NEWS OF THE PROVINCE.

Epworth League Convention at Vancouver—Reception to Rev. Coverdale Watson.

Trades and Labor Council—New Post Office at Courtenay—Matters at Union.

(Special to the COLONIST.)

VANCOUVER.

VANCOUVER, June 17.—The weather is the principal topic of conversation here. Mr. Major, of Westminster, says he has watched the summers for the last decade, and the Westminster District has not had anything quite so bad in the weather line as this summer. Many old timers agree with him. Those who were here a generation before the old timers, say that in 1866 and 1868, there were cold, wet rains all through June, but not since then. To-day, however, the sun broke hot and glorious through the clouds.

Word comes that the Silver King and other mines in the vicinity will be worked at once.

Mr. H. J. Anstie, newly elected Grand Master of the Knights of Pythias, will be entertained at luncheon by Rathbone Lodge on Saturday night, of which he is Past Chancellor and Commander.

The closing exercises of the public schools take place next week.

One hundred and six dollars and fifteen cents is the amount subscribed for the Princess May presentation. The check will be forwarded to Mrs. Dewdney to-day.

The Hudson Bay Co. intend moving into their new premises on August 1st.

Rev. Dr. Philo, Rabbi of Victoria, was in the city yesterday. He performed the ceremony of circumcision on the son of J. Ludman. The Rev. Rabbi intends arranging for a concert here in a short time.

The South Vancouver Municipal Council met this afternoon. Work for clearing the way of the Burrard Inlet and Fraser Valley railroad is to commence immediately. Tenders close to-day.

This is the way the 'gate' will be divided on Dominion Day. The bicycle club will get $100, cricket club $50, and the remainder will be divided equally between the lacrosse club and the Brockton Point association.

The fourth summer evening band concert was held to-night on Hotel Vancouver grounds.

Mr. Thompson took the chair at the continuation of the Epworth League meeting. Rev. W. W. Baer took up the question drawer. The following resolution was adopted: "That in the opinion of this convention some course of study is conducive to the best interest of our young people, be it Resolved that each league take up either the C or the S C course of readings or that prescribed by the constitution."

Mr. Powers read a paper on "how to make our league work more effective."

Mr. Black of New Westminster, held that the Epworth League had done good work for the church. Fourteen members publicly concurred in his opinion.

Mr. T. Cunningham spoke of the good work being done by Rev. Mr. Crosby among the Indians and urged the league to assist all the good in that part of the work and also the maintenance of the "Glad Tidings."

Miss Dunnington, Miss Thatcher and Mr. Thompson were appointed a committee to bring in a report in reference to "Glad Tiding's" work.

In the evening the meeting took the form of a reception to the Rev. Coverdale Watson. Mr. G. W. Phepp presiding.

Mr. E. Nicolls delivered an address of welcome to Mr. and Mrs. Watson on behalf of Trustees Board and Mr. Wm. Shannon on behalf of Quarterly Board. Rev. Mr. Watson then replied, speaking at some length. After a song by Mr. J. E. Collister, addresses were delivered by Revs. W. C. Weir, J. W. Pedley and E. D. McLaren. Mr. Grant of New Westminster, gave a recitation which closed the proceeding. The ladies then served light refreshments after which the gathering dispersed.

To-day's programme was a short session of the Epworth league convention in the morning, and an excursion to New Westminster by the steamer City of Nanaimo, returning for a meeting in the evening. The convention will close on Monday night.

Mrs. S. H. Brown occupied the chair at the W. C. T. U. meeting. In an informal discussion it was agreed to do effective work women must be educated in the laws of the land. The president was authorized to secure copies of the Provincial and Dominion statutes, as well as the city by-laws. A deputation of ladies will wait upon the License commissioners and petition against selling liquor in the park.

Reports from agricultural districts indicate that the crops will be small, owing to the bad weather.

The following vessels are in port: The Hawaiian schooner Americana, 839 tons, Capt. McLellan, repairing; the British ship Greffe, 1,069 tons, Capt. Roberts, loading lumber for Cork; the British ship Kinkora, 1,799 tons, Capt. Lawton, loading lumber for Valparaiso; the British barque Dochra, 966 tons, Capt. MacJarrew, loading lumber for Adelaide. The British ss. Empress of Japan, 3,003 tons, Capt. Lee, discharging general cargo.

