OSPHERCAL PHENOMENA.

ax, May 25.—Captains of ves-
living in North Sydney from the
n sections of Newfoundland re-
tmospherical phenomena on
day last, the day the comet
pposed to pass between the
nd sun.

rbor Lacou there was a shower
bstance closely resembling sul-
hich covered the entire neigh-
to a depth of about a quarter
nch. The sky became blood
many of the inhabitants were
alarmed.

Mouten of the steamer Vic-
hich arrived at the same port
urin, a village about 200 miles
Harbor Lacou, reports that at
ace there was a heavy snow-
followed by a shower of fine
some similar substance, cloth-
g out on the lines had to be
n and re-washed. At both
the showers lasted about 15
. A similar occurrence is said
taken place at Burin - three-
s of a century ago when Hal-
met was last seen here.

LOCAL MARKETS

Coal Oil	1.65
	1.75
(B. C.), per lb.	24
(B. C.), per lb.	27
(American), per lb.	24
(American), per lb.	27@ 30
(long clear), per lb.	20
per lb.	8@ 20
per lb.	12½@ 20
per lb.	12½@ 25
hindquarter	2.50@ 3.00
forequarter	1.75@ 2.00
per lb.	12½.. 25
per lb.	15
roduce—	
Island Eggs	35
(Creamery)	45
(California)	40
per lb.	22
Canada Flour Mills—	
per sack	1.90
per bbl.	7.50
Star Patent, per sack	1.85
Star Patent, per bbl.	7.00
an Flour—	
's Royal Household, sack	1.90
's Royal Household, bbl.	7.50
uver Milling Co., Hun-n, per sack	1.90
uver Milling Co., Hun-n, per bbl.	7.50
f Woods, per sack	1.90
f Woods, per bbl.	7.50
y Hungarian, per sack	1.90
y Hungarian, per bbl.	7.50
oy, per sack	1.90
oy, per bbl.	7.50
Flours—	
lake, per sack	1.85
lake, per bbl.	7.25
Best Pastry, per sack	1.70
Best Pastry, per bbl.	6.50
Four Star, per sack	1.70
Four Star, per bbl.	6.50
uver Milling Co., Wild	1.75
d Snow, per sack	1.70
d Snow, per bbl.	6.50
chicken feed, per ton	40.00@45.00
per lb.	2½
	35.00
Corn	40.00
ed Corn	45.00
Oats (B. & K.), 7-lb. sk.	40
Oats (B. & K.), 20-lb. sk.	90
Oats (B. & K.), 40-lb. sk.	1.90
Oats (B. & K.), 90-lb. sk.	4.50
al, 10-lb. sack	50
al, 50-lb. sack	2.25
Wheat, 10 lbs.	65
ed Wheat, 10 lbs.	55
t Flakes, per packet	12½@ 35
Wheat Flour, 10 lbs.	45
m Flour, 10 lbs.	45
m Flour, 50 lbs.	1.75
baled), per ton	23.00@25.00
per bale	75
ngs, per ton	32.00
per ton	30.00
d Feed, per ton	35.00
	32.00
ed Fowl, per lb.	25@ 30
per lb.	25
(Island), per lb.	20@ 25
Produce—	
ge, per lb.	5
oes (local)	1.25
s, per lb.	3
ts, per lb.	3
WHOLESALE MARKETS.	
per box	1.55
(Cal.)	4.00@ 5.00
s (Cal.)	19@ 20
s (Eastern)	15
uts, per dozen	90
	21@ 21½
boiled), per lb.	29
boned), per lb.	26
	23@ 24
per sack	1.00
s, per lb.	54
es (local), per ton	18.00@20.00
(Creamery), Cal.	34
(Australian)	33@ 34
(Dairy)	28
(Cal.)	30
per ton	27.00
er ton	19.00@20.00
per ton	38.00
Fruit	3.00@ 3.75
oes (local), per lb.	25
oes (Cal.), per crate	4.25
oes (Florida), per crate	4.25
Onions, per doz.	35
per doz.	25
owers, per doz.	1.25@ 1.50
(Australian)	3.25@ 3.50
Oranges	2.50@ 3.25
per box	1.85@ 2.00
per lb.	12½
	85
Cal.), per package	75@ 1.00
Smyrna), boxes	1.50
Smyrna), per doz. baskets	1.75
okes (Cal.), per doz.	75
rb (local), per lb.	25
bers (local), per doz.	2.40
e, per crate	2.00
, per crate	2.50
	33
y, per doz.	40
liquid, bulk, per lb.	12½
(comb), per crate	4.75
agus	12½
agus (Cal.), per lb.	6
per doz.	15
(Australian), per box	2.00
es (Blood)	1.75
s (Bermuda), per crate	3.25
(Cal.), per lb.	22
berries (Kenwick), crate	4.50
berries (Hood River), crate	5.50
berries (Cal.)	1.75
Peas, per lb.	7½
(new Brazil), per lb.	15
es, per crate	16@ 18
Potatoes, per lb.	1.75
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prepare ourselves for sudden deeds
reiterated choice of good or evil.—
e Eliot.

