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ly loves him so well
rted forever, it would
e let her die."
TER X.

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Marc hastened across
ned to him that the
uddenly crumbled to
bitter, terrible words
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charming seemed to
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will never look again

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up to her.
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ere a man I would
here was such fierce
yes that she shrunk
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en never let your
by path again."
n was different from
e refined girl, Clara
began a whole string

he said. "Simply re-
t me hear all the de-
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nt for it?" he asked

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to keep the secret and
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dare to return and
by word of mouth
will have you indict-
nd your sentence will
abor for life. As to
so utterly, horribly
dence to speak of it."
rmured some words.
isten to them.
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mble if you dare to
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t before him in all
ality, he was at a loss
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Then he recoiled
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Caryll—that he was
made no complaint,
wned to himself that
He would close
and spend the re-
where nothing could
e love he had lost,
angel in the house
that he must love
ied—that no one else
place—that no one
him what she had
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uld have retained all
ve must go, while he
had lost all its at-

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—Are you disturbed at
our rest by a sick child
n pain of Cutting Teeth?
get a bottle of "Mrs.
" for Children Teeth-
luable. It will relieve
Immediately. Depend
is no mistake about it.
Diarrhœa, regulates
els, cures Wind Colic,
oes Inflammation, and
to the whole system.
ng Syrup" for children
he taste and is the pre-
oldest and best female
the United States, and
throughout the world.
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LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

"Apostle" Stenhouse.

A California paper states that Apostle Stenhouse, late of Comox, has married three wives already and, of course, an ardent apostle of polygamy.

A Liberal Donation.

Mr. J. H. Lawson, secretary of the Protestant Orphans' Home, acknowledges the receipt from Mr. J. S. Clute, of Westminster, executor of the late James Bangs of that city, of a cheque for $250, being the amount bequeathed by the will of the latter to the Home.

The Westminster Railway.

Westminster is bound to have its railway, and the property holders have guaranteed the payment of the $150,000. As the majority of the real estate voters signed the agreement any further by law necessary to secure the money will be readily carried.

Port Townsend Electric Railway.

All but $7,000 of the $60,000 required to build the Port Townsend electric railway having been subscribed, business men and property-holders have made up the balance. Port Townsend is not more than one-third the size of Victoria.

Kootenay Railway.

The charter granted to Ainsworth & Co. to build a line of railway from Columbia river to Kootenay lake, has lapsed, the holders of the charter having failed to comply with the act. Efforts made to dispose of the charter to the C. P. R. and a New York syndicate were not successful.

Caught a Tartar.

The highwayman, John Welch, who attempted to "hold up" police officer Nick Hanna early last Friday morning at Seattle, and as a consequence was "held up" himself with a bullet from the policeman's pistol through both of his legs, was bound over to the grand jury by Justice Soderberg, on Wednesday, on four different complaints, his bonds being fixed at $5,000 in each case.

Police Court Notes.

Mee Wah was charged by E. C. Smith with refusing to pay his license. Mr. Chas. Wilson appeared for the defence and contended that a man should not be compelled to pay for his manual labor. His honor remarked that the proprietors of wash houses compelled the corporation to construct drains to carry off the water. At the request of counsel the case was remanded until Monday.

A like charge against Quong Sing was also remanded.

The case against R. B. McMicking, charged with an infraction of the Building by-law, was remanded until Thursday next.

Gold Medal in Spain.

E. M. Blum, commissioner-general at the Barcelona Exposition, Spain, has advised Mr. T. McIlroy, jr., of the Toronto Rubber Company, that the highest award, a gold medal, has been awarded for the exhibit of fire hose at the Spanish Exposition. This award makes three gold medals won for the well-known brands of fire hose, "Eureka," "Paragon" and "Red Cross." The city of Montreal has ordered 3,000 feet of the "Paragon" brand of Eureka, and on that date the corporation of Markham also ordered 1,000 feet, same kind. The very fine horse hose reel for the town of Parkdale was delivered last week.

The Golden Legend.

A few weeks ago the conductor of the Choral Society cabled to London, England, for the parts of Sullivan's beautiful new cantata, "The Golden Legend." The cantata is said to be one of the most charming ever offered to lovers of good music, being Longfellow's well known poem set to music in Sullivan's best style. The new piece has taken the world of music in the old land by storm, being presented to delighted audiences in every large city of England. The score has arrived, and the first rehearsal has been called for Wednesday evening next, it being the intention of the society to present the new cantata for the first time in America, in the Victoria early in February.

Colonist New Year Number.

