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Local and Provincial News.

From the Daily Colonist, May 23.

THE FISHERY QUESTION

Complications That Promise Trouble.

Secretary Bayard Protecting the Fishermen.

Portland in a White Heat.

(Exclusive to The Colonist)

PORTLAND, Me., May 22.—The proprietors of the schooner Ella W. Doughty, under seizure by the Canadian authorities, received a dispatch from Englishtown, C. B., to-day, from Capt. Doughty, in which he says: "Consul has been here. Can't do anything. Vessel is stripped."

NEW YORK, May 22.—A Washington special says that the department is actively engaged in negotiations designed to protect the interests of the American fishermen. There has as yet been no official declaration of its position for manifest reasons while the negotiations are in their present stage. The administration cannot properly make public the correspondence had with the British minister here and with our minister to England; but a dispatch from Senator Bayard, which follows, will show he has the interests of the fishermen at heart. Senator Frye, of Maine, recently addressed the secretary of state the following letter:

"Washington, May 20.—Hon. Thomas F. Bayard, secretary of state. Dear Sir,—I respectfully submit to your consideration the enclosed telegram received this morning from the president of the American fishery union. I assume that the state department is giving this matter such consideration as its importance demands. The urgency of immediate action for the protection and relief of those American citizens cannot be over-estimated. I regard the conduct of the Canadian government as entirely unjustified, and without the treaty of law or good neighborhood.

"W. P. FRYE."

Enclosed was a telegram already printed in these dispatches. To this letter Secretary Bayard has sent the following reply (unofficial):

DEPARTMENT OF STATE,
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 20.

Hon. Wm. P. Frye, U. S. Senate:

DEAR SIR—Before your note of to-day was received a telegram of similar purport in relation to the refusal to allow the American schooners Jennie and Julia to purchase herring for smoking at Digby had been received, and steps were taken by me to ascertain all the facts, and instant representations made to the British minister to call to account the collector at Digby for what I consider a gross breach of the commercial rights of the citizens of the United States. The late reprehensible action of the Canadian officials in relation to the American fishing vessels has occurred in remote localities without facilities for postal communication, and, consequently, there has been delay, regretable but unavoidable, in receiving consular reports; but your assumption, "that this department is giving the matter such consideration as its importance demands will, I believe, be fully sustained, when the proper time arrives for the publication of its action. I trust I am properly conscious of the delicate and important public functions, and that the interests and honor of my country, and the rights of the citizens will not be found to have suffered at my hands. T. F. BAYARD."

A gentleman who has talked with Secretary Bayard upon this subject within a day or two says that he is as much interested in the matter as either of the Maine senators can be, and that he has great regard for the fishermen. He expresses himself very forcibly as to the conduct of the Canadian authorities. He looks at the question as an American and not from a party standpoint and says there is no policy in it, that the action of the department cannot be made public yet, but that he can assure any congressional friend of the fisherman that everything that is possible is being done to protect their interests. With regard to the refusal of the collector of customs at Digby to permit the captain of the Jennie and Julia to buy herring there to smoke, he said that he had instructed Consul Phelan to go at once to Digby and investigate. Secretary Bayard deprecated any attempt on the part of fishermen to coerce the Canadian government by force of arms, and said that every step in that direction would weaken the United States and strengthen Canada. He hoped also that the American fishermen would strictly observe the local customs rulings in Canada.

PORTLAND, Me., May 22.—At a special meeting of the city council to-day resolutions were passed, denouncing the acts of the Canadian government in seizing the American schooners as an insult to the American flag, calling for reparation, and in case it is refused, asking that the United States adopt retaliatory measures. The resolutions are to be sent to the Maine senators. A Portland firm has on the way a Canadian schooner with a full cargo of bait, and arrangements are being made to establish a station between the three mile limit so as to give Americans all the bait they want.

A Celestial Scene.

It would seem as if all Chinatown had gathered at Welch, Rithet & Co.'s wharf yesterday when the Chinese passengers by the Alden Besse were being landed. Thirty-four Celestials of all kinds, sorts and descriptions, had the pleasure of presenting the Canadian government with $50 each for the privilege of viewing our dusty streets and taking up a habitation in sweet-smelling Chinatown. A well-known Finnard street dude was present, evidently "on the mash." In his jaunty way he "smiled, and smiled, and smiled again," and seemed to be master of all the little arts which please the female heart. He was heard to say that one dusky cherub had "ketched on," and she had, judging by her manifestations of delight at being singled out as the object of so many evidences of a deep passion. The soft scene was prolonged until the fair one was allowed to land. She was taken in hand by a hard-visaged countryman of hers, while the dapper young fellow who had ogled her, followed at a respectable distance, his heart in his eyes and his hands in his pockets.

