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CANADIAN NEWS.

(Special to the COLONIST.)

MONTREAL, July 31.—Word has been received here to the effect that Lady Mount Stephen is seriously ill, and may not return to Canada.

PORT HOPE, July 31.—The Methodist church here was damaged by fire, this morning, to the extent of over $3,000.

OTTAWA, July 31.—The Minister of Railways and Canals expects that the Canadian Sault Ste. Marie canal will be ready for traffic by May 1, next year.

OTTAWA, July 31.—Statistics just prepared show the value of the fishery yield of Canada of the past year to be $18,041,171, a decrease of $36,007, as compared with the previous year. In connection with the *modus vivendi*, 108 licenses were issued, last year, as compared with 36 in 1888. The yield of the fisheries in 1892 was more than four times greater than in 1869.

SARNIA, July 31.—Edward Roberts, aged 19, was drowned this morning. He was bathing in the river and was carried down by the current.

WINNIPEG, Aug. 1.—Commissioner Smart, who has been representing the Manitoba Government at Chicago during the World's Fair, has arrived at Brandon, and will not return to the White City. There is a slight disagreement between the Government and Mr. Smart.

WINNIPEG, Aug. 1.—The Icelanders of Manitoba hold their annual celebration here to-morrow.

BRANTFORD, Aug 1.—The barn and shed of Thomas Featherstone, near here, were burned through being struck by lightning. They were insured for $1,400, which nearly covered the loss.

DUNDAS, Aug. 1.—Bush fires are raging along the Brook road, between the fourth and fifth concessions of West Flamboro and farmers are removing the contents of their houses and barns to places of safety.

HAMILTON, Aug. 1.—George Mathewson, champion Highland dancer of Canada, has returned here from the World's Fair, where he duplicated his performance at the Centennial, seventeen years ago, by winning the first prize for dancing the Highland fling. Mr. Mathewson's daughter won the third prize in the ladies' contest.

DEATH OF A PIONEER.

150-MILE HOUSE, July 31.—(Special)—William Pinchbeck, the pioneer of Williams Lake, died suddenly yesterday. The deceased had been for many years an extensive rancher, the concern being known, at one time, as Pinchbeck & Lyon. Mr. Pinchbeck was one of the most enterprising men in the district, and contributed very much to the advancement of Golden Cariboo. From his extensive ranch he largely supplied the mining camps, and many an unfortunate, "down on his luck," was indebted to him for timely aid. The deceased was universally respected the country round, was a Justice of the Peace, and, at the elections of 1890, was an unsuccessful candidate for the Provincial Legislature. For some time Mr. Pinchbeck has been in delicate health, and some time back was in the city for a considerable period attending to business, and at the same time seeking medical assistance. He was by birth an Englishman, and leaves a widow and several children who share the universal sympathy.

MANCHESTER, N.H., July 31.—The Amoskeag mills closed to-day. This is the first suspension of these factories for many years. Eight thousand operatives are idle. The Jefferson mills started up again this morning, thus giving employment to 1000 hands who had been idle for two weeks. All the remaining Amoskeag mills are ready to resume work soon, but it will be on the basis, it is stated, of a reduction of wages to the operatives. It is said there will be a general reduction of 18 per cent., and those receiving better wages than the average will be cut down 15 per cent.

Do you feel the weakness of age? Some men die at an age at which others are young. Take Eseljay's Liver Lozenges.

SPORTS AND PASTIMES.

Hunters Prepare For Business—The Cowichan Tennis Tournament a Pleasing Success.

America's Champion Holds Her Own With English Yachts—The Seattle Club Banner.

The annual tournament of the Cowichan Lawn Tennis club was held last Saturday at the club grounds, under the most favorable circumstances, the courts, which may be truly described as the most picturesque in the Province, being in very good condition, and the attendance large. In spite of the heat—and, oh, it was hot—those who played exhibited astonishing energy, as a consequence of which there was some very good tennis. Both Miss Barkley, the winner of the ladies' singles, whose final against Mrs. Leather, and Mr. Martineau, of Victoria, who carried off the prize in the open singles, had to work hard for their victories. In the final match between Mr. Barkley and Mr. Martineau, which concluded the day's proceedings, the former played up wonderfully, considering his want of practice, and made the event the closest contest of the meeting. On the conclusion of the day's play the prizes were given by Mrs. Pimbury, wife of the worthy President of the club, and three cheers for those who worked so hard to make it a success—amongst them the ladies who supplied everybody with delicious refreshments—wound up a meeting which was enjoyed by everyone participating. The details of the play are appended:

GENTLEMEN'S SINGLES.

First Round.