The New Year number of THE COLONIST will consist of an additional four pages, with two large photographic views of the city taken from the tower of Christ Church, and a number of able and interesting articles, reminiscent and on the affairs of to-day. The usual exhaustive statistics of the city and provincial trade will also be given. A supplemental illustration of the "Islander" as she entered Victoria harbor will also accompany the number, which will be well worth sending abroad as an index of our progress as a city and province. Only a limited number of papers over the usual daily and weekly edition will be printed, and all desiring extra copies should at once leave their orders at the office.

A Pilotage Difficulty.

The action of the Victoria pilots in reference to bringing the bark Kaisow into Victoria harbor was brought to the attention of the board of trade council by the consignees. The pilots claimed that there was not sufficient water in which to bring the vessel into the harbor. She was then at Esquimalt and drawing 21 feet. The captain was compelled to lighter 300 tons at a cost of several hundred dollars, and the vessel was then brought in by the pilot. A survey made by Mr. Gamble, C. E., government engineer, showed that there was abundance of water in which to bring the bark to the rice mills' wharf at high tide, and that there was no necessity for the costly lighterage. The question was also before the pilotage commissioners yesterday, but it is not yet known what course will be pursued in dealing with the case. The suspension of the pilots is probable.

Xmas in the Penitentiary.

An extra dinner was served to the convicts in Westminster penitentiary on Christmas day. There are at present seventy-three inmates of the institution, who look as though they were well treated. Beyond the large amount of restriction imposed upon their movements, life at the penitentiary is not a hard one for the convicts there. A remarkable fact is that out of the seventy-three there are eighteen murderers, with terms varying from three years to a life penalty. In the latter class is Maxwell, who was with De Rose and another at the time of the killing of a man at Lytton. De Rose was to have been hanged, but was adjudged insane and was removed to Kingston. Maxwell was commuted to life imprisonment. The third escaped. Maxwell does not look like a bad man, is young, and was a deserter from the mounted police. He averred to a press representative who conversed with him that he was innocent of any man's blood, although appearances were against him. One or two other murderers look as though, as the proverbial old lady remarked, "hanging was too good for them." The penitentiary is the perfection of cleanliness.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.—Cleared—Barks Frank Stafford and Wildwood, for Townsend. Sailed—Str. Southern California, Nanaimo.

The clamor of voices and the sound of music within Assembly Hall, announced to the outside world last evening, that the long anticipated Foresters' ball was in progress. Tasteful decorations of evergreens, flowers, and beautiful banners, and the presence of more than three hundred handsome women and stalwart men made the scene within one of grace and brilliancy, as well as thorough enjoyment. The floor was in the best possible condition, and the music supplied by Prof. Baernstein and his excellent orchestra of six pieces, all that could be desired. After several hours' dancing, supper was served at the rear of the hall—and such a supper! A more elaborate one was never served, even by the well-known caterer, Mr. Anderson, of the Hotel Clarence, whose name is associated only with the very best of suppers. The menu embraced every delicacy required to tickle the jaded palate of an epicure, while the arrangement of the table was artistic in the extreme. Mr. Anderson was assisted by the popular steward of the Clarence, Mr. Archie Reid, and their united efforts to please made their part of the evening's pleasure a success which could not have been greater. After partaking of the good things provided, dancing was resumed, and it was not until the wee sma' hours of the morning that the ball was at an end. The brethren of both lodges have reason to feel proud of the entire affair, while the careful and complete manner in which the committees performed their work had much to do with its success.

In addition to the general committee, the following were hard workers in conducting the assembly and promoting the enjoyment of one and all: Reception committee—R. H. Walker, H. O'Brien and J. Trace. Supper committee—Thomas Matthews, E. Bragg and A. McGregor. Reception committee—E. J. Selmon, E. Partridge, S. Wilson, F. Matthews and H. Smith.

THE DOG AND POULTRY SHOW.

The second day of the dog and poultry exhibition opened yesterday morning at 10 o'clock, and from that hour until 10 p.m., visitors filled the rink, inspecting and admiring the exhibits. The dogs are becoming accustomed to their new quarters and have begun to take things philosophically. The following is the prize list in addition to that published yesterday:

POULTRY.

PRIZES.

