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From THE DAILY COLONIST, March 16.

LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

The Barbara Boscowitz.

The steamer Barbara Boscowitz was disposed of by public auction yesterday by Capt. Clarke to the highest bidder, Mr. A. R. Johnston, of Nanaimo, whose bid was an even $20,000. The sale included everything on the steamer, as she lies at the wharf ready for sea.

Alberta Cattle For Victoria.

Van Volkenburgh Bros., wholesale butchers, of this city, yesterday received a telegram from Kamloops stating that the full train of cattle consigned to them from Calgary, Alta., had arrived there. They will probably reach Victoria on Monday.

Passengers by the Sardonyx.

The following passengers left for the North by the steamer Sardonyx yesterday afternoon: A. McDonald, P. Cullin, D. Stewart, N. A. Stevens, R. Draney and W. H. Dempster for Skeena; H. Chitters, T. E. Woolridge, James Gray, T. Nerdier, Mr. Jones, Mr. Juan, for Alert Bay, and 100 Chinaman for Naas and Skeena.

For San Francisco.

The following passengers from Victoria left for San Francisco per steamship City of Pueblo yesterday afternoon: E. Kermode, Mrs. Kermode, J. H. Faulkner, S. Lowe, Mrs. Lowe, W. Turner, R. Roberts, Mrs. Imbert, H. Bornstein, R. G. Cunningham, J. S. Chase, Rev. J. E. Starr, Edgar Fawcett, A. Craighead and wife, Mrs. H. Ross and eleven steerage passengers.

Beer for Nanaimo.

Mr. O. H. Allan, brewer of Calgary and Moosejaw, returned from the latter town this morning, after an absence of some weeks. Finding that there is no hope at present of the people of the Territories being allowed to brew beer out of our own barley, which others are allowed to ship in and rob the country of their just rights, Mr. Allan has decided to accept the offer of a large brewery at Nanaimo till justice is meeted out to the Territories.—*Calgary Herald.*

The Game Protection Act.

Mr. Tolmie's "Act to Amend the Game Protection Act," provides that it shall be unlawful to shoot, capture, trap or by any means destroy cock pheasants before the 1st of October, 1890; and thereafter the close season shall be from the 1st of February to the 1st of October in each year. It shall be unlawful to kill and expose for sale fawns under the age of 12 months and does of any age until the 1st of September, 1894.

Poisoned by Wild Parsnips.

A few nights ago, a couple of men at Brownsville, near Westminster, made a hearty supper on wild parsnips, and shortly afterwards were taken alarmingly ill. The sufferers were brought to Westminster and placed in the hospital. They were then in convulsions, and their lives were despaired of. Dr. Fagan used prompt measures, and with the aid of a stomach pump, was finally successful in saving the lives of the two sufferers.

A Defaulting Bookkeeper.

George R. Carlton, bookkeeper for Smith Bros. & Co., butchers of Seattle, has absconded, and an examination of his books shows him to have embezzled $10,000 or $12,000 of the firm's money. Carlton was a well dressed young man, quite a dude, and simple-looking. In fact, his employers say, although a good bookkeeper, he did not appear to have sense enough to steal. He is believed to have gone to Vancouver by the steamer Premier. His downfall is attributed to wine, women and cards.

Sentence Reversed.

A man named Thomas Lynch was recently sentenced at Westminster to six months' imprisonment under the "Speedy Trials Act." The case was appealed by Mr. T. C. Atkinson, counsel for the defence, on the ground that Lynch was convicted on the depositions of two witnesses who had since left the country and were not present to reiterate their evidence at the trial. The appeal was heard before the full court in Victoria this week. The court agreed that the appeal was well taken and the judgment was quashed. Lynch is therefore a free man again.

To Reclaim Burnaby Lake.

J. A. Laidlaw and T. J. Trapp, of Westminster, and T. F. Sinclair, of Maple Ridge, have applied to the provincial government for incorporation under the name of The Burnaby Lake Improvement Co., with a capital stock of $20,000; their purpose being to drain Burnaby lake by opening, deepening, altering and changing the course of the Brunette river as far as may be needful by ditching. The company request the privilege of increasing their capital stock to $50,000, if desired, the shares being of $100 each.

Salmon Cannery Consolidation.

The British Columbia Canning Co., with a capital of £100,000 stg., has been incorporated in London, England. It is the intention of the company to acquire and work salmon fisheries and canning factories in British Columbia and already the properties of the Rivers Inlet Canning Co., Rivers Inlet; the Windsor Canning Co., Skeena River; the Naas River Fishery, Naas River; and the British Columbia Fishery, Fraser River, have been secured. The purchase of other canneries is contemplated. The agents for the company in London and British Columbia are Findlay, Durham & Brodie.

Not the Man.

