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THE WEEKLY COLONIST.

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THE WEEKLY COLONIST.

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Local and Provincial News.

From the Daily Colonist, September 12.

Personal.

Mr. H. E. Wheeler, representative of the "Only a Farmer's Daughter" company, is at the Driard.

Dr. Geo. Chismore, S. J. Murphy and W. H. Brencheid, of San Francisco, are at the Driard.

T. Windson, West Virginia, Jas. F. Fuller, wife, two children and nurse, of Portland, are at the Driard.

Mr. J. S. Yates returned from Nanaimo yesterday by the Amelia.

Mr. W. Nicholls and wife, of Dutch Flat, Cal., R. Morton, wife and child, and H. E. Wheeler, New York, are registered at the Oriental.

Mr. Wm. McKay, known among his co-laborers in the Methodist cause as "Father McKay," leaves for his old home in Prince Edward Island to-morrow. Mr. McKay has been a resident of the province for over twenty-five years, having made the trip from New York by the Isthmus. He was at first located at Nanaimo, but removed in a short time to Victoria. Mr. McKay has always been a respected and valued citizen, liberal in his contributions to the cause of religion and temperance, and for many years has conducted the service in the Indian mission church of this city. This will be his first visit to his native place since his arrival in Victoria, which he has seen advance from a wilderness to the present substantial and handsome city. His many friends in Victoria wish him *bon voyage* and a safe return.

Rev. A. E. Green and family leave to-morrow for the east and England. Mr. Green has been one of the most successful and earnest Indian missionaries on the northern coast of the province for several years past, and will be absent for about a year, visiting the east and his old home in England.

Mr. Uriah Nelson arrived down yesterday from the interior.

Mr. W. Gordon, of the Hamilton Powder Co., arrived from Chemainus by the Amelia yesterday.

Mr. Thos. E. Ladner arrived yesterday and is at the Occidental.

Blue Ribbon Club.

Inclemency of weather prevented the usual full house at Temperance hall Saturday night, and a good programme was carried out. The choir sung during the evening with good effect, Miss Andrews presiding at the piano. President S. Gray opened with a stirring appeal, effectual in its scope, dealing with the ensnaring glass. The secretary read the report for the quarter past, forty-seven names being added to the pledgebook. Mr. Sutton addressed the meeting in earnest talk. Rev. Mr. Green, of Nass river, was the next speaker. His remarks were listened to with deep attention. Mr. P. Figgins, of Ontario, was the next speaker on the side of temperance. President Gray announced a joint picnic from Saanich, Esquimalt and Victoria clubs; also, a lecture for Friday night by a clergyman of the Church of Friends; Mr. Jas. O'Neill read an original poem; Mr. Hunt, of H. M. S. Constance, a humorous reading; Mr. Hunks played a solo on the harmonica, which was encored. A vote of thanks was tendered the men of the Constance, who contributed their service to the temperance cause. The meeting closed with "God Save the Queen."

Marine.

After putting out her ballast at Milton, the ship Memnon was towed over to Seattle to load coal. She was anchored at the buoy, preparatory to going under the shutes, and was so light and top-heavy that she danced around like a cork. Finally, a little gust of wind struck her, and over she went on her beam ends. An effort was made to right her, but without success. She was towed over to Stetson & Post's wharf, where it is thought a purchase can be easily rigged to put her on her keel again.

London, Sept. 10.—A despatch from Copenhagen states that the German gunboat Blitz collided with and sunk the British steamer Auckland. Nothing is known as to the fate of the Auckland's crew.

Robert Ward & Co. have chartered the H. B. Co.'s bark Prince Rupert to load salmon for London.

Steamship Empire has arrived at Nanaimo from San Francisco direct, and will take down a cargo of East Wellington coal.

Bark Majestic is on the way to load V. C. Co.'s coal.

Ship Kennebec is loading Wellington coal and bark Forest Queen is on the way from San Francisco to load at the same colliery.

ALBERNI.—D. W. Gordon, M. P., and J. Pawson, J. P., returned yesterday from their trip to Alberni. They bring with them the carcasses of two black bears and numerous grouse, trout, etc. The gentlemen are enthusiastic in reference to the right royal reception they received at the hands of the Alberni settlers, who were hospitable in the extreme. On the trip they could see that immense fires had devastated the country and that trees had fallen in every direction.—*Free Press.*

GOVERNMENT INSPECTION.—Mr. Brophy, C. E., has commenced the inspection of the work done on the Island railway. It is his duty to inspect and see that the work is in accordance with the plans and profiles accepted by the Dominion government. He was accompanied by Mr. Jos. Hunter, the chief engineer of the line, and the resident engineers, Messrs. Gray and Perry.

A GROWING INDUSTRY.

Progress of the Victoria Boot and Shoe Factory.

The extensive manufacturing industry known as the Victoria Boot and Shoe Factory, situated next the postoffice building on Government street, was commenced by Mr. Wm. Heathorn, its present proprietor, in 1872. The goods at first turned out were of the medium and coarser grades, principally brass nail work. From its inception business prospered under the practical and energetic management, and had increased to such an extent that the flourishing branch known as the

ROCK BAY TANNERY,

situated on John and Bridge streets, was added in 1875 for the purpose of furnishing the leather required for the factory, which has been done up to the present date, only the finer kinds of kid, buff and French calf being imported.

