RAILWAY TO CARIBOO.

bability of a Line Being Built Within a Short Time.

m the Vancouver News-Advertiser.) e announcement that there is every ability of a railway to Cariboo be- built within a short time, will be ved with much satisfaction. For y years better and cheaper com- cation with the great mineral dis- the riches of which first made sh Columbia famous throughout the l, has been a subject which has en- sed much attention. At various s charters for the construction of a ay to Cariboo have been granted by Provincial Legislature, which also expression to its desire for the con- mation of such an enterprise by ting a liberal land grant as a sub- towards the cost of the line. But one reason or another nothing- tical has been accomplished, and Cariboo" has consequently seen it- passed in development by other ral districts which have been open- p by railways.

w, however, the News-Advertiser le to state that there is every prob- y of work on the construction of ilway to Cariboo being commenced he spring. Although we have been re that negotiations to this end been in progress for some time, as the desire of those concerned in that nothing should be published matters had reached a certain e. This has now been done, and are accordingly able to give some ds in regard to the matter.

the last session of the Legislature harter was granted for the incor- tion of the Cariboo-Omineca Char- Company, the object of which among other things, to improve navigation of the waters of the er, Nechaco and Stewart rivers, so make it possible for steamers to from the mouth of the Quesnelle and the Tatla lakes up the rivers d above and thus open up a means communication with the districts rsed by them and the important e river region. The charter pass- he Legislature without opposition, was to come into force on a pro- mation by the Lieutenant-Gover- n-Council on the company carrying ertain details. This has been com- with, and the charter was duly ed on September 3rd last. ong other conditions imposed on company was one that during the ons corresponding as nearly as ble to the period of navigation) of 9 and 1900, it should keep explor- parties in the field in the Omineca, ar and Cariboo districts, and fur- to the Government full and com- e records of such explorations. ugh the company's manager in da, Mr. R. G. Tatlow, the govern- has been notified that the explor- party started out this season from nelle Mouth to examine what im- ements must be made to render ation possible.

the meantime the company had en- into negotiations which have end- n the purchase by it of the char- of the Cariboo Railway Company, arter originally granted in 1890 and ded and continued in 1894. This provides for the construction of a ay either standard or narrow from a point near Barkerville. n amendment to the Act passed 97 the company is required to fix initial point and the approximate of route before May 8th, 1899, and to commence work on the road e that date, the line having to mpleted by May 1903.

e Cariboo-Omineca Chartered Com- has paid the owners of the Cari- Railway Company a substantial for the charter, and it may, there- be assumed that it purposes to out the work under the charter, h implies the early commencement of tions at an early date. The carry- out of such an enterprise implies thing of an importance to the In- of the Province secondary only e construction of the Canadian Pa- Railway. By the railway and nboat communication which will ecured, a region of enormous area believed to be very rich in mineral other resources will be made ac- ble and development of those re- es will then proceed on many and under these circumstances it t probable that the new owners ese franchises will allow any de- o occur which will jeopardise since the Legislature would not kely to renew them except on which would be much more one- even if it were disposed to renew on any condition. By the Sub- Act the company will be entitled land grant of 20,000 acres per mile ilway, if of standard gauge, or 0 acres per mile of narrow gauge. construction of the railway and improvement of the navigation of great inland waterways will make ary to Vancouver a new and vast which will afford a large and pro- field for the enterprise of her hants and traders while it will about great commercial and in- al activity throughout the Interior Province.

. Sherman Hoare died at Concord, last evening.

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NEWS OF THE ORIENT

The N. Y. K. Liner Yamaguchi Maru Arrives With an Interesting Budget.

Fishing Industry Failing—A Captive Priest—An Awful Mining Disaster.

