

## BRIEF LOCALS.

## Cleanings of City and Provincial News in a Condensed Form.

From Monday's Daily.

A bicycle club is to be organized at Kamloops.

An athletic meeting will be held by the Victoria Rugby footballers at the end of March. There will be several open events.

J. H. Bain, of Vancouver, has left for New York to endeavor to secure capital to work the Similkameen hydraulic mines, in which he is interested.

Captain Thomas Symons, United States engineer, recommends to the government the improvement of the Kootenai river by removing the snags which now endanger navigation.

A dispatch from New Westminster this morning says the inland revenue officers have arrested a man named Jas. Prince for having an illicit whiskey still at Chilliwack. He was fined \$300, or in default three months in jail.

The steamer City of Kingston brought in 112 tons of wheat for Hall, Ross & Co. last night. The wheat is from the Palouse country in Washington and was hauled to Tacoma over the Northern Pacific. It was 9 o'clock last night before the Kingston got her cargo discharged and left for the sound.

Richard Eatshaw, of Nanaimo, B. C., and Miss Van Jenkins, of Seattle, were married at the residence of the officiating clergyman, John F. Damon, 910 Fifth street, Seattle, Wednesday afternoon, February 13, at 3.30 o'clock, and left the same evening for their home in the north.

The Seattle Press Times has again been sold, this time to ex-Sheriff James H. Woolley, making the second transfer within a week. The previous sale was by John W. Pratt to L. E. Nickels, at one time business manager of the Seattle Telegraph. It is understood that Nickels bought the paper as a preliminary step to the transfer to the present owner.

George McL. Brown, who was in this city a day or so ago, is of the opinion that tourist travel will open very early this season and will be greater than usual. The C. P. R. has already booked a large number of Oriental travelers. Mr. Brown believes that the severe winter which the east and Europe have been having will lead many people to seek recreation in travel this season.

The organ presented to St. Columba church was inaugurated by a service of sacred song at the close of the service yesterday evening, which was largely attended. The choir was assisted by Messrs. Ewart and Mackenzie, Knox church choir, and Messrs. Kinaird and Fraser, First church. The order of service was rendered in a way that speaks very highly of the ability of Mr. Jones, the organist, as a choir leader.

The funeral of the late John Kerrod took place on Sunday afternoon from the family residence, Henry street. The floral offerings were many and the funeral was largely attended. Rev. Joseph Hall read the burial service of the Methodist church at the residence and at the cemetery. The following gentlemen acted as pall bearers: F. O. Jones, W. H. Jones, W. J. Jones, W. Shakespear, A. A. Hunter and J. Hollins.

The trades and labor council met in their hall, Broad street, on Saturday night, when a full attendance of delegates were present. The report of the financial secretary was received, which showed the organization to be in a good condition. The report is to be forwarded to the Dominion labor bureau, to appear in their annual report. A resolution was passed approving of day labor as against contracts in all corporation work.

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The case of Regina v. Connors came up for trial this morning before Mr. Justice Walkem in speedy trials court.

The charge against Connors is for stealing a set of sails and several other articles from one Martin Samuel Morgan during the month of October last. The prosecution was conducted by Mr. H. E. A. Robertson, the prisoner having no one to appear in his interest. Morgan testified as to the ownership of the stolen property and identified them as his. The prisoner went into the box and gave his evidence, alleging that he was a partner of Morgan's and that he had an interest in the articles alleged to be stolen, having paid about the sum of \$42 for his interest at different times, and having also a half interest in a ship belonging to Morgan. Morgan denied the statement made by prisoner and produced an absolute bill of sale to him from the former owner. His counsel stated that there was a contradiction in the statements made by the prisoner and Morgan; he was inclined to believe Morgan, but he would give the prisoner the benefit of the doubt. He asked the prisoner if he would be willing to give up the articles to Morgan, but prisoner stated that as he was part owner of them he would not. His lordship after a good lecture and advice to prisoner adjourned the case for one week to allow prisoner a chance to bring evidence of his alleged ownership in the vessel which he had stated, was registered in the custom house, the adjournment not to prejudice the crown's right to bring further evidence against the prisoner. The property was also directed to be handed over to Morgan pending the adjournment. The prisoner was released on his own personal bond that he would appear within the week.

The motion in the case of Cook v. Farquhar Macrae, the police magistrate, was heard this afternoon before Justices Crease and Drake. The motion is for a mandamus compelling the magistrate to proceed in a summary way with the charge against Cook of keeping a disorderly house or common gaming house in the city. The motion being a special one and the question arising therefrom as to the proper construction and meaning of certain sections in the provincial code, it was brought before two justices of the supreme court. The argument was going on at the time of going to press. Mr. A. L. Belyea for the plaintiff and Mr. Gordon Hunter for the defendant.

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Mr. Justice Crease in supreme court chambers this morning heard the following applications:

Charley vs. Davie—Crease (Bodwell & Irving) for the defendant, applied for an order for the examination de bene esse of E. L. Rothwell, a witness on behalf of the defendant. Belyea, contra.

Shingard vs. Oederholm—Barnard, for the defendant, applied to set aside a judgment signed in default of appearance. Sprague, for plaintiff, contra. Order made. Costs in the cause.

Yesterday Mr. Justice Crease made an order setting aside the capias issued against John Clarke at the suit of Robt. Ward & Co. The order in the first place was for a writ of capias ad satisfaciendum, but the writ was set aside with costs, but Mr. Clarke was at once re-arrested on a ca. sa. W. J. Taylor appeared for defendant and A. P. Lutton for Robt. Ward & Co.

Judgment was this morning delivered by Mr. Justice Drake in the case of Hung Man vs. Kootenay & Columbia Mining and Development Company, Limited. The plaintiff's claim was for \$400 for wages due in respect of work done for the company. The defendants denied the liability of the claim and alleged that there was no partnership. Judgment was given for the plaintiff against the defendants W. H. Bainbridge, J. Nicholls and C. E. Renouf, the amount claimed, with costs, it being held that the work done was authorized by the said defendants and as against the other defendants the case was dismissed with costs.

TO DEAL WITH TUBERCULOSIS. A Bill to Amend the Contagious Diseases Act Introduced Yesterday.

Hon. Mr. Turner yesterday introduced a bill to amend the contagious diseases act to deal with cases of pleuro-pneumonia, and tuberculosis. It provides that certain sections in the act of 1891 shall not apply to the case of bulls, bullocks, cows, heifers, steers or calves infected with pleuro-pneumonia or tuberculosis, and the following provisions shall govern such cases:

The inspector shall regularly inspect all dairies and dairy premises maintained for the supply of milk to the public, and all cows from which such milk is taken, and shall on each inspection give a certificate thereof showing the date of the inspection and the condition of the cattle and premises inspected, which certificate, or a summary thereof, shall be published in the British Columbia Gazette.

Where it appears to the inspector that any of the animals mentioned in section 2 are affected as aforesaid, he shall at once notify the owner or other person in charge of such animal, who shall, at his own expense, cause the animal to be safely kept where it will not be brought into contact with or be in danger of transmitting the disease to other animals, or shall destroy the same.

After the owner or other person in charge has received notice that an animal is diseased, or has been subject to contagion or infection, it shall be unlawful