Last year the manufacturing business had grown to such an extent, and trade demanded it, that preparations were made for the addition of the manufacture of the finer makes of gent's and ladies' boots and shoes. Steam was introduced, the most modern improved machinery bought, while skilled American workmen were imported, and every requisite for the manufacture of a first-class article secured and the work of

TURNING OUT THE NEW LINES

commenced. This has enabled the introduction of a larger amount of white labor into the business, and the shoes manufactured have proven of such a high order of excellence that a ready sale was secured to the retailing trade, and are now largely superseding the goods imported from the eastern states and Canada. Up to a few months ago Mr. Heathorn carried on an extensive retail business, but this was abandoned and the energies devoted altogether to the manufacturing and wholesale departments. These are carried on in the two upper flats of the building, which are 60x60 feet. A large and choice stock is carried, the warerooms being on the first floor. Here are shown boots and shoes that will compare in neatness of make and elegance of finish with any imported article, the medium grades of

LADIES' AND GENT'S SHOES

being of superior manufacture. Those who have worn Heathorn's shoes always give them this high recommendation. During the past year the business of the factory has been largely increased in spite of the large competition from the east, and Mr. Heathorn looks forward to a much greater advance in his manufacturing during the coming season.

For all the medium and coarser grades of goods and sole leather of all grades, the tannery at Rock Bay supplies the material, and it only needs an inspection to convince that the leather cannot be surpassed for

DURABILITY AND FINISH.

Besides furnishing the factory, the best makes of harness and bridle leathers, skirting and apparajo, are manufactured for the trade of the province, the firm supplying the greater amount of leather consumed in the saddlery business. The shoe factory and tannery employ between 60 and 70 hands, and it is expected that the latter will be increased in number, as the outlook for a greatly increased sale of the fine goods is very encouraging.

An extensive and varied stock of all makes in rubber goods is constantly on hand of the best American manufactures, which are supplied to the general trade of the provinces.

THE SEVERAL BRANCHES

of the business are under the direct supervision of Mr. Heathorn, aided by intelligent and practical foremen, and it is due to the proprietor's practical, energetic and economical management that the business has risen from a somewhat small beginning to its present extended and advancing proportions.

Suicide at Comox.

By the arrival of the steamer Dunsmuir yesterday, we learn the following particulars of the suicide of Charles Brown, which took place at Comox on Wednesday afternoon. Brown had been drinking freely for several days, and first shot himself in the face with a gun, which wound not proving immediately fatal, the determined man commenced cutting his throat with a pocket knife. In a few minutes his life had ebbed away. The deceased was about 44 years of age, a native of the north of England, a carpenter by trade and single. The deceased has been employed in the logging camps as sawyer, and at the time of his death was in the employ of Messrs. King and Cassey. The deceased lived in this city about ten years ago, and has a brother resident in New York city.—*Free Press.*

THE VICTORIA-CARIBOO PRESS.—In 1858 Bishop Demers, who had visited France, brought back with him on his return to Victoria a neat and substantial printing press, weighing over 600 lbs., and a quantity of type. For a time missionary reports were printed, and afterwards the press was used in publishing *The Colonist*. After a time the press was taken to Cariboo and there used for some time in printing the paper known as the Cariboo Sentinel. When the paper was discontinued the press lay idle for half a dozen years; the Cariboo office was bought over two years ago by Mr. Hagan of the Inland Sentinel and brought to Yale, where it has remained up to the 26th ultimo. The press and type, etc., were freighted to Savona last week by Mr. Uriah Nelson's team, and landed here by the steamer Peerless. It is the intention to ship the press, together with the needed quantity of type, to Farwell, where a newspaper will be issued at no distant day. The opening up of the Kootenay country and mining interests inland argue the necessity of a paper in the locality stated.—*Inland Sentinel.*

ONLY A FARMER'S DAUGHTER CO. open a five-nights' engagement at the Theatre Comique. Barnes' great play, "Only a Farmer's daughter," will be produced Saturday, Sept. 26th, and Monday, Sept. 28th. On Tuesday and Wednesday, 29th and 30th, a new success, "Marguerite; or, Was She Right," will be the attraction; and for Thursday evening (last appearance), "A Wife's Stratagem"—all good, clean and popular successes. Miss Blanche Curtisse, said to be the handsomest of all famous stage beauties, is the "star," and she will be supported by a competent company.

CHARLES STEWART, the young farmer who fell overboard from the Amelia after leaving Salt Spring island on Friday, was last seen by the pantry boy at the side of the steamer, off the wheel-house, just as he fell. The signal, "Man overboard!" was given, the engines reversed, and Capt. McCulloch ran aft to lower the boat; but the unfortunate young man was not seen after his fall. The paddle wheel must have struck him as he passed and knocked him insensible.

COAL.—Prospectors are overhauling P. Brennan's farm, near Wellington, for coal. The land has been lately sold to San Franciscans.

ANOTHER ROBBERY.—The house of Mr. J. K. Worsfold, James bay, was entered by thieves on Friday afternoon and robbed of a watch and other articles, valued in all at $60. Entrance was obtained through a kitchen window.

RETURNED.—Officer McNeil returned from Kamloops yesterday, to which point he had accompanied the prisoner Everson accused of the murder of Wallshed, near Eagle Pass.

CHANGE OF CATTLE.—Mr. Harper sold 1,000 head of cattle to Americans, who the other day, above Kamloops, had them swim the river and started for the boundary line.

MEDICAL.—Dr. Chipp has rented the residence of Mrs. Harris on Broad street.

What Some People Say.

That what the inebriate sees may very often be described as circular saw.

That it is natural for a young man to try and make a figure in the world, but he should see to it that he does not make a cipher of himself.

That several of the most prominent Seattle lawyers refused retainers to defend the Squak murderers.

That a mob in Arkansas the other day set fire to a gaol and roasted two brothers who were confined therein for murder.

That the Paintin' er Red Co. were soundly hissed by the Seattleites. They should have been prevented from playing a second time by the police authorities.

That Consul Cæser, the first German consul for Oregon, has been banqueted at Portland.

That yellow fever is again ravaging the filthy Mexican city of Guaymas. The city is being depopulated.