It now appears that the man arrested at Nanaimo on suspicion of being Tascott, although in some respects answering the description of the Chicago murderer, is wanting in several of the prominent marks by which the genuine Tascott can be identified, and the police are satisfied that the $10,000 reward is as far from their reach as ever. The accused, who gives his name as Charles Palmer, is to have an examination before the stipendiary magistrate this afternoon. A telegram was received by the governor of Nanaimo jail yesterday stating that "Palmer" was without doubt Charles Lear, a deserter from H.M.S. Icarus.

Nanaimo's Protest.

At a public meeting of the ratepayers of Nanaimo, held on Thursday evening, at which Mayor Bate presided, those present unanimously protested against the payment by the city of their share of the provincial school tax. The following resolution was introduced by Dr. Praeger, seconded by Ald. Hilbert, and carried unanimously:

"Whereas by an act to provide for the maintenance of public schools in the province of British Columbia, entitled 'The School Tax Act, 1876,' subsequently repealed—but re-enacted as the 'Provincial Revenue Tax, 1888'—that every male resident above the age of 18 years is required to pay an annual tax of $3 for the purpose of meeting school expenses, and whereas such tax has been already collected within the city of Nanaimo,

Be it resolved that this meeting condemns the action of the government in demanding the sum of $960, and expresses its belief that such demand is illegal and unconstitutional."

A second resolution was also introduced and unanimously adopted, requesting the mayor and aldermen to resist the payment of the sum demanded by the government.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

SUPREME COURT.

(The full court present, the Chief Justice and Justices Crease, Gray and McCreight.)

Guardian Insurance Co. of London, appellants *vs* Stephen Jones. Mr. T. Davie, Q. C., and Mr. Jay moved for an order calling upon the plaintiff to show cause why there should not be a new trial of the action which was tried before Mr. Justice Walkem and a special jury on the 18th of January last, resulting in a verdict in favor of the plaintiff for $3,500.

The grounds of the motion were (1) the refusal of the judge at the trial to leave the question of fraud to the jury; (2) the rejection of the plaintiff's sworn statement given before an inquest; and (3) it was claimed that the judge had erred in allowing an amendment of the statement of claim at the trial.

The Court granted the rule *nisi* on the three grounds taken, returnable on Monday, the 25th March inst.

CITY POLICE COURT.

(Before Hon. A. N. Richards, P. M.)

Coma, a Fort Rupert Indian, who had gazed long and lovingly upon the samples of Gooderham & Worts' best, submitted to him for inspection, was convicted of having yielded to the enemy and was fined $5.

For obstructing the public sidewalk by being drunk, Alfred Benton was convicted and compelled to pay a fine of $5 in addition to $1 costs.

Ah Mow, a Chinese vagrant, was dismissed.

PERSONAL.

Simon Leiser is visiting friends in Nanaimo.

W. W. Houseman, of Cariboo, is at the Driard.

T. C. Atkinson, of Westminster, is at the Driard.

J. R. and Mrs. Tait arrived down on the Islander last night.

J. H. Todd returned from Westminster yesterday afternoon.

F. C. Gamble, C.E., was a passenger by the Islander last night.

A. McNevin and wife, of Nanaimo, are visiting Victoria friends.

F. H. Schulze, of New York, is spending a few days in the city.

H. McCutcheon, of the Kamloops *Sentinel*, arrived down last night.

J. S. Chase left for San Francisco by the City of Pueblo last evening.

T. F. and Mrs. Brown are spending a week in the Black Diamond City.

R. Anderson, R. Collister and M. King returned from Vancouver yesterday.

An Ottawa despatch of Thursday says: Hon. J. H. Pope is sinking and death is hourly expected.

M. F. Moss, of Chicago, came over on the Islander last night, and will spend a few weeks with Victoria friends.

Rev. J. E. Starr, who has been in not the best of health for some time past, left for San Francisco last night to recuperate.

Edgar Fawcett of H. M. Customs, was a passenger by the City of Pueblo for San Francisco yesterday. Mr. Fawcett leaves on a well-earned and needed holiday and will be absent about three weeks.

John H. Garrison, business manager for the comedy company which has been playing Mr. Augustin Daly's "A Night Off" with great success all over the continent, arrived from the Sound last evening and is at the Driard. "A Night Off" will be given in The Victoria two nights next week.

LITTLE LOCALS.

The Wellington Knights of Pythias gave a grand ball last night.

Argument has been concluded in the case of Turner *v.* Prevost.

To-morrow will be St. Patrick's Day—the anniversary of Ireland's patron saint.

There will be a meeting for young men at the rooms of the Y. M. C. A. to-night at 8 o'clock.

The indications for a lively salmon season are very flattering on the Columbia, says the *Pioneer.*

Two carloads of dry goods for Turner, Beeton & Co., arrived last evening by the Northern Pacific Railway in 41 days from London.

Thos. Perryman, H. Rondean, M. Hicks, D. Alranch and A. McPhee, Nanaimo miners, left for the Lower California gold fields by the steamer last evening.

