

THE CITY

WATERFRONT thieves are again vexatiously active and numerous. One of the boats from the schooner Fortuna was got away with on Sunday night.

CORONER CROMPTON yesterday decided that an inquest was unnecessary in the case of Joseph Hilliard, who was found dead in his cabin on Saturday evening. The funeral takes place this afternoon.

The mixed foursome golf tournament arranged by the Victoria club to be played on their links on Saturday next has been postponed, and the fourth medal competition, for both lady and gentlemen members, will be played instead on that day.

ROUTINE business was transacted at the annual meeting of the Victoria & Sidney Railway Company just held, the following officers also being chosen: President, Julius Brethour; vice-president, P. C. Dunleavy; and secretary, T. Rounding.

Mrs. ROBERT DUNSMUIR has generously forwarded a check for \$100 as a Christmas gift to the British Columbia Protestant Orphanage, for which timely and liberal donation the matron, her charges and the board of management are very thankful.

The latest news regarding Meier, the young man recently placed under arrest for thieving, comes from Vancouver, to the effect that he is probably the man who is wanted there for stealing four overcoats from the Commercial hotel and two from the Vancouver.

The British Columbia Intermediate Football Association hold a special meeting this evening at 7.15, in the Y.M.C.A. rooms, to reconsider the application of the Columbus of this city for admission. It is understood that the Northfield Violets have waived their opposition.

The funeral services in connection with the interment of the mortal remains of William T. Harris were conducted on Sunday last by Rev. Canon Paddon, the pallbearers being Messrs. C. Nelson, O. Smith, H. Matthews, J. Bierney, C. Craigie and C. Andrews; while the chief mourners were Mr. S. W. Eastman, Mrs. Prescott, Mrs. W. Skellen. Sympathizing friends also sent numerous floral tokens of regret.

A DISPATCH from San Francisco gives the news that Police Magistrate Campbell yesterday dismissed the libel case in which Very Rev. Father Yorke was the defendant. Father Yorke in a separate article in the Monitor made some reflections on George Thistleton and the latter secured a warrant for the clergyman's arrest. Judge Campbell said that the complaint did not show sufficient allegation to prove that any offence had been committed.

The secretary of the Friendly Help Association requests the COLONIST to say that it was a mistake to state that they intend supplying school books to children in need of them, as they had not thought of doing such work. Some kind friends have, however, sent them a number of old books, which they will be happy to give when the occasion arises. Friends of the needy sending donations for Christmas distribution to the association will kindly have their gifts at the rooms on or before Wednesday morning.

NEARLY ten dollars, in addition to a large quantity of goods of a miscellaneous nature, was the result of the collection made in behalf of the poor of the city by the children of the South Park school yesterday. The collection included a number of bread tickets, and from its formidable size, should go a long way towards alleviating existing distress. The whole will be distributed by the Friendly Help Association, whose good work in the city has already been greatly facilitated by the school children of the city.

An application was made before Mr. Justice McCall yesterday morning by the executors for an order of probate of the will and codicil of the late Carlo Bossi upon the following points: Whether the four children of Julia Bossi are entitled to take their mother's share between them in addition to the share which they take as children of Giacomo Bossi, who married his niece Julia; also as to whether or not the executors and trustees are entitled to receive the legacy left to the executors, who died, in addition to the five per cent. commission on moneys which they might collect, and which were given them by the codicil; Mr. S. Perry Mills appeared for nine of the nephews and nieces; Mr. L. P. Duff for the four children of Julia Bossi, and Mr. F. B. Gregory for the executors.

LM YEE CHUCK, who in 1894 was brought into notoriety as an alleged blackmailer and was then bound over to keep the peace during a period of one year, is again in trouble. A few evenings ago he entered the residence of a well-to-do Chinese resident of Fisgard street, it is believed with the intention of robbing it. Before he could do so, however, the inmates of the house were upon him, and after taking satisfaction out of him in person handed him over to the police. When arraigned in the city court yesterday he presented the most sorry spectacle seen in the prisoners' dock in many a day. "In fact," as the chief expresses it, "his face had all the appearance of having been first assayed and then run through the stamp mill."