L. Martineau (bye).
W. E. Shaw (bye).
L. Crease beat Geo. H. Roe (6-1, 6-1).
E. C. Musgrave v. Wilmot (scratched).
R. Barkley beat J. Musgrave (6-1, 3 6, 6-4).
J. C. Harris beat A. F. Wasey (6-5, 6-5).
R. Musgrave (bye).
W. Gibbs (bye).

Second Round.

L. Martineau beat W. E. Shaw (6-1, 6-1).
L. Crease beat E. C. Musgrave (6-2, 6-1).
R. Barkley beat J. C. Harris (6-0, 6-0).
R. Musgrave beat W. Gibbs (6-1, 5-6, 6-1).

Third Round.

L. Martineau beat L. Crease (6-2, 6-2).
R. Barkley beat R. Musgrave (6-0, 3-6, 6 5).

Final.

L. Martineau beat R. Barkley (4-6, 6-0, 7 5, 2-6, 7-5).

LADIES' SINGLES.

First Round.

Miss Barkley beat Miss Roe (6-1, 6-1).
Mrs. Leather (bye).

Second and Final Round.

Miss Barkley beat Mrs. Leather (5-7, 6-2, 7-5).

The club events will be continued next Saturday.

THE HOME HANDICAP.

The play in the club handicap singles commenced yesterday, Mr. E. A. Jacob meeting Mr. Barnard. Their set is not yet decided.

AMERICA'S CHAMPIONS.

CHICAGO, July 29.—The Eastern champions, Hobart and Hovey, swept everything to-day, defeating Campbell and Huntington for the championship cup of '93. The game was a beautiful one. The matches in the preliminary singles resulted as follows: C. B. Neal defeated George L. Wrenn, S. T. Chase beat P. R. Chapman, P. R. Whitman won from W. A. Havemeyer, and Evert S. Wrenn defeated C. Kendig.

THE ANNUAL BALL.

At a meeting of a special committee of the Victoria Tennis club, held last night, it was unanimously decided that there should be an annual tournament ball, the first to be held in the Assembly rooms, on Tuesday, the 15th instant. The committee are as follows: G. Y. Cuppage, A. G. Smith, O. H. Van Millingen, E. A. Jacob, G. H. Barnard, J. F. Foulkes, with W. Ridgway Wilson, Hon. Sec. Many ladies having kindly volunteered their assistance, success is assured. Tickets may be obtained from any member of the above committee, at $3 for gentlemen, or $1 for ladies.

THE ISLANDS INTERESTED.

PLUMPER PASS, Aug. 1. — (Special) — A tennis match was played here during last week which created a great deal of interest. Tennis playing is fast becoming a popular pastime here on account of the many lady players visiting the island lately, and another match is to take place shortly, the particulars of which will be announced later on.

THE WHEEL.

THE BANNER IS A BEAUTY.

The handsome club bannerette awarded the Seattle Cycle club for the best representation by any visiting club at the Queen's birthday celebration is now finished and on view in the window of the COLONIST. It is a pretty combination of white, crimson, and black satin and gold, and will be quite an ornament to the club's headquarters. Secretary Bradley, of the Wanderers, will visit Seattle and present it during next week.

THE COMPETITION TIME LOWERED.

MILWAUKEE, July 29.—Forty-five hundred people saw Walter C. Sanger break the one-mile record in competition, at the National Park, this afternoon. Sanger was scratch man. Baker, of Pittsburg, finished second, with a handicap of 60 yards, and W. F. Sanger, with a handicap of 115 yards, third. Sanger beat his own record of 2:14 3-5, made at Hartford, Conn., July 4, his new record being 2:09 4-5.

AQUATIC.

THE FLEET AMERICAN.

