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CITY AND PROVINCIAL ITEMS

From Thursday's daily.

—Arrangements are in progress for a chess match between this city and Victoria, to be played on May 24th.

—Charles Hill-Tout has returned from exploring the mound at Hatzic Prairie. He got a number of curious specimen which must be at least 1,500 years old.

—A story is going the rounds to the effect that a man in this city had a house stolen the other night and has since been unable to get any trace of it. It was a small house, some people would call it a cabin, but, so says rumor, it has vanished like the baseless fabric of a dream.

—Hon. Chief Justice Davie left for Victoria by this afternoon's steamer. He was especially happy this morning, having been informed that another member had been added to his interesting family last evening, the welcome stranger being a daughter. Mother and child at latest accounts were doing well.

—Attorney-General Mowat, of Ontario shows that he is up to date by legalizing the 24 hour mode of reckoning days. A contract to work from 7 o'clock in the morning till 6 at night, with an hour from 12 to 13 for dinner, will after this be legal. The World suggests its adoption in British Columbia sometime ago. It is well-known, it is said, in use on this division of the C. P. R.

—The Vancouver Baseball Club is now on such a basis that everything augurs well for a successful season. In other Provincial coast cities teams are being formed, so that without a doubt there will be a league established and championship matches played. At New Westminster a meeting will be held to form a club, when R. W. Emerson will be present, representing the organization of this city. It is a fact that a very creditable nine can be put on the diamond here, but a pitcher is badly needed.

—C. E. Woods, assessment commissioner, New Westminster, has completed his labors, and makes the following returns: Total valuation of lands within the city limits, $4,552,817, 50 per cent. of valuation of improvements, $1,287,490, total $5,840,307; exemptions, $1,399,783; net taxable assessment, $4,440,524. The number of lots built on in the city is 1,062. The population totals 6,000; dividend as follows: Protestants, 4,435; Roman Catholics, 716; other religions, 899. There are 179 horses, 174 cows, 7 sheep, 102 pigs and 223 dogs in the city.

From Friday's daily.

—Sir Joseph Needham, Chief Justice of British Columbia, in Crown colony days, died at Weybridge, Surrey, recently aged 88.

—Dr. Gatewood has presented the Vancouver Gun club with two silver cups, which will be competed for, the highest scores made on six consecutive Saturdays to win.

—The Dominion Government has granted to United States vessels the privilege of coasting in the Yukon district of Canada until there are Canadian vessels available for the service.

—The fact that orders have been wired to hold the Royal Arthur's mail at Esquimalt indicates that she will soon come north. The admiral said last fall that she would visit Vancouver sometime in May.

—Incorporation was granted on the 11th inst., to the Nanaimo Electric Light, Power and Heating Company, which is capitalized at $100,000 in $20 shares, and of which R. J. Jones, Albert Lindsay and Joseph Hunter, all of Victoria, are the trustees.

—In about a month a large steamship will leave England for British Columbia to enter the coal carrying trade. The vessel, which will be brought out by the Messrs. Dunsmuir, is of the turret type, and will upon her arrival be the only vessel of her class on the Coast.

—P. F. Emerson, who out of no business at all made the now popular Delmonico trade, has decided to take over the management of the Manor House. He is assuming a big contract, especially under existing conditions, but then he is the man for the place and it seems a safe prophecy that The Manor, ere long, will be a name to conjure with.

—Mrs. Peter Byrne, of Burnaby, was struck blind last week during the lightning storm. She was standing at her door when it struck the earth close to her. The shock threw her to the ground, and she became insensible, and when she returned to consciousness was totally blind. The sight of one eye has partly returned.

—Hon. Mr. Higgins, M. P. P., and D. M. Clarke, of the Lands and Works Department, Victoria, have been visiting Fort San Juan, in connection with the location of a wharf there; and also to enquire into the needs of the district. A meeting, attended by over 60 settlers, was held and requirements pointed out, confidence being shown in the Government.

From Saturday's daily.

—The fund for the relief of the family of engineer Law, of Victoria who lost his life in the Velos wreck, has now reached the sum of $990.50.

—The Indian from Cape Mudge who was sent down on the allegation that he was crazy, has been found to be harmless, and has been set free.

—A correspondent writing from Langley states that a cow belonging to R. A. Bain, who works the farm of the Messrs. Oppenheimer Bros., dropped a calf a few days since which weighed 99 lbs. It was a monster.