Turkeys, best pair—1st, W. J. Wale; 2d, J. Turner.
Geese, pair—1st, P. W. Dempster; 2d, F. G. Walker.
Best pair Ebden Geese—1st, W. J. Wale.
Best Gander or Goose—1st, S. Sandover; 2d, H. Cridge.
Ducks, Pekin—1st, Mrs. J. Moore; 2d, Thomas Whitville.
Ducks, Rouen—1st, F. G. Walker; 2d, H. A. King.
Ducks, Aylesburys—1st, E. Wall.
Drake or Duck—1st, F. G. Walker; 2d, H. A. King.
Pair Spanish Fowls—1st, F. G. Walker; 2d, W. Dean.
Pair Dorkings—1st, W. C. Anderson.
Brahmas, Light—1st, H. Creech; 2d, J. M. Garrison.
Brahmas, Dark—1st, W. Dean; 2nd, R. Price.
Partridge Cochins—1st, W. Wall; 2d, R. H. Norton.
Longshanks—1st, H. D. Helmcken.
Leghorns, Brown—1st, J. M. Garrison. 2d, W. S. Chambers.
Leghorns, White—1st, A. Price; 2d, J. Flett.
Pair Plymouth Rocks—1st, J. Flett; 2d, Dr. Milne.
Pair Hamburgs—1st, F. G. Walker; 2d, W. Dean.
Pair Wyndottes—1st, J. M. Garrison; 2d, J. Flett.
Any other kind—1st, H. D. Croasdaile; 2d, Dr. Milne.
Pair Silken Fowls—1st, H. Creech; 2d, S. M. Hartman.
Pair Japanese Bantams—1st, Miss Annie Stewart.
Pair Game Bantams—1st and 2d, Mrs. G. A. Perrin.
Any other variety Bantams—1st, Mrs. G. A. Perrin.
Pair Black Red Game—1st, Mrs. Perrin; 2d, H. Creech.
Pair Brown Red Game—1st, Mrs. Perrin, 2d, D. Clements.
Pair Black Game—1st, H. Creech.
Pair Game Ducklings—1st, W. W. Baines; 2d, Mrs. G. A. Perrin.
Any other kind—1st, H. Cridge; 2d, Mrs. G. A. Perrin.
Pair Pit Game—1st, W. W. Adams; 2d, H. Creech.
Pair Rabbits—1st and 2d, H. Creech.
Spanish Cock—1st, F. G. Walker.
Brahma Cock—1st, S. Sears; 2d, H. Cridge.
Cochin China Cock—1st, Mrs. G. A. Perrin.
Leghorn Cock—1st, J. Flett; 2nd, W. Dean.
Plymouth Rock—1st and 2d, H. Creech.
Brown Game Cock—1st and 2d, Mrs. G. A. Perrin.
Game Ducklings—1st, Mrs. G. A. Perrin; 2d, W. W. Baines.
Single Cock—1st and 2nd, Mrs. G. A. Perrin.
Pit Game Cock—1st and 2nd, Mrs. G. A. Perrin.
Heaviest Eggs—1st, C. E. Renouf; 2nd, H. Creech.
Pouter Pigeons—1st and 2nd, Mrs. Perrin.
Fan Tails, White—1st, H. Creech; 2d, Mrs. Perrin.
Fan Tails, black—1st, H. Creech.
Homing Antwerps—1st and 2d, H. Creech.
Torbets—1st and 2d, Mrs. Perrin.
Barbs—1st, Mrs. Perrin.
Jacobins—1st and 2d, Mrs. Perrin.
Magpies—1st, Mrs. Perrin.
Owls—1st, Mrs. Perrin; 2d, H. Creech.
Tumblers—1st and 2d, H. Creech.
Rollers—1st and 2d, H. Creech.
Trumpeters—1st, Mrs. Perrin.
Quakers—1st, Mrs. Perrin.
Carriers—1st and 2d, H. Creech.
Any other variety—1st, H. Creech; 2d, Mrs. Perrin.
Breeding Pens, cock and four hens—1st, W. J. Wale; 2d, H. Creech.
Special diplomas awarded to J. H. Turner, Dr. Milne, (Wyndottes), A. Flett, (Plymouth Rocks), W. J. Wale, (best pen in show, all varieties.)

CATS.

Male Cat, Largest—1st, J. W. Switzer; 2d, S. Renwick.
Female Cat—1st, Billy Brown.
Largest Cat—1st, R. Broderick. 2nd, S. Sandover.
Best Marked Cat—1st, Mrs. G. A. Perrin.
Canaries, best pair—Mrs. Perrin, (best song bird); all others, Mrs. Perrin.
Greatest number of first prizes, Mrs. G. A. Perrin—24.
Greatest number of second prizes, Mrs. G. A. Perrin.

PERSONAL.

Duncan MacInnes, of Hamilton, Ont., is a guest at the Driard.

D. E. Brown, freight agent of the C.P.R., arrived down last night.

T. A. Pope, of Nanaimo, is spending a few days in the city on business.

Capt. and Mrs. Jemmett arrived down from Westminster yesterday afternoon.

Dr. Stevenson is spending a few days in the city and is registered at the Clarence.