Daniel McNicoll, a miner employed at the Southfield mine, had his leg broken on Thursday—the second accident of the kind of which he has been a victim within the month.

John Hall, who went from this province to Seattle three weeks ago, to visit his son, Mr. Valentine Hall, died in that city on Wednesday last. He was aged 70 years, and leaves two sons and a daughter to mourn his loss.

Members of the Young Men's Institute of this city are making preparations to entertain Oarsman O'Connor, who is a member of the Toronto branch of the association, on his visit to this city.

Earle Bros.' Musical Comedy Company appeared to a fair house in The Victoria last evening. The company, four in number, proved themselves very clever musicians, and thoroughly satisfied their audience.

The funeral of the late Capt. S. D. Libby, one of the best known steamboat men on the coast, took place at Seattle on Thursday from the Methodist Church. The deceased had been for thirty years a resident of Puget Sound. He leaves a wife but no children.

At Maple Ridge, on Wednesday, a little son of ex-Reeve Dawson, had a portion of his hand accidentally chopped off by a playfellow. The little sufferer was at once taken to Westminster, where the injured hand was amputated.

Mayor Grant in committee of the provincial legislature yesterday, proposed an amendment to the existing Municipal Act, to take from the hack-drivers of Victoria, the undue right which they now possess, of voting upon their $1 drivers' licenses.

Mr. John Weiler is having a substantial dock built on James Bay, in the rear of his furniture factory on Humboldt street.

A young man giving his name as Frank McAvey, was arrested on the steamer Islander last night, charged with beating his way, and was lodged in the city police station.

The "Midnight Adieu" club, pupils of Messrs. Bull and Pierce, gave a pleasant dance last evening in Stelly's Hall. Music, floor, and in fact everything was in good condition and contributed to the general enjoyment.

Rev. J. E. Starr, pastor of the Pandora street Methodist Church, left last evening for San Francisco, and while in the Bay City will meet the popular revivalist, Rev. Sam Jones, and complete arrangements in regard to the visit of the noted Sam to this city during the coming summer.

Steamship Idaho, from Alaska, arrived at Seattle on Wednesday, among her passengers being Governor Swineford, wife and child. The steamship Ancon, bound for Alaska, sailed from Seattle immediately after the arrival of the Idaho. She had twenty-eight passengers and thirty tons freight. The Ancon will sail from this port to-day.

THE C. P. N. Co. are now issuing return tickets to New Westminster *via* Vancouver, good for ten days, for $6.00. *tf

MUSICAL Boxes, Albums and Novelties at Waitt & Co.'s. *

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LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

Good Fishing.

Messrs. Henry Brown and C. E. Redfern came in from Shawnigan Lake yesterday afternoon with a large catch of fine trout, the first sport of the season. Three young boys, who fished between trains, brought home 125 fish between them.

Superintendent and Scholars.

About fifty young people, members of the Pandora street Methodist Sunday school, assembled by invitation at the residence of Mr. W. Burkholder, superintendent of the school, on Friday evening. Charades, parlor games, music, etc., made the hours fly quickly away, and all unite in pronouncing the gathering a most enjoyable one.

Incoming Passengers.

The following are passengers on board the steamer Umatilla, which left San Francisco, bound for Victoria yesterday: Miss J. Hutchinson, Geo. W. Frye, Jr., Miss Frye, Capt. J. C. Dewan, Dr. H. F. Verander, P. M. Thompson, W. J. Thompson, A. M. Luston, R. J. Erlis, E. T. Otterson, W. C. Halleck, H. W. Masten, J. C. Bauer and W. N. Fairman.

A Double Runaway.

A team of horses attached to a wood wagon, and in charge of a Chinaman with an unpronounceable name, took fright while left standing in front of Pendray's soap factory, on Humboldt street, yesterday afternoon. Running down to Government street, they started one of Van Volkenburgh Bros'. heavy teams, and both ran up the street, to be finally captured after running a few blocks.

Dudley Should See 'Em.

The Mennock and Thomas S. Stowe are at Welch, Rithet & Co's. inner wharf, and with the addition of the Islander, Olympian, Louise, Amelia and several other steamers presented a lively appearance yesterday. Chas. Dudley Warner, who saw so clearly, but so falsely, through C. P. R. spectacles, should have taken a walk along the Victoria docks. He would have blushed for the audacious falsehoods contained in the article in *Harper's.*

The Alaska Route.

Capt. Wallace, of the steamship Ancon, says a very large tourist travel is anticipated this coming summer, and during the busiest season four vessels will be employed on the Alaska route. If the Olympian is not placed on the Alaskan route, the magnificent new steamship Corona, now plying between San Francisco and San Diego, will be put on in her stead. The Corona has only recently arrived from Philadelphia; she is less than one year old and is an elegant passenger steamer of the first water; and the initial voyage will be about next June.

Bogus Silver.