—The athletic match on Friday evening elected officers as follows: Pres., C. A. McKinnon; 1st vice pres., R. McPherson, M. P. P.; 2nd, vice-pres., W. M. Wilson; 3rd, vice-pres., J. McKay; sec., Chas. Grant; treas., Jas. Fleming; executive committee, W. A. Wilson, F. Fowler and R. Cosgrove.

—The Easter vacation being over yesterday, the law courts resumed their normal appearance. The full court was in session at Victoria all day Chief Justice Davie taking his seat with his four colleagues for the first time since he was sworn in. The Chief Justice intimated that in future, Mainland appeals would when practicable be heard first, so as to consult the convenience of the legal gentlemen who had to travel to Victoria from a distance.

—The case of the William Hamilton Co., vs. Victoria Lumber Co., came up for hearing in the full court at Victoria yesterday before Justices Crease, McCreight and Walkem. This was a cross appeal and defendant on a counter claim to have certain damage allowed for demurrage of 54 days of the steamer Daisy by reason of the explosion of a defective boiler supplied by the William Hamilton Co. This demurrage Mr. Justice Drake at the trial allowed. The argument lasted all day, and finally judgment was reserved. E. V. Bodwell and Archer Martin appeared for the appellants; J. A. Russell in reply.

—An interesting ceremony will be witnessed at St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, Victoria, next Wednesday evening when the Right Rev. Bishop Cridge, of the Church of Our Lord, will be formally invested with the insignia of his new degree of Doctor of Divinity, conferred upon him by the Presbyterian College of Montreal.

—The following is from the Seattle Post Intelligencer: Rev. Canon Good, for 20 years pastor of St. Paul's parish at Nanaimo, and father of Henry Good, the young clerk who shot Policeman Glasscock last Sunday night, is in the city is the interests of his son. Mr. Good is an elderly gentleman, and is highly thought of by his parishioners. He says the young man has had the very best of raising, and must have been crazy drunk to do such a thing. He has secured counsel for his son, and will remain in the city until the case is decided.

From Monday's Daily.

—Joseph R. Partlips, of Victoria, was seriously injured in the right arm on Saturday by the accidental discharge of a shot gun.

—Hugh Fawcett and Robert Fowler, of South Vancouver, were arrested on Saturday night, on a charge of having stolen cordwood from R. A. McCulloch.

—On the occasion of the consecration of the Bishop of Hereford on the Feast of the Annunciation, the Bishop of Columbia took part in the ceremony, which was conducted by the Archbishop of Canterbury.

—The fund for the family of Engineer Law, of Victoria, who lost his life in the wreck of the Velos, has been closed, $1,002.50 having been raised. Mrs. Law has asked that the sum be invested for the benefit of the children.

—William Farr, the engineer who escaped from the Winnipeg jail while awaiting trial on charges of arson and attempted murder, is said to have been seen in Victoria last Wednesday. He is supposed to have gone on to San Francisco.

—Very little expenditure would put the road between here and Hastings in good condition. There are so few drives in this vicinity that it seems a shame that this road is not kept in better order. As it was many drove out that way on Sunday.

—The warm weather of the last few days is melting the snow on the mountains very fast, and the creeks and rivers tributary to Fraser are in many instances roaring cataracts considerably swelling the volume of water in the river.

—Mr. Rainey had a very narrow escape from drowning on Saturday. He was on a boom on Coal harbor and slipped in. When he tried to get out the log rolled and he went further in. At great personal risk he was rescued by James Hartney.

—The New Westminster assizes open on May 14th, and in all probability Chief Justice Davie will take up the trial. If so it is the intention of the members of the New Westminster Bar to embrace the opportunity by entertaining His Lordship at luncheon the same day.

—A car has arrived at Winnipeg from Montreal containing a complete system of air brakes. Fireman, engineers and brakemen are being instructed in their working by a competent official of the company, who is in charge. It will likely be brought through to this division.

—Some advertisements are models of pure English, as, for instance, one concerning a nursing bottle which concludes: When the baby is done drinking, it must be unscrewed and laid in a cool place under the tap. If the baby does not survive on fresh milk, it should be boiled.

—The prospects for an abundant fruit crop this season in the Fraser river valley are more hopeful. The trees are covered with blossoms and with a few days more of such favorable weather as we are now enjoying and the absense of frost the yield will be greater than it ever has been before.