POLICE NOTES.—At the police court yesterday, Lily Williams, upon the same old charge, d. and d., was discharged. T. W. Fletcher, charged with turning a hose upon Alphonse Leroy, pleaded guilty and wished that the stream had been something stronger. The sprinkling being deemed misdirected, was charged at the rate of $10 and costs. B. Wrede, charged with assaulting F. Amery, was fined $10.

THE YUKON COUNTRY.

And Those Who are Going There.

JUNEAU, Alaska, May 15, 1886.

The Yukon craze still continues unabated, and Juneau is almost depopulated. Every miner who could raise enough money to buy an outfit has gone to the Yukon. The outfit consists of 300 pounds of flour, 80 pounds of bacon, 50 pounds of sugar, 10 pounds of tea, 20 pounds of salt, 60 pounds of beans, 25 pounds of nails, a shovel, pick and pan, an axe, hatchet, a whip-saw to every 25 men, 25 pounds of tobacco, some kind of a shooting-iron — mostly breech-loaders, and plenty of ammunition compose the bulk of the outfit. This is supposed to last six months, with the addition of game and fish that may be killed, both of which are said to be abundant. The above named outfit is done up in 100 pound packages, mostly in sacks; that amount constitutes a load for one man. This has to be transported

ACROSS THE DIVIDE FROM CHILCOOT

to the lakes, some 35 miles, on the backs of Indians, who charge from $10 to $14 per hundred, when they reach the lakes, which are the head-waters of a river emptying into the Yukon. There, all stop and whip-saw out lumber and build boats in which they row and sail down the chain of lakes and into

THE GREAT RIVER OF THE NORTH.

Upon reaching the river they go up or down, as their fancy dictates, and up the numerous tributaries of that stream in search of the "root of all evil." So far, over 150 have left for the supposed new Eldorado, and more are preparing to go, almost leaving Juneau deserted; consequently, business of all kinds is very dull and to add to the general dullness and depression, many have come here broke, expecting to obtain work from the miners. Winter yet reigns almost supreme, and the spring will be the latest known by over two months. The Silver Bend Basin is still covered several feet deep in snow and will not disappear, in all probability, before the 20th of June, or later. The Treadwell mill has been running full time the last month and has had a greater output of golden bricks than for several months past—said to be

OVER $80,000 WORTH.

The company has erected a large storehouse and were opening the largest stock of goods ever seen in Alaska.

DOUGLAS CITY,

above the mill, is still growing; in fact, building up rapidly. No attempts are being made to open other mines as yet, or build any new stamp mills, and no one should come here at present, unless they have sufficient funds to pay expenses for, at least six, or more properly, twelve months; particularly laboring men, as there are several here now without money and unable to procure a day's work. Several are returning on this trip of the Idaho, and several more would if they only had the means. P. R. SMITH.

The Coal Trade.

J. W. Harrison, of San Francisco, in his last weekly review, says: Since the sailing of the last Australian mail steamer there have been the following arrivals from Newcastle and Sydney: The Ericsson, 1900 tons; Don Nicolas, 1210 tons; total, 3110 tons. If the yards had not been carrying very full stocks of Australian early in the year, there would of necessity have been a temporary scarcity, as the imports for the past ninety days have been much lighter than our actual requirements called for, hence the stock now on hand is very slim; under ordinary circumstances this would have bettered prices, but no improvement is noticeable, as there have been so freely made of Australian, for loading and *en route*, at lower price than ever ruled here before at this season, viz., $5 60 to $5 62 per ton for Wallsend and Greta, and $5 to $5.12 per ton for Coal Cliff and Bulli; last year from January to May prices of Wallsend averaged from $6.50 to $6 87 per ton, and these were deemed peculiarly low quotations at the time. These prices appear tempting enough to make buyers eager to lay in large stocks; but such is not the case, as the general belief is that no material improvement can take place for twelve months at least; our immense demand for wheat carriers will insure us an over supply of all grades of fuel into 1887, even if some of our coast collieries should remain, as at present, non-producers. In the face of these quotations a cargo of new grade of gas coal has been shipped here from Australia seeking a buyer. Wallsend and Greta, spot $5.75 per ton; *en route* and loading $5.50 to $5.62; Coal Cliff and Bulli, spot to arrive, $5 to $5 12 per ton. Between the 1st of January and the 1st of May coal receipts at San Francisco were as below stated:

	TONS.
Tacoma	49,033
Nanaimo	19,390
Departure Bay	47,648
Coos Bay	15,307
Australia	28,553
Cardiff	13,830
Seattle	30,677
Liverpool steam	8,162
Anthracite	3,029
Cumberland	8,593
West Hartley	1,702
Total	225,224

Personal.

