

WEEKLY WEATHER SYNOPSIS.

Victoria Meteorological Office, 7th to 13th September, 1904. With the exception of a much needed rainfall over Vancouver Island and the Lower Mainland during the first two days of the week, the weather has been fine and comparatively hot along the Coast, while over the interior it has been fine and cooler. From Friday, 9th, a high barometer was spread over the province from the Pacific, where it hovered for the remainder of the week, accompanied by fine warm weather and a tendency for northerly winds extending southward to California. As no rain has fallen in Kootenay many bush fires have not yet been extinguished, and also from Puget Sound to California much smoke is reported. In the vicinity of Port Simpson rain has fallen upon the first five days and in Dawson on the 12th. The weather in the Territories has been fine and warm until the 12th, when showers and thunderstorms occurred, followed by sharp frosts. Calgary reported 12 degrees at frost on the morning of the 15th, and on the latter date the fine spell in Manitoba terminated in a heavy rainfall, which in the western portion was followed by light frosts. Victoria—Sunshine recorded was 62 hours and 12 minutes; rain, .09 inch; highest temperature, 78.4 on 15th; lowest, 44.4 on 10th. New Westminster—Rain, 79 inches; highest temperature, 76 on 7th; and lowest, 42 on 10th. Kamloops—No rain; highest temperature, 82 on 7th; and lowest, 36 on 12th. Barkerville—Rain, 10 inch; highest temperature, 70 on 18th; and lowest, 30 on 18th. Port Simpson—Rain, 1.01 inch; highest temperature, 68 on 7th, 8th and 9th; lowest, 42 on 12th and 13th. Dawson—Rain, 1.18 inch; highest temperature, 60 on 11th; lowest, 20 on 7th.

Local News.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Gillespie, of Swan Lake district, mourn the loss by death of their infant daughter, aged 4 months.

Men engaged in the sewer work on St. Mary street, Victoria, West, Wednesday afternoon unearthed a skull and some bones that had been interred there.

A fire in the office in the rear of Edwards' grocery, on Wednesday, Wednesday, required the attention of the department. It was soon extinguished.

Two fires occupied the attention of the department Tuesday. One was at Johns Bros' ranch on the Saanich road and the other in the bush in the direction of Esquimalt.

Tenders are being called for the supply of lead pipe and brass goods for the corporation. W. W. Northcott, purchasing agent, will receive separate tenders up to 3 o'clock on October 31st.

Ensign Wilkins, of the Salvation Army, is working hard getting in the gifts that have been so liberally donated by the citizens. The ensign expects the sale of goods to exceed anything of the kind he has had to do with. The Salvationists are busy decorating their hall.

On Friday afternoon at 3.45 there will be a mass meeting for the boys and girls of the public schools in the Union Mission tent, corner of Douglas and Herald streets. Rev. E. H. Shanks will speak. Mrs. Shanks will sing one of her sweet songs. Let all the boys and girls come and learn the "Sunbeam Song."

Col. Holmes left Wednesday for his regular trip of inspection in the interior. He will be away until October 1st and his itinerary is as follows: Kamloops, Sept. 15; Rossland, Sept. 18 and 19; Kaslo, Sept. 21; Nelson, Sept. 22 and 23; Revelstoke, Oct. 1 and 2. The colonel will closely inspect all the departments pertaining to the militia in his district.

According to W. M. Brewer, who returned from the West Coast Tuesday, a Seattle company is leaving no stone unturned in its efforts to get hold of the choicest timber lands on that part of the island. There is a survey party of eighteen at work in the vicinity of Clayoquot Sound, and altogether they have secured between sixty thousand and seventy thousand acres.

The appeal made a few days ago for an invalid's chair for the Marine Hospital to meet the present requirements of an old sailor, unable to move about, met a quick response. Capt. Tatlow has notified the hospital authorities that he has such an article, which he will donate to the institution. The chair is at Vancouver, and will be taken to Victoria on the D. G. S. Quadra when she returns from her present trip.

Some time ago the Times announced on the authority of the superintendent of education that the Rhodes scholarship examination would be held earlier next year than that of this year. According to a dispatch from Toronto, Dr. George Parkin has given out that the examination will be held about the middle of January. This will leave candidates just four months in which to prepare themselves for the important test.

In Chambers Wednesday, before Mr. Justice Martineau the following applications were heard: Centre Star vs. Roseland Miners' Union. An application made on behalf of S. S. Taylor, K.C., to vary the order of Mr. Justice Duff. The order was made, the section to be approved by the local judge of the Supreme court at Rossland. Two other applications in Centre Star vs. Roseland Kootenay Company were stood over. Letters of administration were granted in the estates of John E. Symes, Arthur Keast, Andrew Munro, and Mr. Blenskinsop.