—W. C. Brady, theatrical manager, who is to put six Trilby companies on the road and cover every section of the continent within the next 12 months, is overwhelmed with applications. He has had 45 applications for the part of Trilby, 17 Svengalis and 23 Little Billees. Vancouver will have the pleasure of witnessing Du Maurier's great novel dramatized.

—Capt. Foot, of Victoria believes that the coast sealing will be very small this year. He bases his opinion upon the bad luck which some half-Indian sealing schooners now lying in San Juan have had, as also a fleet of American vessels in Neah Bay. These vessels have not done any sealing worth speaking of for over a month, having been prevented from operating by rough weather. They have not, it is thought, made an average catch of 50 skins.

—The C. P. R. is going to repair the bridge across False Creek. Now is the time to urge that a draw be put in it. The C. P. R., makes so little use of this bridge that in the meantime a clear opening might be left where the deepest water lies. It is possible that the Government could be got to dredge the mouth and schooners such as the Peerless loaded recently in the harbor could go direct to Camaiht's mill and so save the expense entailed through having the lumber brought round in scows.

—The Tacoma sealing schooner Bering Sea, reported lost, was spoken on Saturday by the steamer Mischief, of Victoria. The Mischief has been to Quatsino, where she landed the new Norwegian settlers and Mr. Bonson, surveying party. Some of the colonists intended returning on the steamer, but as they found the place more pleasing than anticipated, they remained. Although the Mischief, on leaving had freight for many West Coast points, she was unable to land any of it until on her return trip, as the weather was too rough.

—The returns are now complete for the Cowichan portion of Cowichan-Alberni district, where a by-election was held on Thursday to fill the seat in the Legislature vacated by the elevation of Hon. Theodore Davie to the bench. At Cowichan Lake six ballots were cast for Mr. Wood and two for Mr. Huff. The total vote thus far reported is therefore: Wood, 100; Huff, 101.—Mr. Wood's majority is a majority to date of 59, with Alberni, where Mr. Huff resides, to be heard from.

—A. E. Quigley received a communication on Saturday from Victoria stating that the lacrosse club of that place had decided to re-enter the Association and asking that the schedule be re-arranged. All the old members of the Victoria Lacrosse Club have become members of the Y. M. C. A., and will play during the season under the name of the Victoria Y. M. C. A. Lacrosse club. It is not stated whether the matches are supposed to begin and end with prayers or not and of course betting will be religiously eschewed.

—Edward and Charles Ferris and John Davie, three boys of Victoria West, had a hearing before Magistrate Macrae on Saturday, the charges against them being violation of the police regulations. These are the lads summoned at the instance of the public school board for writing obscene words on the fences and otherwise damaging school property. The information was laid by H. Callow, and the charges being proved the magistrate reserved his decision. It will be given early in the week. It may interest one or two young scamps in this city to know that a similar proceeding is contemplated here.

—As an illustration, says the Seattle Post Intelligencer of how rapidly fortunes are made in mines, it is stated that the War Eagle mine, Trail Creek district, B. C., was purchased last year by miners from Butte, Mont., in the consideration being $15,000, which was paid the owners and possession taken. Being practical miners, the new owners began the work of development in a systematic manner, opening up the mine as the large mines of Butte are opened, and they have been rewarded in a princely way, the exposures of ore in the principal workings of the property, by conservative estimates, footing up over $1,000,000. This is the result of about a year's steady work, and a total expenditure of $32,000—$17,000 in development and $15,000 for the payment on the mine.

From Tuesday's daily.

—Hugh Leith Gordon Austin, of the Bank of B. N. A., Victoria, was married at Victoria on Saturday to Lula E. G., second daughter of R. H. Jamieson.

—Rev. J. W. Pedley is to lecture in Nanaimo on the 30th on The Story of a Convict, being a characterization of Victor Hugo's masterpiece, Les Miserables.

—A quarterly meeting of the directors of the Fruit Growers' Association and Horticultural Society of British Columbia will be held at Mission City on Tuesday, May 7th.

—Chief Capilano was buried to-day with due ceremonies in the Indian burying ground at the Mission opposite the city. The Indians are determined that the next chief selected shall not be a man given to drink.

—The bank of Green, Worlock & Co., Victoria, reopened its doors on Monday, not for a resumption of business but for the payment of an interim dividend of 5 per cent. to the creditors. During the day claims to the amount of about $200,000 were proved, and some $10,000 was paid out.

