

**Short-Lived.**  
The *Daily News*, a Liberal paper, which started with so much flourish a few days ago, died at Montreal from lack of popular support.

**Wants to Fight.**  
McKinnon, the pugilist, has returned to Vancouver. He reports that he is ready to have a wrestling match at Victoria with some man specially imported from the South.

**Seize of School.**  
The libel suit of Percival against Sullivan, editor of the *Corwall Glasgowian*, growing out of the late election, ended in a verdict of guilty. Sentence was to have been given on Saturday last.

**Resignation Service.**  
A resignation service in connection with the departure of Rev. Mr. Peckley for Vancouver has been held by the eastern district association of Congregational ministers, in session at Kingston.

**The Cold East.**  
A Kingston dispatch of the 26th inst. says: "Three inches of snow fell at Renfrew on Sunday." Quebec (from Ontario) has been the following dispatch received: "Four inches of snow fell yesterday." Come west friends to the land of roses.

**Cumulative.**  
A party composed of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. C. Brown, Mr. C. G. Gillingham, Miss E. Mowat, Mr. Mathew Piersy and Miss Minnie McCoy, all of Prince William, left last evening by the Quebec express for Victoria, B.C. They intend to settle there. — *St. John's N.B. Sun.*

**Inland Revenue.**  
Following is a statement of the inland revenue collections for the month of October:

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Claret	5,492 29
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Other	5,492 29
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**Visitors at Cowichan Falls.**  
The following visitors from Victoria have arrived at the Falls, Cowichan, during the month of October: Mrs. A. N. Richards, Miss Maggie Richards, J. Creeden, Miss Bella Oshat, Colonel Travers, Dublin; B. W. Pearce, Hon. C. F. Cornwall.

**Police Court.**  
Harry, an Indian, was charged with being drunk, fined \$1 or one week's imprisonment.

Edward Keenan a vagrant, was sent to prison for one month. Keenan's name has appeared on the police list frequently lately. He pleaded hard to be let go, but Supt. Blofield thought he would be a nuisance in any city.

**Another Steamer.**  
Mr. Michael Hare is at present putting the boiler into his new steamer, the hull of which is tied up at Williams' wharf. The craft will be a propeller 75 feet in length, 14 feet beam, and will be built on the same principle as the *Tesler* before being enlarged. She will have the engine and boiler in the latter vessel.

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**Iron Snowshoes.**  
Iron snowshoes are being introduced on the Intercolonial railway.

**Failed to Connect.**  
Two Indians Make a Bold Attempt to Rob the Western Hotel Bar, But are Scared Away by a Watchman.

Yesterday morning about eight o'clock, a man was seen walking his dog on Store Street, he heard the shrill sound of a policeman's whistle. He quickened his pace into a run and when within a few paces of the Western Hotel met the nightwatchman, who informed him that he had seen two Indians entering a window in the bar-room of the hotel, but as he blew his whistle they ran away. Abel also saw them in the dim light and gave chase, but was soon outdistanced and forced to return. On examination the premises revealed a broken pane of glass and on the sidewalk were a few bottles of bottles, which the burglar evidently mistook for something stronger. A diligent search for the Indians was made, but without success, and they are still at large.

**Burned by the Roadside.**  
Joe Kent, packer, was burned by his Camp Fire and is Down to Death.

On Monday morning, the 24th October, Joe Kent, packer, was found by an Indian hunter near the mouth of the Skeena, about three miles from Dog Creek. He had started out with his pack train on Sunday morning and had been travelling for some time when he was overtaken by a fire. He was found lying on his back, and his body was badly burned. He was taken to the hospital, but died on Tuesday morning.

**Imperial Penitentiary.**  
Sergeant-Major Conroy, of the Governor-General's Force, has taken the precaution to investigate the number of the Imperial penitentiary now under way from the headquarters at Halifax. The result of his investigation shows that the 3000 Imperial army penitentiaries, are paid from Halifax; 300 navy penitentiaries; 600 superannuated penitentiaries, including half-pay officers, officers' widows, clock laborers, etc. These figures are exclusive of those penitentiaries who are paid in the Toronto district by Col. Mulligan, and others employed on the Equatorial dry dock in this province, who are paid by the naval secretariat.

**St. James' Church Conduct and Fair.**  
St. James' church stands in need of a winter covering, and to raise funds for giving it that covering the ladies connected with the church got up a bazaar for the sale of fancy articles and paintings—all the work of amateurs—and after the bazaar was closed a concert was given. The chief feature in the bazaar was the "Babies' Department," the sale of babies' effects being something common. Mrs. Seymour had charge of that department. There were no separate stalls, but the articles for sale were displayed in artistic array on two long tables at which the following ladies presided: Mrs. Baker, Mrs. Scriver, Mrs. Rayner, Mrs. McR. Smith, Mrs. Plummer, Mrs. Stearns, Mrs. Mallandaine, and the Misses Lawson, Vidler, Johnson, Stannard, Storey, McNeil, Wolfenden, Sorby, Renny, Mrs. Gore under took the management of the refreshment and lunch department. The proceeds of the sale amounted to about \$300 and the concert brought in another \$100, so that the necessary improvements are now able to be carried out. The following is the programme of the concert:

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**LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.**

**Short-Lived.**  
The *Daily News*, a Liberal paper, which started with so much flourish a few days ago, died at Montreal from lack of popular support.

**Wants to Fight.**  
McKinnon, the pugilist, has returned to Vancouver. He reports that he is ready to have a wrestling match at Victoria with some man specially imported from the South.

**Seize of School.**  
The libel suit of Percival against Sullivan, editor of the *Corwall Glasgowian*, growing out of the late election, ended in a verdict of guilty. Sentence was to have been given on Saturday last.

**Resignation Service.**  
A resignation service in connection with the departure of Rev. Mr. Peckley for Vancouver has been held by the eastern district association of Congregational ministers, in session at Kingston.

**The Cold East.**  
A Kingston dispatch of the 26th inst. says: "Three inches of snow fell at Renfrew on Sunday." Quebec (from Ontario) has been the following dispatch received: "Four inches of snow fell yesterday." Come west friends to the land of roses.

**Cumulative.**  
A party composed of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. C. Brown, Mr. C. G. Gillingham, Miss E. Mowat, Mr. Mathew Piersy and Miss Minnie McCoy, all of Prince William, left last evening by the Quebec express for Victoria, B.C. They intend to settle there. — *St. John's N.B. Sun.*

**Inland Revenue.**  
Following is a statement of the inland revenue collections for the month of October:

Tobacco	5,492 29
Beer and Wine	5,492 29
Claret	5,492 29
Wine	5,492 29
Other	5,492 29
Total	5,492 29

**Visitors at Cowichan Falls.**  
The following visitors from Victoria have arrived at the Falls, Cowichan, during the month of October: Mrs. A. N. Richards, Miss Maggie Richards, J. Creeden, Miss Bella Oshat, Colonel Travers, Dublin; B. W. Pearce, Hon. C. F. Cornwall.

**Police Court.**  
Harry, an Indian, was charged with being drunk, fined \$1 or one week's imprisonment.

Edward Keenan a vagrant, was sent to prison for one month. Keenan's name has appeared on the police list frequently lately. He pleaded hard to be let go, but Supt. Blofield thought he would be a nuisance in any city.

**Another Steamer.**  
Mr. Michael Hare is at present putting the boiler into his new steamer, the hull of which is tied up at Williams' wharf. The craft will be a propeller 75 feet in length, 14 feet beam, and will be built on the same principle as the *Tesler* before being enlarged. She will have the engine and boiler in the latter vessel.

**Completed Their Contract.**