There are now three regular Oriental lines running to Victoria, the last to call being the vessels of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha Co., the first of whose steamers to visit this port, the Yamaguchi Maru, Captain Allen, tied up at the outer wharf late yesterday afternoon. The Yamaguchi Maru had a pleasant voyage from Yokahama, covering the distance in fifteen days. She is a big but common looking craft the regulation model of the tramp freighters which carry merchandise from China. She has a great freight capacity but on the present voyage much of it remained unfilled. However, what she brought was valuable even if it were small for she had 325 bales of silk. She brought 282 Japanese, 160 of whom were landed here to swell the rapidly increasing Jap colony. On the passage across a large number of the Japs were housed in a big tent rigged on the top of the foreward hatch, with the steamer's derrick for a ridge pole. She had three first-class passengers, Mr. Gibbons, of the Hong Kong and Shanghai bank, Mrs. Shannon and child, of Seattle, and Mr. M. Kawasaki, a Japanese litterateur, who is en route to San Francisco to establish a Japanese newspaper there. A number of the Japanese residents of that city having formed themselves into a syndicate for the publication of a paper in the vernacular, to be entitled the Rokubei Nippon. The first issue will appear about the beginning of November. A number of Japanese compositors accompanied Mr. Menotaro Kawasaki, who is a well known man in Japanese literary circles.

The Yomaguchi Maru brings an interesting budget of late Oriental news. According to reports brought by the principal fishing industry of Hokkaido the principal district of Japan, has been a complete failure this season. The salmon fishing, which of late years has been on the decline, is worse this season than ever. The number of whales caught was only 14, and the sealing catch, together with other sea animals, totalled only 2,400. As those who have complete statistics know, the figures of the catch have shown a great diminution year by year, but this season is the worst yet. In consequence of the reduced catch but two foreign sealers visited Hokkaido waters this year, though the island used formerly to be visited by some eighty foreign vessels. The only alternative now will be to use the much talked of distant ocean fishery as the waters about the island have evidently lost their productiveness.

News comes from Shanghai that Father Tiffury, the French priest of the Mission Etrangers, whose station was recently destroyed, and whose native assistant is held captive by brigands. Though a prisoner the reverend gentleman is perfectly safe. He is allowed to occasionally go out by day, but is then always strictly watched, and at night is locked up. The rebels demand a very heavy ransom ere they will release him. He states that he is very well treated indeed, except in the matter of personal liberty. Negotiations for his release are in progress.

Quite a sensational murder and suicide occurred in Tokio shortly before the steamer Yamaguchi Maru sailed from Yokohama. Yomekichi Shibata, a whilom usurer, murdered at his own house Jun-ichiro Kiyono, another usruer. The murderer, after having made an arrangement to set his house on fire, hanged himself in the afternoon of the next day. The tragedy was not without its humorous side. Even at the moment when he was resolved to commit such a horrible deed, the man had been composed enough to scribble some doggerel verses.

The latest batch of Formosan papers contains several news items of a bloodcurdling description. One item tells of a raid by a band of highwaymen which occurred at Mangwa, a section of Taipeh. On the evening of the 26th ult. at dead of night, the citizens were aroused out of their beds by repeated rifle shots. With last year's notorious raid on Twatutia by hundreds of native insurgents still fresh in their memory, the citizens were in paroxsms of fear. It seems that a band of brigands broke into the house of a native who was employed in the detective service of the Taipeh Gendarmes. They killed him in a brutal manner. It is supposed that the official duty on which the victime was engaged must have roused the spirit of revenge of the highwaymen.

Other Formosa news tells of the attempting poisoning of the Korean Emperor and the Prince Imperial. The ringleader of the plot was, it is said, Kim Heung Yuk, a member of the pro-Russian faction. He is a Russian scholar, and had enjoyed the favor of the Emperor, until he gradually declined in influence, and met his punishment after His Majesty's return from the Russian Legation to the court. These circumstances convey the impression that the attempt must have been intended by Kim as an act of vengeance.

From Nagasaki comes news of a big theft from the Russian consulate there. A cash box containing 7,000 roubles was stolen. The police are working on the matter, but no clue to the theft had been found up to the time the Yamaguchi Maru sailed.

Yu Lu, the new member of the Chinese Grand Council, says the China Gazette, recently presented a memorial to the throne, suggesting that the viceroys of provinces should be ordered to advance money for the purchase of war vessels. This suggestion was sanctioned. Imperial orders have been issued to the North and South Superintendents of Trade to advance £50,000 annually for a terms of ten years.