The steamer Dunsmuir returned from Jervis Inlet yesterday with a cargo of slate. Part for San Francisco and part for the Northwest.

The American barque Seminole, 1,439 tons, Capt. Weeden, is on her way here from Santa Rosalia to load lumber at Moodyville.

The following ships have been reported lost by Bureau Veritas agents Mellon, Smith & Co. during the month of April: Sailing vessels lost, 32; 10 American, 1 Australian, 19 British, 3 French, 6 German, 3 Italian, 14 Norwegian, 1 Portuguese, 3 Russian, 1 Swedish, 1 Turkish. Of this total 10 are reported missing, amongst them being the British ship Morayshire, bound for this port from Semarang. The causes of the losses are as follows: Stranding, 28; collision, 6; fire, 2; foundered, 4; abandoned, 8; condemned, 4; missing, 10. Steamers lost, 18; 2 American, 5 British, 1 Chilian, 3 French, 2 German, 1 Greek, 1 Japanese, 2 Norwegian, 1 Spanish. The causes are as follows: Stranding, 10; collision, 4; foundered, 1; condemned, 2; missing, 1.

The Trades and Labor Council met last night. The Montreal Labor Council wrote, asking the property qualifications of mayor and alderman in Vancouver, and writing that they were working with a view to the abolishment of the property qualification in Montreal. The Parliamentary committee submitted a long report in which they declared their disapproval of the immigration policy of the Dominion Government, also of the amount of money expended on Indian affairs by the Dominion. They suggested the starting of employment offices in the city under the direction of the Council. They further desired to call the attention of the Council to the great need of proper shipping offices in Vancouver owing to the increased commerce by sea.

The committee recommend the Council to draw closer together for political action. The civic committee request the Council to procure a copy of the Cubic Space by-law, as in cases known to them twenty persons occupy the space set forth for one. The article on British Columbia from the pen of Mr. E. E. Sheppard did not meet with approval. It was resolved to "Send the article to the secretary of the Dominion Trades Congress, with a true statement of the matter." The Council also passed a resolution that free trade should exist between this country and Australia.

UNION.

UNION, June 16.—At the session of Benevolence Lodge No. 14, K. of P., Union, held June 7, the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: Charles Whyte, M. W.; G. T. Parks, C. C.; J. P. Struthers, V. C.; David Roy, Mat A.; Geo. Robertson, M. E.; John Fulcher, K. of R. and S.; J. B. McLean, M. F.; J. Smith, O. G., and J. Faller, I. G.

Daniel R. O'Hanly, a brakeman in the employ of the Colliery Co., had the misfortune to be crushed between the cars at No. 4 Slope on Monday last, two of his ribs being broken. Dan's genial face will be missed from the train for a few weeks.

Mr. James Dunsmuir, President of the Colliery, came up on Friday last on a visit to the mines. Contrary to his usual custom he rode from Wellington to Qualicum on horseback. At the latter place the creeks were so high as to prevent a safe fording, and the horses had to be abandoned; the remainder of the journey, eight miles, was safely accomplished on foot, Union wharf being reached about 8 p. m. He left again on Monday on board the Lorne.

A rare treat is in store for the public on July 1, viz.: a strawberry and ice cream festival under the auspices of the Presbyterian Ladies' Aid Society of Union. A varied programme of vocal and instrumental music will be rendered and everything done to make the affair a success.

The mines have been partially stopped during the week, as the cars were filled and no vessels in port. The arrival of the San Mateo on Wednesday evening was hailed with satisfaction, and yesterday the miners were as busy as ever. The steamer Queen is expected on Saturday, also the ship Glory of the Seas, so that the mines will be kept going for some time. It is rumored that the S.S. San Benito has been chartered to run in conjunction with the San Mateo.

The dressmaking department lately started by the energetic managers of Leiser's store is proving a success. The ladies are having dresses, etc., made in the latest style, and at popular prices, instead of having to send the goods to Nanaimo or bring the dressmaker to Union. Two extra assistants have lately been added to the staff.

Miss Coffey, of Victoria, who is stopping here, dropped her gold watch somewhere on the road between J. B. McLean's and the Presbyterian manse, on Wednesday evening, and, although a reward has been offered for its return, no trace of it has been found.