PERMIT ISSUED FOR BIG FIGHT

CHURCH DELEGATION OPPOSES A LICENSE

Jeffries Has Never Fought, But Has "Contested" "Boxing Match" With Johnston

San Francisco, May 26.—The first definite step in the campaign that is being waged by the representatives of the churches against prize fighting in general in California, and the Jeffries-Johnson contest in particular, was made yesterday, when a delegation of prominent ministers and their legal advisers appeared before the police board of supervisors to protest against the granting of the permit to the Broadway Athletic Club to conduct a boxing contest in this city on July 4th. John L. Herget, who, when he was a middleweight prize fighter with championship aspirations some years ago, was known to the ring as "Young Mitchell," and who is now a city and county supervisor, sat as chairman of the committee. A recommendation was made by the committee to the supervisors that the permit be granted to the Broadway club, of which Jimmy Griffin is president, and under the auspices of which Jeffries and Johnson will fight.

Is to Be "Boxing Match."

Rev. William Rader, Rev. A. C. Bain and Attorney J. E. White took the leading parts in voicing the protest of the church people. Chairman Herget informed the Protestants that the Jeffries-Johnson fight was merely to be a scientific boxing exhibition, and that it would be countenanced as such by law.

"I think you will find that our objection to this prize fight business is really more serious than you admit, Mr. Herget," said Mr. Rader.

"Reverend, I must object to your saying that we are going to grant a permit for a prize fight. This is to be merely a boxing exhibition."

"Is Jeffries a prize fighter or a boxer?" asked Mr. Rader.

"A boxer," answered Herget.

"Then he isn't a fighter at all?" coaxed Mr. Rader.

Jeff No Fighter.

"Not in my opinion," the chairman replied.

"And he has never fought?" the minister queried.

"He has contested," Herget ventured as the delegation of church people broke into a laugh.

"Well, in my opinion, the affair is intended to be a prize fight, and the permit should not be granted," concluded Mr. Rader.

"It certainly is not to be a picnic. California is the last ditch for the fight game. The rest of the country is forbidding it."

"Not at all," said Herget. "The leaders of the church in Salt Lake City have fairly begged for this big fight. The contest will be a healthy one in the open air, and I am sure it will do good."

The recommendation for the permit was made, and the ministers and other Protestants withdrew, smiling.

INSURGENTS EXPECT ROOSEVELT'S SUPPORT

Number of Republicans Favor Making Immediate Attack on Speaker Cannon

Washington, D. C., May 25. — If Cannon be saved until the end of the present session of congress he will be an issue in the coming congressional campaign. This is the way a member of the House sizes the political situation.

It has become an open secret here that the insurgents are planning to make Cannon one of the issues in the coming campaign. It will not be a new experience for the speaker, as he has been the issue in former campaigns, but there will be some new angles that are making the Republican House regulars decidedly uncomfortable.