News of a terrible mining disaster was brought to the coast from Kinkwaseki shortly before the liner sailed. During the late storms the overhanging part of a gold mine, in which a large number of miners were at work, collapsed with a tremendous noise, sweeping away the workmen. Remains of 19 miners, all terribly mutilated were disinterred from beneath the debris. over 20 were more or less seriously injured, while 12 or 13 others are still missing. It is supposed that the workmen, either through their own carelessness or owing to the negligence of their superintendents, must have been working at the lower and more easily accessible strata, thereby weakening the stability of the foundation, which, distintegrated by the recent storm, must have suddenly given way.

From Pekin news is given of the opening of Kiao Chow. A treaty was concluded about the beginning of last month between Germany and China for opening up Kiao Chow Bay as a public entry port, China to establish a custom house there, and be at liberty to import goods duty free.

SALE ALBERNI-CONSOLIDATED.

An English Company Has Made the First Purchase Payment.

It has been known for some time that an English company has been in negotiation for the purchase of the Alberni-Consolidated mine in Alberni, says the Nanaimo Free Press. On Monday the purchase was effected and the first payment made. The terms of the purchase provide that the present shareholders shall receive 10 cents for each share held by them, and a quarter interest in the stock of the new company. If the capital of the English company is placed at £100,000, this will be about equivalent to 45 cents a share for each share held by the present stockholders.

The recent developments of this mine have been eminently successful, and it can now be looked upon as a certainty that the Alberni-Consolidated will be operated on a large scale. This will mean much not only for the Alberni district, but for the mining interests in this coast portion of the province generally. Experts have stated that the prospecting on Vancouver and adjacent islands shows very much better indications than did the Kootenay country at the same stage of prospecting. What is required now is capital and experienced and practical men at the head of development operations. Then we will take our position in the front rank of mineral-producing in the Dominion of Canada. This is perhaps saying a good deal, but it is only a repetition of the statements made more than once by reliable and experienced experts. Le Roi made the Kootenay, and now let us hope that Alberni Consolidated will make the coal mining district.

Mr. Charles Hayward, questioned in regard to the above, declined to enter into any details further than the information given to the Press yesterday. That such a company is in process, Mr. Hayward added, that the figures, with the exception of perhaps the capitalization of the company, are entirely wrong. He intimated, however, that in consequence of the deal the value of the shares will be considerably enhanced.

General satisfaction is expressed in the city that the pluck and perseverance shown by the management of the Alberni-Consolidated has been rewarded by the negotiation of such an advantageous sale. The wish is also generally expressed that the attracting of English capital to this property may be but the forerunner of numerous investments of old-land capital in other promising properties of the West Coast.

TOO MUCH FOR HIM.

The Chaplain of the U.S.S. Baltimore Driven Insane by the Manila Night Comrts Suicide.

Steame: Yanagachi Maru, which arrived from the Orient yesterday brings the following news of the suicide of Rev. Mr. Freeman, chaplain of the U.S. S. Baltimore. Among the passengers on board the U. S. transport Zealandia, says the Nagasaki Press, was the Rev. Mr. Freemar, chaplain of the U.S.S. Baltimore, whose mind had unfortunately become unhinged by the terrible events of the 1st of May in Manila Bay. The reverend gentleman was placed under observation, and a passage for San Francisco was eventually taken for him in the Zealandia by the U. S. authorities. On the arrival of the vessel at Nagasaki Mr. Freeman's condition was found to be very serious, and arrangements were being made for his transference ashore to hospital, when a sailor on duty saw Mr. Freeman rush past him and deliberately jump overboard. An alarm was at once raised and a boat lowered, but nothing could be seen of the unfortunate gentleman who, it is thought, had weighted his body with lead, for one of the sailors who made an unsuccessful attempt to stop him stated that he felt a heavy belt round his body. The body has not been recovered.

THREE DOCTORS IN CONSULTATION.

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THE LIQUOR CASE.

Driard Prosecution Invalid and Bank Exchange Case Undecided.

The cases against the Driard hotel and the Bank Exchange saloon, for infraction of the act forbidding the sale of liquor on election day, came before the police magistrate this morning. L. Paluff appeared for the Driard and took exception at the outset to the wording of the summons, contending that the offence was not specified and that under it a number of cases might be brought against his client. The objection was overruled, and the case was about to proceed when C. Dubois Mason, who prosecuted, indicated that the most important witness had refused to respect the summons, and that the case could not be proceeded with until his presence was secured. The court was about to issue a warrant for the arrest of the recalcitrant witness when the counsel for the defence pointed out some informalities in the preliminary procedure, which rendered the summons invalid. Owing to this the case was finally withdrawn.