At the general licensing court held here yesterday, before Andrew McKnight, Esq., J.P., a license to sell wines and spirits at the proposed new hotel was granted to Mr. John Bruce. The new building will be commenced at once.

Mr. George Howe, butcher, intends opening a store and hotel at Union wharf. Several men are busily engaged clearing the ground and building a road to the same.

A new post office will be opened at Courtenay at an early date. Mr. Frank Whitney has been appointed postmaster.

The steamer Joan arrived on Wednesday heavily laden with freight and made a special trip to Nanaimo yesterday for a cargo of blasting powder.

THE AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION.

TO THE EDITOR:—In the report of the proceedings of the Board of Aldermen in the COLONIST this morning, I read with surprise the remarks of Ald. Baker in regard to the management of the exhibition last year. In justice to the gentlemen who gave their services gratuitously to the management of that institution, I must deny the uncalled for, dishonest and malicious insinuations of the alderman who has the honor to be the senior representative of the North Ward, without reflecting much credit in return. The directorate of 1892 were left a legacy of $25,000 debt by the directorate of 1891, who spent about $45,000 that year. A number of them became personally responsible for this sum until a loan was secured on the property. If Ald. Baker had read the communication of the board to the Council in asking for a grant, he would have understood the exact position of the association. Through the smallpox epidemic and unfavorable weather, there was a slight deficit last year between the receipts and disbursements, of which a complete statement was made at the annual meeting. The half-year interest on the loan, secured in Toronto, and some other old debts, have been paid by several members of the directorate giving their names as security at the Bank of B. C. This interest has to be paid; otherwise the mortgagor would proceed to acquire the property. The gentlemen composing the directorate give their time and services gratis and in some cases have given their money in order to promote the exhibition, which is of very considerable benefit to Victoria and in the face of all this, Ald. Baker, who has exhibited a most contemptible predilection for insinuating crookedness about everyone except his precious self, has the hardihood to suggest that there was something dishonest about the management of last year. Ald. Baker is evidently ignorant of the facts, as he is about the facts of many other matters he essays to discuss; and I think it but right that the public should know that in the matter of the Exhibition management, he has made reflections that are altogether at variance with the truth.

With regard to the appropriation of $3,000, it would be impossible to hold an exhibition without it. The directorate have decided that, as the exhibition is held for the benefit of Victoria, and is the means of bringing considerable money into the city from outside, besides encouraging agriculture, stock raising and manufactures, those deriving the benefit should contribute their share towards securing it. The city and government grants will enable the association to hold an exhibition this year with a clean sheet to commence with, and it is expected that a surplus will be the result. Instead of making untruthful reflections, it is the duty of Ald. Baker and every other good citizen to encourage the efforts of the association to establish an annual exhibition here on a permanent and paying basis, and by the substantial civic grant this year such a desirable end is furthered. I might also state that no civic grant was made towards the exhibition of 1892.

W. H. ELLIS,
President B.C.A.A.

After the grip, when you are weak and "played out," Hood's sarsaparilla will restore your health and strength.

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THE CITY.

THE Victoria West Methodist Sunday school will picnic at Corfield park on July 1.

IT has been decided by the Sunday schools of the Metropolitan, Centennial and James Bay Methodist churches to hold a union picnic at Porters Field, Langford Plains, on Dominion Day. A complete programme of sports and games is now in preparation.

A MEETING of the shareholders of the Nakusp & Slocan Railway Company was held yesterday afernoon, the only business done being the election of the following directors: Messrs. A. W. Jones, Johann Wulffsohn, C. G. Major and A. J. Bridgman, secretary.

CONDUCTOR PUGSLEY, while coupling tramcar No. 16 to No. 7 yesterday afternoon, was caught beneath the platforms, and sustained a fracture of the collar bone. He was conveyed to Dr. Corson's surgery, on Fort street, where the bone was set, and the sufferer sent to his home.

THE engine, boiler, propeller and shafting of the steam sealer Worlock, which recently had so satisfactory a trial trip, were from the Killey-Beckett Engine Company of Hamilton, Ont. A fac simile of the engine is now on exhibition in the Canadian department of the World's Fair.

F. S. ROPER, inspector of contagious diseases among animals, has ordered the destruction and burial of several hogs belonging to Yee Yuns, who has a ranch on the Carey road. The animals were suffering from cholera, and a number of their companions have been placed in quarantine.

