GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Triumphant Opening of the Gala Days in Honor of Her Majesty's Birthday.

Victoria Wins the Championship Lacrosse Match by Three Games to Two.

Victoria Jockey Club Meeting.—The Colonist Predicts the Winners Of Both Races.

Largest Fleet of Yachts Ever Seen Off Beacon Hill—Bicycle and Foot Races.

Right royal weather was vouchsafed for the opening day of Victoria's celebration in honor of Her Majesty's birthday. When morning broke and the first rays of the sun lit up the snowy mountain peaks and then noiselessly chased night's shadows from valley and glade, the promises and prophecies of a perfect day became real living facts.

And when, a little later on, residents and visitors and guests alike awoke from their slumbers and looked forth in expectation, they beheld with joy the city bathed in the refulgent light of a rosy morn. Not a cloud in the sky, save here and there a fleecy floating speck like "sentries of the dawn," an augury that the gods were propitious. From the rolling ocean there came a pleasant breeze tempering the heat and spreading wide the folds of the hundreds of flags of all nations, which floated proudly over the ships and on nearly all the public buildings.

Truly it was a perfect day; not an attribute was lacking. Like Milton's description of the nuptial day:

"All heaven
And happy constellations on that hour
Shed their selectest influence; the earth
Gave signs of gratulation, and each hill;
Joyous the birds; fresh gales and gentle airs
Whispered it to the woods, and from their wings
Flung rose, flung odours from the spicy shrub.'

Every incoming train and boat added to the number of visitors. The hotels, boarding houses and restaurants were taxed to their capacity, every available room being called into requisition and there were some indeed who were unable to get even this accommodation. It is satisfactory, however, to know that no one with patience enough to wait for a turn had to go hungry, as special precautions were taken by the hotel keepers to have their larders well stocked. For the rest, that is the lodging, a number of cots were called into requisition and every one was supplied. The street cars all day long did a rushing business moving the people around from place to place, and conveying them to and from the scenes of the different amusements. There was a great deal of grumbling at the service but not more than is usual under like circumstances, and the street car company officials did all in their power to put ten people into the space that should have been occupied by one. The American visitors "kicked" more or less about their coin being barred out and yet there was no help for it and those who hadn't any of the Canadian silver had to stand the loss.

Last night the city was illuminated, almost every residence being brilliantly lighted up. The visitors attended the concerts and other amusements and then took a hand in the fun the different victors were having over their success. First-class order was preserved, and every one, losers as well as winners, seemed in the best of spirits. Taken altogether, the day was most thoroughly enjoyable. The different events down on the programme came off in the order stated. Full details of the sports, etc., follow:

INTERNATIONAL BASEBALL.

At 9 o'clock the ring that had been pitched for the baseball game between Tacoma and the James Bay Club was crowded ten deep with interested spectators, the number including a great many visitors from the other side, all desirous of seeing the American boys carry off the honors. The local team was not without its multitude of supporters and cheers given heartily and without stint for both sides rang out continually during the progress of the game. Victoria won, and the match throughout, though well contested, never at any stage looked glum for the Bays. They "bested" their opponents in every phase of the science of baseball, and the result was a triumph for the winners, such as they have never before experienced, which was brought about solely by constant and careful practice.

The score of 14 to 4 tells the tale without comment. As usual, Jackson in the box was a host in himself and time after time his excellent work was loudly applauded. The feature of the game, and it affords genuine gratification to be able to say so, was the spirit of manliness and the gentlemanly way in which it was contested from beginning to end. Not a single instance of rough work or "rattling" was experienced; in fact, the boys seemed to realize that they were out for the honor of Victoria and the City of Destiny, and with the greatest care avoided any attempt at hoodlumism or unnecessary display of temper.

Tacoma went first to the bat, the first game being quick and decisive. Whistling went to bat, and a missed third strike gave him first, a stolen base and two wild pitches giving him the run, and Anderson, who followed, hit a two bagger, which went for nothing, the two following batsmen going out at first. No more runs were scored by the visitors until the fifth innings, when, on two errors, and a hit by Bunnell, Pope scored. The sixth and seventh were unproductive. In the eighth, after two men had struck out, an error by Gus Gowen, a two-base hit by Evans, a single by Anderson and an error by Hannan added two runs to Tacoma's total.