That Big Bear has been sentenced to three years' imprisonment for treason-felony.

That the 4-mile foot race at Edinburgh on Saturday was won by Cummings, who distanced George.

That the yachts Genesta and Puritan did not sail Saturday; but will get off to-day (Tuesday).

That Henry Ward Beecher says prohibition will fail, but a high license system is feasible and equitable.

That Mr. Stead, editor of the Pall Mall Gazette, Mrs. Jarrett, Mr. Bromwell, Gen. Booth, Mrs. Coombs, Mr. Jaques and Mrs. Maury, defendants in the Eliza Armstrong abduction case, were before the Bow street police court on Saturday and further remanded.

That the strike of 5,600 workmen employed at the Elswick gun and machine works of Sir William Armstrong, has been settled in favor of the strikers. The two foremen objected to by the workmen were discharged.

That many German spies have recently invaded various fortified places in the eastern part of France. It is stated that a German general and two other officers were arrested at Belfort, the capital of the frontier department of Haut Rhine, while in the act of taking plans of the various fortified positions.

That Paddy Ryan calls John Sullivan a coward.

That Sacramento river, Cal., is shoaling so rapidly that steamers drawing three feet of water cannot navigate it.

That T. M. Frazer, for 12 years auditor of Shoshone county, Idado, was cut to pieces by Chinese robbers while asleep in his cabin. The murderers escaped.

That a tree fell across a tent occupied by white laborers at tunnel No. 2, Cascade division Northern Pacific railroad, killing one man and injuring eight others.

That Lady Coleridge's family have authorized a denial of the report that Lord Coleridge had been threatened with an action for breach of promise of marriage by the present Lady Coleridge or her relations.

That the gamblers of Omaha have made a proposition to the city that if they are not interfered with for one year they will pay for all street improvements and keep up the waterworks.

That a curious accident occurred at the Islington workhouse recently. A man took a fit and in falling grasped at a window sill on which was a pot of white paint. The pot fell over on him, and a part of the contents entered his lungs through his mouth, and caused his death.

That few people have had an ancestor with so odd a name as Ono Tichener. "Ono" is said to have been the inspiration of a clergyman puzzled at the child's christening by quarrelsome relatives, who each cried "Oh, no!" to any name proposed by another for the child.

That the Chicago Tribune says of the butter swindle in the city: "Out of 30 samples purchased at various markets in that city on a recent occasion, only three, on investigation, proved to be butter, although all were represented to be butter fresh from the country."

That the Chinese legation at Washington have leased for a term of three years the fine residence of ex-Senator Stewart, known as "Stewart Castle," and situated upon Dupont circle.

From Alberni.

Mr. W. Halpenny, the energetic government land guide, returned from Alberni yesterday, and furnished *The Colonist* with the following notes of his trip:

I left on the 4th inst. by the steamer Hope, which went by the west coast. We had quite a nice passage, and reached Alberni in about twenty-two hours or so. The Hope was heavy laden with freight, chiefly for the settlers, except a portion of it to replenish the store's supply. I am pleased to say that Mr. W. P. Sayward's store is now well supplied with all the settlers require, and Mr. Sayward says he will try and send the Hope round to Alberni about every month for some time to come.

Mr. Geo. Huff, wife and family were passengers down in the Hope. Mr. Huff had four or five tons of freight on board, while Messrs. R. Russell and W. Swanson had three or four tons.

It is also encouraging to be able to state that the number of settlers in Alberni is getting close on one hundred strong. This time last year there were only about twenty-two all told. When we arrived at Alberni the smoke was just as dense as when I left, on the 20th of last month; but rain came at last and drove the smoke away, to the great pleasure of all the settlement.

In our traveling through the woods looking for land on Tuesday last we saw eight large wolves. They followed us for about two miles and a half. I think by their actions they wanted a lunch out of us, but the wolf being a cowardly animal they did not come too close. The fires had driven them down from the mountains.

I might mention that the trail from Alberni to Qualicum is once more cleared out and ready for travel.

WM. HALPENNY.

PORT TOWNSEND CUSTOMS.—The site for the new Port Townsend custom house still remains unsettled. The commission of five appointed to select the site placed it on a commanding eminence, and the figure charged is somewhat of the same high character as the site. The inspector sent out by the government did not look at the matter in the same light as the commission, and hence the delay in expending the large appropriation made for the Port Townsend custom house.

NEW WESTMINSTER DISTRICT. — Mr. Cambie, C. E., is preparing to commence a survey of the railway line to Coal Harbor.... The Mechanics' Institute has been closed for want of support and the magazines and papers will be sold.... Capt. Thompson, late of the 11th Hussars, has purchased 1500 acres near St. Mary's mission, and intends to breed a choice lot of cattle.

ROAD CONTRACTS.—Tenders were received and contracts awarded by the honorable chief commissioner of lands and works yesterday as follows: Extension of Quadra street, to Wm. Tierney; Gordon Head road, grading, etc., W. H. Snyder; Richmond cross-road, grading, etc., D. McNaughton.

MOSS' NURSERY.—Mr. J. Moss has leased the lots running through from Fort to View streets, for the purposes of a nursery, and is about to set out choice trees of all kinds, shrubbery and flowers. The grounds are extensive and very fertile and the lessee intends to embark largely in the business.

STEAMBOAT INSPECTION. — Mr. E. S. Vigor, Dominion steamboat inspector, examined Mr. Spratt's new twin-screw steamer, the Cariboo-Fly, which passed inspection very creditably. Mr. Vigor leaves on Monday morning on the Amelia for his annual inspection on the east coast.

COLUMBIA RIVER.

Serious Accident to the Steamer Kootenay.

The Vessel Incapacitated for the Season.