CHICKEN THIEVES are doing a good business (for themselves) on the outskirts of the city. A visit was paid George Nicholson's ranch, on the Saanich road, a week ago Thursday, and Leghorns and Black Spanish appropriated; the call was repeated a week later, and the remaining fowls gathered in.

AT HESQUIOT an unfortunate accident was reported to the steamer Mystery, which returned to Victoria last evening. A klootchman was out in a canoe with two Indian children when a storm came up and the three were drowned. The Mystery passed the Maud at 6 o'clock yesterday morning.

CHARLES MURRISET, for eight years connected with the Driard house, and very popular with the resident as well as the travelling public, yesterday purchased the furniture and fittings and assumed the management of the Colonist hotel at Beacon Hill park. He proposes to run the house on first-class lines in future.

VISITORS to Beacon Hill park yesterday afternoon had not only the pleasure of enjoying a promenade or witnessing the sports, but of listening to a fine programme of music kindly supplied by C Battery band. The music commenced at 3:30 o'clock and lasted until five. Every time these musicians appear in public the more popular they become, and their music at the park will no doubt be the chief attraction to many strangers in the city.

A BIG lunch stand, from behind which smoke and steam issued in large clouds—dozens of little boys and girls, and as many young men and women, all dressed in summer clothing—together with a variety of athletic sports, was the scene presented at Oak Bay yesterday. The occasion was the annual picnic of the St. Andrew's Presbyterian Sunday school, and it was celebrated in a manner which was delightful to both boys and girls. Races, in which presents were awarded, were largely indulged in during the day, and, apart from the games, the gathering enjoyed a thoroughly good time.

A LETTER just received from Mr. Warburton Pike, left that gentleman at Liard river on April 16. His plan was to break camp the following day, leaving for Frances lake, where he had "cached" a canoe and supplies, and proceeding thence over the ice to the Pelley river. His intention is to ascend the Pelley and explore its headwaters, afterwards making for the sea either by way of St. Michaels or by turning up the Lewis at the Chilcat Pass not far from Juneau. Mr. Reid, who started out with Mr. Pike on his present expedition, has branched off and may possibly precede him home; when last heard from he was up McDame's creek in Cassiar on a grizzly hunt.

WHEN the Empress of Japan sails for Yokohama she will take over a number of fine thoroughbred cattle from this Province. Five of these were among the prize winners at the last exhibition of the B. C. Agricultural association here, and were purchased for shipment to Japan by Mr. Wm. Prout, of this city, the price being $550. The freight and charges across to Japan amount to about $90 per head, so that the cattle are expensive when they reach the other side. Those who are in the business, however, say that thoroughbred milch cows find ready sale in the land of the Mikado at prices which show a substantial profit, $300 to $400. The trade was inaugurated when the old steamers started running, and has been kept up ever since, there being about the same number of cattle taken over each trip during the season.

WHEN Dwight L. Moody, the great evangelist, visited England some years ago, he was greatly impressed with the remarkable way in which every class of the community was being reached by a special agency on behalf of its spiritual necessities. One of the most interesting of these is the children's special service mission, established in 1868 as the result of a visit to England of Rev. Payson Hammond. One of the best known honorary workers of this mission in England at the present time is Mr. Edwin Arrowsmith, who is now on a tour through Canada and the United States, and who will visit Victoria on the 26th of June at the invitation of the Y.M.C.A. The president of the mission in England is Rev. Edward A. Stewart, M.A., vicar of St. James', London. In the list of vice-presidents are to be found the names of men prominently identified with evangelistic work in all parts of the old country, thus showing the interest taken in the services. Mr. Arrowsmith is looked upon as one of the brightest and most engaging of speakers. His addresses are full of practical suggestions, and are of such a nature that many who have been prejudiced against special children's services have had their opinions reversed and are now the most ardent supporters of the movement. While in Toronto, a couple of years ago, Mr. Arrowsmith was the guest of Hon. S. H. Blake, one of the leading lay church workers there, and no doubt when he comes here he will be accorded a most cordial reception.

KNOWLTON, June 17.—The vote on the question of repealing the Scott Act took place in Brome County yesterday, resulting in the Act being sustained by 140 majority.