The Sunday school anniversary in the Metropolitan Methodist church last Sunday was one of the most successful in the history of that church. A large platform accommodated most of the scholars, who were associated with the choir in a very interesting musical service, under the leadership of Mr. J. Farfit, and assisted by the school orchestra. The pastor's subject in the morning was "Bound by Chains," a blackboard talk setting forth the chain of sin that bound men to hell and the chain of trust that linked men to heaven. The church for the evening service was literally crammed, and scores of people left the building for want of accommodation. Mr. Cleaver's subject was a particularly interesting paraphrase on the life of Daniel, disguising the name till the "necessary development of the Bible story revealed it. The almost breathless attention of the large school, composed of many boys and girls of very tender years, testified to the surprising faculty which the Metropolitan church pastor possesses of interesting and holding an audience comparatively spell-bound with his power of narrative and description. The thirty-fifth anniversary services will

be concluded to-morrow evening by a musical and recitative entertainment in which school and choir will take part.

YESTERDAY afternoon the funeral of the late Captain John S. Bennett took place from the residence, Richmond avenue, many friends attending as a mark of respect to the deceased. The services at the house and graveside were conducted by Rev. Canon Beauland, and Rev. Mr. Forsier attended in a private capacity with the little son of Captain Bennett. The pallbearers were: Captain Wm. Grant, Captain J. G. Cox, Captain Clarence Cox, Captain James Hughes, and Messrs. W. Arbutkole and Jno. F. Norris.

THE second funeral that has taken place within the week from the residence of Mrs. William Powell, on St. Louis street, left the grief-stricken home on Sunday afternoon, when the remains were solemnly committed to earth by Mrs. W. A. Chapman, whose tragic death occurred at Medicine Hat the day before her father died in this city. Very many friends were in attendance, and of the number Messrs. C. E. Renouf, D. McEachlan, J. Weston, F. J. Richardson, A. S. Bannerman and L. Arthur acted as pallbearers. Rev. Solomon Cleaver officiated.

Mr. DENNIS MURPHY, who through the illness and death of his father at Lac la Hache, Cariboo, has been absent from the city for some time, returned home on Sunday evening. The death of Mr. Murphy occurred on the 6th inst., but for some months previous he had been ailing from various complaints. He came to the province in 1888, and has ever since, with the exception of two years, been resident at Lac la Hache. He leaves a family of five sons and one daughter, two of the former, James and Dennis, being residents of this city. Two are students in the Ottawa University, and another, Rev. Father Murphy, is a professor in that institution.

REV. Mr. TROTTER took a somewhat original method of illustrating his sermon on "Light" at the Calvary Baptist church on Sunday evening. The reverend gentleman appeared in the pulpit with a number of candles on the desk in front of him, some white and some colored. He took for his text "Ye are the Light of the World," and after explaining the origin of light, pointed to the unlit candles to illustrate that without the flame the candle is useless. The wick was compared to the character or soul of a person, and the light of the candles were colored and prettier than the plain white ones, the preacher showed that it was the character within and not fine clothes that made the man. The person of influence and riches was shown by a candle taller than the others—without light useless, but with the flame brightly burning able to do much good. To impart another lesson on the children to whom the preacher especially spoke, a silver dollar, held before the candle and obscuring the light was used to illustrate how the love of money or its improper use spoiled character. Again parents were warned to be careful in so dealing with their children as not to spoil their characters, the preacher showing that just as a slight snuff would extinguish a candle's light, so very little would spoil a child's character.