Mr. and Mrs. Luke Pither will leave for Leroy county, New York, to-morrow. They will be absent about three months. As a successful business man Victoria will have no abler representative at the east than Mr. Pither.

Mr. W. H. Marshall, Portland, agent of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railway, is in the city.

Mrs. Moore has donated a quantity of linen to the Royal hospital.

Mr. R. J. Armstrong and the Misses Armstrong of New Westminster arrived on the steamer yesterday. They will leave for Port Hope, Ont., to-morrow, and will remain absent several months.

Ex-Speaker Williams and Mrs. Williams, who lately returned from England, are somewhat exhausted from the effects of the long journey, but are daily regaining strength and will soon be quite well again.

Mr. J. H. Todd was a passenger by the Rithet yesterday.

Judge O'Reilly returned from the mainland yesterday.

Mr. C. D. Rand came down from New Westminster yesterday.

Mr. G. C. Corbould of New Westminster came down on the Rithet yesterday.

At the Occidental: T. K. Abbot, Portland; A. N. Milne, New Westminster.

Dr. W. M. Chamberlain of New York is in town.

Mr. A. E. Irvine, of the Sun Life Assurance company, has returned from Portland, where he had gone to meet Mrs. Irvine and child on their way from Detroit.

Mr. D. J. McKinley, of Seattle, late purser of the Eliza Anderson, was in town yesterday. He goes to San Francisco to sell some property upon which he expects to net a handsome profit.

Major-General Lyon Fremantle arrived from England yesterday and is at the Driard.

Capt. Jemmett and party sailed for the Nass river to-day.

Mr. Hans Helgesen, M. P. P., left by the steamer Boscowitz for Rivers inlet last night.

Capt. Urquhart left for San Francisco yesterday.

COKE OVENS.—The Tacoma Coal Co., whose mines are at Wilkeson, W. T., propose to erect forty coke ovens. The Tacoma Ledger says that the company have the only coking coal discovered on the Pacific coast. This is incorrect. Nanaimo district coal coked before the Ledger or the Tacoma Coal Co. was dreamed of. The abundant supply of coal for all the coke required for smelting works can be had at Nanaimo.

THE FUNERAL of the late J. P. Donovan took place at 9 o'clock yesterday morning from the pro-Cathedral, and was largely attended. Messrs. McPhee, Portman, Ross, McCoskery, Murray and McDonald acted as pall-bearers.

What Some People Say

That the death of General Hancock is said to have plunged Mrs. Hancock into an almost constant melancholy.

That Sarah Bernhardt grows just a tiny mite stouter than she was. The additional weight is represented by a bread crumb.

That Plon-Plon likes a good dinner, and his brother-in-law, King Humbert of Italy, knows how to give one when he likes.

That a competition has been opened in France for designs for a statue to Jean Baptiste Dumas, to be erected at Alais at a cost of $8,000.

That the Princess Bargash Said Medfid, sister of the sultan of Zanzibar, is new visiting Paris, and exciting much admiration for her superb horsemanship.

That the oldest Freemason has just passed away. He was a son of Scotia. Oldest masons in America are so common that they have ceased to be curious.

That it is always a good thing for fashionable ladies to write their memoirs, and it will gratify many ladies of vigorous ideas to know that Mary Walker, M. D., contemplates compiling hers.

That Preacher Moody, now in Chicago, said to a newspaper caller: "I don't like to be interviewed. A talk with a reporter makes me feel like a fool. Why? Why, you always make me talk about myself—that and nothing else—and I'd rather talk on any other subject."

That it is only the men who resort to libel suits. Mrs. George Harting of Elwood, Ind., considered herself aggrieved by a publication in a local paper, assaulted the editor, Roy Hannah, with a peck of the most ancient eggs that could be picked up in the town. The account of the assault says that the eggs pattered on his head, back and shoulders until his entire rear had assumed a crushed pumpkin hue.

That the missing U. S. steamer Nipsic has arrived at New York.

That the tower of London has been reopened to visitors, after having been closed for more than a year on account of the dynamite explosion.

That the reason Patti fainted just before going on the Lisbon stage in Carmen was that in her presence the hotel porter had shot his wife dead, that very evening.

That the Austrian government organ assures the world that the relations between Austria and the United States are entirely cordial. The diplomats are merely taking a rest.

That the large Italian ironclad Italia lately made a run of forty-seven and a half miles in two hours and twenty minutes. This means an average speed of close on eighteen knots an hour.

That the Belgian government proposes to advance 1,000,000f. at 3½ per cent., for the immediate rebuilding of industrial establishments destroyed by the rioters, to be repaid when the question of the indemnities to be granted to these proprietors shall have been settled.

Mainland News.

(Columbian).