Widdowson who began for Victoria with his first strike hit well over to centre for a two-bagger. Franklin and Williams struck out, and Hannan, who was caught in the field, closed the innings without a score. Widdowson died on third. In the second, third and fourth innings the Bays succeeded in getting men on bases, but were retired by the clever fielding of the Tacomas. Dickey pitched with good judgment, the bases were full on two occasions, but the runners were unable to do better than reach third. In the fifth, the home club struck a batting streak, completely demoralizing their opponents. Jackson was first at bat. He hit for a single; Widdowson took first on an error of Dickey's; Franklin got his base on balls, and on Hannan following with a single, two men crossed the plate. Williams copying Hannan's lead, brought in two more. An error of short stop gave Gowen his base, when Hewlett and Wishart were retired. Another error of short stop gave Meade first. The bases were full, when Jackson came to bat. A hit meant runs, and "Jacko" played steady, and was rewarded by clearing all bases, on a nice, clean hit to centre, scoring himself later, on errors, the innings ending for eight runs. In the two next following innings, the Bays took time to recover their breath, preparatory to adding six more to the score in the eighth, on two hits and a series of errors.

THE SCORE—TACOMA.

NAMES.	A.B.	R.	B.R.	S.B.	P.O.	A.	E.
Wiestling, F., 2d b	4	2	0	1	1	1	1
Evans, W., c. f	4	1	1	0	0	0	2
Anderson, J., 1st b	4	0	2	0	8	0	0
Kershaw, L., s. s	4	0	1	0	2	1	4
Rusher, W., l. f	4	0	0	1	1	0	1
Hacker, —, r. f	4	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pope, —, 3d b	4	1	1	0	4	3	1
Bunnell, —, c	3	0	1	0	8	3	0
Dickey, —, p	3	0	0	0	0	2	2
Totals	34	4	7	2	24	10	11

JAMES BAYS.

NAMES.	A.B.	R.	B.H	S.B.	P.O.	A.	E.
Widdowson, F., 2d b	6	2	2	1	7	2	1
Franklin, W., 3d b	5	1	1	0	1	0	1
Hannan, J., c	6	2	1	0	8	0	1
Williams, F., s. s	6	2	2	0	0	1	0
Gowen, G., c. f	6	2	1	0	0	0	1
Hewlett, H., l. f	6	0	1	0	0	0	0
Wishart, J., 1st b	5	0	1	0	10	0	0
Meade, G., r. f	5	2	0	0	0	0	0
Jackson, F., p	5	3	4	1	1	5	0
Totals	50	14	13	2	27	8	4

THE SCORE BY INNINGS.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9—Total.
James Bays	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	6	'—14.
Tacomas	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	C—4.

SUMMARY.

Earned runs, 0; two base hits, Widdowson, Gowen, Jackson, Evans, Kershaw; base on ball, Jackson 1, Dickey 2; hit by pitcher, Dickey 1; struck out, Jackson 10, Dickey 6; passed balls, Hannan 1, Bunnell 3; wild pitches, Jackson 2, Dickey 1; umpire, J. Scott.

THE BICYCLE RACES.

To those who had charge of the bicycle races, one compliment must be paid—the programme was entered upon promptly at the hour set, 11 o'clock, and there was the least possible delay in keeping the ball, or rather the bicycle, rolling, after the first race had been called. Of course, breathing time had to be given between the contests, as it was the few that made up the racing material. Lawrenceson's friends experienced keen disappointment to learn his decision, when he came on the track, that he would not ride. The reason was a simple one—the man with the sprinkler had done his work so thoroughly that the track was sticky almost all the way round, while those in the first race had difficulty in steering clear of the pools of water with which the course was decorated.

Nearly all of the outsiders who had entered—Laurenceson, Mason, Walton and Emanuels, of Vancouver, the Deemings, of Nanaimo, Johnstone, of Fairhaven, and one or two others—realized that it would be dangerous as well as useless to attempt speed on such a course, the majority having trained on a cinder path, and so contented themselves with the spectator's position.

When the first event on the programme was called and the wheels brought to the tape there could not have been fewer than 10,000 people on the hillside, making it bright with many colors. As usual the immense crowd felt in duty bound to monopolize the greater part of the track, and, as usual also, the police appeared utterly incompetent to prevent them. The natural result was that delays could not be avoided, accidents were averted only by good luck, and the wheelsmen rode their races at considerable unnecessary disadvantage.

The races themselves were keen and exciting, and the winners' time in nothing they may well be proud of. Westminster's men as usual backed their representative for all the money they could get takers for, and the performance of the Royal City boy abundantly justified the confidence placed in him.

When Turner started, he started to win. He rode with discretion, style and ease, took everything that came his way, and emerged from the last and hardest contest of the day merely flushed, and with the best two mile time that has been made in British Columbia to his credit. The Beacon Hill track is a none-too-good road course and 5.54 for two miles on an uneven road is not slow travelling. Jeffree was a disappointing surprise, and although he did his best beyond a doubt, the Wanderers will have to look elsewhere for a champion. While he did not touch his best time made in practice, that time as noted by his trainer does not touch Turner's, though the Westminster man cannot be as familiar with the track and would no doubt improve his speed on becoming acquainted with it. In Moody, who had taken no one into his counsel, and only made his appearance as a contestant at the last moment, the home club met with their most agreeable surprise; he entered to fill a field of five, riding a borrowed wheel, which he had never before mounted, and rode his race with good judgment, finishing first in safety. Everyone will, no doubt, be anxious to take him in hand now; he seems to have good material in him, and the Wanderers want a champion who can race Turner, Laurenceson, et al, to a finish. With this champion, the long-promised cinder path, neat and comfortable club rooms, and the standard which Brother Simpson has agreed to supply, the club see nothing more to wish for.