LONDON, July 31.—The regatta of the Royal London Yacht club took place to-day; the course was from the boat off the club house at West Cowes, Isle of Wight, eastward to and around Warner lightship, then westward to a buoy marking east Leep shoal, passing north of Normafort. The course was sailed over twice, the weather was beautiful, and the Solent was filled with pleasure craft of every description. There was a fair breeze from the northwest and the yachts got away in capital style. The boats that took part in the race were the Royal Philip, Caroll's Navahoe, Lord Dunraven's Valkyrie, J. Jameson's Inverna, the Prince of Wales' Britannia, A. D. Clark's Satanita, and P. Donaldson's Calluna. The starting gun was fired at 10 o'clock, and under full sail the yachts made for the line. The Valkyrie, with Lord Dunraven on board, was first across, the Inverna, the Britannia, with the Prince of Wales on board, Satanita, Navahoe and Calluna following in the order named. Great interest was manifested in the Navahoe, which is the American challenger for the Royal Victoria Yacht club's cup, Brenton Reef cup and Cape May cup. At the beginning of the race the Valkyrie drew sharply away from the other boats and the Navahoe seemed to loose slightly. The wind freshened on a rising tide and the Navahoe, with everything except the spinnaker set, began to haul up on the leaders. At 12:30 the Navahoe was leading, with the Valkyrie two seconds behind. The Navahoe continued to gain slowly, and at 12:50 was leading the Valkyrie by 10 seconds. The Britannia was a close third. The measurement of the Navahoe has not yet been received from the Yacht Racing Association, and she therefore raced to-day without rating. The race for the Queen's cup will take place to-morrow. The Navahoe is disqualified to take part in this race owing to the fact that her owner, Carroll, is not a member of the Royal Yacht squadron. The Navahoe led the yachts home on the first round; when the yachts started on the second round the Navahoe got over the line eight seconds ahead of the Valkyrie. The Britannia was third to cross, a minute later than the Valkyrie, then followed the Satanita, Calluna, and Iverna in the order named. The Iverna got away ten minutes behind the Navahoe. The Britannia finished first, Valkyrie second and Navahoe third. The Britannia was in one minute and three seconds ahead of the Valkyrie, which was second, and one minute and twenty-six seconds ahead of the Navahoe, which finished third place. Satanita fourth and Calluna fifth.

THE RIFLE.

THE MEN FOR OTTAWA.

According to the test at the annual meeting of the B. C. R. A., last week, British Columbia's representatives on the Ottawa team of 1894 will be Lieut. Chamberlain, Gunner Turnbull, Corporal A. R. Langley, A. Martin, R. Wilson, Master Gunner Bridgeford, Gunner Sargison and Gunner Winsby. It is probable that one or two of these favored eight will not be able to take the trip, but who will drop out and who replace has not yet been learned.

THE REASON O'T.

PLUMPER PASS, Aug. 1.—(Special)—It was intended that the Plumper Pass Rifle Association should be represented at Goldstream this year by Mr. C. Groth, one of its best shots, and arrangements were accordingly made, but a severe illness on the delegate's part made the cancelling of this engagement a necessity. He is now better, though recovering slowly. Messrs. Higgs, Drummond and Welstead, of Pender Island, depart next week for a bear hunt around Squamish district.

THE WHEEL.

RACING AT DETROIT.

DETROIT, Aug. 1.—In the bicycle race B. L. Carey, Chelsea, Mass., won the first event this afternoon, the ¼ mile; Tyler, of Springfield, Mass., second; Brown, of Cleveland, third. Zimmerman and Sanger were entered for this event, but Sanger did not start, while Zimmerman broke his wheel at the outset.

MARINE MOVEMENTS.

Schooner Victoria, Capt. Hughes, returned on Sunday from her coast sealing expedition, having been towed in from Race Rocks by the tug Falcon. The Victoria's cruise has not been nearly as profitable as that of many other sealers, her total catch for the season only numbering 410 skins. Her crew state that they have had bad weather, which they claim accounts for their poor catch. Before returning home the schooner called at Sand Point on June 27, where she met six warships and several schooners. Five miles to the south of that port she was warned of the *modus vivendi* by the U. S. steamer Ranger, and upon her arrival there she learned that the Black Diamond had sailed a few days previous for the Copper Island neighborhood. By the arrival of the Victoria one of the hunters of the Mascot, met with at Sand Point, returned to Victoria.

FROM THE JAPAN COAST.

A San Francisco dispatch of yesterday reads: A private letter from Hakodate, Japan, gives the catches of the sealers as follows: Umbrina, 1,700 skins; Carlotta G. Cox, 1,900; Beatrice, 1,300; Mermaid, 1,300; Louisa D., 746; Casco, 1,400; May Belle, 1,500; Libby, 1,500; Annie C. Moore, 1,700; and Arctic, of San Diego, 900. The Anaconda had 1,300 skins; the Sophie Sutherland, of San Francisco, 1,700; and the Mary H. Thomas, also of San Francisco, 800.

LUMBER FOR SOUTH AFRICA.

The bark Big Bonanza, which was formerly in the coal trade, is under charter to load lumber for Algoa Bay, South Africa. The American barkentine Hilo, 642 tons, Capt. Le Ballister, which is now at San Francisco, has been chartered to load lumber at the Brunnette sawmills, New Westminster, for Sydney at 28s. The following vessels are now loading lumber at British Columbia ports: At Burrard Inlet—American bark Seminole, 1,430 tons, for Santa Rosalia; American schooner Puritan, 584 tons, for Teintsen. American bark Sonoma, for Iquiqui; American ship Gunford, 2,108 tons, for Port Pirie; American ship Wm. H. Starbuck, 1,272 tons, for London; Norwegian bark Fortuna, 1332 tons, for Australia. At Cowichan—American schooner Carrier Dove, 672 tons, for Adelaide. The first two vessels have nearly finished loading.