SPECIAL interest was manifested in the services in St. Andrew's Presbyterian church on Sunday last, for apart from the sermons of the day good music formed a strong supplementary attraction. For some time past the pastor, Rev. W. Leslie Clay, has been giving a series of discourses on the ten commandments, throwing light on the Mosaic law that seems to have peculiarly engaged the attention of the entire congregation. In the course of his discourses on Sunday evening was the ninth commandment, in the morning the pulpit was filled by Mr. Thomas Iwas Tamana, a young Japanese graduate, who spoke extemporaneously on the Christian work in Japan, during the epoch of Catholicism in the Hermit Kingdom, its introduction and eventual expulsion through the issue of an imperial edict which remained in force until Commander Perry opened up the country about forty years ago. Mr. Tamana has just completed a course of study in the Albany University, from which he graduated B. A. He is now on his way home to engage in missionary work in the land of his nativity. His father is a professor of political economy. Mr. Tamana will sail across the Pacific on the next Northern Pacific liner.

ALL the San Francisco dailies have most complimentary references to the presence in California of Chief Justice Davie, of this city, the Chronicle and Call publishing excellent portraits, and the Examiner saying in part: "Hon. Theodore Davie, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of British Columbia, and brother-in-law of Father Yorke, of this city, arrived from Victoria yesterday afternoon. His family is with him, and also Mrs. Humphreys, the mother of Father Yorke. The stay of the distinguished jurist in San Francisco will be brief. He is in bad health and at the urgent advice of his physicians he is going to Southern California for several months. Chief Justice Davie is forty-seven years of age, with just a tinge of gray in his closely cropped hair and beard. He is short and stoutly built and decidedly English in appearance. He is quiet and retiring in manner, but as his career amply demonstrates is thoroughly abreast of the times. He was born in England, and at an early age went to British Columbia with his father and brother. He stepped from the premiership of British Columbia to his present position. His brother, A. E. B. Davie, was premier before him. On the latter's resignation, Chief Justice Davie became Attorney-General in the new cabinet of the talented John Robson. Chief Justice Davie is a friend of Attorney Goodfellow of this city, having known the latter gentleman when he was living in British Columbia. It was through the advice of Mr. Goodfellow that James G. Fair visited Victoria and consulted with Chief Justice Davie about making a will. The jurist, it is generally believed, drafted a will for Fair, and it is supposed still has the document in his custody."

Blood is Life. It is the medium which carries to every nerve, muscle, organ and fibre its nourishment and strength. If the blood is pure, rich and healthy you will be healthy. If it is impure, thin and weak you will be diseased. It is the blood that makes you young and healthy. It is the blood that makes you old and feeble. It is the blood that makes you sick and suffering. It is the blood that makes you die. Therefore, to keep your blood pure, rich and healthy is the most important thing you can do for your health. Hood's Sarsaparilla is the best blood purifier and health-giver. It will cleanse your blood, strengthen your system, and give you a new lease of life. Hood's Sarsaparilla is sold everywhere. Price, 50 cents a bottle. Hood's Sarsaparilla is the best blood purifier and health-giver. It will cleanse your blood, strengthen your system, and give you a new lease of life. Hood's Sarsaparilla is sold everywhere. Price, 50 cents a bottle.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

A Request Made That the Militia Be Relieved From the Revenue Tax.

By-law to Regulate the Coming Municipal Elections—Returning Officer.

At the end of the year is drawing nigh and time is short, the Municipal Elections Regulations by-law had precedence of other business at the city council meeting last night, the rules being suspended at the suggestion of the Mayor, so that the by-law could be dealt with. Nomination day is January 11, and election day, January 14. To simplify matters, it was contemplated at first to have the elections for all three wards held in rooms at the market building. The question was raised, however, as to whether it would be legal to have a polling place for aldermen outside of the ward for which they were to be elected. It was therefore decided that it would be more prudent to hold the elections by an innovation, and the old plan was therefore retained.

The following polling places were agreed on: For Mayor and School Trustees—Police Court room, City Hall. For Aldermen—North ward, room 11, market building; Centre ward, southeast corner of Douglas and Pandora streets; South ward, 27 Government street, east side.

