

trepidation, on board the "Buz," but that tricky vessel, either owing to its having taken a lesson from the good behaviour of the crowd, or to the fact that the wind had dropped, brought us to our destination without further trouble. Great credit and thanks are due to the judges and Committee, and all concerned in the management of the day's amusements, not only for the variety and quality of the sports but for the admirable and punctual way in which the programme was gone through.

In the evening the Amities entertained the Seattle Reds at a banquet at the Grand Pacific.

We were sorry to see Mr. Charles Swan, cockswain of H. M. S. Satellite, injured by the discharge of the seven-pounder, fired as a signal for the canoe race. He was badly scorched by the powder, and at first it was feared his eyesight was injured permanently, but we are glad to learn it is not likely to be in any way impaired.

NEW INDUSTRIES.

The ancient and widespread art of pottery is soon to be developed within our borders.

Mr. Daniel Nash, a skilful potter from Oregon, having selected a fitting spot on the Saanich road (Cloverdale Estate) will soon have articles of potters' ware ready for the market.

This is one, amongst other branches for the enterprising, who can discern them, and have the capital and skill needed for a commencement.

SKILL FISHING.

Now that seal fishing is over in our waters the skil (or black cod) is, we learn, soon to be looked after by those fitted for the work.

DISCOVERY OF GOLD-BEARING QUARTZ NEAR VICTORIA.

In cutting through the rocks near the Goldstream Falls, for the purpose of making the Island railway, the workmen have several times passed through veins of promising quartz, but very little attention was paid to them. On Friday, the 15th inst., Mr. Hunter, the chief engineer, noticed the quartz and gave directions for its examination with a view to ascertaining its value. It was found on examination that several pieces were rich in gold, and one piece of good size and thickly studded with gold was taken to Victoria for inspection.

The discovery has naturally excited the town to a considerable extent; and further developments are looked for, as many years ago free gold was found near Goldstream, and prospecting companies were formed, but the capital being small the work was abandoned before the quartz veins had been exhaustively tested.

We hope that the discovery will be followed by others, as British Columbia would immediately boom.

DOMINION RAILWAY LANDS IN BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Extracts From the Act Recently Passed.

The following extracts from the Act recently passed by the Dominion Government relating to its railway lands in this Province, will doubtless prove of interest and value to intending settlers and immigrants seeking homes in this favored country; therefore, we would advise all such to give them careful perusal, and to preserve this number of the *Resources* for future reference thereto:

"The lands in British Columbia shall be laid off so far as practical in quadrilateral townships, each containing thirty-six sections of nearly one mile square. Each section shall be divided into quarter sections of one hundred and sixty acres more or less. The Minister of the Interior shall have power to withdraw from sale or homestead entry any tract or tracts of land, and to lay the same out into town or village lots; the lots so laid out to be sold, either by private sale or for such price as he may see fit, or at public auction, an up-set price being fixed for the sale.

HOMESTEADS.

Any person, male or female, who is the sole head of a family, or any male who has attained the age of eighteen years, shall on making application in the form A in the schedule to these Regulations, be entitled to obtain homestead entry, for any quantity of land not exceeding one quarter section.

(FORM A.)

APPLICATION FOR A HOMESTEAD ENTRY.

I, _____, of _____ do hereby apply for a homestead entry, under the provisions of the "Dominion Lands Act, 1884," for the _____ quarter section of section number _____ of the _____ township, in the _____ range _____ of the _____ meridian.

(N. B.—The office fee to be paid by applicant is ten dollars.)

The entry for a homestead shall entitle the recipient to take, occupy and cultivate the land entered for, and hold possession of the same to the exclusion of any other person or persons whomsoever.

The privilege of homestead entry shall only apply to surveyed agricultural lands; no person shall be entitled to such entry for land valuable for its timber, or for hay land, or for land on which there is a stone or marble quarry, or coal or other mineral having commercial value, or whereon there is any water power which may serve to machinery, or for land which by reason of its position, such as being the shore of an important harbor, bridge site, or canal site, or being either an actual or prospective railway terminus or station, it will be in the public interest to withhold from such entry.

Any person proving that he has resided on the land for which he has homestead entry for twelve months from the date of his perfecting his entry therefor, and that he has brought under cultivation at least thirty acres thereof, may before the expiration of the term of years for which the land is granted, apply for a patent therefor.