THE BURT WILL CALL.

The COLONIST's Plumper Pass correspondent writes as follows: "It is learned that the Tumbo Island Coal Company has been in communication with the owners of the steamer Burt, and that boat will now call twice a week to take up passengers and freight. Economy was not forgotten in the transaction, as passengers can now make the return trip to Victoria for $3, $1 less than the fare charged by other river steamers."

PASSENGER BUSINESS GROWING.

The steamship Umatilla arrived from San Francisco at 11 o'clock yesterday morning, being several hours overdue. Her detention was partially due to her late departure from San Francisco and the strong northerly winds and fog experienced. She brought seventy cabin and eleven steerage passengers for Victoria, besides 223 1-10 tons of freight.

THE KELP REEF BEACON.

The Government steamer Quadra has left again for Kelp reef to continue the work on the new beacon there. She is in command of Capt. Gaudin, agent of Marine, who is taking Capt. Walbran's place while he is away. Capt. Walbran has gone to the Mainland to meet Mrs. Walbran, who was taken very ill on her way out from England.

SAN FRANCISCO, August 1.—Route Agent Tucker, of Wells, Fargo & Co., left to-day on the steamer Oceanic for Honolulu to search for Paul Hume, messenger of the company, who disappeared early in the month leaving a shortage in his accounts of $3,000. Hume was traced to Honolulu. Tucker will have sufficient time to institute a search for him on the Islands, and if he finds that the fleeing messenger has gone to Australia, he will follow him there on the next steamer.

FROM INDIA'S CORAL STRAND.

DEAR SIRS,—I have much pleasure in certifying that after suffering severely for 15 mo ths from diarrhœa, w ich came on after childbirth, previous to which I had suffered from dysentery for some months, I was cured by Dr. Fowler's Extract of Wild Strawberry.

ANNIE M. GIBSON, Brilipatam, India.

THE CITY COUNCIL.

New Cemetery Caretaker Wanted—Police Court Clerk Appointed—Old Men at Ross Bay.

Lengthy Communications on the Question of Buying Esquimalt Waterworks Co. Stock.

The regular weekly meeting of the City Council was held last evening, with Mayor Beaven in the chair and the following members of the Board present: Ald. McKillican, Styles, Bragg, Henderson, Munn, Miller and Baker. The number of spectators outside the bar was smaller than usual, but a keen interest was nevertheless taken in the proceedings.

After routine business Ald. Miller, chairman of the Cemetery committee, reported on a couple of matters referred to it for investigation. One of these was about hay cutting, for which $40 had been paid by the city, and the committee recommended that this amount should be collected from the man who got the hay. The complaints which had been made about the desecration of the graves were reported to be due as much to rivalry amongst the various gardeners as to anything else, and the committee therefore recommended a "clean sweep," and that Mr. George A. Dow be appointed caretaker, all the gardeners employed by private parties to be under his instructions while working in the cemetery.

ALD. MILLER read Mr. Dow's testimonials, which he regarded as being as good as anyone could desire. He believed this man, if appointed, would be as good a caretaker as anyone that could be had.

ALD. STYLES had no objection to Mr. Dow, but thought every alderman should have a chance to cast a ballot for the man he wanted.

ALD. MILLER, referring to the complaints as to the desecration, told of one instance where salt had been sowed on a grave that had been very nicely decorated with flowers and grass; and, of course, these were all killed out. No positive proof of how the outrage had been committed was obtainable, but still one could judge a good deal by indications.

ALD. BRAGG—If this appointment is made the chairman of the committee must take the full responsibility of it.

ALD. HENDERSON thought the report, if adopted, would put more power in the hands of the caretaker than that official should have.

On motion of Ald. McKillican, seconded by Ald. Styles, the matter was laid over.

The Street committee reported, recommending that a drain be laid under the provisions of the surface drainage by-law along Menzie street to South Turner street.

ALD. BRAGG charged the committee with sectionalism, and with favoring the aristocracy who lived out on Dallas road, and Ald. Styles replied at length, denying the allegation.

The report was adopted, as also was one from the Finance committee, recommending the payment of $735 out of the Surface Drainage by-law funds for this purpose and the payment of several small accounts.

The Home committee reported that the old men were now moved out to the new building at Ross Bay, and they recommended that Mr. H. A. Sutherland be appointed caretaker *vice* Peterson resigned.

