his mill in Port Townsend. The sea was rolling heavily when the boom reached Foulweather bluff, and the logs jumped over the boom sticks and went to sea.

Out of Work.

One of the best known architects in this city has during the past week received no less than three letters from as many members of the profession in Vancouver, asking him if there was any opening for more architects in Victoria. Each of the applicants stated that Vancouver was overbuilt, and work was in consequence limited in their line. As it is estimated that a couple of millions will be spent in Victoria in new buildings this year, it is probable that some of the Vancouver men may come over here to secure their share of the spoils.

An Immense Saw Mill.

The fact that the Victoria Lumbering and Trading Co. are commencing to manufacture at their mill at Chemainus the material for their new mill should make the powers that be in Victoria move in the matter of inducing the company to locate near this city. The mill will have a capacity of sixty million feet annually, all of which is intended for the export trade. The industry named would employ 200 men, and would bring at least sixty ships per year to port. The trade that would directly and indirectly be created by the location of this industry on Esquimalt harbor would be very large and the benefit to Victoria incalculable. A strong effort should be made to secure the location of the industry here, even if substantial encouragement is required.

Winnipeg's New Paper.

The Winnipeg Daily Tribune initial number is to hand. It is a four page, eight column paper, filled with good telegraphic and local news, and well edited. It is published by Richardson and McIntyre, under the name of the Tribune Publishing Company. The first named is the late city editor of the suppressed Sun, and the latter former business manager of the Free Press. With such an excellent team at the head of affairs, the Tribune will undoubtedly become a popular paper. The late Sun newspaper was bought out for $40,000, in the interests of the Free Press, though such fact was unknown at the time of sale. The Sun plant was purchased for $7,000, and the Tribune started, it being found that competition could not be kept out.

They Got an Ovation.

During the progress of a performance at the Chinese theatre last evening something was said or sung on the stage which did not meet with the approval of the orientals in attendance. The disturbance proceeded to storm the stage, and the play changed to solemn tragedy for the actors, who were kicked and cuffed, pounded and sworn at until they managed to escape from the building. Just what it was that aroused the wrath of the audience is not known, but the fun was exceptionally lively while it lasted. Chinese barn-stormers, it appears, meet with somewhat too cordial receptions occasionally, and in this case they brought down this house as pleasantly as they then. When the police arrived in response to a signal blown, they found only scattered bits of gaudy wardrobe and a couple of beards to mark the scene of the excitement, which was still being sagerly talked of by the chattering theatre-goers.

THE PLATFORM.

The Mainland Association Outlined in Rhyme.

The following doggrel has evidently been ground out by the poet laureate of the mainland association, who has incorporated into the lines as much as possible of the spirit and principles of the society. There is such an absence of sectionalism and presence of brotherly feeling prevading them that they are reproduced below:

THE MAINLAND VOW.

Vancouver and New Westminster,
By the Heaven above they swore,
That the Columbian Mainland
"Should suffer wrong no more."

They formed a league and made a vow
That ere a year had flown,
The people of the Mainland
Should rule the land their own.

The good men of the Province
Stood up for the good cause,
Resolved that all the Mainland folk
Should make the Mainland laws.

Said they, "We'll have the principle
Acknowledged from this hour,
That the people are the fountain-head
And source of ruling power:

"The people guard the land from foes;
We lend the ruling arm its strength,
And ruling power's trust;

"And now by population,
In ratio full and true,
We'll choose our representatives,
And see them govern too:

"And none shall tax us but ourselves
Through our true government,
And what we pay our taxes
The taxes shall be spent.

"And sister Isle we hail thee
Throughout our breadth and length,
For union, union, union,
Is a growing us lon's strength."

Hurrah for the Royal City
On the Fraser's golden strand,
And hurrah for fair Vancouver town
The rampart of the land!

For the cities spoke with courage
And they raised their voice of might,
For the welfare of the country
And for legislative right;

And hurrah for the Mainland centres
And their thousands strong and true,
When through the land joined hand in hand
And swore to get their dues!

—Vancouver World. EQUITAS.

LITTLE LOCALS.

Forty-seven lots in Anacortes were sold yesterday.

There are 35 patients in the Royal Hospital at present.

Edward Williams, the Kanaka, recently cut across the jugular vein by Nisha Nota, a Jap, continues to improve.

Large importations of mutton are now being made by the Victoria butchers all the way from San Francisco.