—Dr. Perrin, Bishop of Columbia, has been elected a Fellow of the Royal Colonial Institute. The bishop assisted at the consecration of the Bishops of Hereford, and afterwards lunched with Canon and Mrs. Wilberforce, meeting at the table the Archbishop of Canterbury and Mrs. Benson, Mr. and Mrs. Gladstone, and Canon Gore.

—The World has to acknowledge receipt from the North Bend, Md., Tribune enquiring as to the whereabouts of Frank Manch, who was at one time associated with Charles Hach of this city. Enquiry from Mr. Hatch elicited the fact that Manch died sometime ago in San Francisco. His wife still resides there and can be addressed care of Hermann lodge, A. F. & A. M.

—The Winnipeg Free Press says that the passenger traffic on the C. P. R., is rapidly on the increase, and each express, east or west, carries a large number of passengers. The tourist travel has not got started, but commencing with May, Banff, Glacier House and other points will be in readiness for summer visitors. The prospects are bright for a large tourist travel over the scenic national highway.

—The prisoners in the Maritime Provinces at Dorchester, N. B., are making excellent work. When Sir John died they signed a long resolution of regret, extolling the late Minister of Justice. Now they have requested Warden Foster that they be paid on parole allowance in order that what is thus saved may be sent to the sufferers in Newfoundland. Foster laid the matter before the Minister of Justice at Ottawa for approval.

—Capt. Gould, of the sealing schooner Catharine, writes that he has arrived at Sitka, Alaska, with one skin. The Catharine had six of her canoes damaged in a heavy weather and had put into Sitka for repairs, intending, perhaps, to remain there until enabled by law to hunt in Bering sea. The schooner Catharine made a catch of 96 skins early in the season, but the one skin represents her work for over a month past. Capt. Gould speaks of meeting but one sealer on his voyage, the Beatrice, of Vancouver, which was spoken on March 16th off Cape Cook, with 74 skins. The letter mentions the arrival at Sitka of two supposed deserters from the schooner Shelby, who claimed that they had lost their vessel after she had secured 117 skins.

—The Mayor of Victoria's scheme to assist the unemployed by giving them a chance to cultivate idle land in the outskirts of the city, for the purpose of raising food for themselves and families, has proved a failure so far. Neither the owners of the various tracts of land nor the employed take much interest in it. Not more than half-a-dozen people applied for land, and only six or eight offers were made. Of these only about three were made on conditions that would make it possible for a poor man to work the land, while the applicants for the land after a few questions went away, and that was the last we heard of them. Two men, informed by the Mayor of one particular piece of land that was very suitable in every way, started off saying they would go and look at it. We have ther tidings have been heard from them.

—Yesterday morning, at Victoria, before the first case set before the full court was called, E. V. Bodwell made an application for leave to bring on an appeal from the judgment of Mr. Justice Drake in the case of the Attorney-General of Canada vs. D. J. Munn and the Attorney-General vs. Ewen. Unless by leave of the court this appeal could not be set down for hearing before July, by which time the canning season would be far advanced, and if the injunction were not dissolved the canners would be put to great loss and inconvenience. In view of this fact Mr. Bodwell asked the court to say that the matter was of such public importance and that leave to bring this appeal on at once should be given. Charles Wilson, Q. C., who is acting for the Crown in the matter, did not oppose the application, and the order was therefore made as asked. The appeal will be argued on Monday next.

From Wednesday's daily.

—Steveston will celebrate the Queen's Birthday.

—The young people of the First Baptist church held a successful reception in the Y. M. C. A. parlors on Tuesday evening. There was a large attendance.

—Nanaimo intends this year to make a big splurge over its Queen's Birthday celebration. The citizens have subscribed liberally and an energetic committee has charge of the arrangements.

—A North Vancouverite has the doubtful pleasure of having a big she bear watching his premises. He captured a couple of cubs and took them to his cabin a few days ago. Hence the interest taken by the lady bruin.

—The jury in the case of J. Barnet, who was killed at Spence's bridge, brought in a verdict of accidental death. Mr. Barnet had many friends in Vancouver, having been for some time employed in the C. P. R.'s depot ticket office.

—A great deal of improvement has been made at English Bay this past winter. Several new houses have been erected and others painted and the grounds around them improved. Fifteen new rooms have been added to the bath house, and preparations generally have been made for a lively summer. Several bathers go out each of these fine days.