ALD STYLES again objected to this way of doing business, as he had an idea that every citizen should have a chance to apply for the position of caretaker if he wanted to.

On a motion of Ald. McKillican that the report be adopted,

ALD MILLER drew attention to the fact that the Council had just laid over a report of his from the Cemetery committee. He had only one thing to say, however:

"'Tis strange what difference should be
Twixt tweedle-dum and tweedle dee."

The motion was adopted amidst much laughter.

On motion of Ald. McKillican, Mr. W. C. Pope was appointed Police court clerk.

ALD. MILLER, who had left the Council chamber for a moment while the resolution above referred to was passed, claimed he was not present and had not been fairly treated. If any alderman had worked to favor the interests of the people to the best of his ability he had done so; but singularly enough every effort he had made had been thwarted in some mysterious manner—and he did not understand why this should be so.

THE MAYOR claimed that the vote had been fairly taken.

ALD. MILLER replied that with respect to this particular motion, he had desired to have the vote taken in a different way, for the reason that several applicants, whom he could name, had told him that five aldermen had promised to vote for them, and he wanted to see how much reliance was to be placed on the word of aldermen who made such promises.

ALD. MUNN introduced a by-law to repeal the by-law granting aid to the Victoria, Saanich & New Westminster railway.

ALD. MCKILLICAN thought if this line could be built, even if it was parallel to the Victoria & Sydney railway, it would still be of great benefit, more particularly if it were to give a connection with the American roads. For his part, he did not want to throw any obstacle in the path of an enterprise of this kind.

ALD. MILLER did not think Victoria's experience with railways had been satisfactory. He foresaw if the by-law remained in force, the city might have to pay two bonuses for one road.

The by-law was put through committee, and passed without amendment.

ALD. MUNN introduced a by-law to amend the Streets by-law, so as to permit wood to be sawed on the streets, and to allow it to remain on the street for twelve hours after delivery, instead of three as at present.

After some discussion the Council went into committee on the by-law, and the committee rising, reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

The Firewardens recommended that Engineer Atcheson be discharged, as asked by Chief Deasy. They further reported that they had made an exhaustive enquiry into the charges made against Chief Deasy by the suspended Engineer, with the result that they were confirmed in the opinion they previously held, that the Fire department is conducted in a satisfactory manner, and considering the cost is maintained in a state of great efficiency.

The report was adopted.

Voluminous communications from the Esquimalt Water Works Co. were read. These set out the proposition of the company that the city should subscribe for one-half the capital stock of the company, $200,000, when the by-laws would be so amended as to have the city represented by three directors on the board, the other three directors being elected by the other stockholders. A list of the present stockholders was also given. They hold $180,000 worth of stock, and the $20,000 remaining of the $400,000, after the city shall have subscribed for $200,000, is to be allotted to the present stockholders. The city is to buy the water of the company at six cents per 1000 gallons, and will, of course, participate in the dividends to the extent of one-half, so that the water will virtually cost three cents per thousand gallons, plus the city's share of the running expenses, which will be very small. The city is to collect and receive all its revenue from water rates within the city as at present, with the addition of those from Victoria West, and after paying out from moneys so received the six cents per 1,000 gallons, would have with the dividends of the company a handsome balance each year—so Mr. Lubbe figures it. He also forwarded lengthy accounts, showing the assets and liabilities of the company, with statements of receipts and expenditures for the past year.

ALD. MUNN favored the calling of a public meeting, at which the proposition should be laid before the citizens. He moved that the Mayor call a public meeting at some future day to consider the question.

ALD. MILDER thought the details of the proposition should be printed so that the public should know what to think of it.

ALD. BRAGG thought the Water Commissioner should attend the meeting fully prepared to discuss the question.

ALD. BAKER said he would never cast his vote in favor of a proposition of this kind. If the city bought half the stock now, in five years they would be compelled to buy the company out.

The motion to call a public meeting was seconded by Ald. McKillican and carried, and the Council adjourned at 10.30 p.m.

HIS HEAD WAS CLEAR.

Charles Hannigar's Strange Story of How He Was Drugged and Robbed.

An Early Morning Hack Ride Punctuated With Stops by the Way For Refreshments.

A strange case, in very many particulars, is that in which Edward Much is the defendant, and which was opened in the Police court yesterday with the prosecutor, Charles Hannigar, in the witness box for upwards of an hour and a half. Hannigar says that he was drugged and robbed of nine ten dollar bills by the man Much, and that O. M. Crozier, who owns and drives a hack licensed by the city of Victoria, was cognizant of and a partner in the robbery. Both Much and Crozier are under arrest, the former charged with robbery and the latter with being an accessory before the fact.