A. Ewen, J. A. Laidlaw, and D. J. Munn, Fraser river canners, are at the Driard.

Miss Clara Cameron has returned from an extended visit to friends in Olympia, W. T.

J. Canover, one of Seattle's live real estate agents, arrived last night on the Louise.

Lincoln Rogers, purser of the steamer Dunsmuir, has gone to San Francisco on a three weeks' visit.

W. Weston, who has been spending six weeks with friends in Victoria, leaves for San Francisco this morning.

Mrs. F. M. Sampson, the well-known spiritualistic medium, is lying seriously ill in her room at the Clarence.

H. Croft, M.P.P., and Mrs. Croft, and John Croft arrived on the Louise Thursday night. Mrs. Croft has just returned from an extended visit to England.

D. J. Bousfield, of San Francisco, left for the south yesterday. Two of his brothers were former residents of British Columbia, one being assayer for the Bank of B.C. at Barkerville, and another assayer for the government at Westminster in the days of gold.

Broken Down.

"After suffering with dyspepsia, kidney disease, loss of appetite and pain in the head until discouraged, I heard of B.B.B.; took two bottles and am happy to say I am as well as ever." Mrs. Rufus E. [illegible], New Albany, N. S. tts

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Outgoing Passengers.

The following passengers left for San Francisco on the steamship Umatilla: L. W. Cranmell, Shanks, F. H. Scifort, wife and child, Alden Money and [illegible] Richardson and fourteen in the steerage.

Cedar Hill Social Dance.

The annual social dance will be held at Cedar Hill on Wednesday evening next. There will be good music, an excellent floor and a bountiful supper. In this way they propose to give an enthusiastic welcome in 1889. The room is very beautifully decorated this year with evergreens.

Indian Potlatch.

The East Coast Indians are holding high carnival at Somenos. Crowds of canoes laden with aborigines passed Nanaimo on Friday *en route* to the scene of the festivities. The Nanaimo Indians attended in a body, and, previous to starting, bought up every loaf of bread in one of the bakeries, so as to have a plentiful supply of *muckamuck*. Rumor does not say who provided the whiskey.

Cedar Hill School.

On Friday morning, December 21st, a number of visitors assembled to witness the closing exercises of this school. The school-room was most tastefully decorated with wreaths of evergreens and other devices. The examination showed that the pupils of this school had been understandingly educated. It is a matter of congratulation that this, the oldest school in the province, is enjoying the instruction of so able a teacher as Mr. Landels.

Alaska News.

Three hundred barrels of oil and fifty tons of guano comprised a portion of the cargo of the steamer Idaho on her last trip from the north. She brought the news that the Treadwell mine was running in full blast. The Ancon was met at Juneau bound north. The Russian bishop of the Greek Church recently visited Sitka and made arrangements for attending services in various localities. The Idaho will leave for the north again about the middle of next week.

Xmas Tree.

On Christmas Eve the Cedar Hill school children, parents, and friends sat down to a most sumptuous repast in the school-room. The meal reflected great credit on the ladies of the parish. Afterwards the children and others entertained the large assemblage with songs, etc. The great attraction was a Xmas tree, which had been curtained off in a corner of the room. From this Santa Claus generously distributed many valuable and pleasing momentos. The National Anthem being sung, all departed highly gratified with a most satisfactorily spent evening.

The Schooner Leo Gone to the Bottom.

News of the wreck of the schooner Leo in Stevens Straits, near Port Haughton, was brought down, with the crew of the unfortunate schooner, by the steamer Idaho, which reached Port Townsend from the north on Friday. The Leo, at one time a revenue cutter, was condemned as unsound a short time ago, and sold to San Francisco parties, who have been using her for occasional northern cruises. She was anchored in shallow water, when she knocked a hole in her bottom by swinging against a rock, and sank. No lives were lost, and the work of raising the sunken schooner will shortly be commenced.

The Telephone Was Not to Blame.

Police Officer Abel having stated that he spent at least fifteen minutes in trying to "raise" the central telephone office to give an alarm of fire early yesterday morning, but without success, Mr. Ahearn, the night operator in charge, wishes to contradict the suggestion that he was not attending to his duties. When the bell sounded in the telephone office, he says, he was answering a call; and not thirty seconds elapsed from the time he was first called before he answered. He did all he could to find out what was wanted, but states that the person who "called up" persisted in ringing continually and would not take the telephone from the hook and answer in the usual way, being evidently too much excited to remember how a telephone should be used.

Christmas Eve at South Comox.

The children attending this school enjoyed a happy evening on Monday last. The weather was clear and frosty, comparing favorably with the late dull weather we have had. The children turned out in round numbers, accompanied by their parents; a number of young people also put in an appearance, filling the school-room to its utmost capacity. The Rev. Mr. Fraser occupied the chair. The song and recitations by the children were admirably given, and reflect great credit on Mr. Sutherland, their able and painstaking teacher.