The fact that the insurgents expect Roosevelt's support is one of the new factors and from the reports of Roosevelt's promise to the insurgents, it seems pretty certain, politicians here declare, that the insurgents are flouring with considerable certainty.

The only trouble ahead for the insurgents is that the issue may be exploded before the campaign begins. Conservative members of the progressive factions are determined not to unseat Cannon during the present session, intending to save him for the campaign. Radical members of the same group, however, are anxious for the overthrow of the speaker without delay, and it is the fear that they will succeed that causes the greatest uneasiness in the insurgent camp.

That the Democrats would rally joyfully to the aid of the radicals if the move to oust the speaker were started, is certain and it is believed that any attempt to depose Uncle Joe would be successful.

Fear that a deadlock would result and that no speaker could be elected unless the insurgents allowed the regulars to dictate and that politically the squabble that would result would redound to their own disadvantage, is one of the strongest reasons behind the desire of the insurgents to put off the attack of the speaker until after the present session ends.

SHOT BY SOLDIERS.

Pensacola, Fla., May 26.—Coming within the range of the rifles of a target squad from the Fort Barrancas a seaman on the schooner John M. Kewm was mortally wounded and others aboard escaped death or serious injury only by quickly secreting themselves behind rigging. Several minutes elapsed before the panic-stricken sailors could attract the attention of the officers in charge of the squad, which was done by placing the flag at half mast. Col. Allen, commanding the fort, has ordered an immediate investigation.

MURDERED BY NATIVES.

Lieut. Alexander, Noted Traveler, Slain in the French Congo.

London, May 26.—Lieut. Boyd Alexander, the noted traveller, has been murdered by natives near Wadai, in the French Congo. No details are obtainable yet.

Lieut. Boyd Alexander, late of the Seventh Battalion of the British rifles brigade, retired from the army in 1907. He headed the expedition to Cape de Verde islands in 1897; also the expedition in 1904 to Fernando Po, which resulted in the successful ascent of Mount St. Isabel and the discovery of many new birds, and in 1904-07 he was the leader of the Alexander-Gosling expedition across Africa from the Niger to the Nile.

He was the author of several volumes descriptive of his travels. He was born in 1873 and made his home at Swift's place, Cranbrook.

JAPANESE DEVOTED TO PEACEFUL PURSUITS

Head of Big Banking House Declares Japan Does Not Want War

Los Angeles, Cal., May 26. — There never will be a war between the United States and Japan, according to Kechiba Mural, the J. Pierpont Morgan of Japan, who is in Los Angeles with his wife and daughter.

Mural, who is the head of Mural Brothers' banking house of Tokio and of various industrial projects throughout Japan, is taking a six months' vacation.

"Almost every Japanese who visits America," he said, "tells you there will be no war with Japan. You listen and think his statement is merely courtesy because he is our guest. But he is right. Japan admires America, and in the main, American ideals. When America comes to know Japan better the admiration will be mutual.

"Anyway, Japan wants war with no one. She is beginning to have a keener realization that her destiny is to be worked out along industrial and other peaceful lines.

"Talk of war between Japan and America is not worthy of a hearing."

ECZEMA MUST YIELD TO

The Wonderfully Soothing, Healing Influence of DR. CHASE'S OINTMENT

There is one thing you can depend on Dr. Chase's Ointment to do every time, and that is to cure eczema. There is no more severe test to which an ointment can be put, and because Dr. Chase's Ointment triumphed over eczema it has become the standard Ointment.

When another ointment is praised it is said to be as good as Dr. Chase's. And this illustrates the high position held by this preparation.

Mrs. Oscar Vancott, St. Antoine, Sask., writes: "I have found Dr. Chase's Ointment to be a permanent cure for eczema and other skin diseases. One son while nursing broke out with running, watery sores all over his head and around the ears. Many salves were prescribed to no effect. The child's head became a mass of scabs and he suffered agony untold. He became weak and frail, would not eat and we thought we would lose him.