Counterfeit American silver dollars are in active circulation in the city at present, and it is rumored that they are manufactured within the province. Two of the bogus silver coins were worked off, on a Fort street grocer last night. He describes the gentleman (?) who passed them as tall and thin, well dressed in dark clothes of American cut, and fashably attired throughout. The bad money is of good color, but a trifle greasy. Its principle mark to distinguish it from the genuine is that the milling is much deeper and rougher.

Matinee Musicale.

Yesterday afternoon upwards of one hundred and fifty invited guests attended the matinee musicale given by Mr. A. F. McKiernan's pupils, under that able master's direction. Space will not permit of our referring to the affair at length, but it was a most complete success, redounding credit upon the host. The audience was composed principally of the numerous pupils of the professor and their friends, and the programme rendered was entirely operatic, pieces from Wagner, Verdi and other noted composers being given with artistic merit. At the conclusion of this most interesting musicale, refreshments were partaken of by the delighted guests, who one and all thanked Mr. McKiernan for having provided an afternoon of genuine pleasure.

Destitute.

A party of fourteen emigrants—two men, with their wives and children—arrived in the city on Friday night, on their way to the mines at Comox, where the men expect to get work. They had tickets to their destination, but on their arrival here found themselves with not a dollar to buy themselves food. The forlorn little party took up their stand at the E. & N. Railway depot yesterday. How they passed Friday night can be imagined—and their pitiful tale of hunger becoming known, Officer Miller, of the Provincial police, and Officer Lewis, of the Dominion service, soon started a collection for their relief. In a few minutes upwards of $30 was raised, sufficient to keep the wolf from the door until the men could get to work. The party are French emigrants, and came through over the Northern Pacific.

Alaska's Gold.

Governor Swineford, who returned from Alaska by the Idaho a few days ago, brings word of the discovery of a number of gold ledges on Admiralty island. This island is 140 miles long and 40 miles wide, and is located about 75 miles from Sitka. One of the ledges assays from $200 to $400 to the ton. This property has been bonded for $50,000 to T. M. Antisell, of San Francisco, who will, on his arrival at San Francisco, organize a company so that the mine may be developed as soon as possible. Another ledge found is 1,700 feet wide and its ore assays from a trace of gold up to $25 per ton. On Sheep creek, about four miles from Juneau, galena ledges, which carry both gold and silver, have been discovered, which assay from $100 to $3,000 per ton. Last fall 2,200 pounds of this ore was sent to San Francisco and a check for $173 was received back, which was the net result after all the expense of transportation and reduction had been paid for.

Beacon Hill Park.

The board of aldermen have decided to initiate a definite plan to be pursued in ornamenting the public park. Tenders are called for the best landscape design, taking into consideration the present improvements. For the paltry amount of money which has already been expended on the grounds, the public can now judge what an enchanting spot the park could be made with a proper outlay. The park keeper and his assistant must be complimented upon the decided improvement which they have brought about in the western part of the grounds. In addition to the rustic bridge and seats which they have constructed, trees and flowers have been planted on the picturesque little island in the middle of the lake, and when the grass borders are completed the effect will be decidedly artistic. Alderman Styles yesterday placed about one hundred gold fish in the waters of the lake, and it is to be hoped visitors will bear in mind this fact and not permit their dogs to go into the water. The irrepressible small boy, with stone throwing proclivities, is also requested to take notice and govern himself accordingly.

THE cheapest and best place to buy Furniture for Christmas presents is at J. Sehl's, where you can buy a 7 piece solid walnut parlor suite for $45.00 and upwards. *

THE ESTIMATES.

Estimated Revenue, $699,491.01—Estimated Expenditure, $864,431.05—Deficit, $164,940.00.

Following are the estimated revenue and expenditures for the fiscal year ending 30th June, 1889:

Public Debt—$133,831.55.

Civil Government (salaries)—Lieutenant-Governor's office, $1,500; provincial secretary and minister of mines, 16,910; treasury, 8,520; lands and works department, 11,400; attorney-general, 6,360; land registry office, 10,585; legislation, 1,800; registration of voters, 525; asylum for the insane, 9,400; revenue services, 5,820; assay offices and reduction works, 4,200; provincial timber inspectors, 2,700; temporary departmental assistance, 2,500. Total, $82,220.

Administration of Justice (Salaries).—Supreme court, $7,500; county court, 2,100; sheriffs, 2,500; stipendiary magistrates, 2,300; superintendent of police and gaols, 2,520; police and gaols, Victoria, 7,720; do Esquimalt, 840; do New Westminster 7,432; do New Westminster district, 840; do Kootenay district, 10,240; do Cariboo district, 5,284; do Cassiar district, 4,080; do Lytton and Ashcroft, 2,040; do Kamloops, 4,620; do Okanagan, 2,460; do Similkameen, 3,200; do Nanaimo, 6,120; do Cowichan, 1,440; do Comox, 1,440; do Lillooet district, 4,200. Total—$78,876.00.