At yesterday's hearing the evidence of Hannigar was taken, besides the testimony of Jailer Mitten and of the bar-tenders at the Occidental and at Henley's hotel. The story as told by the prosecution is, in brief, given below: Charles Hannigar, who is not "a drinking man," as the term is generally used, was, on Saturday, paid $100 by a friend who had been in his debt for about six years. The money was in ten dollar bills, and it is nine of these bills that it is alleged were stolen. The prosecutor and the defendant met during Saturday evening at the Occidental hotel, where they had a "couple of drinks" together, Hannigar taking beer. From there they went to the Colonial, next to the Tentonia and finally to the Pritchard, having one drink at each of the three houses, Hannigar each time drinking beer.

Coming out of the Pritchard house Hannigar announced his intention of going home, and called out "Good-night" to the bartender. Much asked him where he lived, and on being told "James Bay" exclaimed, "That's in my direction; let's take a hack and go home together." Crozier was conveniently near and the two got into the carriage and drove across the bridge. Reaching Hannigar's street the hackman pulled up and Hannigar got out. Crozier asked him to pay for the rig and he objected, saying that Much ordered the rig and should stand the damages for himself; he didn't mind paying his share, he said, and tendered two quarters, which were not, however, accepted. Crozier could not change the ten dollar bill presented, Hannigar changing his mind and deciding to pay the bill, and so finally he was bundled back into the hack. He made no protest being under the impression that they were going to drive him to where he could break the bill, and not objecting to that arrangement. Soon after the carriage started, according to Hannigar's story, a queer feeling came over him; he could not move hand or foot, neither could he speak, although his mental faculties were undimmed. It was while in this condition that he alleges that Much went through his pockets, appropriating the roll of bills.

The carriage stopped at Henly's hotel, Clover Point, where the bartender was roused from sleep and Much and Crozier went in for a "liquor up." Hannigar remained in the hack and Much brought him out a "Collins" which he drank, thinking it might make him better. It caused him to vomit and Much then ordered a second and stronger drink; this he refused to swallow. Much mounted the box with Crozier and the horses were turned toward town. The hack stopped in the side drive near the park bear pit and Crozier got down and told him that he was at home, offering to lift him out. He by this time had recovered his voice though not the use of his limbs and protested that he did'nt live in the park.

Crozier again took the lines and drove on as far as the Caledonia grounds, where the same scene was reenacted, and then another stop was made at the Bay View saloon, where Much and Crozier again drank, Hannigar remaining in the carriage. When the driver came out of the saloon, he put his head in the door of the carriage, and told Hannigar that if he didn't get out he would drive him to the police station. He replied that that would suit him, and Crozier did drive to police headquarters, where he gave his passenger in charge for refusing to pay his fare for "riding about the city all night." The man was ill at the time, so the jailer took him in.

When he recovered sufficiently, he told his story in detail to Chief Sheppard, and the arrests followed. Several corroborative scraps of evidence have, it is said, since been secured. Hannigar believes that Much drugged his beer at two of the saloons visited.

SEAFORTH, July 31.—Dr. T. T. Coleman is dead, aged 68. He had been for years engaged in the salt industry and was lieut.-colonel of the Thirty-third battalion. He was the first reeve of Seaforth and had been mayor several times.

MOTHERS AND NURSES.

All who have the care of children should know that Dr. Fowler's Extract of Wild Strawberry may be confidently depended on to cure all summer complaints diarrhœa, dysentery, cramps, colic, cholera infantum, cholera morbus, canker, etc., in children or adults.

IN THE LAW COURTS.

A Big Day's Business Just Before the Opening of the Long Vacation.

Four Supreme Court Cases Called—Two Trials in Progress—Suit For Slander.

Around the Law courts, yesterday, there was much more life than usual, all the lawyers being anxious to close up as much business as possible before the long vacation, which begins to-day and will extend until the end of September. Four Supreme court cases were called, and two disposed of; one will be continued some time during the week, and in another the trial goes on again to-day.

BISHOP V. IRVING.

This was an action for slander brought by Frank James Bishop against Robert Irving. The plaintiff is a coachman, who was for over six years in the employ of Sir Joseph Trutch, and was subsequently engaged by the defendant, for whom he had worked five or six months when he was discharged. About four months after being discharged the defendant came to him, at Mr. Joseph Sayward's, and accused him of stealing a suit of clothes. The plaintiff and Captain Sayward testified that Mr. Irving had used the expression to Bishop: "You are a thief, and I am a gentleman," and had declared he would have him (Bishop) arrested for stealing the clothes. The damages claimed were $5,000. The defence was that the language was never used, and that, if used, it did not impute a felony. The case was tried before the Chief Justice and a special jury, with Mr. R. Seabrook as foreman, Mr. A. E. McPhillips appearing for the plaintiff, and Hon. C. E. Pooley, Q.C., for the defendant. The jury, after being out for over an hour, brought in a verdict giving the plaintiff $175, and judgment was accordingly entered, with costs, for that amount.