Rev. J. S. Mackay, M. A., pastor of St. Andrew's church in this city, died on Thursday at his father's house in Thamesford, Ontario.

People are still going to the Granite creek mines.

The cribbing along the river front for the railway is now well advanced from the Brunette sawmills down half way to the woolen mills. A large gang of men is employed on that section.

(Guardian.)

The salmon are playing bo peep with the fishermen. They come up in a shoal, a few good hauls are made—just sufficient to induce their pursuers to put on additional boats and then—they disappear.

The river is rising rapidly and raft is passing down in increasing quantities.

Mosquitoes are beginning their buzzing.

Blue Ribbon Club Meeting.

The meeting last evening was opened by the audience singing a Gospel hymn, after which Vice-President O'Neil offered prayer. Mr. West from New Brunswick, gave a stirring address advising the temperance people to aim at nothing short of the total prohibition of the liquor traffic. Mr. Winsby gave a humorous reading and was loudly applauded. Ex-President Rudge called on all the churches to lend a hand to put a stop to a business that was causing so much crime and suffering in the community. Vice-President O'Neil and Keper stated some facts in relation to the expense to the country of liquor drinking. The band played as usual during the evening, and and closed with the national anthem.

The Northern Pacific Railway Company.

PHILADELPHIA, May 20, 8:50 p.m.

J. M. BUCKLEY, Tacoma:—Bids were opened at the meeting of our board of directors to-day for the construction of the remaining seventy-five miles, including the switchback, on the Cascade division. All were found below the estimate. The board authorized the acceptance of the bid of the lowest responsible bidder, the work to be pushed without delay; also $25,000 was appropriated for the enlargement of the company's docks and the extension of a branch and roadway below the bankers.

C. B. WRIGHT.

Marine.

Bark Harvest Home still lies with her nose in the mud at Cook's ways.

Tenders for repairs to bark Arabella are asked by Mr. H. Saunders until Wednesday next at noon.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

SAN FRANCISCO, May 22.—Arrived—Steamer San Pedro, Tacoma; schooner Maid of Orleans, Columbia river; steamer Columbia, Portland; British steamer Wellington, Nanaimo.

Cleared—Steamer Columbia, Astoria; ship Belvidere, Nanaimo.

VICTORIA DRIVING PARK.—A series of races will take place at the Victoria Driving Park to-morrow afternoon, at one o'clock. They comprise a half-mile and repeat, free for all race; a one mile and repeat, for trotting horses that have never beaten 3:10, and a half-mile dash for two-year-old colts. There have already been three entries in each race, and it is probable more will follow. All lovers of the turf are assured of a good day's sport, and Mr. Birdsall intends leaving no stone unturned to secure this result. Easy access to the grounds will be had, and a judicious selection has been made in the judges and starters. A good deal of interest is felt in the races in local sporting circles.

NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY.—The house committee on Pacific railways to-day agreed to report favorably re-instructing the secretary of the interior to demand of the Northern Pacific railway company information as to whether it had arranged its stopping places and running of trains so as to benefit certain towns in which the directors of the company are interested to the injury of other towns. Also by what authority of law the company owns an interest in any townsite company. The resolution, also, requires the company to furnish a statement as to its freight and passenger traffic.

APPEARANCE OF HERR MOST.—A New York letter says of Herr Most: "To those who had not seen him before, the appearance of the widely known anarchist leader was a surprise. Short and squatty in stature, his great flabby cheeks puffed out as if caused by a severe attack of mumps, his small eyes blinking on the sudden coming out into the light, and his expression one of fear and alarm, he looked anything but the picture of the terrible revolutionist he proclaims himself to be."

THE Smith Comedy company came down from the mainland by the Rithet yesterday, and are said to have met with great success. As the steamer neared the wharf the band played several selections, and the "music on the waters" was much enjoyed.

TWELVE HORSES came down from the mainland yesterday by the Rithet, for the Victoria Transfer Co.

(*From the Daily Colonist, May 26.*)

"C" BATTERY.

Its Early Formation---Naval Reserve Members.

(Exclusive to The Colonist.)

OTTAWA, May 24.

A topic of interest to British Columbia is the probable early formation of "C" battery at Victoria or Esquimalt. From what the minister of militia states, it appears that communications have passed between the Dominion government and the imperial authorities, as the result of which the latter have decided to allow the men of the naval reserve living in British Columbia to enter the Canadian service and to continue to draw their naval pension. It is hoped that many of these men will join the new battery and help to make it as efficient, or even more efficient, than the two eastern batteries.

Personal.

Mr. E. C. Baker, M. P., left Ottawa on Saturday evening for the city of Mexico and Mazatlan.

Mr. Joel Broadwell, J. P., of Salt Spring Island, goes home to-day.