Is your blood poor? Take BEECHAM'S PILLS.

EVERYTHING CAME THEIR WAY.

Victoria Marksmen Gather in the Team and Individual Championships at the Traps.

Vancouver Defeats Westminster on the Lacrosse Field—Other Events, Local and Foreign.

GOOD shooting was the rule in the last day's tournament of the Sportsmen's association. Everyone was well pleased at the meeting yesterday, but none more so than the Victoria men, who had the satisfaction of coming out ahead in all the events. It was pre-eminently Victoria's day. The combined team of her two gun clubs defeated the hitherto invincible Tacoma team of six; F. C. Maclure, after a hard fight, walked off the field with the beautiful gold badge, presented by the Legislative Assembly, pinned to his coat; and C. W. Minor had the honor of winning the Hamilton Powder Company's medal, open to holders of their silver medals in Provincial clubs. The Selby consolation medal also remains in Victoria, W. H. Adams being the winner.

Most of the visitors left for home last evening, delighted with their visit and full of praise for the hospitable manner in which the Victoria sportsmen acted the part of hosts. The officers and members of the two local clubs have certainly done their utmost to make the visitors' stay pleasant, and the general secretary, Mr. J. McB. Smith has proved himself throughout the tournament the right man in the right place.

The eliminating of live bird contests from future contests has done away with what many people have considered an objectionable feature, and consequently by this action the association will, no doubt, gain even more than hitherto in popular favor. One improvement, however, seems necessary in order to bring out young shots at tournaments, the lack of new men being quite noticeable this year. By giving a place in next year's programme to a few green events or handicaps, young shots would be encouraged to attend and take part. Under present conditions the experts only have a chance, as the events are practically confined to men who can reasonably expect to make about eighty per cent. or over.

Shooting began yesterday morning about half past nine, the first event being the

CONSOLATION MATCH.

Selby Smelting and Lead Co.'s medal; open to competitors not averaging over 70 per cent. in events 1, 2, 4, 6, 8, 10 and 11; twenty-five singles.

There were fourteen entries, the result being that W. H. Adams of Victoria and D. H. Adams of Nanaimo tied with a score of 17 each out of a possible 25 birds. In shooting off the ties, W. H. Adams won the medal with 19 birds against 14 birds for the Nanaimo man.

EVENT NO. 14.

Club team contest—Teams of six men, members of clubs in any one city. None admitted unless a *bona fide* resident member of such clubs. No contestant can shoot in more than one team. Twenty singles, entrance $30 per team. First prize, $120; 2d prize, $80.

This was looked upon as the great event of the tournament, as it gave an opportunity of proving which city could turn out a team to make the best average shooting. It had been thought that Portland, Seattle and Whatcom would enter teams, but contrary to expectation only three cities were represented—Tacoma, Spokane and Victoria. Victoria's team consisted of a combination of the men from the Victoria and Union gun clubs who had made the best average scores throughout the tournament. That this was a wise move was plainly shown by the success of the home team, after a gallant fight.

After the first round of ten birds for each team the score stood Victoria and Tacoma each 45 birds; Spokane, 41 birds, J. C. Maclure being the only one to break all his birds. At the end of the second round, the score stood Victoria 98, Tacoma 94, Spokane 86 out of a total of 120 birds, Victoria thus winning the match amid the enthusiasm of their friends. Victoria's win over Tacoma's crack team is one to be proud of, as the Tacomans have been considered the crack team of the Coast and for six or seven years past have won this particular event in the annual tournaments. J. C. Maclure made the full possible individual score of 20 birds, the only one to do so. The scores:

Victoria.

J. C. Maclure	11111-11111-11111-11111—20
C. W. Minor	01011-01111-11111-11111—17
F. H. Hewlings	11001-01111-11111-11110—16
C. Weiler	10010-01111-10111-11111—15
W. White	11010-01011-10101-10101—12
B. H. John	11111-11101-01111-11111—18
Total	98

Tacoma.

R. E. Ellis	11111-10011-11110-11011—16
J. M. Bell	0-101-00111-11110-01001—12
H. T. Denham	10110-10101-11111-10111—15
W. R. Dodge	10111-11111-11111-11111—19
W. A. Eberly	10101-11101-10011-11111—15
E. S. Barlow	01111-11111-10011-11111—17
Total	94

Spokane.