"Providentially we heard of Dr. Chase's Ointment and it soon thoroughly cured him. He is seven years old now and strong and well. An older boy was also cured of eczema by this Ointment and we hope more people will learn about it so that their poor little ones may be saved from suffering."

Do not be satisfied with the experience of others, but put Dr. Chase's Ointment to the test when occasion arises. Try it for chafing and irritation of the skin, for chapped and cracked hands, for chilblains and frost bites, for sores and burns. It is delightfully soothing and healing. 60 cts. a box, all dealers; or Edmanson, Bates & Co., Toronto. Write for free copy of Dr. Chase's Recipes.

GIVEN LIFE TERM.

Aberdeen, Wash., May 26.—William Gohl, a former agent of the Sailors' union here, convicted of murder in the first degree for the killing of Charles Hadberg, was sentenced by Judge Ben Sheeks in the superior court at Montesano, to life imprisonment in the state penitentiary at Walla Walla. Gohl told the court he had not had a fair trial; that the time to prepare his case had been too short and that many of his witnesses, brought to testify in his behalf, had not been allowed to enter the courtroom. An appeal probably will be taken to the supreme court. Sentence was passed after the judge had overruled a motion for a new trial. Whether or not an appeal will be taken depends on whether Mrs. Gohl is able to raise the funds required for a further legal fight.

TWO PERISH IN FIRE.

Japanese Lose Their Lives When Lodging House is Destroyed.

Bellingham, Wash., May 26.—Two Japanese sleeping in a lodging house were cremated when fire destroyed a solid block of two and three-storey frame buildings bounded by West Holly and Fourteenth, and C and D streets. The fire started in a bakery and spread beneath the buildings, which were built on piling over partly filled in tide lands.

Little could be done toward saving the property, and only the filled-in streets prevented the fire from spreading throughout "old town." The block burned contained cheap restaurants, barber shops, Japanese curio shops, saloons and Japanese lodging houses.

The loss is placed at $45,000, with small insurance. The Japanese who lost their lives were sleeping in one of the lodging houses.

Messrs. Morrison & Mason, of Glasgow, have obtained the contract to construct the government graving dock at Portsmouth, which is designed to accommodate the Dreadnought battleships. The work will cost from $6,000,000 to $7,500,000.

BUILD RAILWAY OVER DIVIDE

CANADIAN NORTHERN MAY TAP THEIR MINES

Demand for Coal on Alberni Canal Likely to Be Supplied From Comox

The proposal to build a railway from Comox to the West Coast is not a new one, but it looks likelier to be realized now than it has been before. J. W. Brydon of Comox, is in the city visiting his father, John Brydon, at Esquimalt, and he says it is generally understood at Cumberland that the Canadian Northern will build from that place to Alberni Canal in order to provide an outlet for their coal in that direction.

The Canadian Northern are pledged to build a line of railway from Victoria to Barclay Sound, and there is no doubt but that in the near future there will be a great deal of shipping from that point. If the coal company, which will be under the same control since its purchase by Mackenzie & Mann, can ship their product to the West Coast over a short line of railway they will control the trade at that place and it will be a great convenience to the shipping trade. The distance between the mines and Alberni Canal is not much greater than to Union Bay, the only difference being that there is a divide to cross. There is a trail over this divide and the grade is not very heavy.

Mr. Brydon came down over the road in an automobile with George Tarbell, who is also from Cumberland, in the latter's twenty horse-power Ford runabout. They arrived at the end of last week and will probably leave for home to-morrow. They took rather more than a day to make the 151 miles, but the road over the summit is not suitable for speeding. Leaving early in the morning they made Duncan that evening and arrived at Esquimalt the following day. The road the other side of the summit, they said, was very good with the exception of a small portion near Deep Bay.