At the Occidental: J. J. Moore, San Francisco; J. M. Sinclair, City; J. Aylen, Esquimalt; J. M. Ruddock, Chatham; H. F. Caux, Yarmouth, N. S.

Mr. John Campbell, the popular enforcer of the law at Esquimalt, will leave shortly for Scotland on six months' leave. Mr. Campbell has had success in maintaining order at the naval station, and he is one of the few officials "who'll be missed."

Capt. Larkin, (Larkin, Connolly & Co.) accompanied by Mrs. M. Connolly, two children and nurse, arrived from St. Catherines yesterday morning. Capt. Larkin is at the Driard. He reports a very dusty trip on the overland road. Spring had arrived in Ontario, but the captain thinks that for lovely climate no part of Canada equals this.

Mr. J. J. Moore, whilom proprietor of the Empire bakery, arrived by Monday's steamer from San Francisco.

Mrs. C. Todd, Mrs. Bishop and Mrs. and Miss White were among the passengers from the mainland yesterday.

Mr. J. F. Allison, of Similkameen, arrived by the steamer Rithet yesterday.

Sir Anthony Musgrave, the last crown governor of British Columbia, passed through San Francisco on the 17th inst. for England. Sir Anthony is governor of Queensland.

Mr. Service, lately premier of Victoria, Aus., left San Francisco on the 17th for England.

Major-General Lyon Fremantle, now at the Driard, is the commander who led the Australian brigade to the Soudanese war.

Rt. Rev. Bishop Junger, of Nisqually, will lecture at the pro-Cathedral on Sunday next at 4 o'clock in the German language.

Mrs. A. Bunster arrived last Monday by the steamer Mexico from San Francisco.

Mr. A. Breseley arrived from San Francisco on Monday last.

At the Driard: P. Larkin, St. Catharines; W. H. Mead, agent Royal route; F. A. Colby, New York.

Mr. A. Rawley, Mr. H. Griffin, Mr. W. Thompson and Mr. J. Stephens arrived from Portland yesterday.

Mr. A. Tozier, editor of the Hillsboro (Oregon) Independent, visited Victoria on Monday and remained till yesterday.

Mr. W. F. Archibald, manager, and Mr. W. Christie, night operator, at the telegraph office, paid a visit to Nanaimo on Monday.

Mrs. Raybould, Mr. and Miss Watkins and Miss Shakespeare arrived from Nanaimo yesterday.

Scotch Concert.

The Victoria was fairly well filled last evening when a grand Scotch concert was given in aid of the Royal hospital and the Protestant Orphan's home. The event had been looked forward to for a long time in local musical circles, and much interest centred in the entertainment. The opening chorus, "Scot's Wha Hae," was finely rendered by Messrs. J. S. Yates, H. Yates, Jay, Grey, Ballantyne, Gore and Higgins. That grand old war song lost none of its fire and passion at the hands of the gentlemen mentioned. A duet, "Oh! Wert Thou in the Cauld Blast," by Mr. Yates and Mrs. G. Jay, Jr., was sweetly rendered, the pathos of the musical lines touching many hearts. Miss Bate's "Auld Robin Gray" was one of the gems of the evening, and Lady Lindsay's great creation had a sweet interpreter. She was obliged to respond to an encore, which it would have been impossible to resist, and was followed by Mr. Whyte in a recitation, "The Foxes Tails" which so pleased the audience that an encore was demanded. Mrs. Barnard's piano solo from Schuman was keenly enjoyed, and was a rich treat to all lovers of good music. "Out on the Deep," by Mr. George Jay, Jr., was in fine voice, which closed the first part. Burns' "Duncan Gray" was sung by the quartette in rattling style, and Miss Cameron did ample justice to the recitation "The Burial March of Dundee." Mr. Wootton's solo "The Rose of Allendale," was one of the "hits" of the evening and was the subject of much favorable comment. He has a rich, pure voice which was heard last evening at its best. A violin solo "The Blue Bells of Scotland," by Mr. Gore, accompanied by Miss Heathfield, was executed in good taste, and was well received. A recitation in character, "Spectacles in Church," taken part in by Messrs. J. S. Yates, H. Yates, A. Grey and W. Anderson was a fitting climax to one of those enjoyable evenings, combining as well the intellectual as the aesthetical, which we are only occasionally privileged to enjoy. "Auld Lang Syne" was, of course, sung in the stead of the National Anthem, and brought the concert to a close. We are pleased to learn that quite a considerable sum was netted in aid of the charities, for which the concert was given.

Marine.

Steamer Pilot left for a cruise down the straits yesterday.

Ship Tam O'Shanter weighed anchor in the Roads Monday and stood out into the straits where she was picked up by an American tug and towed to Nanaimo. She will load with coal for San Francisco.