Of yesterday's races the first was the

ONE MILE ORDINARIES—ROADSTERS ONLY.

1. J. W. Bowne, "Tacomas." Color, black; mount, "Star," model '84.
2. H. J. Walton, "Vancouvers." Color, white; 52-inch Humber. Time, 3:39.

These got away with an even start, accompanied by H. Plows, of the Wanderers, entered on a Brantford to fill the race. Bowne led to the rise fronting Corrig College, when Walton drew away from Plows to overhaul the leader. There was not two lengths of daylight between the wheels when the Humber struck a hole, and though Walton brought himself up sharply he could not prevent a header. He was on his feet quickly, picked up his wheel and remounted, but the accident destroyed all his chances.

KERR AND BEGG ONE MILE, OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP.

1. F. J. Turner, "Westminster." Color, cream; Humber pneumatic safety.
2. W. J. Jeffree, "Wanderers." Color, blue; Rudge pneumatic. Time, 3:06 2-5.

For this race there were but three starters, Bowne, of Tacoma, being again the first man at the scratch. He was little mentioned in the betting, the offers being all on Turner against Jeffree. The latter seemed a little paler than usual, but made an excellent start, which sent his stock up at once. Bowne made the pace for the first quarter, then rode in company with Jeffree to the second; Turner rode easily, keeping behind both. Half way round, Jeffree brought out his spurt, and secured a good lead; Turner increased his pace, and Bowne decided to drop out. Coming on the last turn, Jeffree had five lengths to the good; then Turner made his rush in for home, and led the Victorian out by 10 feet.

GREEN RACE. ONE MILE.
Pneumatics Barred).

1. T. J. Moody, "Wanderers." Color, pink; Raglan safety.
2. H. M. Martin, "Westminsters." White and blue. Psycho safety. Time, 3.16¾.

The starters were Moody and Martin, W. J. Muir of Esquimalt, on a Brantford, E. W. Bradley on a Rudge, and F. Dalby on a Humber. Cushion tires were the only ones in the race. Dalby was the club favorite, Martin the choice of the visitors. Martin secured the advantage of start, Moody at the pole being most inconsiderately crowded by the spectators. Five hundred yards out, Dalby ran to the front, and piloted the company to the third quarter. Then Martin and Bradley spurted, Dalby dropped into third place, and Moody crept up from the rear rank. Muir next developed speed, and Dalby became last man. On the turn and stretch, Moody let himself out, and shook off first one and then the other of his leaders, crossing the line a very safe first. Martin came in second, followed by Muir, Bradley and Dalby in order, a few lengths between each.

TWO MILES—OPEN.

1. F. J. Turner, "Westminsters.' Color, cream; Humber pneumatic.
2. H. E. Potter, "Vancouvers." White; Clincher pneumatic. Time, 6:28.

Starting in this race were Turner, Potter, Jeffree, of the "Wanderers," and Bowne, of the Tacomas. It was the race in which Turner and Jeffree were looked to to make a good fight, and it was the race in which the Victorian learned the mettle of the Westminster man. All Jeffree's attention was evidently directed to Turner. Potter was allowed to take the lead and he kept it for the first half, completing the mile circle in 3.10, with Jeffree two lengths behind and Turner close in to the Wanderer's wheel. In the second half the positions remained unchanged until the last quarter. Then Turner spurted and led the procession home; Jeffree failed to overhaul Potter, who finished second.

"TIMES" CHAMPIONSHIP—TWO MILES.
(Open to all Wheels Handicapped.)

1. F. J. Turner, "Westminsters." Cream; Humber pneumatic.
2. H. E. Potter, "Vancouvers." White and blue; Clincher pneumatic. Time, 5.54.