W. B. George	00011-10110-11111-00100—11
F. H. Mason	11011-10111-11011-01111—16
D. Burgess	10'01-11111-11111-00111—15
T. B. Ware	11100-01101-11111-10110—14
N. G. Sisson	01101 11011-11001-10110—13
J. F. Warren	10011-11111-11101-11111—17
Total	86

EVENT NO. 15.

British Columbia gold badge. Ten singles, (ties 15 singles), entrance $5. 1st prize, gold badge, value $100; (donated by members of the Legislative Assembly); 2nd prize, sixty per cent.; 3rd prize, twenty-five per cent.; 4th prize, fifteen per cent.

This was a contest in which great interest was shown, the competition being particularly close and exciting. There were twenty-eight entries and the shooting was wonderfully good. At the end of the tenth bird, Cooper, Thompson, John, Bringham, Denham, Eberly, F. S. Maclure, Minor, Sisson and Weiler, tied with nine each. It was then decided to shoot six more apiece, but Cooper, Thompson, Eberly and Sisson each missed their eleventh birds, the contest narrowing down again at the thirteenth, when John and Minor dropped out. Weiler and Denham missed their fourteenth, leaving the fight between F. S. Maclure, of Victoria, and T. A. Bringham, of Tacoma, who tied 15 each for 16 birds. They decided to shoot three more apiece and Maclure got all his making the fine score of 18 out of 19 birds. Bringham missed his sixteenth bird, and amid well deserved applause, Maclure won the match; he had been shooting in hard luck for the first three days of the tournament, owing to over practice telling upon him. He was in capital form yesterday, however, and his success in this match compensated him for his previous ill-luck. Following are the scores of those who shot at ten birds or over:

D. Cooper	11212 22102 0*
P. N. Thompson	12112-10122-0*
E. G. White	02212-22120-*
B. H. John	11211-10122 120*
T. A. Bringham	11202-11221-11221-20*
W. A. Eberly	12112-11110 0*
R. O. Stevens	11022-11210-*
F. S. Maclure	02121 22221-21212-2111—18
H. T. Denham	22121-10111-11120-*
O. W. Minor	11212-01112-120*
N. G. Sisson	21211-12011-0*
O. Weller	12120 21212-2220*
C. R. Clark	22200 21111-*

SPECIAL EVENT.

Hamilton Powder Company's gold medal contest for Provincial clubs. Provincial holders of Hamilton Powder Company's silver medals, only allowed to compete. Fifty singles.

The entries were: P. N. Thompson, of Vancouver; C. W. Minor, Union Gun Club, Victoria; H. N. Short, Victoria Gun Club, Victoria; W. J. Leary, Ladner's Landing. The scoring was capital, and after a fine contest C. W. Minor won with a score of 43, making one fine run of 28. Following are the scores:

P. N. Thompson	10110-10110 11111-11111 11111-00110-01110-11110 00100 10110-	34
C. W. Minor	01011 1001-11111-11111 11111-11111-11111-11011 11111-01110-	43
H. N. Short	10101-11110-11110-11111 11011-11110-10111-10110 11100 11010-	37
W. J. Leary	10101-11000-10000-11101 00001-00111-	28

This closed the Sportsmen's Association tournament for this year, which all the members who were present are unanimous in saying was a gigantic success in every way.

LACROSSE.

TRIUMPHANT VANCOUVER.

VANCOUVER, June 17.—(Special).—The Terminal city is triumphant. The fourth game in the lacrosse series took place at Westminster fair grounds this afternoon, with Ketchum, of Victoria, acting as referee, A. B. McKenzie captaining the Westminsters, and J. Smith Vancouver's twelve. The umpires were W. S. Taylor and H. Cooper. The newly sodded ground was in poor condition for lacrosse, the ball having frequently to be gouged out of the soft earth, and perhaps mainly for this reason the game on the whole was not an attractive one. Checking on both sides was slow and clumsy, and good team play rare. It was probably the most ordinary game of lacrosse witnessed in the senior series since its inception. The game was alone redeemed by the splendid defence of Westminster and some bright individual playing by Spain, Cheyne and Quigley. Morency also did hard, honest work, and is making rapid progress to efficiency. Westminster's home was very weak, and the entire team were guilty of more muffs and errors than they would like to see credited them. B. Peele did the star work for Westminster, Ryall also making some good plays.