Messrs. H. M. McCartney & Co.'s steamer Kootenay, Captain A. T. Pingstone, plying between American waters and the second crossing of the Columbia in connection with the C. P. R. contract, met with a serious accident on Friday, September 4th, which it is feared will incapacitate her for further service during the present season. The boat started up the river with about 48 tons of freight for the C. P. R. on Friday morning. Just above Sheep creek, in American waters, the boat ran on a spit of rocks which lie submerged right across the main channel of the river. The bow of the boat seems to have passed over safely; but the stern, just about the after gangways,

RASPED THE ROCKS AND STUCK THERE.

Every effort was at once made to get her off. The freight was removed to the bank, ropes were laid, and the captain set to work in the hope of drawing the boat over the rock. But all to no purpose. The boat refused to move. Each hour's delay brought on a subsidence of the waters of the river, which is rapidly falling at this time of the year. After six days' incessant labor it was determined to give the work up. Steps were at once taken to shove the boat up, so that when the river falls she will stand high and dry on the rocks. It is difficult to fix the cause of the accident. The boat draws more water than is necessary for its safety on this treacherous river, and this in a measure accounts for her running foul of a reef, that competent authorities always supposed was beneath the draught of a steamer. The accident

WILL BE A SERIOUS LOSS

to Messrs. H. M. McCartney & Co., for, although the boat can be made easily fit for service next year she is for the present season at any rate placed *hors de combat*. It will also be a serious injury to the C. P. R., for the works of the company have for a week or so past been almost at a standstill, waiting for the freight which the Kootenay was carrying when she met with her unlucky accident.

W. S. NORMAN.

Salt Spring Island.

(Special Correspondence of The Colonist.)

September 10, 1885.

Having looked in vain for some items respecting this locality, I at last resolved to try and send you a few notes which I thought perhaps would be of some interest to your readers, and might suggest to some of your numerous correspondents the idea of turning their attention a little more to this important factor of the western archipelago. Although having remained in the past comparatively obscure and unknown to the general public, yet perhaps there is no district in the province that possesses more special attraction and is more favorably situated than Salt Spring, or which, perhaps, is better known as Admiralty Island. The

FAMOUS STONE QUARRIES

and celebrated salt springs of Vesuvius bay, the abandoned copper mines and romantic scenery of Beaver point, the extensive farming lands and blooming orchards of plums, cherries, peaches, pears, apples, etc., of Burgoyne bay, the numerous miniature lakes in the interior, and the abundance of deer, grouse and game of various kinds with which the forest abounds, cannot fail to be of special interest to the tourist and of much commercial importance at no very distant date. It is becoming quite a pleasure resort for those knights of the rod and the rifle who delight to spend a few days with their families amidst the

VARIED AND ATTRACTIVE SCENES

of the sport in preference to the ceaseless tumult and monotonous routine of city life. This island has an average length of 27 miles, an average width of 9 miles, and contains, according to government survey 37,000 acres. The steamboat calls at Vesuvius and Burgoyne Bay four times a week on its way to and from Nanaimo to Victoria. Situated as it is, nearly midway between the four commercial centres of Victoria, New Westminster, Nanaimo and Coal Harbor, it enjoys a commercial advantage which no other locality on this coast possesses, and of which any people might well be proud.

Mr. and Mrs. Jameson and family, of Victoria, have been spending a few days rusticating at Burgoyne Bay. During their stay they were the guests of the Akerman house, and Mr. J became quite an expert with the rod and rifle. They returned to the city on Saturday, amidst the rejoicings of the deer, the grouse and the several members of the finny tribe.

Mr. Warner, the indefatigable and irresistible sewing machine agent for the Singer company, spent several days on the island, and it was with great reluctance "he tore himself away" from such pleasant associations and holiday recreations.

The weather has been very dry, and the roads are heavy with dust. The brush fires are raging, and the atmosphere is so thick with smoke that at times objects are discernible only a few rods distant.

SANDY.

Another Robbery.

Joseph Rosengreen, a Finn, was in the police court yesterday to answer the charge of robbery from the person of J. Jahnsan, a fellow Finn. It appears that the latter had recently arrived from the railway works, and meeting Rosengreen, a countryman, he made him a companion in spending his money in a spree. On Thursday night Jahnsan got very tipsy, and Rosengreen took him up in a cabin on Yates street, after which Jahnsan remembers nothing until morning, when he awoke in a vacant lot minus the sum of $90 and his watch and chain. He did not meet Rosengreen until yesterday morning, when he ran across him on the street and asked him for his money, telling him he was glad to have him take care of it. Rosengreen said he lost his own money that night. He then ran up street, and Jahnsan securing Sergt. Shephard, hunted Rosengreen up, and the latter was arrested. When searched he said he had only $4, but after going through all his clothes, the officer found a $20 Bank of B. C. bill hid in the lining of his hat. The prisoner told several contradictory stories, and it looks very much as if he was the man who robbed Jahnsan. The police magistrate remanded him until Tuesday.

CHEMAINUS.—Mr. W. H. Fuller, a highly esteemed settler, died on Tuesday last. He was 64 years of age. Twenty-six years ago he was millwright at Alberni sawmills.

NANAIMO has got a steam fire engine, and the Free Press wants the day on which the engine is tested made a "red-letter day." Why wouldn't any other color do as well?

From the Daily Colonist, September 15.

UNSIGHTLY.—A number of small cabins have been erected corner Quadra and Johnson streets. It has always been the policy of *The Colonist* to commend improvements, but in this case the buildings must be regarded as a disfigurement of the street and a detriment to surrounding property, and their erection is to be regretted.

ACCIDENT.—On Sunday afternoon a man fell from the sidewalk on Government street on top of a pile of rough stones at the new building being erected by Mr. DeCosmos. He was severely cut and bruised, but no serious wounds were received. A passing hack was signalled and the unconscious man placed in it and driven to his home.