S. Perry Mills appeared for the Bank Exchange, and while he admitted that liquor had been sold on the day in question, rested his case on the ground of no jurisdiction, and the interpretation of the statute. He contended that no offence known to the law had been committed or disclosed; that the plebiscite act embodied only that portion of the election act referring to the taking of the vote; and if allowed to apply fully, was an infringment of the power vested in the provincial government for the regulation of saloons, and as such was ultra vires of the Dominion government. He further stated that his client had not opened his saloon until informed by wire that closing was not being enforced in other cities. Judgment was reserved.

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THE BIG EXHIBITION

The Fruit Display is as Usual of the Very Highest Order—Outdoar Sports.

Splendid Pyrotechnic Display—The Dog Show a Success as Also the Poultry.

New Westminster, Oct. 5.—Never has a brighter day dawned on the Royal City than the present. From dawn to dark not a cloud obscured the sunlight, but there was enough of sharpness in the air to remind that the end of summer had arrived and that the autumn days are at hand. When the time came to open the provincial exhibition, the guard of honor, composed of a company from H.M.S. Amphion, a detachment from H.M.S. Sparrowhawk, together with No. 4 Company, Fifth Regiment, C.A., received His Honor at the entrance to the building with a general salute. Mrs. McInnes, who accompanied His Honor, seemed particularly gratified at the warmth of the reception. The entrance to the building was tastefully decorated, the whole being set off with the Union Jack and the Stars and Stripes festooned. The notable persons present included the mayors of Victoria and Vancouver attended by members of the city councils of those places, Mayor Ovens and the aldermen of this city, the president and officials of the Royal Agricultural and Industrial Society, Major General Kinchant, M.P.P., T. Forster, M.P.P., Alex. Henderson, M.P.P., and many others. The general attendance while not large was fully equal to that on opening day of any previous year. President Trapp, in introducing the Lieutenant-Governor, referred to the pleasure it afforded the people of the Royal City to meet their old townsman in the position he adorned. He referred briefly to the disastrous fire which swept the city, but had merely stimulated the citizens to determined exertion. All effort he said would have been futile but for the ready helping hands of Vancouver, Victoria and the province at large. Noble assistance had been afforded, and the exhibition which he now asked His Honor to declare open, could never have been carried to success but for that aid. The Lieutenant-Governor, who was received with applause, said in the course of his remarks that he had to express the most profound sympathy with the citizens, but his feeling was also one of pride at the pluck and energy which in spite of such a drawback had brought to an issue such a magnificent show as he had had the pleasure of inspecting, a show worthy of the province and of the people. He could not permit the opportunity passing without expressing his sense of gratitude to the people of the neighboring republic for their timely help to the city at the time of the fire. He enlarged upon the feeling of mutual esteem and respect which was growing up between the two peoples and trusted that feeling would grow. The exhibition was then declared open.

The exhibits are numerous and varied, embracing as they do a great number of industries. A roomy marquee is given over to field and garden produce. This arrangement is excellent, though it must be admitted that they do not appear to fill out in the new quarters as they did in the old. It must be remembered too that the displays made by the district societies all lessen the effect of the general show of vegetables. This marquee encloses a remarkable display of root crops, when it is considered that the season has been phenomenally dry. The carrots, turnips, warzels and onions are all equal to the average of our shows, and the average of this province is above top notch in other provinces. There are displays of squash, pumpkin and the like which have seldom been paralleled at a Royal City show, and for general garden truck the display is noticeable. For some unexplained reason there seems to have been a disinclination on the part of some previous exhibitors to compete this year, and this is a matter for regret. Entering the large hall, the remaining vegetable display is found along the north wall. This is devoted exclusively to the district societies competition. It is a matter for profound regret that there is not ten times the space given up to these, for they are the best object lessons ever put before the public. They consist of seven marvellous collections fairly typical of the productiveness of the province, coming as they do from Okanagan, Kelowna, Langley, Glenwood, Cowichan, Kamloops, Chilliwack and the Experimental Farm at Agassiz. For beauty of arrangement Okanagan must, we think, be accorded unstinted praise, but Chilliwack comes a close second if not a tie. The merit of the Kelowna exhibit is not displayed, the truly gigantic vegetables being lost to view by defective arrangement. The Shippers' Union, of Kelowna, have on view a fine show of bacon, and home-grown tobacco in all its stages from the green leaf to the fragrant cigar. In this province of tobacco lovers, a great future should await the cultivation of the fragant weed. The display from Cowichan is most tastefully set off with a back ground of corn (18 feet tall), grasses, etc. Langley and Glenwood have a varied exhibit displayed with an eye to effect, while that from Kamloops makes no appeal to favor by reason of mere showiness of get up. Chilliwack and the Experimental Farm make the most of their fine exhibits, and no person should miss this section of the provincial fair. Whoever suggested this feature deserves the warmest public recognition. Never has anything so forcibly brought to popular notice the resources of this province.