In the first game Wesminster seemed to have an elastic string on the ball from the face-off. It would drop in front of the Vancouver flags, fly off at an angle of 45 degrees, and almost immediately fly back to the Vancouver flags again. The Westminster defence were showing up well. At the end of three minutes, however, Spain got the ball, and when the rubber once gets in Spain's stick, it has to go where he wants it to. He made a beautiful drop on the Royal City flags, and there was a scrimmage in front of the poles, Douglas secured the ball for Westminster and tipped it to Campbell, who very carelessly muffed it. It rolled in front of the goal keeper's stick, but before the guardian of the flags could think what he should do, Ralph had poked it between his legs, and the umpire's hand went up. Time—3 25.

The second game was a repetition of the first, but reversed. Peele made a beautiful shot from the side to Lewis, who caught and lobbed to the front of the flags, where the ball was shinnied about by a dozen home and defence. It was finally pushed out of the scrimmage right into the stick of a Vancouver player, who exasperatingly fumbled it, when a timely poke from Ryall's reliable stick scored the second game for Westminster. Time—3 25.

The third game was a spectacular treat, one of those lightning team plays for which Vancouver is occasionally famous. Cheyne secured the ball in the face off, and tossed to Morency, who ran like a cayuse straight at the serried ranks of Westminster's defence, until a foot in front. When still on the run the ball was transferred with a pretty side movement to the mesh of Ralph's waiting stick. Scarcely had it been received when it was again sidled to Quigley, and before the defence, who had scattered in an attempt to secure the ball from Morency, could again pack before the poles, Ed. Quigley, running like an elephant amuck, passed clean around them and fired a determined overhand shot at close quarters. A prolonged "Oh!" from Westminstere's admirers showed that the game had gone to the visitors,—and it was all done in 45 seconds.

The fourth game lasted twenty-two minutes, in which both teams indulged in a good deal of swiping, slashing and foul plays. The game was stopped twice, the second face occurring in front of the Westminster poles. Quann got the ball in the face off and passed to Quigley. Quigley transferred to Campbell, and Campbell put it through by a swift grounder from the side.

In the fifth game the home team had the best of it all through. The rubber made all sorts of gyrations round the visiting goalkeeper, Myers, for a minute and a half, when B. Peele passed to Dalgleish, Dalgleish to Lewis, and Lewis scored.

The sixth game was fast and furious, the greys making a special effort to complete the quartette of games in the time limit. After ten minutes' one-sided play, in which the red jackets played entirely on the defence, Quann made a pretty drop shot to Smith, Smith grounded the rubber to Quigley, and Quigley made another of those determined lumbering rushes of his, and shot the ball through everything. A moment's hesitation, and up went the umpire's hand, and a wild rush was made for the tramcars by the joyous Vancouver contingent.

Ketchum made a quiet, firm, impartial referee, and two thousand people witnessed the game, fully half the spectators being ladies, charmingly attired, vivacious, and fully sustaining Westminster's reputation for fair women. Five hundred people went over from Vancouver to witness the match.

SUMMARY.

Game	Won by	Scored by	Time
1	Vancouver	Ralph	3.25
2	Westminster	Ryall	3.25
3	Vancouver	Quigley	.45
4	Vancouver	Campbell	22.00
5	Westminster	Lewis	1.30
6	Vancouver	Quigley	10 00

THE CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES.

	Played.	Won.	Lost.	Per Ct.
Victoria	2	2	0	100
Westminster	3	1	2	33
Vancouver	3	1	2	33

THE GAME IN THE EAST.

OTTAWA, June 17—(Special)—In the championship lacrosse match to-day the Shamrocks beat Toronto three games to two, and the Cornwalls beat Montreal three to one.

THE TURF.

VELOX AN EASY WINNER.

The match race between Harry Velox and Mollie Cooper, which was disposed of at the Victoria Driving Park yesterday afternoon, proved a disappointment to all save the owners of the horse. Mollie could not be got down to her pace at all, and was easily defeated in three straight heats. The time was so slow that the watches held ran down.

CRICKET.

LAWYERS V. LAMBS.