COURT-MARTIAL.—Six blue jackets were court-martialled on H. M. S. Triumph yesterday, and sentenced for terms varying from three to twelve months, to be served in Victoria gaol.

New Zealand.

The financial affairs of the colony seem to be in a bad state. The reserves are exhausted and additional taxation will have to be resorted to in order to balance accounts in the future. Another eighth of a penny will have to be added to the property tax, a proceeding warmly denounced by the government last year.

The exhibition at Wellington is proving a *fiasco* and even the local papers now predict that it will be a financial failure, owing to the large number of free tickets that have been distributed amongst the favored classes without stint. It is asserted that the free tickets are passed around, and so, though occasionally there is a large attendance, the proceeds are miserably small, £24 and such like sums for an evening.

The directors of a new ferry company established at Auckland having announced their intention to send to Scotland for the machinery for their boats, many protests have been made. A hundred mechanics are out of employment who are able and willing to do the necessary work.

A scandalous job has been unearthed in connection with the construction of the Christchurch-West Coast Railway. Although the guaranteed payment by the government was represented as possibly being £97,000, it was positively stated that it could not exceed that sum, and might be less. Now, however, it is shown that the company require a guaranty of 2½ per cent. on £3,860,000, and a further guaranty of any deficiency that might accrue in operating the [illegible]. The scheme is now denounced as [illegible]rous that a bankrupt South [illegible] republic would scarcely have [illegible] to the construction of railways on such ruinous terms.

Sir Julius Vogel's motion relative to the retention of the San Francisco mail service was carried in the house of representatives by a large majority. He then announced that it was the intention of the government to call for tenders for an eighteen days' mail service between San Francisco and New Zealand, Auckland to be the terminal port of the steamers. By this arrangement the New South Wales mails would be sent on the Union Company's vessels.

Musical Meeting.

Notwithstanding the rainy weather a large number of ladies and gentlemen assembled last evening at Broughton street hall to organize a musical society for charitable purposes.

Officers and a committee were elected, from which several minor committees were chosen.

Upon motion it was decided to call the society The Victoria Musical Society, which is a very suitable name. Several gentlemen gave their views upon the organization. It was also decided to elect those present as charter members and also those wishing to join within a month from date. All those desiring to join after the month will have to pay an entrance fee. Mrs. D. R. Harris was unanimously elected president, Mr. H. D. Helmcken chairman, Mrs. Hibben treasurer and Mr. Strouss secretary. Messrs. H. Young, C. M. Chambers and B. W. Pearse were elected vice presidents.

The meeting then adjourned.

Marine.

Ship Memnon regained her equilibrium about 2 o'clock this morning, after about 80,000 feet of lumber had been put into her. She assumed her upright position very slowly. Had not prompt measures been taken yesterday to restore her to her normal position it is likely that she would have sunk during the night, as she was taking considerable water, and a force of men was engaged in pumping all day and night. The lumber is being removed this afternoon and replaced with coal. A thorough examination of her will be made before she is loaded and necessary repairs will be made before she is allowed to go to sea.—*Seattle Chronicle.*

Steamer G. W Elder, from Victoria, arrived at San Francisco on Saturday. Same day ship Belvidere arrived from Departure Bay.

Steamship Barnard Castle cleared from San Francisco for Departure Bay Sept. 12th.

Always Ahead.

The sealing schooner Favorite, Capt. Alex McLean, arrived from Behring's sea at 6:30 last evening, having on board 2065 skins, the largest single catch so far this season. The run from Behring's sea to anchorage off Capt. Spring's residence occupied just ten days, the distance covered being about 1600 miles. The trip is a remarkably quick one, good weather being experienced all the way. On Aug. 22d the schooner Mary Ellen was spoken, she then having nearly 2000 skins.

The gallant captain is in his usual good luck, at the head of the list, and having a most successful and pleased trip in every way. He is in splendid health, and his many friends will be pleasant to again have his cheery presence with them.

OREGON RAILWAY AND NAVIGATION COMPANY.—The Boston Herald, of Sept. 1st, says: "This company is having the best season in its history. Traffic is heavy, and the economies inaugurated by President Elijah Smith on his late trip to Oregon make the net receipts equally large. The Western office forwarded $120,000 East last week, and $100,000 more is now on the way. There have been $600,000 net receipts sent forward in five or six months. August is expected to show at least $150,000 net, and September as much or more. The new consolidated five per cent. bonds are being engraved. Not over $3,000,000 will be sold at first. The six's cannot be paid. The $1,200,000 of sight per cent. scrip can be paid in November. The $1,000,000, more or less, borrowed on the debenture sevens against advances for Baker city extension work, will be paid with proceeds from the sale of the fives, and $500,000 will be put into improvements. The company pays 3½ to 4 per cent. for money on the debenture sevens as collateral, hypothecating them at 80 and 90, the market price being about 102. The company expects to show six per cent. on the stock for the new fiscal year, but hardly for the calendar year, January and February having been very poor months."

RUNAWAY.—On Sunday afternoon, while a somewhat inebriated young man and a girl of fourteen were driving in a buggy down Simcoe street James bay, in rounding the corner at Oswego street, a too sharp turn was made and the horse jumped into the gutter at the side, throwing the girl out. The man caught her dress as she fell, and she was dragged for over a hundred yards, head downward, her face and hands in the mud, screaming with fright. The runaway animal was stopped and the girl relieved from her precarious position and taken into an adjacent house. Fortunately, beyond a few bruises and scratches, a severe fright and soiled clothes, she sustained no further injury, and in future will probably secure a better driver for a companion.