Tuesday a party of 30 Old Fellows from Boston, Mass., arrived in the city on their way to attend a convention in San Francisco. Antonio Henderson, vice-president of the Tourist Association, took them in charge and drove

them to the parliament buildings, which were closely inspected and much admired, and afterwards throughout the suburbs. An illustrated souvenir of Victoria, "An Outpost of Empire," was presented to each of the visitors before they left for Fresno in the evening.

Rev. G. K. B. Adams conducted the services Tuesday afternoon in connection with the funeral of the infant daughter of Mr. Scott, of Vining street.

Frank T. Watkins gave a farewell recital at St. John's church last Sunday evening. Mr. Watkins intends leaving shortly for London to accompany Madame Patti on her English tour.

At a meeting of the Painters' union held Monday a hearty vote of thanks was passed to the master painters and Messrs. Pondray and Adams for contributions towards building the float for Labor Day.

The annual general meetings of the Wellington Gallery Company, Limited, and the E. & N. Railway Company will be held at the offices of the companies at 11 o'clock on the forenoon of Wednesday, October 26th.

Apropos of the bread question which is dealt with in another column in the Times, Chief Langley has received a letter from the Master Bakers' Association stating that the weight of a loaf of bread was one pound avoirdupois.

According to advices brought from the north on the Anur Monday the yield of gold dust from the tributaries of the Forby-Mile this season has barely reached an aggregate of over 10,000 ounces, as shown by the books of the American customs agent located at Moose Creek.

The popular summer suburban service between this city and Shawnigan Lake on the Esquimalt & Nanaimo railway will be discontinued on and after Thursday next, the camping season being practically over. The service has proved more popular than in any previous year, a large number of campers having availed themselves of the opportunity of spending the summer months at this delightful resort, and it is safe to predict that when the service is resumed next year it will be still more extensively patronized.

The congregations of the Methodist churches at North Saanich, South Saanich and Strawberry Vale are raising funds towards the erection of a parsonage at Sidney. Rev. J. H. Wright, the pastor of the church, has been very successful in his appeal for aid, and the work will be proceeded with. The site was donated by Will Spencer, of this city. Other Victorians have been very generous also in their donations. The work is in the hands of Mark Hewitt, Mrs. W. N. Copeland, of Sidney, is treasurer of the building fund.

The funeral of the late James Russell took place on Wednesday from his parents' residence, 43 Chatham street. Rev. J. P. Vichet conducted the services, and the following acted as pallbearers: Messrs. F. Crookford, W. Pettigrew, J. Moss, J. W. Wellington, E. Lehman, Mrs. Lester, Mrs. Patterson, Mrs. Humphrey, Mrs. McNaughton and Mrs. Capt. Grant, and thankfully acknowledged. There are still some empty rooms in the Home, and further donations of furniture would be very acceptable.

It is announced that Mrs. M. Lester has successfully passed the examination necessary to become a member of the National Association of Masters of Dancing. As a result of this Mrs. Lester secures the system adopted by all professional teachers, having the advantage of teaching the reverse movement of the waltz from the start with the same ease as the right turn on beginning the step. A programme repeats every evening is being prepared by Mrs. Lester for the season of 1904-1905. It opens on October 1st with a complimentary party to the children, their friends and prospective pupils of Saturday's class.

A harvest home festival will be held in the Strawberry Vale Methodist church on Monday evening, September 19th, when Rev. G. K. B. Adams, of the Metropolitan Methodist church, will deliver an address. Refreshments will be served by the ladies and local talent will contribute to the evening's enjoyment. On the following evening at Sidney another harvest festival will be held in the Methodist church. Rev. Mr. Adams will be in attendance and will deliver a popular lecture on "Grip and Get." A suitable programme will be given in connection with the evening. At Saanich on Wednesday evening, September 21st, at the festival there to be held, Rev. G. W. Dean will preside, delivering the address of the evening. The names of the above named places Rev. Dr. Campbell will preach appropriate harvest home sermons on Sunday.

Monday's Puget Sound American, published at Bellingham, says: "The British Columbia Telephone Company, which is stringing a telephone and cable line between this city and Vancouver Island to connect with the Sunset system at this place, met trouble Saturday on Arcosa Island, which the line men endeavored to cross the property of E. I. Wilson with the wires. Wilson, according to J. M. Bateman, one of the superintendents in charge of construction, who was in the city last night, made no complaint concerning the crossing of his property until the construction reached his section line, and then he at once forbade the crossing until a right-

of-way had been purchased. Considerable argument followed, and Wilson, expecting an attempt to enter the premises forcibly, immediately struck on Friday Harbor, where he secured assistance of 14 deputy sheriffs, who had persuaded the sheriff of island county to swear in, and returned to his property. When he returned no fight was started, and the bloody cross that was expected by interested citizens did not take place. Instead the company built around Wilson's property. This means the construction of almost four miles of additional line."