This was unquestionably *the* race of the day, and it abundantly proved the grit as well as the wind and muscle of the Westminster boy. Pneumatics only were entered, Tiedemann coming in on a Brantford of the latest type. He was given 200 yards, and Potter 150, and against this handicap many protests were heard. The conditions were to handicap wheels, not men, they said, and all the pneumatics should start on the scratch. Turner said very little; he wrote out a formal protest, and put it in his pocket after giving notice that he would appeal. The men were started with the drop of the handkerchief—not a very satisfactory method, and which caused two seconds loss to Turner at the start. He was in Victoria to win, however, and he at once started to make up the big handicap. Potter took the leadership in the first half and made the scratch,—one mile short 150 yards,—in 2.40; Tiedemann covered his 1560 yards in 2.49; and Turner completed his full mile, third in the race, in 2.57. Potter he had to work to catch; but he did it, and won the race with ease in 5.54; Potter, second; Tiedemann, third. The championship medal, previously held by Laurenceson, now goes to Turner, who in turn will be required to defend it next year. No one regrets more than Laurenceson himself that he could not enter the lists, but he considered it useless to try and make time on the Victoria track on a high wheel, having trained on a cinder path.

The record of the prize winners for the day stands:

F. J. Turner, Westminster—Kerr & Begg championship, gold medal, one mile; open championship, gold medal, two miles; "Times" championship, gold medal, two miles.

F. W. Bowne, Tacoma—One mile, ordinary, gold medal.

T. J. Moody, Wanderers, Victoria—Green race, one mile, gold medal.

H. J. Walton, Vancouver—Second prize, silver medal, one mile, ordinary.

W. J. Jeffree, Wanderer, R. P. Vancouver, Victoria—Second prize, silver medal, Kerr & Begg championship.

H. M. Martin, Westminster—Second prize, silver medal, one mile, green race.

H. E. Potter, Vancouver—Second prize, silver medal, two miles, open.

THE ATHLETIC CLUB'S EXHIBITION.

The cavillers who were loud in declaring, some days ago, that the exhibition of the Victoria Athletic Club would be a failure and a performance not suited to the tastes of the people who would visit the hill during the celebration must by this time see their folly. When the tug of war had been concluded and everything in the circle below the flagstaff had been made ready for the exhibition the crowds of promenaders thronged the locality to get a look at it, and it is doubtful whether at any other time during the day such large numbers were assembled round the ring. The exhibition throughout, while presenting no specially new features, was excellent, and was carried through without a single hitch. The boys seemed determined to show that their efforts could please and attract the public and they succeeded admirably. The tumbling and bar work, under the leadership of F. Gouge, and participated in by O. Weiler, Wilby and all the other old hands were the feature of the entertainment, some specially clever work being done in these departments. Following came the Indian club swinging and the now celebrated "strong man" exhibition, both of which needless to say, were greeted with hearty applause. The heavy weight lifting and iron bar bending of the latter, were the principal features of the attraction. During the progress of the various items on the programme, which took up over an hour and a half, the Victoria City Band played several excellent sellections, which were highly appreciated.

The evolutions on the horizontal bar were fully up to the style of professional work, and many of the feats performed were surprising. Braden's contortion work was better than ever, his ability in this line being displayed to the utmost advantage.

ATHLETICS.

As soon as the base ball match was completed, the large crowds which had been watching the game, quickly filed over to the circle where Chairman Braden and his big working committee had placed everything in readiness for the athletic sports and tug-of-war. By a few minutes after 1 o'clock, the space was black with people, while thousands crowded the hillside and adjoining slopes, from which points of vantage they had the double pleasure of seeing all that went on inside the ring, as well as the magnificent natural panorama of ocean, mountain and sky stretched out beyond.

Everybody was interested. All ages were represented at the ringside, and the enthusiasm manifested over every item on the long programme was surprising even for a twenty-fourth celebration. None of the contestants in the races, either winners or losers, had any cause to feel disheartened or discouraged, for the lucky ones were cheered because they were ahead, and their less fortunate antagonists were likewise heartily applauded, presumably because they wanted a little stimulus to make the thing exciting. At different parts of the ring were stationed the more intimate friends of the competitors, who, of course, sang and screamed at their respective champions on every possible occasion. Their enthusiasm reached such a pitch over the result of the 100 yards race that several were content with nothing less than to carry the winner out of the field on their shoulders.

The Victoria City Band, stationed in a convenient spot within the ropes, enlivened the waits considerably with a long and well performed programme.

Below will be found a complete account of the various races:—

Half Mile Race. First prize, gold medal; 2nd, silver medal.

Entries—Esplin, Friend, H. Dalby, Embert, McLeod.

Friend, 1; H. Dalby, 2.

A good start was made, all the men getting away at the pistol shot well together. The line remained unbroken until Dalby broke out from the ruck and led for another 200 yards, closely followed by Esplin, Friend running easily on the rails. This position was unchanged for the next round, when Esplin dropped out, and Friend, putting on a fine spurt, caught and passed Dalby. The finishing round was made without a change, Friend winning as he liked.

Boys under 12 years: 1st prize, silver watch; 2nd, gold scarfpin. Fifty entries.