The spacious floor of the main building is largely given over to industrial and trade exhibits, the monotony of these being very sensibly relieved by displays of potted plants. These are about on a par with the same class of last year, but it is impossible to realise their numerical importance owing to their being so dispersed over the building. The department dealing with plants and flowers is scattered all over the building apparently.

The event of the day was the junior lacrosse match, Vancouver v. New Westminster. The afternoon was perfect when the teams faced each other for the purpose of trying conclusions for thirteen commemorative medals. At first the game was slow, but as time wore on some fine sport was witnessed, especially towards the evening when the play became very fast. In the end New Westminster won, the score standing two to one.

This evening a large audience is gathered at the exhibition promenading and listening to a concert given by the city band. Whatever fault may have beeen found with the attendance earlier in the day, all cause for disappointment on that score has disappeared. The whole town seems to be abroad. From an examination of the hotel registers it is clear that there are many visitors in the city. The cars arriving steadily from Vancouver are well filled and there is no question but that this the first day of the fair, has attracted fully as many persons as the management anticipated. As an evidence of the interest taken in the event it may be stated that there were no fewer than seventeen prers representatives on the grounds at the time of the opening ceremonies. With to-morrow begins public interest in the citizens' celebration as distinguished from the exhibition. The leading features of the day's events will consist of Scottish sports, arranged by a representative committee of Scotchmen, who promise that there will not be a dull moment between the hour of opening and sundown. The prizes consist for the greater part of cups, medals, and brooches donated. There is to be a tug-of-war contest, which is creating much interest, two of the competing teams being, it is said, well matched. In the evening will be given the first of the four advertised pyrotechnic exhibitions. The elaborate preparations which have been going on for at least a week past have prepared the public mind for an evening quite apart from the ordinary. Many fresh arrivals may in the meantime be anticipated, and with such weather as we have had to-day New Westminster may hope for an enjoyable time as well as a prosperous one as regards gate receipts.

Enquiries as to arrivals in the city lead to the opinion that there has during the past few days and particularly to-day, been a considerable addition to our population. The hotels report most encouragingly as to the present state of affairs, and one genial manager declared with beaming face that he had never hoped for any such luck so early in the week. There are, it is certain, many visitors at private houses, and in conversation with one of the billeting committee is was ascertained that enquiries for private apartments had been numerous. As it is being reported that no accommodation is to be had here, it may be once for all said that excellent arrangements have resulted in a largely increased sleeping room having beene secured. New Westminster has succeeded in meeting larger propositions than the housing of how visitors and it may be taken for granted that her citizens will turn out to a man and sleep on bare boards rather than risk having it said that the show was too big for her to handle.

Vancouver, Oct. 6.—This was Scotchman's day at the Westminster exhibition. The weather was beautiful and the crowds were large. The bluejackets monopolized the green and made things lively for spectators. One of the centres of attraction was the magnificent display of minerals of British Columbia in the mineral hall. The exhibition on the whole was twice as good and twice as large as other years. The horse races were run this morning and proved exciting, as they were on the merits of the participants. The Caledonian games also were a success. The spectacular panorama presenting the fall of Santiago is very meritorious and continues to be a big drawing card.