The papers for a patent upon a successful invention of the late H. G. Fox, were awaiting his signature when he lost his life.

Employes of the Albion Iron Works have commenced operations on the tug Active, a large boiler, which was brought from Montreal, being repaired.

Trusty Williams, of the Provincial Lunatic Asylum, is in the city, having come with the insane patients now confined in the Provincial jail.

A life buoy measuring four feet in diameter and marked Scottish Chief, San Francisco, was picked up in Sooke harbor by Mr. Muir a few days ago.

Sergt. Langley, of the Provincial police, went over to Westminster on Sunday night with two prisoners, who were recently sentenced by the Speedy Trials Court.

Port Townsend was badly shaken up by two earthquake shocks on Friday, the last minute that the tremble was felt in Victoria on Saturday afternoon.

L. Mongiow, who has been acting as Chinese interpreter at the customs house when it has been necessary to have assistance in Chinese work, has been appointed to the position of manager in Took Yuen's business by the owners in Hong Kong. He has given great satisfaction in his custom-house work.

MARINE.

Steamer Wilmington, from San Francisco, discharged railway iron at Port Townsend on Sunday and passed up Deputate Bay yesterday.

Steamer Jeanie is coaling at Nanaimo.

Arrangements are now being made at Port Madison to raise the sunken steamer Addie.

The schooner Alcalde sailed from Port Townsend on Friday for Honolulu with a cargo of lumber, for which the owners of the vessel received $25 per month, the lowest wages for which a crew has been secured for this voyage, so some say. This is $10 per month under the union scale.

ARRIVED.

Rugia, at Hamburg from New York; Durania, at Liverpool from New York; Gallia, at Marseilles from New York; Belgenland, at New York from Hamburg; City of Chester, at Liverpool from New York; Thingvalla, at New York from Swinemunde.

PERSONAL.

H. Abbott and his secretary are at the Driard.

Rev. P. McF. Macleod, D. E. Brown, W. E. Bulmer and R. Leister were passengers to Vancouver this morning.

John Fullerton, of the People's Shoe Store, returned from Montreal on Sunday night, whither he had been called to the deathbed of his mother, who died while he was in the city.

Senator James Reid arrived on Sunday night from Quesnelle, and left this morning for Cariboo. He reports the population of Cariboo as being confident of good times in the immediate future.

A. R. Milne, collector of customs, will leave for the east on the 1st of March for the purpose of visiting the leading customhouses at Montreal, Toronto, and other points. He will be absent six weeks.

THE TRAMWAY MEETING.

Works and Cars in a Blaze of Bright Light.

The offices of the Tramway Company were crowded last evening with shareholders, who took a keen interest in the proceedings of the annual meeting. Hon. D. W. Higgins occupied the chair and delivered a lengthy explanation of the company's affairs, showing that some $80,000 had been received from shareholders and other sources and that about $75,000 had been expended. He held out the hope that the cars would be in operation within ten days from date. The meeting was convened with two coal oil lamps shedding feeble rays on the scene. While the president was speaking the electric lights were turned on and the uncertain glimmer of kerosene was exchanged for the brilliant beams of the "mysterious force, power or thing," which is about to create a revolution in the modes of locomotion in Victoria. Each car was illuminated by five powerful lights and the scene in the car house was most brilliant. By the aid of these lamps the finest print may be read with ease by passengers. The motors and generators came in for a large share of attention, and with the machinery will be a perfect success.

The shareholders will hold an adjourned general meeting on the 24th inst., when officers will be elected. The exhibition closed at 10 p. m. It is suggested, that in view of the great benefits which will be conferred on the city and vicinity by the inauguration of this great enterprise, that the running of the first tram cars in British Columbia should be marked by appropriate ceremonies of a public nature, and the COLONIST voices the suggestion with approval.

A Martyr for Humanity.

NEW YORK, Jan. 30.—Among the passengers on the steamer Bothnia, which arrived to-day from Liverpool, was Sister Rosa Gertrude (Mary Fowler), a Dominican nun, a native of England, aged 35, who is on her way to Molokai, in the South Pacific, to devote her life to the care of lepers in the leper settlement on that island. She became interested in the lepers through the work of Father Damien, who sacrificed his life in ministering to these most unfortunate people.

PROF. LOISETTE'S MEMORY SYSTEM is creating greater interest than ever in all parts of the country, and persons wishing to improve their memory should send for his prospectus free as advertised in another column. no23-4t-dw

In Many Forms.