ACCIDENT AT THE THEATRE.—The first mishap in the construction of the new theatre occurred yesterday. A plasterer named Frank Devoe was working on a scaffolding at the entrance when it gave way, precipitating him to the ground and fracturing his leg at the joint and immediately above. The injured man was placed in a cab and taken to his home on View street and Dr. Taylor sent for, who set the broken limb and made the patient comfortable. Devoe had piled too much material on the scaffolding, which caused it to break. He was one of the best workmen on the building.

HORSE SHOT.—Last Monday night while Mr. Forrest, a teamster, was leading his team to the water one of the horses accidentally kicked his mate on the right hind leg, injuring it. The owner put it in the stable and carefully attended it all week, but yesterday morning it was found that the leg was broken, and the horse was accordingly shot to end its suffering. The loss is a hard one to Mr. Forrest, the horse being a valuable animal.

ANOTHER ANTI-CHINESE OUTRAGE.

Trouble at Coal Creek, W. T.

Mr. Watkins, superintendent of the Newcastle co[illegible], came in town yesterday morning and reported that on Friday night, between 11 and 12 o'clock, a party of masked men, some thirteen or fourteen in number, surrounded the Chinese quarters at Coal Creek, about one mile from the Newcastle store, and by yelling and discharging firearms drove the sleeping Chinamen from their lodgings. The Mongolians took to the woods for safety, just in time to see their cookhouse and lodging-house in flames. The buildings were totally destroyed, together with $4000 or $5000 worth of stores and clothing, which were kept in stock there by a Chinese firm of this city to be sold to the Chinamen. The bunkers, which were but a short distance from the Chinese quarters, narrowly escaped destruction. This job is said to have been done by white men. No murder was committed, and so far as is known none was attempted, the object being to frighten the Chinese away from the camp. These Chinamen have been employed principally as coal-pickers in the bunkers, and received $1.25 per day, their work being to separate the rock and slate from the coal. About twenty-five of the frightened Chinamen arrived in town last evening on the 9 o'clock train. The writer interviewed one of the number, who expressed himself thus: "White man too muchy bad. Too muchy makeum fire. Me no catchum clothes, no catchum lice, no catchum anything. Heap poor. Me no go back, too muchee flaid."—*Seattle Post Intelligencer.*

Municipal Police Court.

Chris Brown and Oscar Hagrant, drunks, failed to appear, and the $5 bail was forfeited.

Thos. McEwen was charged with stealing the sum of $80 from Mr. Kirkwood. It was for this offense that Hampton and Dickson were sentenced to stand their trial on Saturday, and McEwen was a witness for the prosecution. He is now suspected of being an accomplice. At Supt. Bloomfield's request prisoner was remanded until Tuesday.

Low Tow, a chronic Chinese thief, for stealing an umbrella from the store of D. Spencer on Saturday, was sentenced to serve another six months.

Kit Lung and Tuck Chang, charged with stealing five ducks from W. McKinnon. Prisoners were accused of purchasing eighteen ducks and taking twenty-three. After a couple of witnesses were examined the case was remanded until Friday.

Geo. Blackall, proprietor of the Albion saloon, was charged on remand for breaking the door and windows of Hee Gee's laundry on Yates street. The plaintiff contended that he had broken in the door to suppress a fire, but the court fined him $20 with damages and costs, amounting altogether to $35.

Old Plate, China and Lace.

A small but very interesting exhibition of relics, which have been brought over from the old country at one time or another, will be on view at the Philharmonic on Wednesday and Thursday. It comprises a representative collection of silver plate from the sixteenth to the present century, illustrating the various forms employed in the manufacture. Of old china there are characteristic pieces of Dresden, Bow, Worcester, Derby and other wares; old pieces of needlework tapestry and lace from England and Ireland; old engraved glass; ivory miniatures and military relics, together forming a collection quite worthy of a half hour's inspection. All these have been contributed by our fellow townsmen, and many possess a history which adds considerably to their interest. It is to be hoped that at no very distant day Victoria may possess a museum of the Old World's arts in connection with that of British Columbia's productions, which, we believe, is soon to be established.

Labor Bureau.

A well attended meeting was held in Harmony Hall last evening for the purpose of forming a labor bureau. Mr. Shakespeare occupied the chair, and remarked that under the present condition of the labor market by union only could white labor hold its own against Chinese labor, hence the formation of this society. The rules were read, and the entrance fee was placed at 25 cents. The audience were called upon to sign the roll and subscribe their entrance fee, which invitation was well responded to, and after the answering of several questions by the chairman, the meeting adjourned.

Race on Rollers.

Fully a thousand skaters and spectators were at the Yates street roller rink at nine o'clock last evening to witness the two-mile race for $50 aside between D. Corfee, of Seattle, the champion of Washington Territory, and Chadwick Leleivre, the local champion. The floor was cleared, the contestants in tights took their places on opposite sides of the band stand, and a good start was made. The course was thirteen laps to the mile, and in the first mile both were about even, Corfee turning the corners closer but losing speed, while Leleivre kept up his velocity and took a longer turn. On the second mile the Victoria skater gradually pulled up, and the cheering became deafening. Corfee seemed to become fagged, while the little fellow kept up his speed to the last, winning the race by half a lap. W. Dickson acted as judge for Corfee, B. Pettengill for Leleivre, while J. Heywood was referee. The race was a most exciting and honest one, and everyone was satisfied except those who lost money, and considerable changed hands on the event. This is the first time that Corfee has been defeated by anyone, from Washington Territory to Montana, and while he probably saves distance yet Leleivre is a more graceful and much quicker skater. The latter was vociferously cheered on his becoming victor.

Personal.

E. D. Layman and wife, Port Townsend, Alex. Rens and P. Daunt, San Francisco are at the Driard.

Miss B. Duff, Toronto, and Mrs. A. Moore, Spokane Falls, are stopping at the Driard.