—A company is being formed to manufacture oil and fish guano from dogfish at Quatsino Sound. The company will be known as the British Pacific Fertilizer Manufacturing Co., Ltd., with a capital of $50,000. It is stated that a good market has been found for the product.

—The synod of British Columbia, embracing all the ministers and representative elders of all the Presbyterian congregations in British Columbia and Alberta, N. W. T., will hold its annual meeting in St. Andrew's church Nanaimo, on Wednesday, May 1st. The opening sermon will be preached by Rev. J. C. Madill, of Calgary, the retiring moderator. It is expected the synod will this year continue in session for about a week, so as to give full consideration to important matters that will engage its attention.

MR. WOOD ELECTED.

Although everything pointed to a close contest in the Cowichan-Alberni by-election, no one anticipated that it would be so very close as the returns show it to have been. In the Cowichan portion of the district, Thomas M. Wood, the candidate of the Opposition, lost to Mr. Huff's 101, giving him a majority there of 59. Alberni, where Mr. Huff resides, has not been heard from; its six polling places showing that 71 ballots were cast for the local man and 12 for Mr. Wood—making the contest a tie, if that be possible in surveying. The returning officer gave the casting vote for Mr. Wood, but it is thought quite probable that Mr. Huff will ask for a recount.

FRUIT GROWERS.

Report of the Delegate to the Northwestern Convention.

In February of this year there was held at Portland, Ore., a convention of the Northwest Fruit Growers' Association. The World, at the time, published a resume of the proceedings and promised a lengthened exposition later on when the report of British Columbia's delegate, J. R. Anderson, was presented. It has now been printed. In it he remarks incidentally about his itinerary and jumps directly to a description of the fruit exhibit. This, he says, was no better than might have been made without special effort by British Columbia. After some further reference to purely business matters he takes up a report on Horticultural Legislation by C. H. Ross, of Puyallup, Wash.

After drawing the analogy between Oregon and Washington, as mother and daughter, and describing the parallel interests of the two states in horticultural matters, Mr. Ross said: "The horticultural products of Oregon and Washington together would probably run close to $10,000,000 annually. The cost of maintaining horticulture in these states is about $8,500, or for every dollar paid to maintain these commissions, nearly $1,000 is taken. California spends, by legislative enactments, $37,500 annually, and takes in nearly $50,000,000. If a liberal course is pursued the time is not far distant when Oregon, Washington and Idaho will each be producing from $10,000,000 to $15,000,000 worth of horticultural products annually. Each of these states should have an appropriation of $20,000, which should be put in the hands of an energetic board of honest and enthusiastic horticulturists. It is the duty of every horticulturist to stimulate a greater interest in the work, and cultivate a love for the occupation that make homes pleasant, attractive and valuable, as well as adding millions to the wealth of our country. The matter of more friendly and uniform laws in the interest of horticulture is paramount. In preparing our bulletins and reports, in destroying noxious insects and pests, and guaranteeing against disease and infected trees, the work certainly needs a uniformity and co-operation among the Northwest states, backed by substantial appropriations and friendly as well as uniform legislation. While the times demand a liberal curtailing, expenses should be cut from the judiciary and city departments and not from horticultural boards. These commissions are not doing the work assigned to them, by all means discharge the men, but maintain the commissions, and fill them with better material."

S. A. Clarke next read a very able paper on the Prune Industry, Lessons of 1894. After he had finished the chairman announced that the meeting was open for general discussion on horticultural matters.

J. R. Shepard, of Zena, chairman of the Legislative commission, then presented his report and introduced the following resolutions, which were adopted by unanimous vote, and the committee was instructed to have copies of the same printed and sent to the Legislature:

Resolved that we, the fruit growers of British Columbia, and of the States of Idaho, Washington and Oregon, in convention assembled, appreciate the rapid increase of pests that the Northwest has secured a position in the front ranks of fruit-producing regions, we wish to sound the alarm against the pests destructive of our orchards, and gratefully acknowledge our appreciation of every effort on the part of our commissioners and thank them for their efforts towards co-operating with us in holding these pests in check.

Resolved, that we hail with pleasure the effective quarantine law of British Columbia, whereby she has served notice in no uncertain manner, that "Scurvy Scale, San Jose Scale, and several thousand dollars' worth of fruit shipped from these states the past season, that no infectious fruit or trees shall be received into her borders."