Mr. W. Northcott was appointed returning officer; E. H. Johnson deputy returning officer; J. H. Falconer deputy for North ward; Wm. Burnes, Central ward; and Thos. J. Dearberg for South ward. The by-law was put through several stages.

The council was asked in a letter from Lieut.-Colonel Gregory, commanding the First Battalion Fifth Regiment, to take steps towards exempting the volunteers from paying revenue tax, in his communication Lieut.-Col. Gregory said: "GENTLEMEN:—On the 10th August, 1894, Lieut.-Col. Prior, commanding the B.C.B.G.A., addressed a letter to the city council asking that members of the local militia be exempted from the payment of the revenue tax, and on the 14th of the same month he received a reply stating that the communication had been referred to the finance committee to report to the council. I have been unable to ascertain the purport of the committee's report or whether anything further was done. I am anxious to have the matter again taken up, more especially as the public seems to have recently awakened to the fact that more support should be given to the militia."

After calling attention to editorials and letters in the press on the subject, the letter urges the council "to facilitate the accomplishment of the objects aimed at by passing a resolution favoring the proposal, which resolution may be forwarded to the local legislature as a recommendation and as the result of the tax will effect the municipal revenue only, the local legislature would doubtless give immediate effect to your suggestion. Should you desire any further information upon the subject it will give me much pleasure to wait upon you or a committee of your body at such time as you may name."

This was referred to the finance committee to report to the council. A request from the secretary of the Trades and Labor Council asking to be informed of the hours of duty of the caretaker of the isolation hospital, was referred to the medical health officer to reply. In accordance with the resolution adopted at last meeting the city auditor reported the cost of Point Ellice bridge as \$6,894.54; repairs to James Bay bridge, \$2,157.33; legal expenses, \$486.08.

SLEEPLESS NIGHTS.

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WINNIPEG, Dec. 21.—Mr. Pearson, of the C.P.R. bridge department, descending into a tank at Verdun to test the depth of the water. Not ascending, however, a search was made and Mr. Pearson was found drowned.

EVIDENCE IN REBUTTAL.

The Behring Sea Claims Commission session of yesterday was not a very interesting one, most of the time being taken up with the experiences of hunters in killing seal in Behring sea. James Munger, called by the British side in rebuttal on Saturday, in the vessel, Michael Sarault, who was in the Carolina case, was subjected to close cross-examination by Hon. Mr. Dickenson. He stated that he was a brother-in-law of Bechtel, and that he had never heard that Bechtel had any interest in the vessel. Michael Sarault, who was storekeeper at Clayoquot when the Carolina's canoes were purchased, had not seen the bargain made, but was of opinion that such canoes could not be bought for \$11, as Cotford had stated in his evidence, because they were worth more.

Thomas Brown and George Hackett gave evidence as expert hunters, as to their success in Behring sea in various years; and Alexander Reppan, who was aboard of the Pathfinder when she was seized in Neah Bay in 1890, told his story of the seizure, which corresponded to evidence already given that the vessel had just completed repairs, and was in good sealing grounds, ready for operations, when the United States cutter captured her.

Captain Victor Jacobsen testified as to seal catches, and Mr. R. J. Ker, of R. P. Ribbitt & Co., Ltd., gave figures as to results of the schooner Maggie Mac's catches. The commission adjourned at 6 o'clock until this morning.

WILL VENTURE AGAIN.

The "Ainoka" Pays Her Fine and Is All Ready for Another Cruise.

Sealing Association Fails to Materialize—Rough Weather on the West Coast.