Legislation.—Indemnity to members, $10,800; mileage, 3,000; registration of voters and revision of voters' lists, 500; expenses of elections, 500; contingent fund, 450; journals and statutes binding, 1,000. Total—$16,250.

Public Institutions, (Maintenance).—Printing office, Victoria, $5,800; assay office, 2,000; asylum for the insane, New Westminster, 8,250. Total—$16,050.

Hospitals and Charities.—Hospital, Victoria, $5,000; do. New Westminster, 3,000; do. Cariboo, 4,000; do. Nanaimo, 3,000; do. Kamloops, 3,000; do. Vancouver, 4,000; hospital allowance, Cassiar, 250; in aid of destitute poor and sick, 750; in aid of resident physician at Clinton, 750; convalescent home, Victoria, 1,000; in aid of deaf and dumb institute, 1,000. Total, $25,750.

Administration of Justice (other than salaries).—Summoning and paying jurors and witnesses, $12,000; prosecution and interpreters, 4,000; expenses of inquests, 1,000; criminal punishments, 500; rewards, 1,000; keep of prisoners, 16,000; rents, 800; special constables, 6,500; transport of prisoners and constables, 6,000; miscellaneous, 1,200. Total, $49,000.

Education.—Education office, $5,460; Victoria city district, 21,470; Victoria district, 6,080; Esquimalt do., 5,500; Cowichan do., 7,100; Nanaimo do., 13,460; Comox do., 2,560; New Westminster city do., 7,560; New Westminster do., 34,640; Hope-Yale do., 15,600; Lillooet do., 5,240; Cariboo do., 3,180; Kootenay do., 1,640; Cassiar do., 760. Total, $130,250.

Transport—Charges on remittances, $300; travelling expenses of officers on duty, 4,500; keep of horses, 200. Total, $5,000.

Rent—Government House, Victoria, $48.50.

Revenue Services—Commission, Courts of Appeal, travelling expenses, miscellaneous, etc., $9,000.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Works and buildings	$ 104,700
Government house, Victoria	4,500
Roads, streets, bridges, and wharves	163,875
Surveys	4,000
Total	$ 227,075

Works and Buildings.—Repairs to government buildings, Victoria, $3,500; do. New Westminster, 200; do. Nanaimo, 200; do. Yale district, 500; do. Lillooet district, 300; do. Cariboo district, 100; do. Kootenay district, 300; repairs to jail at Victoria, 500; addition to printing office, Victoria, 2,000; asylum for the insane (addition and alterations), 40,000; court house, Vancouver (construction), 10,000; do. (furniture and fixtures), 2,000; do. Victoria (completion), 2,000; do. (furniture and fixtures), 2,000; furniture for government offices, 3,000; improvement of government reserves, 500; insurance of government buildings, 1,000; public schools, Vancouver (construction and furniture), 10,000; do. Victoria (addition to four ward schools, janitor's residence, etc.), 6,000; do. Victoria West (addition and furniture), 900; do. Lulu (construction and furniture), 700; do. Ashcroft, do. 800; do. Hatzic Prairie, do. 500; do. Bigger, do. 700; do. Port Essington, do. 500; do. Trenant, do. 1,500; do. New Westminster City, Westside, 700; do. Coldstream, 600; do. Otter (near Aldergrove), 700; do. Howe Sound (construction and furniture), 700; do. throughout the province—(sundry repairs, etc.), 2,500; lock-up, Port Essington (construction), 400; do. Metlakahtla (repairs), 100; do. South Comox, 400; do. Okanagan Mission, 400; do. Kootenay Lake, 500; juvenile reformatory, Victoria (construction), 3,000; boring for artesian wells, 5,000. Total, $104,700.

Government House, Victoria.—Repairs to building, including heating, furnace and fixtures, $1,350; green house, 1,000; furniture, 400; fencing, 200; water, 500; fuel and light, 200; improving grounds, 200; gardener, 12 months @ $50, 600; miscellaneous, 50. Total, $4,500.

Roads, Streets, Bridges and Wharves.—Victoria district, $7,500; Esquimalt district, 5,000; Cowichan district, 6,500; Salt Spring Island and islands at Plumper Pass, including wharf, Pender Island, 2,500; Nanaimo district, 7,000; Alberni, 2,000; Comox district, 5,000; New Westminster district, 12,000; Yale district, 18,000; Lillooet district, 7,000; Cariboo district, 8,000; Cassiar district, 800; Kootenay district, east, 10,000; do., west, 5,000; main trunk road, 20,000; Victoria and Esquimalt trunk road, 3,000; Victoria and Nanaimo trunk road (Goldstream to Shawnigan), 500; Nanaimo and Alberni, do., 1,000; New Westminster and Vancouver trunk road, 2,000; do., to Hope trunk road, 2,000; Saanich trunk road, 1,000; Gordon head road, Victoria district, 500; Carey road, do., 500; colonization roads, Vancouver Island, 3,000; municipalities in New Westminster district, 6,000; do., Cowichan, 1,000; road to Stump Lake Basin, Nicola, 5,000; Chemainus bridge, 1,500; Rock Creek road, 2,000; in aid of bridge at St. Mary's mission, 11,275; Illecillewaet road, Kootenay, 4,000; McMurdo mines road, Kootenay, 4000; Cayoosh Creek road (revote), 2,000; Soda Creek ferry subsidy, 300. Total, $163,875.