The bark Spartan, 749 tons, has been chartered by R. D. Chandler to load coal from Departure Bay to San Francisco at $2 25 per ton.

Steamship Wellington from Departure Bay, arrived at San Francisco on Saturday.

Steamship Sardonyx, sailed from San Francisco for Mexico on Sunday.

Steamship Mexico from San Francisco, arrived at the outerwharf on Monday morning with passengers and 287 tons freight for this city.

Schooner Favorite, Capt. Alex. McLean, left for the sealing grounds last evening.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

SAN FRANCISCO, May 25.—Arrived—Bark Enoch Talbot, Seattle; steamer Queen of the Pacific, Victoria.

COAL HARBOR EXTENSION.—The Canadian Pacific railway company has caused to be placed on record at the lands and works office at New Westminster, a plan of section 184, N. W. district, showing the numbers of the lots through which the line will pass. It is understood that the prices they propose to offer for the lots through which the railway will pass are moderate—extremely moderate—ranging from $20 downwards.

POLICE NOTES.—A Chinese whisky seller was fined $50 or three months. Several festive youths who celebrated the 24th, not wisely but too well, paid their fines, and went off with diminished purses but muchly swollen heads.

THE QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY.

Her Majesty's Natal Day Honored---An Influx of Visitors--A Good Day's Sport.

The Queen's birthday passed off very pleasantly, notwithstanding the fact that no general civic demonstration was had. The weather was lovely and the city looked at its best, bunting flying to the breeze, as well in the city as on the ships in the harbor. The union jack and the stars and stripes floated side by side, a tribute to our friends across the border, who came over two hundred and thirty strong by the Geo. E. Starr. These included citizens of Seattle, Tacoma and Portland, and of other points in the territories. Many of our people went "into the woods" and picnicked quietly, and all report having spent an enjoyable day. A certain little gathering at the "Gorge" is said to have been the picnic *par excellence*, and, if report be true, at least two loving hearts will have cause to remember the day—and bless it.

The principal attractions, however, were the baseball match at Beacon Hill between the Seattle "Reds" and the "Amities" of this city, the athletic tournament at the agricultural grounds, under the auspices of the Victoria Athletic club and Queen City band, and the races at the Victoria Driving park. At noon the usual royal salute was fired by the school of gunnery at McAuley's point, Col. Holmes in command. An immense crowd gathered at Beacon Hill to witness the

BASEBALL MATCH,

which was evidently the principal attraction of the day. From the first it was apparent that success was with the home team, their batting proving a little heavy for the visitors. Baker's pitching was a stumbling block in the way of the latter's success, and he proved to be a tough one. As the appended score will show, the Reds counted goose eggs until the fourth inning, which must have been disheartening. Though the fielding on the whole was good, there were some bad cases of "muffing," which it seemed might have been avoided. The game was, however, a good one, hotly and pluckily contested to the finish, and some very fine bits of play were shown on both sides. The utmost good feeling prevailed, and while the home club were proud of their victory, there was a tinge of regret that their gallant antagonists should have been again unsuccessful. The following is the score:

AMITIES.

	RUNS.	OUTS.
Gowen, G, c	2	3
Kuns, 1 b	1	2
Gowen, s. s	3	3
Clyde, 2 b	0	4
Burnes, c. f	1	1
Borthwick, l. f	1	3
Russell, r. f	2	3
Lang, 3 b	2	2
Baker, p	0	3
	12	27

REDS.

	RUNS.	OUTS.
Burwell, 3 b	0	4
Stevens, s. s	0	3
Thornell, l. f	1	3
Snow, 2 b	0	3
Bagley, c	1	3
Armstrong, p	1	3
Kenney, r. f	0	2
Blackman, c. f	0	2
Johnson, 1 b	0	4
	4	27

SCORE BY INNINGS.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
Amities	1	1	1	2	0	3	3	2	1	12
Reds	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	4

Struck out, Reds, 14; Amities, 2. Runs earned, Amities, 5; Reds, 4. Umpire, John T. Fee. Scorer, David F. Fee.

The members of the Victoria Athletic club, preceded by the Queen city band, marched out to the Agricultural buildings at noon. The attendance at

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was fairly large, though it was to be regretted that the sport was divided. We are glad to learn that the object of the management was attained, a large sum of money being realized. Space forbids our particularizing, but we must specially note the admirable performance of Mr. J. Weiler on the slack wire. His was a really creditable exhibition, which would do credit to many a professional, the apparent ease with which every movement was executed being particularly noticeable. Mr. G. Edman, on the horizontal bar, was easily first, though Messrs. Workman, Weiler and Fitters showed great proficiency for amateurs. All the games went off well, the girls' and boys' races being particularly interesting, while the elaborate decorations testified to the skill and taste of the designers. The list of sports with the winners' names follows:

1 Mile walking race, 3 entries; 1st Geo. Shade; 2nd, H. McDowell.

3 Mile running, 3 entries; 1st, T. Forest, 2nd, C. J. Vernell.

Running high jump, 2 entries; 1st, A. Shore; 2nd, W. Spotts.