The total clearings at the Victoria clearing house for the week ending September 15th were \$728,200.

The steward of the Marine hospital desires to thank the Home Nursing Society for the loan of the invalid's chair.

M. J. Conlin and Carso have been granted a license to sell liquor at Britannia Landing. Howsley's meeting of the board of license commissioners for the district of Richmond.

The Indian canoe which was taken from the city landing last week has been recovered. Some boys, it appears, had taken it and gone out on a fishing excursion. The matter was investigated by the paying of the damage caused.

In connection with the funeral of the late James Russell, Wednesday, Dr. Beal, who had known the deceased from infancy, assisted Rev. J. F. Vichet in the services conducted at the Rev. Chatham street, and also at the grave.

On Tuesday next a meeting of the Victoria District Association will be held at the Y. M. C. A. rooms. Delegates are expected to attend from all teams intending to enter either the senior, intermediate or junior section. The chair will be taken at 8 p. m., and a full attendance is requested.

During their drive about the city on Tuesday Messrs. Hays, Wainwright and Moore called on J. A. Virtue, an old acquaintance at his bungalow at Oak Bay. The hay and the mountain looked their best, and during the stay Mr. Hays commented on the appearance of the town, and remarked that he could not remember having ever visited such a beautiful city.

Another very satisfactory rehearsal of the oratorio "Samson" was held in the First Presbyterian church Wednesday, where there were about 75 in attendance, including several new singers. The success with which the management is meeting in the rehearsal has given belief now that the oratorio will be presented at an earlier date than had originally been expected.

A water system has been inaugurated in the village of Sidney. The supply is obtained a mile and a half west of the village from a spring. The water is property of the Victoria & Sidney railway. Pipes are being laid to the different residences, and in a very short time the new service will be in good pressure is available. Up to the present the residents have been depending on the water which was brought to the saw-mill pond from various wells.

On Thursday at St. Ann's convent the funeral service for the late Sister Mary Francis took place at 10 o'clock. The Rev. Father John P. Claessen, the chaplain, celebrated solemn high mass, assisted by Rev. Father Lemmens and Ronden as deacon and sub-deacon respectively. His Grace Archbishop Orr, D.D., occupied the throne, and Revs. Leternie, Van Goethem and Manuech took seats in the sanctuary. The Rev. Father Claessen presided the burial service and officiated at the grave. The pall-bearers, former pupils of the late sister at St. Louis College, were: Messrs. W. W. Beines, W. Sweeney, L. O'Connell, W. H. Grimm, S. J. Patton and L. O'Keefe.

The Council of Women held an interesting meeting Monday afternoon, when Dr. Fagan, of the provincial board of health, delivered an instructive address in behalf of his worthy movement for the betterment of the health of the province. He succeeded in enlisting the cooperation of the council. Arrangements were also made for the women's department at the fall fair. Mrs. McKillop and Mrs. Gilbert were appointed delegates to the meeting of the National Council of Women to be held at Winnipeg. It was decided to have the absence of Mrs. Spofford to the Prairie City, Miss Mary Lawson will act as corresponding secretary.

Among the notable attractions booked to appear at the Victoria theatre during the coming season is Charles B. Hanford in a superb revival of "Don Caesar de Bazan." Mr. Hanford is a stranger to the theatre-goers of this city, and his visit from year to year is looked forward to with pleasurable anticipation. He represents a phase of dramatic art which is now at its zenith in popular esteem. An actor who has remained "good" for so long and before the same people, has Mr. Hanford, secures a standing which cannot be estimated lightly. Miss Marie Dofnaal will be Hanford's leading lady, and Frank Henderson will be the leading man. The production will be an elaborate one, rich in scenic and electrical effects.

Athletes of Nanaimo and Ladysmith are taking up Rugby football this season with enthusiasm. They have already been practicing for about a fortnight, and will likely be in trim before other teams think of starting. The Nanaimo Free Press says: "A meeting of the Nanaimo District Rugby Football League will be held in the Athletic Club rooms on Saturday, the 21st inst., at 7.30 p. m. It is thought that two teams from the city will enter and possibly one from Ladysmith. Ladysmith has a number of good players among whom are Ed. and Wm. Marshall, R. Simpson, E. May, Geo. Grey and M. Woodburn, and there is no reason why it should not be a good team to represent them in the league."