SMELTER WILL SET NEW RECORD

Gross Value of Metals Produced at Trail for Ten Months Totals $4,845,155

Nelson, May 25.—The progress of the mining industry of the British Columbia interior may roughly be judged, year by year, by the growing tonnage and value of the ore treated at the smelter of the Consolidated Mining & Smelting Company at Trail. Here is treated practically all the custom ore of the interior, as well as the output of the numerous important mines in various parts owned by the company. In the year ending June 30th, 1908, the company had a record output, far exceeding that of any previous year, its value being $5,428,500. This was surpassed by the showing of the following year, 1908-9, whose output was valued at $5,506,000. Judging by the figures of this year to date, this figure also is about to be surpassed.

According to the figures received from the company for April, the company received at the smelter during the month, 40,672 tons of ore, and smelted 41,933 tons. The gross value of the metals produced was $477,735, and for the ten months of the year, $4,845,155. The refinery reduced 1,826 tons of pig lead, which was sold in Canada, China and Japan.

The $4,845,155 for the ten months of the year is significant, for if the two remaining months, May and June, continue the rate of the previous months, the year's production will be approximately $5,814,186. This would be an increase over the previous year of roughly $308,900.

The company is a consistent shipper to its own smelter, the Snowshoe and the Centre Star, two of its numerous properties, contending for the lead among the mines of the interior, in the gross tonnage shipped. The Sullivan, which was acquired last December, has been a steady shipper since early in the year, having to date shipped about 4,450 tons.

VARICOSE ULCERS

Healed by Zam-Buk

Mrs. Alex. Young, Martin's River, Lunenburg Co., N. S., writes as follows: "I feel I must acquaint you with the great benefit I have received from Zam-Buk. For years I had been troubled with varicose veins and sores on my leg, and could get nothing to heal these. The family doctor treated me, but instead of getting better, the trouble seemed to get worse. I then tried various remedies, but still to no avail, and I almost gave up in despair, thinking I would never get a cure. About three months ago I heard of Zam-Buk, and what a wonderful healer it was, so I laid in a supply and gave the Zam-Buk treatment a fair trial. It surpassed my highest expectations, and only a few boxes were needed to effect a complete cure.

"Not only in my own case, but in the case of a friend of mine, to whom I recommended Zam-Buk for the same trouble, Zam-Buk has done what everything else, previously tried, failed to do. I recommend Zam-Buk very strongly and I think it should have a place in every household."

For ulcers, abscesses, eczema, chaps, salt-rheum, ringworm, blood-poisoning, chronic sores, and all other skin injuries and diseases, Zam-Buk is without equal. It also cures piles, festering sores, and inflamed patches. All druggists and stores sell at 50c box, or post free from Zam-Buk Co., Toronto, for price. You are warned against harmful substitutes and cheap imitations.

In England and Wales, to every 100,000 of population, there are annually granted two divorces; in Ireland, less than one; in Italy, three; in Scotland, four; in Germany, fifteen; in France, twenty-three; and in the United States, seventy-three.

WORK BEGINS ON THE COMOX EXTENSION

Sabin and Stevens Get Contract for Clearing Right of Way of First Twenty Miles

(From Thursday's Daily.)

Work will be commenced immediately on the construction of the Comox extension of the E. & N. railway. Messrs. Sabin and Stevens, who were in charge of the laying of the Wharf street pavement, have been awarded the contract for the clearing of the right-of-way for this new road.

The contract calls for the completion of the work within five months after it is started. The contract runs from Union Bay north to Black Creek.

This branch will open up a large tract of land and will undoubtedly be the cause of a big influx of settlers to that part. Already many have taken up land in the Comox district with the hope that this road would be built. The soil there is said to be second to none on the Island and in a short time will be growing fruits and vegetables that will find a ready market, not only on the Island but also on the Mainland.

The company has taken a step which means progress to Vancouver Island. It will also mean that more products will be carried over the E. & N. line, and as Victoria is the terminus of it the result will be that she will prosper.

Mr. Stevens left this morning with an engineer to make preliminary arrangements for the immediate prosecution of the work.