G. Baker, 1; C. Carveson, 2.

A race productive of a great deal of amusement, and one in which, of course, many anxious fathers and mothers were much interested. The youngsters were in it for a win or die struggle, and a great deal of commotion ensued when the handicappers attempted to place them preparatory to starting. On the pistol shot, about a dozen went down, and another dozen tumbled over them, making a regular hillock of kicking limbs and screaming humanity. The balance raced round the track in great style and a fine finish resulted, the winner capturing a pluckily fought race by a yard. The little fellow is a son of Ald. Baker.

Half-mile for the Navy: 1st prize, $10; 2nd, $5. Entries—Bruder, Hodden, Waller, Vernl, Cogan, White, Dracken, Allen, F. Reid, N. Rose, C. Gunby.

F. Reid, 1; J. White, 2.

The men got away in a straggling start, Cogan, of the Warspite, taking the lead at once, and racing the first 200 yards at a breakneck pace that soon brought him to a standstill. The running was altogether too hot for many of the contestants, who, after the quarter mile stake was reached, gave up the game altogether. Waller, Allen, Reid and White were finally left to finish, and all four ran very level. Excitement among the bluejackets round the ring ran high, for all but Reid, who hails from the Champion, were Warspite men. At the last turn, Reid, helped on by the cheers of his mesmates, went out like a racehorse and won easily, with the second man well up.

One Mile Race. First prize, gold medal; second, silver medal. Entries: Traill, Esplin, C. Thompson, Dalby, Friend, McLeod.

H. Dalby, first; W. Traill, second.

This was a splendid race and great interest was manifested in it by many amateurs who had heard fearful and wonderful rumors of the past performances of one of the contestants. The first three rounds, however, narrowed matters down considerably and left only Dalby, Traill and Friend in the race. A fine contest ensued among these three, and for several rounds there was some most sensational running the same man not being in the lead for thirty seconds together. Friend made a great effort to cut down the leaders on the last round, but his legs gave out and he had to content himself with a fine third. Dalby just headed Traill at the post.

Girls under 12 years. 1st prize, bracelets; 2nd, silver brooch. Forty entries.

Like the boys' race, this event was very amusing. It was won by one of the smallest of the competitors, who flew round the course with her golden hair streaming behind her and a look of rigid determination in her face.

Hurdle race, 220 yards. 1st prize, gold medal; 2nd, silver medal. Entries—Esplin, J. Harrison, A. Verrinder, R. P. Wanderer.

J. A. Harrison, 1; A. C. Verrinder, 2.

This event was not very interesting, the lead being taken by Harrison at the start and retained the whole distance. Verrinder's jumping was excellent, and had the distance been longer the knowing ones seemed to think that he would have made short work of his opponent, who, however, covered the 220 yards in quick time.

One hundred yards race—1st prize, gold medal; 2nd, silver medal. Ten entries.

S. Blaine, 1; J. D. Smith, 2.

For this race a portion of the ring was destroyed, and a clear course given out for the distance. Excitement ran high, and, undoubtedly, it was "the" event of the day, for a great many athletes present. The men ranged up outside the circular track, and, at the word "go," shot out in a bunch, towards the tape. D. Smith, the favorite, jumped to the front, at once, and up to the three-quarter distance held it strong, eight others following two feet from him. Then Blaine ran up, and challenged him to a final spurt. Smith responded, and the two raced home, neck and neck. Five yards from the flag Blaine made a big effort, and breasted the tape a foot in advance of Smith, in 10¾ seconds (down hill).

Tug-of-war—Open to Navy and C Battery; winning team, $20.

The tug-of-war, that ever-popular form of public amusement, was witnessed with the greatest interest. C Battery had not sent a team, so the contest resolved itself into a purely naval affair. The marines and stokers of the Warspite met for the first pull, and the result was an easy win for the former, who captured the first two drags out of three in 10 and 11 seconds. The Melpomene and Champion pulled the next heat, the former winning the first two pulls in 18 and 15 seconds. The pull-off—Melpomene v. Warspite Marines—was a very exciting affair indeed. The first heat was won by the Marines in 1 minute, 18 seconds. On ends being changed they won the second heat and the match in 2 minutes.

This event concluded the athletic sports with the exception of the athletic exhibition described above. Sir R. K. Arbuthnot and W. A. Ward acted as judges, Mr. T. W. Edwards as timekeeper, and Messrs. Wm. Lorimer and W. Braden as starter and referee respectively. Too much praise cannot be accorded these gentlemen for the excellent manner in which they fulfilled their duties. The proceedings will compare very favorably with those of any previous years, and never before have the sports been run through with so little loss of time.

TACOMAS VICTORY.