Trusting to better luck than that which accompanied him on his last expedition, when his vessel was seized by an American cutter and subsequently condemned for an infringement of territorial regulations, Captain George Heater is again about to set sail in the same Ainoka in search of seals having yesterday paid the \$400 fine and released his schooner from custody. His vessel cleared the customs yesterday, and if everything turns out as expected he will eat his Christmas turkey at sea. His will be the first of the craft away that will carry Indian hunters, and these, as is customary, will be secured on the coast. With the whites who will man the schooner they will number 100. They will be secured under terms of a mutual understanding of the sealers of the city, and not according to any regulation of an association, as the latter, though almost formed, was unable to come into practical existence through the obstinacy of a few, who could not be compromised with or made to see the direct advantages of a pool. The fruits of the endeavor made to form an organization, however, are not lost, and may materialize before another year. "It takes time for sealers to study the proposition," a prominent business man remarked yesterday, "and when it receives due consideration an organization of some kind is sure to be accomplished." A second sealer to clear yesterday was the Geneva, Captain William O'Leary, which, with a crew of 25 whites, is going across to the Japan coast.

ROUGH COAST WEATHER. So stormy has been the weather on the coast, that the steamship Tees, returning from her regular trip early yesterday morning, had cargo she took from here still on board through being unable to land it safely at exposed places. The vessel met the schooner Mary Ellen in Dodge's cove, and it was heard aboard that the sealer C. D. Rand was anchored in Bamfield creek. Among the Tees' passengers were Captain John Irving, J. Braden and Wm. Wilson, who visited the Sarta mine, and Messrs. J. Shears, S. Rafey, A. Nass, Miss McGraw, A. McKay, J. Cameron, John Griffith, F. M. Wills, Capt. Foley, J. McKeirle, F. Fernell, H. H. McDonald, W. L. McDonald, W. Alexander and F. Alexander.

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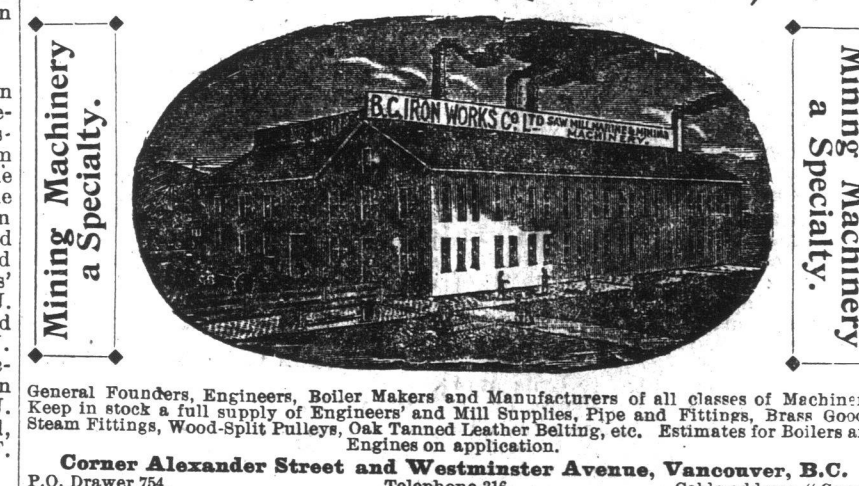
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NOTICE.

I hereby give notice that after sixty days I intend to apply to the Honorable Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for leave to purchase a piece of land about one mile east of Quilley Hill Reserve. Commencing at a post marked A, thence east 40 chains; thence north 40 chains; thence west 40 chains; thence south 40 chains to place of commencement. Victoria, Oct. 22nd, 1896. S. WILLIAMS. 0026-2m-aw

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date I will apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land, situate on Quilley Hill Reserve: Commencing at the south-west corner of Lot 7, Range 3, Coast District; thence easterly along south boundary to the southeast corner of said lot; thence north 80 chains, more or less, to point of commencement, and containing 160 acres, more or less. H. BELL-IRVING. Vancouver, B.C., Oct. 23, 1896. 110d11-2m-2m

F. S. BARNARD'S timber limit initial post, situated on the north bank of the Fraser River, in the Trout Lake Mining division of West Kootenay district, B.C. It contains 1000 acres, more or less, to situate west 80 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence easterly along south boundary to the southeast corner of said lot; thence north 80 chains, more or less, to point of commencement. Dated 20th October, 1896. N. P. SNOWDEN. Agent for F. S. Barnard. 11016-9t