IMPROVING STATION GARDEN AT LADYSMITH

Plot Adjoining Depot Has Been Fenced and Planted With Flowers

(Special Correspondence.)

Ladysmith, May 24.—The evolution of the station garden is being closely watched by a great many in the town. The plot of ground adjoining the station has been substantially fenced with wood and wire, and has been planted with a number of gay flowering plants. The garden will be under the charge of Mr. Hillier, the stationmaster, and the section men will keep it in good condition. Such an improvement is warmly welcomed by the citizens of Ladysmith and is certain to create a good impression on visitors to the city.

In the absence of Rev. G. M. Ambrose of St. John's, and Rev. R. J. Wilkinson of the Methodist church, memorial services for the late King were held here in St. Mary's R. C. church and the First Presbyterian church of this city. At St. Mary's the service took place at 8 o'clock mass and was conducted by Rev. Father Nicolaye. Rev. Forbes Robertson, pastor, conducted that held at the Presbyterian church. Both services were well attended.

Mrs. J. G. Brown of Victoria, has returned home after a week spent in visiting Mrs. Harry Ward of this city, and Mrs. J. Teague of Nanaimo.

Mrs. W. J. Watson entertained a large number of ladies at her residence, "Tyee Illahee," on Wednesday afternoon.

MAY COME TO VICTORIA.

New Westminster Citizens Picnic Will Be Held in July.

New Westminster, May 24.—The annual citizens' picnic will be held some time in July. So it was decided at the public meeting called to discuss the matter. George Adams was elected chairman, and D. E. MacKenzie secretary, and W. Davison treasurer.

The treasurer submitted a report showing that the receipts last year were $405.20, and the expenditures $540.05, leaving a deficit of $134.80. The committee expressed regret at the poor attendance last year, when they went to more trouble and expense than they had ever done before to make the affair a success.

After the regular business there was some desultory discussion as to where the picnic would be held this year. It was the unanimous opinion that it was the best plan to run an excursion to some place where the picnicers could enjoy themselves in their own way and not be dependent on the committee for their amusement, as they were last year.

Bellingham, Victoria and Nanaimo were suggested, and the choice will probably lie between the two first-named cities, as it was in those places that the committee has met with the most success in previous years.

Another meeting will be held in a few days, when the picnic site will be definitely decided on.

FLOWER SHOW.

The net proceeds of the annual spring flower show under the auspices of the provincial executive of the King's Daughters held in the palm room of the Empress hotel amounted to $327.-60. The thanks of the executive are given to the management of the Empress hotel, for having so kindly placed at the disposal of the society the use of their beautiful palm room; to the staff for courteous assistance rendered in many ways; to Mrs. Hinton, Mrs. Briggs, Miss Sehl, Miss McKilligan and C. L. Armstrong for contributing to the musical programme; to the Cowichan members of the order for having successfully managed a candle-lighting competition; to the Metchosin members for their part in providing entertainment for young and old; to Mrs. Rattenbury and her staff of helpers, the little Misses Ballantine, McGregor, Leeder, Harper, Renwick, Rattenbury, Crowford and Combe, for the management of the flower stall; and to all the kind friends who contributed, in any way. The executive also takes this opportunity of thanking all the circles in Victoria, as well as the individual members of the order, who so loyally co-operated in making the affair such a success.

TWENTY-FOUR FEET OF ORE

RICHEST STRIKE MADE ON PORTLAND CANAL

Third Vein at Stewart Property Widens to 24 Feet, and is Richer Than Ever

A vein of solid ore 24 feet thick and tremendously rich is the latest strike in the Stewart mine on Portland Canal. This latest find is over two hundred feet below the surface. At the surface the outcroppings show about seven feet, but this has widened out until it has reached a thickness of 24 feet. Those who have visited it say that the interior glitters like a jeweller's shop with free milling gold, native silver and other ores, all of which are very rich.