A collection of some 800 specimens of native plants is exhibited by the department of agriculture, Victoria. The collection, of course, represents but a small proportion of the flora of the country, as it was found impossible to make a larger display owing to the limited time. The plan of mounting many of the specimens of algae on glass has been adopted very successfully, as it is often found impossible, on account of the mucilaginous nature of this class of plants, to remove them from the drying papers. These specimens have been mostly collected by Mr. Anderson, deputy minister of agriculture, and mounted by Mr. Oliver G. Harbell. Included in this exhibit are some specimens of water color paintings of native plants by Miss Emily H. Woods, of Victoria. They are exceptionally well executed and true to nature. Miss Woods is seeking to bring her work before the public and would be glad to undertake commissions for paintings of the flora of the country.

The dog show proves a great success as far as quality of exhibits is concerned, though in numbers somewhat disappointing. The majority of prize winners were supplied by the Victoria kennels. Following is the list of winners owned in Victoria:

St. Bernards—1st and special, E. Pferdner's Shasta.

Great Danes—Dogs: 1st and special, Mrs. Bradley-Dyne's Mulock. Bitches: 1st, same owner's Leo.

Pointer's—F. Turner's puppy highly commended.

English Setters—R. E. Cooper's Jack 1st. Bitches: F. Turner's Ola T. and Belle, 1st and 2nd. Puppy dogs: F. Turner's Victoria Boy, 2nd. Bitch puppies: F. Turner's Nora T., and Maud 1st and 2nd; F. Turner's Ola T. captured special for best English setter in show.

Irish Setters—G. Day's Paddy, 1st and special; Dr. Verrinder's Wandering Jew, 2nd.

Cocker Spaniels—Open dogs: 1st, H. Wright's Tinker; J. W. Creighton's Spartan, 2nd. Bitches: 1st, H. Wright's Wandering Belle; 2nd, G. Jay's Bijou; 3rd, J. W. Creighton's Seltzer. Puppies, 1st, J. W. Creighton's Zelma; 3rd, same owner's Lady Valentine. Any other color than black: 1st and 2nd, J. W. Creighton's Duchess and Curly.

Collies—Open dogs: G. G. Howard Ragston's Neptune, 3rd. Bitches: Rev. J. B. Haslam's Goldie, 2nd.

Fox Terriers—Open dogs: Rev. J. W. Flinton's Aldon Swagger, 1st and silver cup. Bitches: Rev. J. W. Flinton's Aldon Radiance, and Aldon Alice, 1st and 2nd.

Scotch Terriers—Mrs. Bradley-Dyne's Jim, 1st and special.

Irish Terriers—Mrs. Bradley-Dyne's Little L., 3rd.

New Westminster, Oct. 6.—The fruit exhibited is as usual of the very highest order. There is a great show of apples, but plums, probably due to the time of holding the exhibition, are sadly wanting. Included in the Experimental Farm display are grapes of several varieties and other fruits not shown by others. The grain supply is not large, but sufficient to show what can be grown in this great province. The floor space of the main building not occupied by agriculture, is on the ground flat given over to manufactures. Here the display is in nearly every line full and tastefully arranged. Upstairs the ladies' work does not seem to be so numerous as formerly. In many respects it is, however, above the average of past years, but it is to be regretted that the pictures of this great show are so poorly hung. The admission of an outrageous daub should under no consideration be tolerated, but there is at least one so-called picture of a child and a parrot which would disgrace any boy above the age of ten years. The art department this year has evidently been permitted to run itself, and another such year of utter mismanagement in the matter of selection and hanging will assuredly end in running it into the ground.

Taken all through the main exhibition building is a fine and adequate exposition of the principal agricultural and industrial productions of the country. The fly in the ointment is to be discovered in the fact that neither the lumber nor fishing interests find representation. The reason is self evident for the mills have been and still are working night and day, full blast, in the endeavor to turn out supplies for the new city which is being built up on the ashes of New Westminster. The great fire of a few weeks ago is responsible for a great deal, ont the least of which is the depriving what would have been a complete exposition of provincial industries, of exhibits alike of fish and forest. The saw mills stand, but are so busy that they cannot exhibit, the cannenies are burned, many of them, and so they have little or nothing to show. It is unfortunte. The