The Albion Cricket Club met the Tacoma team on the home ground at 11 o'clock and after a close contest were defeated by 5 runs on the first innings. The Albions put a strong team in the field, but the bowling and fielding of the visitors was so good that the Victoria boys could make no headway against it, and their innings closed for the small total of 59, five less than the score of their opponents. Martin, Medway and Hewett batted well, and Thomas was clean bowled just when it seemed as if he was good for a long stand, but the bowling of Charlesworth and Hill was never really collared and they were ably backed up on the field, the boys from across the Sound doing some very brilliant work. For the Albions Thomas and E. Martin bowled very effectively, but the fielding of the home club was rather loose, indeed had it been as good as usual the result might have been different. Guilline, Hill and Charlesworth were the chief scorers for Tacoma, and their victory will do much to popularize the good old game on the American side. It is sincerely to be hoped that international matches will now be a frequent occurrence. In the evening the visiting team were entertained by the Albion club at the Victoria Hotel and a most enjoyable time was spent.

TACOMA.

Guilline, b Fowkes	12
Bowden, c and b Thomas	3
Hacker, b Thomas	3
Watson, c and b Thomas	5
Charlesworth, c Fowkes, b Martin	12
Hill, c Thomas, b Martin	9
Robertson, c Schwengers, b Thomas	2
Day, run out	4
Kershaw, run out	0
Willis, not out	5
Lowe, c Medway, b Thomas	3
Extras	6
Total	64

ALBIONS.

Martin, H. T., b Charlesworth	9
Fowkes, b Hill	2
Schwenge, s. b Hill	4
Thomas, b Charlesworth	6
Medway, b Charlesworth	10
Martin, J. E., c Guilline, b Hill	2
Pauline, run out	3
Hewitt, b Guilline	10
Taylor, b Hill	4
Nicholls, run out	0
Falls, not out	3
Extras	6
Total	59

VICTORIA JOCKEY CLUB RACES.

Fine weather again favored the spring meeting of the Victoria Jockey Club, and the second day's races went off very satisfactorily. There was a little wind, but only just sufficient to make it pleasant and prevent any discomfort from the presence of Old King Sol. Again Lieut.-Governor and Mrs. Nelson honored the track with their presence, their equipage arriving early. A number of other private carriages also had stations around the course, amongst them being those of Messrs. Rithet, Loewen, Gordon, Shaw, Duncan, Taylor, Major Dupont, and Hon. Mr. Pooley. Owing to their being so many other attractions, the crowd was not quite so large as on Saturday, but those who did turn out were on the grounds for solid pleasure, and the large number of ladies took as keen an interest as anyone. The fine band, from C Battery, came out early, and took up its position in the band stand, the music being very acceptable, indeed, during the somewhat tedious intervals. The racing throughout was good, and the betting was heavy.

The first race on the card was the

FREE FOR ALL.

trotting and pacing. The judges called the horses up for the first heat at about 2 o'clock, and Mink, Col. Stoner, Maud C. and Harry Velox came on the track. Betting was very lively, Mink being a hot favorite. Mr. Barlow's little gelding looked as if he could have stood more work. He was the best looking one in the quartette, Maud C. being none the worse for her victory on Saturday. The latter was also pretty well fancied, while Col. Stoner's connections expected him to reverse the verdict of his last meeting with Chamber's mare. The race needs very little discription, as Mr. Byron Barlow's pacer was much too fast for his opponents and won in three straight heats in hollow style. Maud C. and Stoner both trotted well and truly, but they were no match for the Tacoma gelding.

At 3.50 the judge called out the horses for the

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one mile and a quarter. Jim Murphy, with Dan Mitchell, wearing Frank Campbell's colors, was the first to appear on the track. The old gelding looked in the pink of condition. He was followed by Polly and Gertie, Elford's mare going very well in a preliminary canter. Domino looked a little stale after his run in the Queen's Plate on Saturday, and he was a rank outsider in the pools, Murphy selling a strong favorite with Gertie and Polly alternately second choice. The general public backed Murphy heavily, Gertie being supported by a smart division who generally know something when they place their money. Polly, whose trainer and rider, it is understood, were to receive the purse in case of her success, was backed by many good judges. This race was unquestionably one of the best, if not the best, ever seen on the Victoria Driving Park as at the mile, Murphy, Gertie and Polly were bunched, and a hard race followed. The heavy weight told on the favorite, and he just managed to scramble home ahead in front of Polly, amidst great excitement at the finish. An objection was made to the winner by Polly's rider on the grounds of a cannon in the first half mile. After hearing the evidence, the Steward's promptly overruled the objection and allowed the judge's placings to stand. Mr. Campbell, who is just recovering from a severe illness, is to be congratulated on the success of his horse.

The Indian pony race was postponed until Wednesday, as the ponies were not on hand in time to enter.

SUMMARY.

Judges—Messrs. A. Munroe, T. Shaw and B. Gordon. Starter—Hon. C. E. Pooley. Timer—S. Tolmie.