On Friday evening a meeting of the Garment Workers' Union will be held at Labor hall, when several important matters will be considered. It is understood

that a representative of the management of the Industrial exhibition, to be held at Vancouver during the last week of the present month, will be in attendance. He will ask for the support of the union in the Vancouver exhibition by the nomination of a local lady as Queen of the Carnival. Should this be done all those who wish the candidate to gain the post of honor will have to purchase all the votes they can afford at the rate of 5 cents each. It is hardly probable, however, that the union will give the delegate any encouragement, as the Trades and Labor Council decided at the last regular meeting that it would be inadvisable to participate in an exhibition which would clash with the Victoria fair.

Under the auspices of the choir of Centennial Methodist church a moonlight excursion will be held among the islands of the Gulf at the night of September 24th. The steamer Victorian has been secured for the purpose, and the start will be made from Sidney at 7.30 o'clock. It is expected that there will be a large attendance, as this will be the last excursion of the kind to be held under the auspices of the choir this year.

A Fort William dispatch, dated September 14th, appearing in the Toronto Globe, says: "As the Imperial Limited, No. 96, was speeding by Carleton Place at the rate of 25 miles an hour, Adrian Fletcher, a boy about 13 years of age, travelling alone from Victoria to Montreal, fell from the rear end of the last sleeping car heading to the ties below. He struck full on his face, but after a minute or two recovered consciousness, and walked back to Carleton, and got aboard No. 2. When he reached Fort William his face was all cuts and bruises, but the little lad appeared quite unconcerned as he walked up the platform with a lady passenger who had taken charge of him."

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The regular quarterly meeting of the board of license commissioners was held Wednesday afternoon, when among the applications were those from Tim Man, Chin Lung, Joy Lee Dye and Ho K. K. The matter of the license for the application was adjourned until the 16th. Other applications were disposed of as follows: Geo. J. Dunn, application for license for the sale of liquor, was granted; Valentine H. Welmore; permit ratified and extended to next sitting of the board. Geo. Wilson, transfer of license in the restaurant business, was granted. J. D. Des Brisay, transfer of license for the sale of liquor, was granted. J. G. Thomson, transfer of license for the sale of liquor, was granted. J. H. Martin, transfer of license of the Lighthouse saloon to F. L. Smith; granted. James McManis, for transfer of license of the saloon to J. H. Martin; granted. J. H. Martin, transfer of license of the Lighthouse saloon to F. L. Smith; granted. James McManis, for transfer of license of the saloon to J. H. Martin; granted.

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The case of the Topeka contract was resumed on Wednesday when the remaining witnesses for the prosecution were examined. The witnesses all agreed that in addition to the deer and grouse, there was a cock pheasant among the spoils of the party being prosecuted.

John Norton was the first witness. He had been hunting in the woods, and was returning to his camp, when he saw a party of hunters, arriving at Salt Spring Island. When they arrived at the island about 2 o'clock on August 31st they saw a deer about twenty miles from the island. He had a gun with him, and was about to shoot when he saw a party of hunters, arriving at Salt Spring Island.

Later witnesses went over to the tent of the other party, which was camped there. About an hour after witness arrived he saw one of the defendants come to his tent, and then witness went over to the day witness said: "Now I've caught you in the act." To this defendant said: "Yes, you're run into our nest."

Later witness went over to the tent of the other parties. Witness said to this defendant: "I don't think you're much of a man to come and shoot game before the season opens." The accused replied that it was such an out-of-the-way place that he thought no one would run across him.

In reply to how the game was, the accused said it was not very plentiful, and they were pretty wild. Witness said they did not seem to be very wild by the amount of birds they had hanging up in the trees.

Later in the evening witness had a talk with two of the defendants. Witness said to them that they must have made a very limited number of passengers. Both replied it was none of his business. Witness also saw a pleasant hanging with the grouse. They told him it was shot in mistake. Witness remarked that it was a queer thing to make a mistake between a pheasant and a grouse.

When another of the defendants came in, witness asked him if he had a hunting dog. Witness saw no dog on him. On the evening of the 1st witness came back to camp the other deer and grouse had all disappeared.

Cross-examined by Harold Robertson witness said that he had been hunting there until about 1 o'clock in the morning. Only a boy was left to watch the camp. David Maxwell, the next witness, was also a member of Ritche's party. He had likewise seen the deer, grouse and a cock pheasant. He saw one of the party return to the tent on August 31st. He looked at the deer and had thought it was a grouse. Another came in about a quarter of an hour later. The hunting dog of the defendants that he had caught him

at this time. The reply was that "You have run into us in our nest this time. Adolph Treuge was a member of the Ritche party. He testified to seeing the game hanging in the trees, and in addition there were some in a sack. He had heard Norton say to one of the defendants that he had caught him, and the latter said: "Yes, you have caught us in our nest." He heard