Surveys—Throughout the province, $4,000.

Miscellaneous expenditure—Advertising, $3,500; stationery, 4,000; postage, 3,000; telegrams, 2,500; fuel and light, 3,200; library, legislative and departmental, 350; do. Attorney-General's department, 250; refunds, 1,500; premium on guarantee bonds, 300; fire department, Nanaimo, 500; do. New Westminster, 500; do. Vancouver, 500; do. Barkerville, 500; do. Kamloops, 500; do. Quesnelle, 250; reporting judges' decisions, 250; agricultural societies, 1,500; telephone service, 700; British Columbia Agricultural association, in aid of a provincial exhibition, 1,000; in aid of prospecting and explorations, 2,000; destruction of wolves and panthers in settled districts throughout the province, 300; museum, 2,500; in aid of militia, 600; superannuation—monthly allowance to late messenger D. Deasy, 12 months to 30th June, 1889, @ $40 per month, 480; in aid of communication to remote settlements, 1,200; copying records for registry office, Vancouver, 2,500; miscellaneous, not detailed, 3,000.

Immigration—Immigration agent at New Westminster, 12 months to 30th June, 1889, @ $100 per month, $1,200; London office contingencies, 500; miscellaneous, 2,000. Total—$3,700.

SPORTS AND PASTIMES.

A RACE ON.

The *Courier* says that W. J. Stokes has accepted the challenge of George Irvine to run fifty miles straight away, or twelve or sixteen hours, three or four each night, for a purse of $200, and the race will take place in Victoria within two weeks. Mr. Irvine came down on Friday to make all necessary arrangements for the event.

FOOTBALL.

"Hillcrest" and "James Bay" clubs played a draw game of Rugby yesterday. The Corrig school boys met the Christ Church Cathedral Choir Club yesterday afternoon and defeated them by two goals to one, Association rules.

The Ivy Club proved victorious in a game of Rugby with the St. Paul school (Esquimalt) boys yesterday afternoon at Beacon Hill. The score was one goal to zero.

The Nanaimo Rovers have received, and will probably accept, a challenge received from the Comox Kickers for a game to be played on the Nanaimo ground on the 27th inst.

At a meeting of the C. C. C. C. Club, held on Thursday evening, the following officers were elected: W. W. Gabriel, captain; K. Middleton, secretary; R. H. Johnson, P. F. Johnson, W. Buckett, G. Martin and H. Austin, committee.

A picked team from the Victoria Football club defeated all-comers at Beacon Hill yesterday, after a splendid game, by one goal to two tries. The hill was thronged with spectators, despite the fact that the fog was so thick that it was barely possible to see from goal to goal.

HERE AND THERE.

Long, the San Francisco sculler, intends entering for the outrigger race in this city on May 24th.

The trout fishing season opened yesterday, and to-day many enthusiastic sportsmen will be out with the rod.

Philharmonic Hall has been engaged for the Cameron-Michaud wrestling match on Saturday evening next. Michaud is said to be training heavily, while Cameron is being well looked after by his old trainer, Rowe.

The Victoria Athletic Club boys are rehearsing a programme including many acrobatic novelties, which will probably be presented on the first night of the Queen's birthday celebration.

BASEBALL IN ENGLAND.

A London despatch says: The baseball game played at Leyton yesterday between the "All America" and the Chicago nine was won by the latter on a score of 12 to 6.

LITTLE LOCALS.

The Islander did not make her regular trip yesterday owing to the fog.

Three deserters from H. M. S. Icarus, were captured on the train on the Island railway yesterday.

E. M. Johnson, during the past fortnight, has sold between $40,000 and $50,000 worth of property.

The Blue Ribbon Club gave their usual enjoyable entertainment in Temperance Hall last evening.

The case of Henry Bula, charged with larceny, was dismissed in the Speedy Trials Court yesterday.

E. H. Fisher, of the firm of Fisher & Wilson, architects, of Seattle and Victoria, is in the city.

Wm. Tyler, who was arrested a few days ago on a charge of insanity, will be sent at once to the asylum.

We are requested to state that the "Midnight Adieu Club" is in no way connected with Messrs. Bull & Pierce's dancing academy.

The usual services for young men this afternoon in Association Hall. Mr. Jacks, the travelling secretary, will be present.

Allan Ross and Miss Anne Gracey were married in the Gorge Road Methodist Church on Friday evening by Rev. J. W. Wadman.