This latest find sets at rest any doubt as to the stability of the Portland Canal mines. The tunnel in question was driven in from the bottom of a gulch over two hundred feet deep. There are three veins on that side of the gulch, all of which carry good showings, and have been proved to the same depth, and on the other side of the gulch there are two more veins, one of which has been proved at a good depth, and the other stripped at the surface.

Several tunnels have been driven into the side of the gulch, but the first of these went only to the first and second veins, the third being farther back. Then it was decided to drive a tunnel from the bottom of the gulch horizontally, which could be used for shipping purposes as well as to prove the amount and quality of the ore. The third vein was struck some days ago just where they expected to find it, showing that the lead was true. A message was received later that they had penetrated the vein to a distance of 16 feet, and were still in ore. This was exciting, but as the directors of the mine had no object to gain in boosting up the stock, they said nothing about it except to their friends. Then yesterday came a wire message saying that the vein had been proved to be 24 feet thick and the ore just as rich, if not richer, than at the surface. Whether this increase of thickness continues is not known, and will not be known for some time, as the operations in the mine are being continued above the tunnel instead of below.

This tendency to widen out has been shown in the other veins, but not to such an extent. The second vein was found to be two feet wider than at the surface. There was a great deal of anxiety shown as to the third vein, and the directors would have been perfectly satisfied if it had held its seven feet, as expected. The striking of 24 feet was a great surprise, no one suspecting that it would have reached this width.

With five rich leads going to unknown depths the future of the Stewart mine and with it all the other Portland Canal properties in the neighborhood, has been settled beyond any shadow of a doubt. The Little Joe O. K. Fraction has struck one of the veins 1,500 feet lower, and Portland Canal and Glacier Creek are on the same lead. Each of these latter has proved the richness of the veins on their properties. Probably the ore bearing quartz extends even farther, but this has not yet been proved.

The tunnel which has just been driven is on the George E. claim. The tunnel runs into the side of the gulch to a distance of 180 feet, passing through all three veins. The work of driving and stoping has already commenced for the purpose of preparing the mine for shipping, and in the fall the ores from this mine will be on their way to the smelter.

THANKS OF SISTERS.

Sale of Work at St. Ann's Academy Was Well Patronized.

The Sisters of St. Ann are sincerely grateful to the good, staunch friends who so generously responded to the request on their part to patronize the sale of work in the new wing of the Academy, Monday afternoon and evening. The response surprised even the most sanguine hopes of the Sisters; for the proceeds, including drawings, etc., netted almost $600.

Heartfelt thanks are tendered to all those who in any way contributed to make the sale so profitable and satisfactory. A large centre-piece was raffled during the day and the lucky winnner holds raffle ticket No. 38. If the person will present the ticket to the Sister Superior, St. Ann's Academy, the piece of work will be given.

JUDGMENTS HANDED DOWN.

Action of Ker vs. Reay Dismissed With Costs—Appeal of Baker vs. Adams.

The action brought by E. R. Ker against J. W. Reay for the specific performance of a contract regarding a real estate transaction, was dismissed with costs by Mr. Justice Gregory. Plaintiff will receive $100 deposit made with an alleged agent of defendant.

Judgment has been handed down by the court of appeal in the case of Baker vs. Adams. Action was brought by the plaintiff and heard before Mr. Justice Martin in the Supreme court, for damages from fire alleged to have been caused through defects in an oven built in his premises by a sub-contractor under defendant. This action was dismissed and the plaintiff appealed. The court of appeal has reversed the decision of the Supreme court, awarding plaintiff damages.

GOOD SHOWING IN PORTLAND.

Mine Is Being Rapidly Developed and Indications Are Good—New Mining Company Formed.

In a preliminary report on the Portland Canal mine the manager at Stewart, W. J. Elmendorf, states that his faith in the mine has been justified by the extent of the ore bodies which are being opened up. Work is now being carried on in tunnel No. 2, which shows a foot and a half of solid sulphides and native silver in the face. A crosscut is also being made from tunnel No. 3 to define the extent of mineralization to the west.