A SPILL.—While a butcher boy was driving on Government street in a dog-cart, as only a young man in that line of business can drive, the seat slipped from its fastening and over the back of the vehicle into the street. The driver sat down in the bottom of the dog-cart very hurriedly and the horse ran away down street. He was stopped, the seat recovered, and driver and horse went on their way rejoicing.

BOARD OF TRADE.—It is rumored that the board of trade will present an address and tender a banquet to the distinguished Canadian officials who are shortly expected to arrive in this city from the east.

THE WEATHER. — The country was treated to a perfect downpour of rain, but the rainbow of promise was beautifully radiant in the late afternoon on the eastern sky, and last night the crescent moon and silver stars shone with brilliancy in the clear blue heavens. The chances are that we shall have some lovely clear weather, as it is somewhat early for the continuous rainy season to set in.

POOL.—There will be a match game of pool at the Windsor on Thursday evening for "blood" between A. A. Lowe, barkeeper of the Windsor, and a noted amateur of this city.

THE anti-Chinese society will hold a meeting at Harmony hall this evening at 8 p. m., when important matters will be brought forward for discussion.

Women Travelling Alone.

It is a very happy thought, says a female writer, that we women can travel alone from one end of our broad land to the other; we may find it more pleasant to have company, but when compelled to go without any one we find it can be done with perfect safety. It is well to familiarize one's self to short trips from home, and thus become more self-reliant and fearless when the time comes to start out on a more lengthened journey. To feel perfectly at home, when surrounded by strangers on a crowded steamboat or railway-train, we must have had some experience of the same kind. You will usually meet with pleasant officials, who will render you any service that you need; or if you find them gruff and surly, do not let it disturb you in the least. It is always much more agreeable, and puts one more completely at ease, to be treated with civilty, but when you reflect upon the number of questions these persons have offered to them, can you wonder at a little impatience?

Be sure to be in time to meet the conveyance by which you are to travel, and to see that your tickets are correct and your baggage checked, and your checks secured in a safe place. Have with you more money than you need, but have the greater part of it in some secure place. Dress as plainly as possible, in quiet colors, with little jewellery or ornaments of any kind. If you are going on a long journey, see that all your needs, as far as possible are provided for beforehand, so that you may not be obliged to ask strangers to help you; and when obliged to change cars, go with the crowd, and do not lag behind.

Do not allow any one to look after your luggage but yourself. Go in an omnibus where there are others, but never in a hack alone. Should there be any doubt as to the cars you are to take or to the way you are to go, ask an official or a laborer who is likely to know. Do not get confused or lose presence of mind, no matter what emergency you find yourself placed in, and you will be sure to come all right. It is best to maintain a reticent manner when travelling alone; when asked a question, answer civilly but briefly. In this way you will find that you can go abroad as safely as you can about your own town, and take a great deal of enjoyment that otherwise you would be deprived of.

The Northern Pacific Election.

NEW YORK, Sept. 4.—Some fresh complications are expected in the Northern Pacific elections. Brayton Ives, who was defeated by Elijah Smith in the Oregon Navigation elections, is likely to have something to say as to how the Oregon and Transcontinental shall vote its 120,000 shares. The vote of the trustees being uncertain, the Oregon and Transcontinental are rapidly soliciting proxies. The latter company has two directors on the board now, but it is entitled to three. President Smith will be opposed by the Wright interest, although he has about 80,000 shares now, on account of his desire that the Cascade branch of the Norther Pacific shall not be built immediately. It is for the interest of the Oregon and Transcontinental to keep as much business as possible on the Oregon Navigation line. It is said that Rock Island interest controls stock enough to entitle them to two directors.

THE IRISH REBELLION.

A Struggle which Lasted Eleven Years and Destroyed Nearly Half the People.

The struggle lasted eleven years. Lord Clare described it in his great speech on the union as a war of extermination. Sir W. Petty calculated that out of a population of 1,466,000, as many as 616,000 perished by the sword, pestilence and famine. When tranquility was restored almost all the land belonging to the Irish in the provinces of Ulster, Leinster and Munster was confiscated, and the province of Connaught, which had been almost entirely depopulated and laid waste in the progress of the rebellion, was selected by Cromwell as the future home of his disinherited race. The principles on which the confiscations of Cromwell rested were capable of so wide an application that hardly any one could escape. In the first place, all persons who had taken part in the rebellion before November, 1643, or who had in any way assisted the rebels before that date, and also some hundred persons belonging to the aristocracy of Ireland, were condemned to death and to the absolute loss of their properties. Secondly all land owners who had at any time fought either for the rebels or for the the king against the Parliament were to lose their estates, but were to receive one-third of their value in Connaught land. Lastly Catholics who had never resisted the Parliament, but who had not taken the Parliamentary side, were to be deprived of their estates, but to receive two-thirds of the value in Connaught. The disinherited people were ordered to retire to Connaught by a certain day and were forbidden to recross the Shannon on pain of death. This sentence was rigidly enforced until the restoration. With the return of the Royal Family matters mended a little, but no serious attempt was made to remedy the gross injustice which had been done by the Commonwealth. The confiscated land had been given either to the soldiers and officers of the republication army in satisfaction for arrears of pay, or it was held by persons in payment for money which they had advanced with the royal sanction to the Parliament at the beginning of the insurrection. It would, of course, have been gross injustice to have disregarded their interests. At the same time, it is quite impossible to defend the act of settlement and explanation by which it was sought to satisfy the various claims to Irish land. This act simply disturbed the Cromwellian settlement. It did little or nothing to rectify the high-handed wrongs which had been perpetrated under the Protector's rule. Thousands of the old Irish proprietors who had been dispossessed for their attachment to the English crown had their claims to compensation disallowed, and were excluded forever from their old possessions, and no less than seven million eight hundred thousand acres of land were set out under this Act to a number of English adventurers to the total exclusion of the old inhabitants of the island.—The Contemporary Review.