Half mile race; 1st, T. Watson; 2nd, J. Dolory.

Standing long jump; 1st, A. Shore; 2nd W. Spotts.

Running long jump; 1st, A. Shore; 2nd, W. Spotts.

Boys' race; 1st, A. Smith; 2nd, J. Isaacs.

1 Mile race; 1st, T. Watson; 2nd, H. Levi.

Horizontal bar, G. Edman, 1st; W. Workman, J. Weiler, H. Fittere.

Hop step and jump; 1st, W. Spotts; 2nd, A. Shore.

Girls' race; 1st, Jane Allan; 2nd, Rose Matthews.

Slack wire, Joseph Weifer.

Quarter mile race; 1st, T. Watson; 2nd, J. Dolory.

The time for the three-mile foot race was 19 minutes 8 seconds, and the distance of the running high-jump was 4 feet 10 inches, and of the hop, step and jump 43 feet 4½ inches. A few supplementary races were had at the instance of his worship, the mayor, for the boys and girls who seemed to enjoy the fun immensely.

Mr. Wootton competed against Messrs. Geo. Gowen and J. Borthwick for the silver medal presented by the club for throwing a baseball, and succeeded in outdistancing them—throwing the ball 110 yards 10 inches. He thus became possessor of the handsome medal which Mr. Phillips engraved so neatly.

THE HORSE RACES

at the Victoria Driving Park were largely attended and were most successful throughout. In the half-mile and repeat running race Gannon's "Foster" took the first heat in 54½ seconds, with Parker's "Billie" second, and "Irish Maid" third. "Billie" came in first in the second heat in 55¾ seconds, "Foster" second and "Irish Maid" third. A similar result was had in the third heat, "Billie's" time being 59 seconds.

There were two entries in the next race, best two in three for trotting horses, one mile and repeat, for horses that have never beaten 3.10. Irving's "Fanny" and Butler's "Monday" contested for the prize. The latter succeeded in winning the first heat in 3 minutes, but "Fanny" put in some good work in the second and third heats, passing under the wire in 2.52 and 1.52½ minutes respectively. Parker's "Wash" and Dodd's "Black Prince" were the only entries in the half-mile dash for two-year-old colts, the latter winning in 1 10½. The races were among the best our turf has known, and were strictly "honest." We may, perhaps, hope that this grand old sport, which is so much in favor in the east where it is hedged around by all the safeguards possible, will be resuscitated on this coast. The judges were Messrs. Prior, Drake and Dr. Davie.

The day's festivities closed by

A BALL

in the evening at the Agricultural hall, which was highly enjoyable and financially successful, Dancing was indulged in to a late, or rather an early hour, and fun and frolic ran riot. The music was by the Queen City band, which is synonymous with saying that it was all that could have been wished.

The day passed off pleasantly and quietly, unmarred by any scenes of disorder or license. The gentlemen who were instrumental in affording our citizens so much unexpected enjoyment are to be congratulated on the success which crowned their labors.

THE B. C. Agricultural society's prize list for 1886 is ready for distribution.

GLADSTONE'S RESIGNATION A CERTAINTY.

The Old Man Still Working the Ropes

To Squeeze the Home Rule Bill Through Its Second Reading

(Exclusive to The Colonist.)

The general opinion is that at to-day's meeting the cabinet resolved on the dissolution of parliament and an appeal to the country if the government be defeated on the second reading of the home rule bill. It is thought that Gladstone's visit to Windsor Castle this afternoon was more for the purpose of securing the Queen's consent to the dissolution before the departure of the court to-morrow for Balmoral Castle.

The upshot of to-day's meeting of the cabinet is virtually a move in the direction of concession to disaffected liberals. Several of the ministers urge that clause 24 of the home rule bill be eliminated. After a long discussion it was decided to leave the matter in Gladstone's hands to deal with as he might think fit. His mind was apparently quickly made up, for early in the evening government whips were instructed to summon rank and file of the liberal party to a general meeting on Thursday when modifications on home rule will be announced in order to preserve the government from defeat on the second reading. Morley was alone in continuing to oppose the omission of clause 24 from the home rule bill.