The foundations for the mill have been completed on the concentrator site and work on the plant is progressing rapidly. The installation of a compressor plant will commence in the near future.

W. Noble, president of the Silver Bow Mines Company, Limited, which was recently formed in Vancouver, while in Victoria this week stated that his concern will develop five claims on Glacier creek. The company is capitalized at $1,000,000, about two-thirds of which have been taken by the vendors, Stark and Rogers, who discovered the mine.

Cool Drinks for Hot Days

PURE GRAPE JUICE, pint bottle, 20c.; quarts	50c.
PURE LIME JUICE, quart bottle	25c.
PURE LIME JUICE CORDIAL, per decanter	35c.
MONTSERRAT LIME JUICE, per bottle, 75c. and	40c.
STOWER'S LIME JUICE, per bottle	35c.
ROSS' LIME JUICE, per bottle	50c.
RASPBERRY VINEGAR, per bottle, 75c., 35c. and	20c.
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KILBURN ASHORE.

Vessel Struck on Fiji Islands Is Full of Water.—Will Probably be Wreck.

Private advices from San Francisco state that the British steamer Kilburn is ashore in the Fiji Islands, is full of water, and will probably be a total wreck. She sailed from Newcastle, Australia, May 11th, for Guaymas, and was to have come north to load coal at Comox for Cape Nome. Captain Adams and his crew are safe.

—Beacon Hill Park was visited by hundreds of citizens Tuesday afternoon, and little family parties were dotted all about it. The Fifth Regiment band was present during the afternoon and delighted the crowds with a choice programme of music, splendidly rendered.

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—Eighty-two sacks of belated mail, mostly newspapers, arrived by the first two boats up the river, says the Omineca Herald, Hazelton. The Port Simpson brought 39 and the Hazelton 43. During last winter Hazelton people received about one copy out of five of the papers to which they were subscribers.

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—The building inspector has issued permits to Messrs. W. J. Pendray & Son, for the erection of a frame one storey store at Laurel Point, costing $250; to Messrs. Brackman & Ker for alterations to the front of the Empress theatre, Government street, to cost $500; to W. N. Mitchell, for a brick and iron one storey store on Pandora avenue, costing $1600; and to the Rev. T. H. and Mrs. Lett, for a frame and concrete eight-room dwelling, on Simcoe street, at $4,000.

PREPARE PLANS FOR VERNON STATION

Will Be Sent to Superintendent Kilpatrick of C.P.R. by the Board of Trade

Vernon, May 24.—At the regular monthly meeting of the board of tade the committee appointed to procure plans for a new station to be submitted to Supt. Kilpatrick, reported, producing a plan and estimate which showed that a station of brick and concrete, with sufficient room and accommodation to satisfy the committee, could be built for $10,000, or $12,000 with a second story. As the matter has been fully discussed at several meetings, the question did not occupy much time, and a resolution was passed instructing the secretary to take the matter up again with Mr. Kilpatrick and forward him the plans.

Complaint was made by some of the members that the C. P. R. freight train frequently blocked up Schubert street during the time that the trainmen were getting their supper. This was thought to be a matter for the city police to look after, and no action was taken.

C. W. Whiten brought up the question of police patrol on Barnard avenue. He said that the manner in which the rounds of the night watchman was fixed, left the principal business street without protection during a good deal of the time at night. He also complained on behalf of several Barnard avenue merchants of the intolerable dust nuisance, and asked if nothing could be done to induce the city council to have the street regularly sprinkled?

After some discussion, in which all the members seemed to be of one mind, the following motion was passed: Moved by C. W. Whiten, seconded by W. R. Megaw, that this board consider the patrolling of Barnard avenue inadequate, and that the police commissioners be asked to look into the matter and remedy existing conditions.

—Hon. Dr. Young has returned from Kamloops, where he was looking into a request made for a piece of government property as a site for a civic isolation hospital. The provincial secretary is satisfied with the plans of the city for an $8,000 building and will recommend that the site be granted.