ROVER OF THE SEAS.—The report current on the streets yesterday that the bark Rover of the Seas had gone down off the straits, was a canard. The bark sailed Saturday for London with 20,000 cases of salmon, and when last seen was on her way out with favorable wind and tide.

DELAYED DISPATCHES.

ENGLAND.

LONDON, Sept. 10.—Chamberlain's speech has seriously aggravated the quarrel in the conservative party. Moderate tories express shame over the contrast between Churchill's avoidance and Chamberlain's defiance of Parnell. They urge that the party should forthwith break loose from Churchill, disavow his speeches, and clearly define the attitude of the party toward Parnell in terms no less emphatic than those of the radical leader. If Chamberlain had aimed to throw a bomb into the tory camp his shot could not have been more successful. Parnell has not been hurt by the radical leader's onslaught, or, if he has, he is determined not to show his injuries. The general impression is that he asked for more than he expects to gain, and that he is now calmly awaiting the effects of his demand. He does not propose to notice Chamberlain's speech until he issues his address to the electors of Cork. William O'Brien, however, is less phlegmatic, and has announced his intention of scarifying the radical leader in the next number of United Ireland.

OREGON.

EUGENE CITY, Sept. 10.—While out riding yesterday afternoon, Mrs. S. M. Yoran, wife of one of the proprietors of the Eugene Register, and Mrs. Thompson, mother-in-law of J. M. Hodson, the other proprietor, were thrown from a cart, one and possibly both of them receiving fatal injuries.

SPAIN.

MADRID, Sept. 12.—The German Legation in this city is still guarded by soldiers. At the birthday reception to the Princess of Asturias at the Royal Palace last night, King Alfonso had a conversation with Count Solmas-Sonnewalde, German Ambassador.

The Government has refused to accept the resignation of Admiral Topeti, Under Secretary of Marine.

Baron De Michets, French Ambassador, has telegraphed De Freycinet that he fears that the dispute between Germany and Spain respecting the Caroline Islands will be a protracted one.

Baron de Michels, French Ambassador, has telegraphed to De Freycinet, French Minister of Foreign Affairs, that the situation here has improved and that the danger of a conflict has decreased.

CALIFORNIA.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 11.—The Grand Opera House was the scene of considerable excitement to-night during the performance of "Undine," in which was interlarded a wrestling match between the wrestlers, Ross and Bauer. For a short time it was feared blood would be shed. The Post Publishing Company had obtained a writ of attachment against the manager of the Opera House on a claim for an advertisement. The writ was placed in the hands of four deputy sheriffs, who attempted to levy on the money in the box office. Treasurer Cochran refused to concede to their demand and drew a revolver to protect the money in his charge. His demonstration was the signal for a simultaneous drawing of pistols by the four deputies. One of the latter attempted to break the window and force his way into the box office. Con. Mooney, manager of the wrestling match, interposed his body and was speedily reinforced by two police officers, and also by John, costumer of the firm of John & Forster. The latter had several teeth loosened by a blow. It is not known by whom it was struck. The matter ended in the arrest of Deputy Goldstein.

The funeral of the late Senator Gwin took place this afternoon from Grace Church. The interior of the edifice was draped in black and there was a great number of flowers. The services were conducted by Rev. Dr. Foute, assisted by Rev. Dr. Shepard.

Samuel Norris, of Sacramento, has filed complaints in the United States Circuit Court against James B. Haggin and Lloyd Tevis, for many years past his attorneys, charging them with having taken advantage of his confidence in them and of his mental incompetency, resulting from a blow on the head received March 4, 1859, to defraud him out of all his property, including the Norris grant of 45,000 acres, the Norris bridge over the American river, the Muldrew ferry, two lots in Sacramento, besides large sums of money collected by the defendants as his agents and appropriated to their own use. Plaintiff further states that on April 29, 1859, while mentally incompetent, defendants induced him to sign a promissory note for $64,000, payable to Lloyd Tevis, with two per cent. per month interest compounded monthly, secured by a mortgage on his real estate, of the execution of neither of which instruments he had any knowledge until August 20, 1885, the mortgage having in the meantime been foreclosed and judgment obtained April 14th, 1862, for $121,728, while plaintiff still believed defendants to be his friends. He had always had such regard for them that shortly after his accident, believing himself about to die, he made a will leaving them everything he possessed. Defendants are charged with appropriating to their own use $275,000, received from the sale of his Texas property, besides several hundred thousand dollars, realized in various ways from his California estates. He asks judgment and restitution. Mr. Haggin stated to-day that there was nothing in the suit.

A Story of the Knapps.

Deacon Knapp has been the main pillar of the Methodist church for over thirty years. Every Sunday morning has found him in the centre pew of the old church. One month ago the good old deacon died. A few weeks after the pastor called on the deacon's son Ben. He had not experienced the "wrath to come," like his father, and left the old pew vacant.

"Now, Ben," said the pastor, "for over forty years your father has occupied that same old pew in the centre of the church. He has enjoyed my sermons all these years, and I hope to see you in the same old pew."

"But father and I are different," said Ben. "It would be harder for me to sit there than for father."

"Why harder for you, Ben?" asked the clergyman.

"Because," said Ben, "father, you know, was deaf."—*St. Louis Republican.*

A Peculiar Name.

(New York Sun.)

Dumley (who had just been introduced to Miss Doddelum)—You have a rather peculiar name, Miss Doddelum. I have heard it but once before. I had some business communication with a man of that name in Peoria, Illinois, and a precious rascal he proved to be, too. Did I understand Miss Hendricks to say that you are from Boston, Miss Doddelum?

Miss Doddelum.—No, sir. I m from Peoria, Illinois.