Resolved, that we hereby endorse as practicable and beneficial measures, Senate bill No. 50, introduced by Senator Raley, and House bill No. 2, by Representative Moores, in the Legislature of Oregon, now assembled; at Senate bill No. 49, introduced by Senator Pusey, of the Legislature of Washington, now in session at Olympia, and also the bill now under consideration in the Legislature of Idaho, looking toward the establishment of a State Board of Horticulture, and we trust the bills may become law.

Resolved by the Fruit Growers of the Northwest, in convention assembled, that in view of the fact that the Government makes large appropriations to these States for agricultural education and experimentation, we heartily endorse the bills now pending before the respective Legislatures relative to the establishment of experimental stations in the irrigable section of Oregon and the western part of Washington.

There was also a discussion on freight matters affecting only the states of Washington and Oregon.

The annual address of President Cardwell, of the Oregon State Horticultural Society, after dealing with statistics, recommended orchardists—and the advice applies to British Columbia—to use the utmost discretion in the setting out of flocks of trees of any variety.

After some other general matters, principal among which, it must be mentioned, the delegate refers to a ladies' quartette club, the report of the transportation committee was brought in. As it is of interest to British Columbia shippers it is given in full:

Your committee on transportation having carefully discussed many matters, first in a meeting of the committee and later with representatives of the different transport companies, believes that the following propositions should and will be favorably considered by them: (1) That the maximum weight of both refrigerator and refrigerator cars shall not exceed 20,000 pounds. (2) That expedited service shall be given on the transportation and shipment of green fruits whenever practicable, and without additional charge. (3) That estimated weights of standard size fruit packages shall be estimated as follows: Apples, 50 lbs; pears, 40 lbs; peaches, plums, prunes and grapes, 18 lbs; cherries, 10 lbs; or such actual weight, as may be hereafter determined. (4) That in shipments of mixed car lots of fruit and vegetables, each class shall take its proper rate, based on carload lots. One main objection to this has heretofore been the trouble of ascertaining weights of each class, which would be entirely obviated by provision of preceding section (three). (5) That transportation one way shall be furnished a shipper of one or more cars of green fruit upon application. We believe that green fruits being perishable, should be considered upon the same basis as shipments of live stock, and that the rapid development and building up of this new and important industry would be greatly facilitated by such a concession. (6) That one duly elected delegate from each horticultural association in the Northwest, within the territory covered by this association, shall be furnished transportation to each annual meeting of this association, and that all other persons actually attending such convention shall be granted a single fare for the round trip.

The balance of the report is unsatisfactory. It is, in fact, a very meagre minute of the happenings and is utterly lacking as regards information of any value.

THE INDIAN TROUBLE.

Geo. A. Keefer, C. E., of Smith & Keefer, Victoria, has returned from the Kootenay country, where he was engaged in connection with the reclamation works. Speaking of the troubles with the Indians there Mr. Keefer said that when he left matters were quiet, and that no further trouble was anticipated if a constable were stationed at the spot. For a long time the Colville Indians had been claiming that the line of the reclamation works ran through land owned by them, though their reservation was really across the river. They would waylay the men occasionally and threaten them, and it was very unpleasant for a man to suddenly find himself confronted with an angry Indian armed with a Winchester. Finally the Indians became bolder and even pitched their tepees on the line of the dyke, to try and stop the work. In all there were about 15 young bucks who seemed inclined to make a fuss and did not appear to be working to be controlled by the old chiefs. The latter are all well affected towards the improvement company, and it is only a few young fellows of roying disposition who have made trouble, which was brought to a head by an Indian attacking with a club a teamster of the company. The latter stopped his horses and, jumping from his wagon, proceeded to retaliate on the Siwash then a number of Indians tumbled out of their tepees, all ready to fight, and a council went to the help of their companion; another white man went to the aid of the teamster and for a while the five combatants were so mixed up that it would have been hard to pick them out. However, the combatants were parted and quiet restored. This was the trouble that decided the company to ask for protection for their men. Next day a Siwash mounted and with a Winchester, "threw his gun down" on one of the workmen. He made a slight mistake, however, for the white man was an old hand with Indians and shoved a six shooter under the Siwash's nose so quickly that the red man lost his appetite for warfare and backed down with alacrity. Capt. Fitzstubbs' arrival and the arrest and imprisonment of Nicola, one of the worst of the Indians, had a beneficial effect and a special constable is now hunting for the others mixed up in the row.