DYSPEPSIA assumes many phases, all disagreeable to the sufferer, yet it disagreeable to the sufferer, yet it yields to one remedy. Three to four bottles of Burdock Blood Bitters will not cure H.B.B. cures dyspepsia, torpid liver, weak stomach, biliousness, sharpens the appetite and renovates the entire system.

Children Cry for Fletcher's Castoria

From THE DAILY COLONIST Feb. 5.

LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

A Heavy Calendar.

There were 75 cases in the police court during the month of January, six of which were for assault, 18 drunks, seven vags, six unsound mind and the rest miscellaneous offences. Six cases of unsound mind in one month is the largest yet recorded in this city.

Changes.

The sheriff's and provincial police offices which have, since the departure of Supt. Roycraft, been run conjointly, Mr. John Langley having been acting as deputy sheriff and sergeant of provincial police at the same time, have again become distinctive departments. Hereafter Sergt. Langley will hold the position of sergeant of the provincial police, and H. Siddall will act as deputy-sheriff, pro tem.

Crane, Macgregor & Boggs.

Mr. Beaumont Boggs, formerly of E. G. Richards & Co., has been admitted as a partner in the real estate firm of Crane, Macgregor & Co., which will hereafter be known as Crane, Macgregor & Boggs. While in the east Mr. Boggs interested eastern capitalists in Victoria real estate, and with his thorough knowledge of the city and province generally he will prove a valuable working member of the new firm.

The City of Kingston.

The officers of the Puget Sound and Alaska Steamship Company are confident that the City of Kingston will be at Seattle by February 20. The wind has been southerly for weeks past, and it is expected this will aid her passage. It is thought before long she will be sighted by some of the coastwise vessels and reported. Just as soon as she arrives she will be fitted up and got ready for the excursion season on the Alaska route.

Illustrious Calthorpe.

Calthorpe, the gentlemanly individual of aristocratic proclivities and indifference to the claims of his debtors, who distinguished himself in Victoria and Seattle, reached Winnipeg last week. He borrowed $20 from some unsuspecting chance acquaintance before entering the city, and the Free Press is responsible for the statement that one of the clubmen there lost $75 by endorsing a cheque for him on a previous visit last spring.—News-Advertiser.

Imports and Exports.

Following are the imports and exports for the month of January, 1890:

Imports—	
Free Goods	$ 50,124
Dutiable Goods	140,163
Total imports	$190,287
Exports—	
Produce of Canada	$ 47,990
Not " "	4,693
Total exports	$ 52,683

Freight and Trade Notes.

The Princess Louise brought down 80 tons of barley and oats and a lot of hides, oil and hay yesterday.

The Princess Louise took 1700 packages up on Sunday last, and returned yesterday from Westminster with 1400 packages, chiefly farm produce.

Two carloads of coal oil and 40 dressed carcases of mutton were brought by the Olympian last night.

The Islander last night brought over one carload of plate iron and one of mixed merchandise.

The New Columbian.

The first issue of the new Daily Columbian, Westminster, came to hand last night. Its dress is stylish and fetching, and a skim over its interesting columns shows that the editorial and reportorial staffs look well after their part of the production. The size of the sheet is decidedly indicative of enterprise in the proprietors, and shows their firm faith in the future of their pretty town. The paper is a vast improvement on the old Columbian in appearance and arrangement, and no doubt its subscribers will be happier for the change and Westminster proud to support such a wide awake modern newspaper.

Collecting the Rent.

There was an exciting time on Pandora street, opposite Amelia, yesterday morning between ten and eleven o'clock. A tenant in the building owing to move out of a cottage owned by a Hungarian lady, who stood by shouting "I want my rent!" and preventing the goods being transferred to the cart. A policeman was sent for, and the rent, due the following day, was tendered to the excited lady through him. She raised the price to $14, and talking and gesticulating, shoved the policeman, tenant and carter this way and that, and finally required more than moral persuasion to compel her to desist. The affair was witnessed by quite an audience, who were somewhat more than amused by the dialogue, in which the lady landlord took more than her share.

Good Templars.

At the regular meeting of Perseverance Lodge No. 1, I. O. G. T., held last evening the following officers were installed by Lodge Deputy R. J. Plummer: C. T., Sister S. M. Hall; V. T., Sister S. J. Russell; S.