Some kind ladies interested in the children and Sunday-school which is held in connection with the Presbyterian church, took an active hand in furnishing a pretty Christmas tree, and, after the programme was ended, old Santa Claus, kind and thoughtful, appeared on the scene, and amid laughter and shouting surveyed the tree and then proceeded to hand to the children the good and pretty things found there for them. The thanks of all are due Mrs. Prichart, Mrs. and Miss Creech and Mrs. Hill for their kindness in providing and arranging the presents for the children.

THE DOG SHOW.

Saturday, the third and last day of the dog and poultry exhibition, proved by far the best day of the show. Visitors thronged the rink from the hour of opening until the exhibition was brought to a satisfactory close in the evening. During the afternoon a baby show proved the great attraction, and the infants proudly exhibited were as handsome and good-natured as youngsters well could be.

During the evening the special prizes were presented by Lieut.-Col. Prior, M. P., President of the Society; the following being the list of awards in addition to those already published:—

Heaviest Dog—Mr. s Meyer's Great Dane, "Modoc."
Best Trick Dog—D. O'Leary's "Dan."
Best Collection of Terriers—(Silver Medal,) won by W. H. Lee.
Best Silver-grey Dog—(Silver Medal,) won by W. J. McKeon.
Best Breeding Pen of Poultry—W. J. Wale.

THE PRIZE BABIES.

The finest child, over six and under twelve months—1st, Mrs. Stanford; 2nd, Mrs. Hodson; 3rd, Mrs. Alexander.
The finest child under six months of age—1st, Mrs. Bland; 2nd, Mrs. Ireland.
The prettiest child under six months of age—1st, Mrs. Bland; 2nd, Mrs. Ireland; 3rd, Mrs. Hodson.

After nine o'clock, the exhibitors commenced to remove their birds and animals, and by twelve darkness and perfect quiet once more reigned in the rink. On the whole the exhibition may be termed a decided success, although there are many little things which, if attended to, will make the exhibitions of future years even better than the first. For instance, catalogues should be provided for the convenience of visitors, and no doubt will be in future, when the cages for poultry and pet stock will be of wire instead of rough boxes with a multitude of pieces of lath between the exhibits and the outside world.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

ASHES TO ASHES.

Funeral Obsequies of the Late Mrs. Margaret Morrow Campbell.

The last sad rites in connection with the death of Margaret Morrow, the beloved wife of Mr. Francis Campbell, took place yesterday morning, the ceremony being conducted without ostentation or display, in accordance with the often expressed desire of the deceased lady. The body was enclosed in a beautiful rosewood casket, the lid of which was concealed from view beneath a wealth of floral offerings, consisting of crosses, wreaths, etc., many being of choice design, the gifts of sympathizing friends, an exquisite cross of lilies and hyacinths sent from Seattle, and a beautiful harp composed of ferns, daisies and chrysanthemums being particularly noticeable. Previous to the casket being covered, scores of friends of the family were favored with a last look at the features of the deceased lady, which were as natural and peaceful in appearance as if she had fallen into a gentle sleep. The casket being placed in the hearse, the procession formed, about thirty-five carriages being in line, while hundreds attended on foot, making the *cortege* one of the largest ever seen in the city. Arriving at St. Andrew's Cathedral, the casket was conveyed into the sacred edifice and placed on a catafalque in front of the sanctuary, when a solemn requiem mass was celebrated, Rev. Father Letemte officiating. A full choir was in attendance, under the leadership of Mr. McQuade, Mrs. C. A. Lombard presiding at the organ. The mass being concluded, the services for the dead were intoned by Rev. Father Mandart, after which the casket was again conveyed to the hearse, the mournful cadence of the "Dead March in Saul" filling the church as the pall-bearers passed down the aisle with their sad burden. The procession, having reformed, started for Ross Bay Cemetery, where all that was mortal of a loving, faithful wife, a fond and good mother, was consigned to its last resting place, in the presence of the bereaved husband and children and a large concourse of sorrowing friends, there to rest until the last trump shall sound. The following gentlemen officiated as pall-bearers: Ald. S. L. Kelly, M. C. Brown, C. A. Lombard, E. A. McQuade, J. B. McDowell, M. McTiernan, R. Borthwick and T. J. Burnes.

Sudden Death of Mr. Arthur Finney.