CLOUDY AGAIN.

The evidence taken by the coroner's jury this afternoon showed pretty clearly that Chief Capilano met with his death as the result of a drunken orgie. It was evidenced that he and Indian Chadley, Joe and Cecilia had on Thursday night last four bottles of whisky and supplies of liquor to Indians. Joe went home, and then Charley and Cecilia hauled up Chief Capilano's canoe and left him sitting in it singing. They both went to Cloudy's cabin and say they saw no more of Capilano. The chief's dead body was found lying near where they said they had left him in the canoe. The verdict was death from drowning, while intoxicated.

Cloudy has been arrested and will likely get at least another six months in quod.

About 150 Indians waited around Lockhart's undertaking parlors, where the inquest was held waiting for the verdict.

The prospects are that Joe, a very intelligent Siwash, will be elected to the vacant chieftaincy.

MUST PAY DUTY.

Some months ago Mr. Scott, a New Westminster lumber merchant, visited Washington and other Eastern American cities in the interests of his industry, and in regard to having the 25 per cent. duty imposed on cedar lumber reduced to a minimum or altogether abolished. He learned that the treasury department has decided against the petition. A strong case was made out, but the department ruled that the cedar of this coast was cedar in the general commercial sense, and, though botanically it might vary a little from the true cedar, nevertheless it was cedar still. The commissioner speaking of the cedar of the Pacific coast is Thuya gigantea. As near as we can find out from personal examination of the sawdust, it is about one-third thuya and two-thirds fir or hemlock. The duty will have to stand the 25 per cent. duty in order to do business in the United States. There is but little doubt, however, that the duty on cedar was laid on through a careless wording of the act.

A LOST BROTHER.

The Daily Tribune, of South Bend, Ind., contains the following: Frank Mauch, of South Bend, is endeavoring to locate a brother, Theobald Mauch, of whom he has not heard for a number of years. Their father in Germany has some money which he is dividing and is anxious to give the missing son or his legal heirs the share belonging to him. Theobald Mauch has not been heard of by his relatives since he left home, about 1865. On Sunday evening, Sept. 18, 1881, at 8 o'clock, he was married to Miss Helene Himmelmann, at the bride's home, No. 36 East Fourteenth street, San Francisco. The last heard from him was on August 31, 1888, when he was in Vancouver, B. C., his address being in care of Jones & Drake, Powell street. On January 2, 1888, his address was No. 20, Montgomery street, rooms No. 2 and 3, San Francisco. If any one knows the location of Mr. Mauch they will confer a favor by letting the paper by addressing him at box 251, South Bend.

DOING GOOD WORK.

Says the Belleville, Ont., Canadian Mute of the 15th inst.: Mr. T. W. Wilkinson, of the Vancouver World, was here visiting Mr. R. Mathison, jr., for a few days. Mr. Wilkinson is the "Man on the Man on the Wing," as he is usually called, has been doing good missionary work in British Columbia in the east. He visited Ottawa and the past three years he has spent in that Province have given him a knowledge of the resources of the different sections and have made him the best advertisement of British Columbia that has ever appeared in Eastern Canada." The additions made to the World's list of subscribers and the numerous daily enquiries that are made concerning the Province from all parts of Ontario and Quebec are the best evidence imaginable of the success which has attended our representatives' visit to the east. The good he has and is still doing for British Columbia cannot be estimated.

NEGLECT ALLEGED.

Coroner McGuigan has another inquest on his hands to-day. It is to ascertain the facts surrounding the death of Juan Alvalado and the hour set is 3 p. m. This inquest is being held at the request of Chillian consul Morris who alleges that Alvalado is a Chilian; that application was made by him to Dr. Thomas for treatment or else admission to the city hospital; both were refused, and as a consequence the man died. On these grounds he insists that an enquiry should be held.

The evidence taken this afternoon seemed to indicate a misunderstanding on the part of Dr. Thomas and the hospital matron, both of whom took the man for a sailor, and therefore not entitled to admission to St. Paul's hospital. The doctor said he took him for a sailor because he was a foreigner. A verdict had not been reached up to The World's time of going to press.

CHRIST CHURCH VESTRY.