Mr. Jacks, travelling secretary of the Y.M.C.A. for the Pacific Northwest, will preach in the Pandora Street Methodist Church this morning.

The latest report of gold discovery comes from Gabriola Island. Quartz in which gold is plainly visible to the naked eye, is said to exist in large quantity.

The body of the late William Marshall left San Francisco yesterday by the steamer Umatilla, for this city where the interment will take place. The Umatilla is due to-morrow evening.

Detective Dunstan arrived from Nanaimo yesterday, having in charge Chas. Lear, the unfortunate deserter from H. M.S. Icarus, who was arrested on suspicion of being Tascott, the Chicago murderer. Lear will be tried by court martial for desertion.

The destitute French emigrants whose story is told elsewhere in this issue, wish to thank the citizens of Victoria for their generous charity, over thirty dollars in money, and food and comfortable lodging having been cheerfully given them as soon as their destitution was known.

A party of young men, including several "non-coms" of "C" Battery, were lost in the fog while trying to make Victoria in the fog yesterday. Their sloop finally drifted on the reef at Esquimalt, without damaging her bottom however. The boys had to forsake their ship at Esquimalt and walk home.

MARINE.

Steamship Ancon called at the ocean dock yesterday bound north.

Steamship Umatilla sailed from San Francisco for Victoria yesterday.

Bark Thos. S. Stowe will commence discharging at Welch, Rithet & Co's dock on Monday.

Bark Bundaleer, from San Francisco for Departure Bay, is overdue, being 12 days out yesterday.

O. P. N. Co's steamer Maude will sail on Wednesday for Queen Charlotte Islands, including Masset.

Tug Pilot arrived from Comox yesterday morning and towed the Thos. S. Stowe from Esquimalt to Victoria. Captain Christensen reported thick fog all the way down.

PERSONAL.

A. B. Gray returned from Comox yesterday.

Capt. H. H. Lloyd, of Port Townsend, is at the Oriental.

Geo. Heathcote is spending a few days in Nanaimo, on business.

Geo. and Mrs. Whitfield, of Nanaimo, are guests of Victoria friends.

Howard McIntosh, an old resident of Victoria, whose present home is Portland, Ore., is the guest of friends in the city.

Consumption Surely Cured.

TO THE EDITOR:—Please inform your readers that I have a positive remedy for the above named disease. By its timely use thousands of hopeless cases have been permanently cured. I shall be glad to send two bottles of my remedy FREE to any of your readers who have consumption if they will send me their Express and P. O. address. Respectfully,

DR. T. A. SLOCUM,
* 37 Yonge street, Toronto, Ont.
sept-wly.

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LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

The Provisional Allowance.

The post office officials of this city were paid the usual provisional allowance at the 1st of the present month. The letter carriers were also paid the allowance, dating from the time they commenced work, some months ago.

A Fall to Death.

On Saturday afternoon, Alexander W. Marshall, an overman in the employ of the Vancouver Coal Co. at Nanaimo, fell down the shaft of the mine at Northfield, to meet a terrible death. The unfortunate man was being drawn up to the surface, when the swaying of the cage caused him to lose his hold, and he was precipitated to the bottom of the shaft, his death being instantaneous. A coroner's jury was empannelled, and returned a verdict of accidental death.

A Notorious Whiskey Seller.

Early yesterday morning a party of Indians and a white man named William Raby were carousing in a cabin on Humboldt street, when their orgies were suddenly interrupted by the entrance of Supt. Sheppard. The Indians were too drunk to make any resistance but Raby made a hard struggle, and had at length, with the Indians, to be placed in an express wagon and conveyed to the lock-up. They were too drunk to appear before the magistrate at 11 o'clock, and were kept in the cells all day to sober up. The entire party will get a hearing to-day. Raby is one of the most notorious whiskey sellers in Victoria, and has been an inmate of the city jail for the best part of the past ten years.

Y. M. C. A. Notes.

For some time past the Association has been considering the matter of better accommodation to meet the growing needs of the organization. At a special meeting of the board of directors, held last evening, the Hon. John Robson in the chair, it was voted to take steps at once towards securing a lot upon which to build a suitable home for the Association.

To-night there will be a meeting for members. There will be an address by Mr. Jacks, the travelling secretary, cornet solos by Sergeant Proctor; flute solo, Mr. Wm. Hamden; vocal solo, Mr. Des Brisay.

Mr. Jacks, the travelling secretary for the Pacific Northwest, came down from New Westminster last night and will remain for a short time to assist in the work here.

Yesterday's Blaze.

The untrustworthiness of the present fire alarm system was fully exemplified yesterday morning at about six o'clock, when King's bakery, on Albert street, near the head of Pandora, was discovered to be in a blaze, and an alarm was at once turned in. Owing to the defects of the alarm service, the district was misinterpreted, and the firemen started on the gallop for James Bay. Here they found no fire, and they were returning to the station when they at last succeeded in locating it. Arriving on the scene, they found that the flames had gained headway, and before the fire could be brought under control, the building had been completely gutted, and the roof had fallen in. The amount of damage is supposed to reach $600, partially covered by insurance. A defective flue in the oven is assigned as the cause of the fire.