About 5:15 o'clock yesterday morning, while aiding in extinguishing the fire on Fort street, Mr. Arthur Finney fell to the ground and instantly expired. The deceased gentleman (who owned the property which was being consumed) was one of the first to arrive on the scene after the alarm sounded. He busied himself in doing all that was possible to save his property from the flames, and after the arrival of the firemen he procured a garden hose and thoroughly drenched the adjoining house. He was on his way to a back shed to replace the hose in its accustomed place, when he was noticed to stagger and fall. The unfortunate gentleman was picked up and conveyed to an adjoining unoccupied house and placed on a lounge. Dr. Milne was summoned, and upon examination, pronounced life extinct, the cause of death being heart disease. The late Mr. Finney was a native of England, and was another of British Columbia's pioneers. He came to this province in the fall of 1862, on the ship Ashmore, *via* Cape Horn, and has since resided here. He was a carpenter by trade, and was a Crimean veteran. During his residence in Victoria he completed several contracts under Dominion Government, his last work being the erection of a fog signal station at Point Atkinson. He had for some years past been a sufferer from heart disease, and was aware that his end would be sudden. In fact, he was rather pleased to know he would thus die, and more than once he informed friends that he would not desire a happier death. About three years ago he lost his wife, and he leaves no near relatives, a brother-in-law in this city and some cousins in England being all who can claim relationship. The late Mr. Finney was about 60 years of age, and was a member of Victoria Lodge, No. 1, I. O. O. F., under whose auspices the funeral will take place to-day at 2 o'clock from his late residence, Quadra street, and at 2:30 from the Reformed Episcopal Church. He was possessed of considerable real estate property, situated on Fort, Quadra and Meres streets, and is believed to have left a will. On Friday he informed a friend that he had that day received a considerable sum of money after banking hours. Yesterday the administrator, being informed of this fact, made a thorough search of the deceased's house, and in the mattress of the bed was found the sum of $800.

Death of Mr. W. C. S. Seeley.

At 6:30 o'clock last evening, Mr. Wm. Compton Smithfield Seeley, proprietor of the Australian Hotel, passed into eternity after a painful illness of about six weeks, the cause of death being cancer in the stomach. The deceased gentleman was aged 77 years, and was a native of London, England. He left the mother country in 1855 for Australia, and after a residence there of three years he started for British Columbia, arriving here in 1858. Soon after his arrival in Victoria he was appointed superintendent of the first hospital in the city, which post he filled for five years, when he built the Australian Hotel on the southeast corner of Government and Humboldt streets, and has resided there continuously until his death. The late Mr. Seeley was an organ-builder by trade, and at one time occupied the position of organist in Durham Cathedral, England. When he came to this province he continued to practice his trade when opportunity offered, and he erected nearly every organ now in use in this city. Being a continuous resident of Victoria for so many years, his figure was a familiar object to young and old alike. He was a gentleman of honest, upright character, being never known to break his word when once pledged, and he had won the respect and esteem of all with whom he was acquainted. He leaves a wife, one son, two daughters and four grandchildren to mourn his loss. Due notice of the funeral will be given.

CITY POLICE COURT.

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

Three festive aborigines lined up in the police court pen yesterday morning and anxiously awaited punishment for having followed the example of the pale-faces, and got drunk. The charges were read, and in the orthodox manner the culprits were asked whether or not they were guilty of the crime charged. Having acknowledged the corn—or rather, the corn-juice—they were told to go and sin no more, after they had paid $5 each as the price of their fun.

Calvin Cooke was charged with the larceny of a silver watch from Mr. John Allen, the theft having been committed several weeks ago and the watch recently found in pawn. Superintendent Shepard and Mr. A. A. Aikman appeared for the defence in the case and the prisoner was committed for trial.

A charge of habitually frequenting a house of ill fame was preferred against Edward Hodges, who pleaded not guilty. Mr. Macnab Stewart appearing for the defence. The evidence of Officers Lindsay and Allen, and that of May Williams and Kitty Calvert was taken, and the case remanded until Thursday next, the prisoner being released on $200 bail.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

INCENDIARISM.

Two Homes Wrecked by Fire Kindled by Some Unknown Hand.

Shortly after twelve o'clock on Friday night, Messrs. W. Short and G. Switzer, ex-members of the city fire department, while going home from the Foresters' ball, noticed a pile of shavings and kindling wood burning brightly in a little four-foot alley between two houses on Fort street, occupied by Mrs. Hernandez, and Mr. Rutland, of the White House. They at once proceeded to investigate, and found that two piles of shavings and pitchwood, saturated with oil, had been carefully arranged beneath the back windows of the two houses, and then set on fire. A few minutes' work and every spark was extinguished. They then tried to arouse the occupants of the house, but were unsuccessful, all being sound asleep.

Having seen that all was safe, the amateur firemen retired, intending to report the suspicious circumstances to the proper authorities in the morning.