Outside Events

of the day have been Scottish games and sports, horse racing, and as a wind-up a grand fireworks display. These events all coming off in ideal weather, were highly successful. The attendance during the earlier portion of the day was anything but satisfactory, but increased greatly after the noon hour. The influx of visitors from Vancouver was a notable feature and as evening came on every incoming vehicle was loaded to the utmost capacity. A full day's outside recreation was provided by the Scotchmen, the leading event being the international tug-of-war contest. The first heat between English, Scotch and Irish teams from H.M.S. Sparrowhawk was won by the first named in five minutes. In the second heat the Sparrowhawk team beat the Scotch team from the Amphion in eight minutes. The Sparrowhawk team had to give way before the Canadians in 1½ minutes and the final contest, Canadians v. English, was won by the former in one minute. The dancing of Miss Dot Ormsby was much appreciated. The horse races opened with No. 4 on the list, being a running race, open to all, one mile heats, five to enter, three to start, best two in three, purse, $150. There were four starters, Scorcher, Roy Carruthers, Edwin and Sweet Briar the first heat falling to Scorcher, Sweet Briar being a long two lengths behind. Time 1.56. A bad accident, due to the throwing of Edwin's jockey, marred the event. The second heat was well contested, Scorcher beating Sweet Briar almost neck and neck. The result was protested on the ground of violation of rules by the winning jockey, the allegation being that he had used his whip on both sides when nearing the winning post. A trotting event followed, but was of little interest.

The doubt which was at one time freely expressed as to the popularity and drawing capacity of a

Pyrotechnic Display

was set at rest this evening, when the capacious new grand stand in Queen's Park was taxed to its utmost. The citizens turned out en masse, and carload after carload from the Terminal City added to the crowd until every available spot from which anything at all could be viewed, was occupied. The Bombardment of Santiago de Cuba was the piece de resistance and gave universal satisfaction. It formed an altogether novel feature, was well staged, and put on in a manner highly creditable to the management. The general firework display was composed of a number of set pieces, some of which elicited warm applause, all being appreciated. In addition, of course, there were the usual volleys of rockets, which invariably elicit plaudits. As there are still three other displays to be given, a final opinion would be premature. It is sufficient here to add that the events followed each other without hitch or wait, when once started, but the long wait before commencing was a blunder which should not be permitted to occur in the future.

The Dog Show.

is far superior to anything in the same line heretofore seen. The quality is in every class advanced, and especially as regards cockers. A noble St. Bernard, owned by Mr. Pferdner, of your city, attracted unrestrained admiration, as he took his morning walk through the city to-day.

The Machinery Exhibit

has a hall to itself, and affords a pleasant foil to the great hall in which are shown the majority of the displays. Farming implements, carriages, wagons and the like are shown here to greater advantage than in former years. A small engine is at work and power given to various exhibits in motion.

The Poultry.

are about up to the average numerically, but in some classes disappointing. It is understood that the management had made every arrangement to suit certain well known exhibitors who at the last moment drew out. Notwithstanding this the show is sufficient to warrant hearty congratulations, and exhibits in the majority of classes are above the average. The raising of poultry is an industry which deserves more serious attention than has hitherto been devoted to it in this province, and the yearly efforts made at the agricultural show to elevate the standard of birds is deserving of every encouragement on the part of the society. Breeders, too, will find it mutually advantageous to in every way encourage such exhibitions as we have in the Royal City at the present time. To-morrow (Friday) will be devoted to the entertainment of children, and is expected to be one of the big days of the fair. According to official estimate at least 2,000 children from Vancouver and an equal number from the city schools will parade. The singing by a picked choir of 500 voices should prove very attractive, and as the outside district will be well represented in the city (it being market day), a large attendance is predicted.

The weather is brilliant and has every appearance of being settled for days to come.

The provincial government offices in this city and in Vancouver will be closed to-morrow (Friday), and here also on Saturday.

The city officials keep holiday on Monday next.

During the past two days the City Band has been well to the front, and has greatly added to its reputation. Two Indian bands are also in attendance, and to-morrow these will be supplemented by the Burnaby Boy's Drum and Fife, which will assist during the children's sports, and other outside bands.

A prisoner named Greenwood, serving a sentence of eighteen months at Portage la Prairie, for theft, escaped from gaol last night.

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