Rev. L. Norman Tucker, the rector, presided at the adjourned Christ Church meeting on Monday evening, and R. H. H. Alexander acted as secretary. The balance on hand as shown by the financial statement is $325.50. The statement was adopted. W. Downie, H. J. Cambie and Lacey R. Johnson were selected as lay delegates. J. W. McFarland was chosen as church warden and W. E. Tisdall as people's warden. W. Downie, J. R. Seymour, G. Cowan and Sheriff Hall were elected sidesmen and W. Skene and W. F. Salsbury trustees. The S. P. C. K. was thanked for a gift of Bibles and books and thanks were also extended to the building committee, the organ blower and D. B. Charleson for services rendered. W. Downie reported that tenders had been called for a pipe organ. It was decided to allow pews to regular envelope contributors but to reserve one pew in every three for visitors.

YOUNG THIEVES.

Sport McAllister, the boy with a bad record, had lots of money on Sunday and Monday. His father became suspicious and made enquiry and as a result reported the matter to the police. Sport tells two versions, one is that he found the money under the grand stand at Stanley Park, another that he stole it from a shack. Investigation showed that Sport and two chums had $30. Nine boys were arrested at the schools and from them $16 of the money was got. More are to be gathered in. These lads were all together on Saturday night and Sunday. On the latter afternoon they were treating each other to milk shakes and on Monday several of them were out on hired bicycles.

PACIFIC COAST FIRE CHIEFS.

The Pacific Coast Fire Chief's Association met at Los Angeles last week and elected the following officers: Pres., Walter Moore, Los Angeles; executive committee, Chiefs Lawton, of Oakland; German, of Phoenix; Chapman and Towne of San Francisco, and Ackerman of Pasadena. The convention date was over ten million yen last year. If British Columbia could afford to supply Japan with one-half of this amount, it will be something to this Province. I might show you how the trade between this Province and Japan could be opened up and I might show you when the Dominion Government becomes a party to the new Anglo-Japanese treaty that you can go right into the heart of the country and engage in trade and manufactures, but I will not keep you longer. As one of the Japanese proverbs says, "Bad preaching makes the congregation sleepy." After thanking the society for its kindness Mr. Nosse said he had traveled a great deal for the last 20 years in connection with the consular service, in the South Sea Islands, the North of China and Corea, but he never felt so homelike and comfortable, as here. To prove in the highest degree the sincerity of his feeling, he had made up his mind to stay here any number of years and had taken a house in the city, expecting his wife and family out here very soon with the intention of settling down under the kind protection and brotherly shelter of gentlemen such as those he saw gathered around the festive board.

The loud applause accentuated the consul's remarks and when he concluded he

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Christ Christopherson, a mill hand, slipped off a boom at Marietta, Wash., on Saturday and was drowned.

At earthquake was distinctly felt at Loomis, Wash., on Saturday.

Jake Switzler, living on the Columbia river, on Saturday sold 5,000 horses to a Portland syndicate. They will be slaughtered at Portland, says Mr. Switzler, the meat packed, and all parts of the carcass utilized. This is now the only market for thousands of horses on the Eastern Oregon and Washington ranges. The price is less than $5 per head.

Charles Clayton Bump, alias Bishop, formerly of Spokane, who pleaded guilty of robbing the stagecoach at Arroyo Grande a short time ago in company with the unknown man who was killed in a fight at Salinas by Sheriff Matthews when the latter attempted to arrest him, was sentenced to 10 years at San Quentin.

A DOG'S GRIEF.

Toronto Saturday Night: I think the most pathetic thing that has come under my notice for years occurred when I was in Toronto last week. I was coming Trunk on the corner of King and Yonge streets, on Monday. It was there that one of my nearest and dearest friends, until the sudden death of a Sunday morning, was a passenger agent. When I went in to enquire the particulars of Phil Slatter's death his dog came rushing in, barking and whining and bustling for him, and was out like a flash. Within 15 minutes that poor, heartbroken animal was there thrice, and would pay no attention to anyone else. I felt that his master could not be found and at the sad home on Gerrard street nothing but violence could restrain that faithful animal from coming to meet his master. I prevent him, with his paws on the black box, from whining mournfully for the word of recognition that he would never hear again. Of the great number of friends that Phil Slatter had in this city and all over the Province—and there never was a bigger-hearted, more generous or kindly man—how many of us will remember him or mourn for him as incessantly, and with such whole-hearted sincerity as that poor, broken-hearted d