An Almost Fatal Fall.

Just as the steamship Umatilla, from San Francisco, reached the ocean dock last evening, a steerage passenger, named Charles Williams, whose home is in San Francisco, fell through one of the hatches to the floor of the hold, a distance of twenty-five feet. He struck on his shoulders and back, which, strange to say, was not broken, and for a few minutes lay absolutely motionless, and was supposed to be dead. Dr. Jackson, quarantine officer, as soon as the gang plank was run out, went aboard and examined the injuries which the unfortunate man had received. His face was badly torn and bruised and covered with blood, presenting a terrible spectacle. The doctor found that while no bones had been broken, the victim of the accident had received internal injuries from which it is barely possible he will recover. He was at once conveyed to the Royal Hospital, where everything that can be, will be done to save his life. He is a machinist by trade, and was on his way to Tacoma where he had secured work.

A Summer Hotel.

Where is the summer hotel company? Travel, so far this year, is largely in excess of last, and there is every prospect that during the tourist season there will be an avalanche of visitors. Where are they to be accommodated? Last year hundreds were turned away from the leading hotels, and visitors generally require the best. Instead of waiting for a company that will build a magnificent hotel of brick and stone, would it not be a good investment to erect a large wood and plaster summer hotel, in the neighborhood of Beacon Hill, with a commanding view of the Straits. Tourists do not travel from one end of the continent to the other to look from their windows on back yards and dusty streets. They come here for pleasure, and if a hotel of good-sized rooms, wide corridors and piazzas, and attractive grounds, was erected in the quiet of the city, facing the Straits, tourists would stay with us for weeks instead of days, and the city would derive the benefit. There is time to erect such a building for the coming summer's traffic, and some move should be made in the direction indicated. The travel is coming here, but if tourists are to be turned away from our doors, each one will become an advertisement against the city, and much injury will result. There can be little question that a hotel of the kind suggested, ably managed, would not only meet every want, but would be a profitable investment.

A Chinese Housebreaker.

A very daring attempt to burglarize the residence of Dr. Helmcken was made on Sunday evening between seven and eight o'clock, by a Chinaman whose identity still remains unknown. There were in the house at the time, besides Dr. Helmcken, Sr., Dr. J. D. Helmcken, Miss Helmcken and Mr. W. R. Higgins. All were sitting in the parlor when the crashing glass was heard in the conservatory, and looking in, the people in the house were just in time to see through the glass a Chinaman swing himself on to the roof of the conservatory. On the level with this roof is the window of a bedroom occupied by a Chinaman employed in the Doctor's household, and it is in this room that the intruder evidently intended to rob, as the occupant was known to have considerable cash which he was taking care of for a Celestial friend. Seeing how matters stood, Dr. Helmcken proceeded at once to the room referred to, intending to capture the intruder as he came in the window. Mr. Higgins stationed himself outside, to capture the burglar, if he saw fit to try to escape by the way he entered. The Chinaman, on reaching the window, saw that he was discovered, and standing for a moment on the edge of the conservatory roof, took a long jump into the lane, and then took to his heels, dropping a revolver and hatchet as he ran. Mr. Higgins gave chase, but the wily Mongolian, by frequent turnings and greater fleetness of foot, managed to outwit him, and make good his escape.

THE TWENTY-FOURTH OF MAY.

The General Committee Meets—Sub-Committees Formed and the Work of Preparing for the Great Celebration Going Merrily Forward.

There was a good attendance of the members of the general committee at the City Hall last night, the business being organization for the work of arranging the forthcoming demonstration in honor of the Queen's birthday.

The chair was occupied by the chairman, Mayor Grant, while Mr. D. W. Morrow kindly acted as secretary.

Supt. Roycraft said that he had in his mind a programme, which could, of course, be changed if it was thought desirable. It comprised a baseball tournament, lacrosse, football and cricket matches, races, etc., in the morning of the first day. A sham attack on the hill by one of Her Majesty's men-of-war, which would be repulsed by the local militia and "C" battery in the afternoon. For the second day, a sailing match in the morning, with the professional and other races in the afternoon. The whole to end with a grand ball in Assembly Hall.

The Chairman suggested, as another very attractive feature, an exhibition by the Athletic Club, which could not fail to be interesting.

Mr. J. L. Smith was afraid it would make the programme too long.

Mr. A. G. McCandless thought that the programme was a good one, but favored a somewhat different arrangement of the attractions contained in it. He thought that the Athletic Club exhibition could be made a special feature for one of the two evenings.

Mr. Joshua Davies dwelt upon the great attraction a sham battle would prove, and Col. Holmes followed, to say that anything he could do would be done to