COMMERCIAL BANK OF MANITOBA V. KOOTENAY SMELTING & TRADING SYNDICATE.

An action to recover two thousand odd dollars on a promissory note. The case was called before the Chief Justice, and judgment was entered for the amount claimed, by consent. The question of interest was left over to be settled upon by counsel or, in case of failure, to agree to be brought before the Chief Justice again to decide. Mr. A. E. McPhillips for plaintiffs; Hon. C. E. Pooley, Q.C., for defendants.

DE COSMOS V. VICTORIA & ESQUIMALT TELEPHONE COMPANY.

To make permanent an injunction to restrain the Victoria & Esquimalt Telephone Company from erecting poles in front of the property of Amor De Cosmos on Government street, and for damages. Mr. H. D. Helmcken appeared for the plaintiff; Hon. C. E. Pooley, Q.C., for the defendants. by consent the case was adjourned until a subsequent day, to be fixed this week.

VARRELMAN V PHŒNIX BREWERY CO.

This action is to recover salary due to plaintiff, who was brewmaster and general manager for the Phœnix Brewery Co., and for damages. When the Phœnix Brewery Company amalgamated with the Victoria Brewery Company, the Phœnix brewery was stopped and Mr. Varrelman was asked to hand over the keys, which he did; another brewmaster and manager was appointed in plaintiff's stead. He now sues to recover for wrongful dismissal, having had a three years' contract under seal. The case was called before Mr. Justice Walkem yesterday in the Divisional court room, Hon. Theodore Davie, Q.C., appearing, with Mr. Cassidy, for the plaintiff, Mr. E. V. Bodwell for the defendant. After the examination of the plaintiff and of Mr. W. P. Sayward, of the Phœnix Co., Mr. Bodwell moved for a non-suit on the ground that there was no evidence that the plaintiff had been discharged. After hearing the Attorney-General in reply the court decided that the discharge would have to be shown to have been effected or authorized by former resolution of the company or its directors, and that what was intimated to to the plaintiff by the president and secretary, the demanding of the keys, and the abandonment of brewing operations at the Phœnix brewery, and the fact that plaintiff was offered $1,000 compensation by the secretary as on behalf of the company, was not evidence to go to the jury that plaintiff had been discharged, or that what had taken place was done with the authority of the company. That the plaintiff was still in the employ of the Phœnix company, which was not compelled to run a brewery in order to give him employment, although they still retained his services, and his salary would go on until the end of his contract. The non-suit was therefore granted.

JACKSON V. JACKSON & MYLIUS.

This case was set for trial to-day, but will not come on until Friday, an adjournment having been granted by consent. Mr. H. D. Helmcken for plaintiff; Mr. F. B. Gregory for the defendant, Celia Mylius.

LAW SOCIETY EXAMINATIONS.

Final examinations for admission to the bar of British Columbia were held yesterday afternoon in the Solicitors' room at the Law Courts, two of the Benchers of the Law Society, Hon. A. N. Richards, Q.C., and Mr. D. M. Eberts, Q.C., acting as examiners. Three candidates presented themselves, Messrs. W. H. Edmonds, New Westminster; J. Pelly, New Westminster and J. A. Aikman, Victoria. L. H. Fullager and A. F. Morley are also writing on the intermediate examination.

HON. MR. POOLEY CONGRATULATED.

When Hon. C. E. Pooley, Q.C., appeared before the Supreme court yesterday, for the first time since his recent severe illness, the Chief Justice, Sir Matthew Baillie Begbie, took occasion to compliment him on his recovery, a congratulation which was joined in by members of the bar, who were pleased to see this popular bencher and able counsel once more in a position to continue his work. Mr. Pooley gracefully acknowledged the compliment.

TEACHERS ON A TOUR.

Mr. W. F. Carson, travelling passenger agent of the C. P. R. in California, and a "family" of thirty or more spent yesterday in Victoria, seeing the sights in the most approved manner, and not forgetting of course the flagship or the museum. The party over which Mr. Carson exercises paternal control is made up of the school teachers of Sacramento, who are employing their holidays in studying geography under the direction of the Canadian Pacific authorities. They left California by the Umatilla on Saturday last, and, having visited Victoria, will now proceed to New York by easy stages, visiting Chicago on the homeward journey.