TROTTING AND PACING—FREE FOR ALL—PURSE $400.

Bryon Barlow's b. g. Mink. (a) J. Hickey	1	1	1	
M. J. Terhune's s. g. Col. Stoner, (a) Stone	3	2	2	
W. Chambers' b. m. Maud C. (a) Adamson	4	3	3	
J. H. Warner's b.g. Harry Velox, (a) Field	2	4	4	

Time—2.34¼, 2.34½, 2.36.

Pools sold—Mink, $10; Stone, $6; Maud C, $4; Velox, $2.

First heat—After several breaks the quartette got away to a beautiful start, Mink taking the lead, followed by Stoner, Maud C and Velox in the order named. Mink led at the quarter by six lengths, the rest bunched. Mink led at the half by five lengths. Maud C and Velox trotting together, and Stoner two lengths off third; The same order was preserved to the three-quarters. Coming into the stretch Maud C and Stoner broke, Mink going along and winning easily by six lengths; Harry Velox, second; Col Stoner, third. Time, 2:31¼.

Second heat—Maud C. got a little the best of the start and led at the quarter by a length, Mink second, the other two together. At the half Maud C and Mink were neck and neck, Velox and Stoner four lengths behind. Maud C. broke at the three-quarters and Mink took a three lengths' lead, Stoner taking second place, Adamson got Maud C. on her feet entering the stretch, and Mink coming along won easily by two lengths, Stoner second, Maud C. third. Time, 2.31¾.

Third Heat—After scoring four or five times, the horses got away to a good start, Mink led at the quarter by five lengths, Maud C. second, Stoner third and Velox last. Mink led at the half by four lengths, Stoner second, two lengths in front of Maud C., Velox last, four lengths behind. At the three-quarters, Mink led by four lengths, Stoner second, Maud C. back and Velox last. Maud C. and Stoner closed up in the stretch, but Barlow's little pacer won easily by four lengths, Stoner beating Maud C. for place by one length. Time, 2:30¾.

THE BRITISH COLUMBIA HANDICAP—1½ MILES—PURSE $500.

F. Campbell's b.g. Jim Murphy (143), a., D. Mitchell				1
T. Elford's b.m. Polly (120), a., Maguire				2
G. A. Rithet's b.m. Gertie (127), a., Myers				3
J. Shaw's b.g. Domino (122), 5, Bryant				0

Won by a head; three lengths between 2nd and 3rd. Time, 2.22.

After one false start, Hon. Mr. Pooley dropped the flag, and the horses got away well together, Gertie making the running, Domino 2nd, and Murphy 3rd. At the stand, Domino took up the running, and led by two lengths, the rest in a bunch. At the half, Domino and Gertie were racing neck and neck, Murphy and Polly a length behind. At the three-quarters, Murphy was a neck in front of Gertie, Polly close up. At the mile, Murphy was a neck in front of Gertie and Polly, Domino tailed off. All three jockeys now sat down to ride, and Gertie was the first to give way, Polly closing up on the favorite. Entering the stretch it was nip and tuck, the weight telling on the favorite, but in a driving finish he just managed to scramble home a head in front of Elford's mare. Time, 2.22. An objection to the winner on the ground of boring was overruled.

VICTORIA IN THE LEAD.

Victoria's Lacrosse Club, to-day, stands first in the race for the provincial championship, and the wearers of the blue and white are "proud men the dee."

When they took the field, yesterday, it was with stern determination not to let the thousands of spectators—for there were between two thousand and three thousand at Caledonia Park to see the game—witness the trailing of the home colors in the dust. They put on the best team the capital city has ever had to uphold its honor in the national game, and the match which followed showed the Westminster men that they have not the Victorias of last year to deal with this season, nor yet the Vancouvers. Strengthened by the infusion of Eastern Canadian blood, "our boys" showed a stone wall defence, a busy and useful centre, and an energetic attack.

The Caledonia Park, where the match was played, held two thousand people before three o'clock; the trees outside the fence contained a few hundred enthusiasts, who still kept a watchful eye on the four-bit pieces, and a long line of carriages ranged along the fences permitted the occupants to enjoy an uninterrupted view of the best match ever played here, free gratis for nothing—without charge. The band of H.M.S. Warspite, engaged by the home club, held a position near the grand stand, while the Royal Artillery band, which accompanied the excursionists from Westminster, was posted near the dancing platform. Alternately they discoursed good music, during the day.