Hartington's section maintain their enmity to the bill and will not attend the liberal conference. Ministers are confident that with the accession of thirty-five radical dissenters and doubtfuls they will have a majority of 40. The bill will be dropped after the second reading. It is probable that parliament will be dissolved in autumn. If the Gladstone government be returned, the winter session will be devoted exclusively to discussion of the home rule bill.

The home rule debate was resumed in the house of commons to-night. Viscount Lymington, liberal, said the bill was a chaotic measure. Ireland required social remedies. The Agrarian question was at the root of the whole difficulty. The attorney-general said that one reason of the failure of recent Irish remedial legislation was that it came too late; another reason was that the benefits offered were not what the Irish wanted, but what parliament thought they ought to have. Alluding to Chamberlain's views, the attorney-general said the bill would go further and not retard federation. Protests about Ulster were mainly buncomb and bluster, and the religious question was merely a bogus bugbear intended to frighten Ulsterites, whose alarm was without foundation. The government, he said, sought to substitute a real for an unreal union. [Cheers.]

Mr. Gladstone went to Windsor today in obedience to a summons from the queen, and conveyed to her the opinion of himself and colleagues with reference to home rule, and proposed the dissolution of parliament. The Queen intimated that she was willing to meet the wishes of the minister. Baron Rothschild has lent the unionists $500 sterling. They are widely circulating anti-home rule literature. The government does not promise reconstruction of the home rule bill.

Mr. Trevelyan once again said that he was unable to support the bill.

The speaker quoted an alleged remark of Mr. Parnell's to the effect that he "would not rest until the last link that connected Ireland with England had been broken." Mr. Parnell here interposed, exclaiming, "This is not the first time that this calumny has been uttered. I demand the date and place of that speech." Mr. Trevelyan answered "Cincinnati, and if Mr. Parnell considers his words derogatory, let him withdraw them and express his regret." Mr. Parnell retorted that Mr. Trevelyan had not given the date and name of the paper from which he quoted. He (Parnell) possessed verbatim reports of his Cincinnati speeches which showed that he had not used such words. Mr Trevelyan said he fully accepted Mr. Parnell's denial and added that the date was February 23rd, 1880, and the paper was the Irish World. Proceeding with his speech Mr. Trevelyan said that the chief objection to the land purchase bill was that the measure would prove ruinous to the country. He asked why the government could not alter the present bill to meet the objections of some of its most faithful followers. (Cries of "Oh!" and cheers.)

Healy taunted Mr. Trevelyan with having no alternative proposals and accused him of "burking copies of the Irish World directed to Parnellites.

Trevelyan said the imputation was a serious one, and declared that he had never opened others' letters in his life. Healy said he only remarked that while Mr. Trevelyan was in office the Parnellites did not get their papers directly others did. If Mr. Trevelyan did not burke himself, he's deputy do so! Mr. Healy continued: "If Mr. Gladstone is unable to settle the matter, which of the differing puny whipsters is able to better grant the boon generously than refuse and plunge the matter into the seething cauldron prepared for it?"

Mr. Gladstone has issued a circular calling upon all liberal members to meet him at the foreign office.

What Some People Say.

That Miss Carrie Godfrey will spend the summer with relatives in Portland, free from the cares incident to professional life.

That Henry E. Abbey states that Mary Anderson's receipts for the two weeks at the Baldwin were $36,000.

That J. R. Grismer has gone to New York to sample the theatrical market and secure new plays for next season.

That a gushing correspondent says of a literary celebrity, that "his conversation is full of light." Poor man! He must be lantern-jawed.

That "A Strange Disappearance" is the title of a new play. The name will be more appropriate after the play has been on the road about six months.

That Lotta is now worth $1,000,000. It is strange that a girl so well fixed for supporting a husband doesn't get married.

That a Vermont Yankee saw the Pope when in Rome recently, and was polite enough to ask after his wife and family.

That Sam C. Mott has purchased Chas. W. Cornelius in the Birch and Cotton's minstrels, and will assume the business management

That men think women good enough to be angels, but not good enough to be citizens.

That a new British torpedo boat has just been launched which, it is claimed, has made the remarkable speed of 27¾ miles per hour. If faith can be put in the report this is now the fastest vessel in the world.

That Colonel Waring, member of parliament for Down county, has written a letter urging the Ulsterites to organize and prepare to resist home rule. "For God's sake," he says, "let us have deeds, not words!"

That apart, too, from the great events of which he was a great but essential part, General Grant led an uneventful life.—*London Spectator.* This recalls the criticism of the Frenchman upon the view from the famous Richmond hill, England: "It is vary prettee, but take away the trees and the rivare, and wat is it?"—*New York Evening Post.*

That Col. Mapleson's troupe was stranded at Chicago.

That President Cleveland will be married June 16th.

That Secretary Manning continues to improve.

HOPE TRAIL OPEN.—Allison