A few minutes after four Police Officer Abel, while on his beat, noticed from the corner of Discovery and Blanchard streets a fiery glow in the direction of Fort street, which he at first took to be a chimney blaze. He at once hurried in the direction of the light, which grew brighter as he neared it. Reaching the corner of Blanchard and Fort streets, he heard a shrill scream for help, and arriving at the scene of the fire, found a man and a woman on the balcony of the burning house, calling for some one to bring them a ladder as the stairs were impassable. He ran for a ladder and before he could find one, several men arrived, and leaving them to rescue the occupants of the house, the officer ran to the Fashion livery stable for the purpose of telephoning to the fire station. After spending fifteen minutes or more in trying to get an answer from the central telephone office, and ineffectually he states, Mr. Abel returned to the scene of the fire, a hackman having seen the blaze and driven to the Deluge engine house on the run to give the alarm. The firemen were on hand a few moments after receiving the alarm, and a stream of water was almost immediately playing on the flames, which were soon brought under control. The fire was very slow in gaining strength, and the opinion of those first on the scene is that it could easily have been extinguished before any damage was done had it been possible to give the alarm at once. The fire starting in the back of Mr. Rutland's house, soon crossed the little alleyway and communicated with the adjoining cottage occupied by Mrs. Hernandez, and owned by Mr. Humphreys, both houses burning together. The damages to the latter house are far less serious than that to Mr. Rutland's, and are entirely covered by insurance in the Norwich Union Company. The entire amount of damage is estimated at $2,000.

The house occupied by Mr. Rutland was owned by Mr. Arthur Finney, and was not insured. Incendiarism being the plainly evident cause of the fire, an inquest will probably be held.

PERSONAL.

George Holden of Nanaimo is at the Clarence.

Dr. W. W. Walkem of Nanaimo is in the city.

J. M. Macgregor of the *Morning Courier* is in the city.

Rev. F. G. Field of Minneapolis is the guest of Rev. M. L. Rugg.

L. W. Halstead, wife and child, of San Francisco are at the Clarence.

E. A. Blanchard of the Spokane Falls Flouring Company is at the Driard.

D. W. Purdy of Seattle, and H. C. Taylor of San Francisco, are at the Clarence.

Arnold Flesh of New York is spending a few days in Victoria, a guest at the Driard.

John Dewe, the chief post office inspector, has applied for superannuation and his application will probably be granted.

Hon. J. A. Chapleau is staying at Paris, and will shortly undergo an operation. It is expected that after ten to fourteen day's rest he will be able to return to Canada in time for the opening of the Dominion parliament.

The following passengers are on board the steamer Walla Walla from San Francisco for this port: P. S. Sherman, Mrs. L. O'Brien, R. G. Tatlow, Miss M. A. Sumerfield, Mrs. Capt. Moore, G. Foye and family, Mrs. Holloway and daughter, and Mrs. McWaldren.

Senator D. MacInnes, whose arrival in the city was briefly mentioned in yesterday's issue, is one of the most prominent of Canada's manufacturers, as well as a director of the Canadian Pacific, and a well-known figure in Dominion politics. While spending a few days at Banff, the senator contracted a severe cold, and on his arrival in Victoria was in very poor health. Yesterday he was the guest of Lieut.-Col. Prior, M.P., by whom he was shown the beauties of Victoria, and in whose company he called upon Senator Macdonald and other old friends in the city. The senator enjoyed the day spent in Victoria, and will carry away with him none but pleasant memories of his brief visit. He will leave for the mainland this morning.

TOWN TOPICS TERSELY TOLD.

Local and General Happenings Gathered up and Presented in Readable Shape.

Mr. Samuel Mellard has been appointed postmaster at Chilliwhack.

A Christmas tree was the attraction in the school-room of the Baptist church on Friday evening.

The Gorge Road Methodist Sunday School held their Christmas entertainment on Friday evening.

Chief Engineer Deasy had his nasal organ badly burned as well as bruised at the fire yesterday morning.

Edison is at work on an invention to produce electricity directly from coal, doing away with engines, boilers, and dynamos.

The Treasurer of the Royal Hospital begs to acknowledge receipt of the sum of $20 from the city corporation for Christmas dinner to the inmates, with thanks.

The band at the dog show last evening played "Die Wacht am Rhine" when Mrs. Meyer led "Modoc" forth for his prizes; and "Patrick's Day" when the Irish terriers received their medal.

Two Nanaimo pugilists have arranged for a fight, to a finish, with bare knuckles, for $250 a side, London prize ring rules; $100 a side having been put up as forfeit. The fight will probably come off on the American side early in January.