At 3:15, the field officials had been agreed on—A. E. Suckling, of Vancouver, referee; R. Eckardt, of Seattle, and F. Anderson, of Vancouver, umpires, and Webster and Taylor, time keepers. The teams lined up a moment later in the order published in THE COLONIST of yesterday, and at 3.29 the ball was faced. Blight secured it and passed to Ditchburn, and for four or five minutes it was in constant motion in the air, the men quickly settling down to business. Before the rubber had been travelling five minutes it was seen that the play was to be fast combination in every quarter of the field. Victoria showed no weak spots; Blight in centre worked like a Trojan, he literally threw himself heart, soul and body into the good Canadian game, made no mistakes and covered himself with glory and bruises. Doherty, too, was a host; while the Cullins distinguished themselves by steady, reliable work, William's constant watchfulness in goal, and Charlie's lightning overhands way down the field calling for frequent and long continued applause. For Westminster, Ryal, Steuart and Dalgleish did good work, their combination being easy and effective. Dalgleish, ten minutes after the face off, got a shot at the flags which came dangerously close. The ball hit the post, bouncing into Cullin's stick from which it was sent far afield. It was returned by Ketchum and Lewis, and again it was "all but" goal for the vistors. Then Blight took the rubber out of a scrimmage at right centre and tossed it to Tite, who advanced it to Frost. Frost swiped it through, while the Westminsters' defence were shinnying in front of their flags. The umpire's hand went up, and the first game was set down to Victoria. Time, 19 minutes.

And didn't the grand stand cheer! And didn't the friends of the boys in blue and white enquire, "Are we in it?"

We were!

There was plenty of betting at even money when the referee's whistle called the teams back to the field. Ditchburn had a disabled hand, and this was duly noted; Cullin (W.) was a little shaky in the legs, the result of a bad sprain several days ago. The fear of the Victoria's was that either of these, two strong men, might not last the match out. But they did, and improved their play to the end. Blight, who always manages to get the ball out of face, and give it a good start toward victory, distinguished himself by hard work and brilliant checking all through the early part of the game, being just where he was wanted at just the right time. The ball travelled hot from end to end of the field, and first one and then the other goal was in jeopardy. Victoria's flags were in great danger at one time from a rush by Brouse, Lewis and Dalgleish, but were neatly saved by a run out of goal by Cullin (W.) who passed to his brother. Once in Charlie's stick the sphere was sure to make quick time to the other flags. Blight revenged the attack on the home posts by a long, straight drop on the Royal City goal, rendered futile by a good play of McKenna's. This player sent the rubber up to centre field, and in the scrimmage for possession Whitelaw went down on his knees. He was seen to be badly hurt, and time was called to ascertain the extent of his injuries. They proved to consist of a dislocated arm and a broken collar bone, which Dr. Sproule attended to on the field. Whitelaw's playing was over for the day, and Cusack went on in his place. The loss of Whitelaw was a great disadvantage, for Cusack soon showed an inability to hold his check, and played loosely generally. A series of face-offs ensued, the playing becoming momentarily monotonous. All the Victoria men worked together quickly and intelligently, and, apparently, thinking the game had lasted long enough, laid siege systematically to the flags of the Maroons. Ketchum saved them once, then Allen distinguished himself, and then Dan Tudhope, taking the rubber out of a scuffle, tipped it to his brother George, whose peculiar shoulder shot caused the umpire's hand to again go up, Victoria having taken the second game. Time, 28 minutes.

The third game saw more of Doherty and Blight's brilliant play, more of Belfrey's steady usefulness, and Cusack's quick throws. The Westminsters were determined to rush things and in eighteen minutes they were massed in front of the Victoria flags. Cullin ran out to clear the ball away, and Cambridge seized the opportunity and scored for Westminster. Time, 18 minutes.

The fourth game had hardly started before it was over. Dan. Tudhope was ruled off for the game for catching his check and holding him, and the ball took its first journey toward the home goal. Dalgleish passed up to Brouse, and the latter took an overhead shot which was successful. Time, 1 minute.

With 27 minutes to play, and an even score, both twelves went to work with a will on the fourth game. Loose checking and long shots, with a fine catch by Doherty were the features of the introduction; then came a series of sharp attacks, met with stubborn defence at both ends, and then Frost got the ball, passing to Ditchburn who gave it to George Tudhope, the latter scoring. Time, 25 minutes.

The two minutes left for play failed to alter the result, and left the victory with the home team by three games to two.

SUMMARY.

First game, Victoria, Frost, 19 minutes.
Second game, Victoria, Tudhope, 28 minutes.
Third game, Westminster, Cambridge, 18 minutes.
Fourth game, Westminster, Brouse, 1 minute.
Fifth game, Victoria, Tudhope, 25 minutes.

THE CHAMPIONSHIP RACE.

Matches Played.	*Won.*	*Lost.*
Victoria 1	1	
Vancouver 1	0	1
Westminster 2	1	1

SAILING.

Never before have the Straits of San Juan de Fuca been so crowded with yachts as they were yesterday afternoon, and never before has such