The Canadian Pacific people in California undertook this season to give all the school teachers of the Golden State a trip to the East, carrying them over the most picturesque transcontinental line in the world—the C. P. R. and the Great Lakes—and returning them to their homes filled with pleasantly acquired information of their own land and its northern neighbor, in two months' time. The San Francisco instructors quickly recognized the advantage of the proposed excursion; then Oakland, Alameda, the Mill's seminary, the Chase seminary of Santa Rosa, and Leland Stanford university students and professors fell into line, so that the organizers of the tours were, in order to meet the popular demand, obliged to go as far south as San Diego, taking the holiday-makers from the extreme southwest corner of the United States and showing them their native land to its northeastern extremity.

Oh the average the parties have each numbered fifty ladies and gentlemen, and the total number taking the trips will reach 600; the Sacramento contingent is the last, but they will miss nothing that can be seen and enjoyed. Their universal verdict, while in Victoria, was that it surpassed all expectations; they were not prepared to see so modern a city as British Columbia's capital. It was, as they expressed it, just English enough to make the contrast charming.

CABLE NEWS.

LONDON, July 31.—Mr. Gardner stated in the House of Commons to-day that the Canadian Government had not yet formally invited the Board of Agriculture to send experts to Canada at the expense of the Dominion to report upon the alleged existence of pleuro pneumonia. Mr. Gardner suggested that the Canadian authorities themselves could obtain this information, which, he added, would bear materially on the question of the maintenance of the restrictions. Later in the debate on agricultural distress Mr. Gardner replied to Tory criticism of the Ministry for not closing British ports against all foreign cattle, and argued that no need existed for such action, as the foot and mouth disease was entirely extinct, and there were only seventeen cases of pleuro-pneumonia so far this year. Taken altogether these statements show Mr. Gardner's desire to impress the House that the Ministry will not be a party to a permanent exclusion of foreign cattle, when the Board's advisers consider there is not a risk of importing disease.

LONDON, July 31.—Despite the denial made as to the presence of cholera in Naples, and information that appeared to sustain the denial, the Central News publishes the following figures as to the number of cases of the disease and deaths in that city: From July 20 to July 28 there were 292 cholera cases registered in the city, and 157 deaths. The daily average was 37 cases and 17 deaths. On July 22, 45 fresh cases and 24 deaths were reported. The number of cases has declined since then.

IMPERIAL PARLIAMENT.

LONDON, Aug. 1.—In the House of Commons Mr. Howard Vincent Conservative member for the Central division of Sheffield asked if the Commissioner of Works and Public Buildings had considered the bearing of the recent scenes in the House of Commons on the overcrowded benches. It was impossible, Mr. Vincent said, for members to find accommodations among their own party and he desired to be informed as to whether plans were being prepared to remedy the evil.

Right Hon. G. Shaw Lefevre, first commissioner of H.M. works and public buildings, said in reply that he refused to associate the disorders with the accommodations. The House usually was not crowded. At the same time, if the members so desired, the Government would appoint a committee for enlarging the area of the House.

Fatal Explosion of Benzine.

ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 1.—A dispatch from Kiev, capital of the Government of the name, says that an explosion of benzine occurred to-day in the magazine in the Dumike Plartz. The force of the explosion was terrific. Fourteen persons employed in the magazine were killed and a number injured.

Duel With Swords.

CITY OF MEXICO, Aug. 1.—In the city of Victoria, state of Tamaulipas, a law student named Francesco Villareau Baorran, and a young man named Juan Ranjel, had a fight with swords over some private matter not divulged. Both were wounded.

Drowned in the Assiniboine.

WINNIPEG, July 29.—Thomas Pittkin was drowned at Brandon in the Assiniboine river last night.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 31. — The entire fire department responded to a general alarm for a fire which originated on the fourth floor of Buyer & Reiche, importers of fancy goods and notions, at 221 and 223 Bush street, at 5:30 this evening. Up to 7:30 the fire was not under control. H. S. Crocker & Co., printers and stationers, on one side, and Buckingham & Heicht, boots and shoes, on the other, are at present threatened.

MONCLOVA, Mex., July 31.—A wreck occurred on Saturday night on the Mexican International railway, near the Ravine station. A waterspout had washed away several rods of track, and the east bound passenger train dashed into the gap. Express Messenger Furnival and Engineer James McLaughlin were fatally and Fireman Martin seriously injured. A tramp who was stealing a ride was killed. None of the passengers were injured.

COPENHAGEN, July 31.—It was officially announced to-day that Count de Sponneck, Danish minister to the United States, had been appointed in a similar capacity to Austra-Hungary. Count Revanlow, first secretary of the Danish Legation at St. Petersburg, has been appointed to succeed Count de Sponneck in Washington.

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