MARINE.

The sailing of the steamer Cariboo Fly has been postponed until Wednesday January 2nd.

Steamship Umatilla left for San Francisco at 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

It is reported that R. Cunningham of Skeena river has purchased the steamer Muriel from Mr. L. G. Dumbleton, and that she will be taken north to run on the Skeena.

A Cure for Deafness.

There have been many remarkable cures made by the use of Hagyard's Yellow Oil, the great household remedy for pain, inflammation and soreness. Yellow Oil cures Rheumatism, Sore Throat and Chest, and is useful internally and externally for all pains and injuries. tts

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LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

Won't Meet Mitts.

There is an aristocracy even in pugilism. Sullivan says he will not meet Jackson in the ring because he is a colored man! What next?

Sent to the Penitentiary.

Deputy Sheriff Langley received instructions yesterday afternoon to proceed at once to Westminster with Dr. Griffin. He accordingly left with his prisoner by this morning's boat, going to the Royal City by way of Vancouver. The argument for a new trial in the Griffin case will be heard on the 10th of this month.

Customs Returns.

Collections at the port of Victoria for the month ending 31st Dec., 1888.

Duties	$68,338 35
Miscellaneous	338 06
Chinese Immigration Act	444 50
	$69,124 91
Collections Dec., 1887	59,227 66
Increase	$9,933 25

Coal Output.

Following is the coal output for the year 1888; a very satisfactory increase:

	Tons.
R. Dunsmuir and Sons	200,000
Vancouver Coal Co	259,432
East Wellington	35,809
Total	495,241
Output of 1887	410,573
Increase	84,668

Happy New Year.

1889 was ushered in with a royal salute from the guns of "C" battery, a grand display of fireworks at the Adelphi corner, and the blending noise of clanging bells, shrieking locomotive whistles, foghorns and tin pans; with the continual bang of fire crackers to fill up all pauses.

1889 was ushered in right merrily. May it prove a year of happiness and prosperity for one and all.

The Timber Output.

Returns from the mainland and island show that the timber output for the past year amounts to about 140,000,000 feet. This is an increase over last year of 40,000,000 feet, with the erection of several mills for which timber limits have been secured. The end of 1889 will see another large advance in timber industry, which will bring the yearly output up to fully two and a quarter million feet.

Social and Presentation.

At the usual weekly meeting of the Y. P. A. of the Pandora Avenue Methodist church last evening, Mr. John Griffiths was presented with an address by Mrs. J. H. Baker, on behalf of the Association, accompanied by a handsome Bible. Mr. Griffiths leaves in a few days to enter into business at Port Townsend, and is followed by the good wishes of all for a prosperous career at the port of entry.

Watch-Night Services.

The old-time custom of watching the old year out and the new one in was observed in the Pandora street Methodist church last evening, the service of prayer and praise being conducted by the pastor of the church, Rev. J. E. Starr. A watch meeting was also held in the Salvation Army barracks, a goodly number attending and manifesting a very evident interest in the services.

Civilization vs. Paganism.

A white man (?) last evening stopped a Chinaman and asked him for a light. John struck a match. The fellow asked him for a cigar. The Celestial gave him a cigarette, and lighted it for him. The coward then struck him a blow in the face. The Chinaman thought an instant, and as the attack was not renewed, refrained from giving the hoodlum a well-deserved thrashing.

Nothing Small About Them.

In connection with the card of thanks of Mr. Humphreys to the Norwich Union Insurance Society, appearing in another column of this day's issue, for prompt settlement of the loss by the late fire on Fort street, we may mention that we have in the office a copy of the policy issued by that company covering the Great Exhibition building (London, England,) of 1862 to the extent of four hundred and fifty thousand pounds sterling, the largest insurance ever effected by any one company in the world. Confidence may well be reposed in institutions of this character.

A Horrible Charge.

A man named Waddell has been arrested at Owen Sound on a charge of having murdered his father 18 years ago. Father and son were residents of Victoria from 1862 to 1866, the father being connected with the Macdonald Bank, which became defunct in 1864 in consequence of the vaults being robbed one night of $30,000 in gold coin. It is charged that the man now in custody threw his father overboard in Owen Sound, thus causing his death, to possess himself of several thousand dollars which the father had acquired through an act of piracy in sinking a schooner to get the insurance money.

A Depraved Taste.

One of the pretty young chorus girls who were here with Emma Abbott has married a San Francisco Chinaman. She visited the Chinese theatre and fell in love with Ah Buck, who was one of the actors. Next day she proposed and was accepted by the Chinaman on condition that she should give him a gold watch and chain. After getting these valuables the Celestial tried to back out of the match, but the girl was importunate and