The unfortunate lawyers of the V. C. C., commonly known as "the wolves," were not wily enough to combat the "lambs," who easily defeated them yesterday afternoon at the Caledonia grounds, much to the surprise of the former, who were ably captained by Mr. A. G. Smith, D.A.G., Mr. Smith was kindly allowed by his adversaries to make 34 and morley 12, none of the others getting into double figures, and the lawyers' innings closing for 98. Their adversaries on going to the wickets were a little timid at first, but soon plucked up courage, and Foulkes proceeded to hit the bowlers all over the field, making no less than 60 runs. The others then followed suit much to the disgust of the unfortunate fielders, and the score was brought up to 150 before the side retired. Owing to many demands on space, the full score in this match, as well as the scores in other cricketing events, cannot be given.

A REVERSE FOR CORRIG.

The seventeenth match in Corrig College's card for the season was played at Beacon Hill yesterday afternoon and lost to the Royal Dockyard team, while Scholefield and Ray Wilson played good cricket against the excellent bowling of Wallis and Wright. The Dockyard declared their innings closed with eight wickets down for 89 runs, and the College following were only permitted to pile together 29.

ANOTHER WIN FOR THE JUNIORS.

The return match between the Victoria Juniors and H. M. S. Champion was played yesterday afternoon, on the Canteen ground, Esquimalt, and after a very pleasant and exciting game, resulted in a win for the Juniors by 29 runs—the score standing 73 to 44. For the Juniors, McLeod took seven wickets for 25 runs, and Anderson three for 15; while for the Champion, Prentis bowled splendidly throughout, taking eight wickets for 17 runs.

ALBIONS MEET DEFEAT.

On the Albion C. C. grounds, yesterday afternoon, the United Banks' eleven played and defeated the Albions by 33 runs, the score being: United Banks, 59; Albions, 26. G. S. Holt, for the Banks, played a capital innings, and carried his bat for 31. Paterson and Goffin bowled with great success through the Albion innings, Paterson taking five wickets for 9 and Goffin four for 10.

YACHTING.

ROYAL YACHT CLUB REGATTA.

LONDON, June 17.—The regatta of the Royal Yacht club was held to-day over the usual course off the Isle of Wight. There was a good breeze from the east, and the yachts made a pretty picture as they started off with their huge mainsails bellying to the breeze. Lord Dunraven's Valkrie took part in the race, and again showed that the Americans will find in her a dangerous competitor for the American cup. Besides the Valkyrie, the Britannia, the Prince of Wales' yacht; the Satanita, owned by A. F. Clarke; the Calluna, owned by Mr. P. Donaldson; and the Iverna, owned by J. Jameson, sailed in the race. The leading yachts finished the first round, which was to the eastward, in the following order, their official finishing time being appended: Valkyrie, 4 hours, 42 minutes and 58 seconds; Britannia, 4 hours, 48 minutes and 39 seconds; Satanita, 4 hours, 59 minutes and 3 seconds.

The Calluna and Iverna finished so far astern that they were practically out of the race. The light easterly wind held true throughout the race. The Calluna was the first to cross the line, but the advantage thus gained was lost almost immediately after, by her running ashore on Carlshot Spit, where she remained for fully fifteen minutes. The Satanita and Valkyrie crossed the starting line nearly at the same time, followed by the Iverna and the Britannia in the order given. It was evidently to be a race between the Britannia and Valkyrie. Once across the line, the Valkyrie headed up to the windward, and opened a lead which she maintained until the finish. The time of each yacht was: Valkyrie, 1 hour, 20 minutes, 20 seconds; Britannia, 1 hour, 24 minutes, 49 seconds; Satanita, 1 hour, 30 minutes, 20 seconds; Iverna, 1 hour, 39 minutes, 20 seconds. The tide was running strong when the second round to the westward was started. There was little change in the positions in which the boats crossed the line, except that the Calluna passed the Iverna. The Calluna has no chance of winning the prize, however.

THE RIFLE.

LEAGUE MATCHES SCORES.

TORONTO, June 17. — (Special.) — The twelve highest scores made at Saturday's series shoot in the Canadian Military Rifle League are as follows:

Thirteenth battalion second team, Hamilton—838.

Seventh Fusiliers, at London.—835.

Forty-fifth battalion, first team, Hamilton —789.

B Troop, Manitoba Dragoons, Portage La Prairie.—781.

Ninety-sixth battalion, Port Arthur, Ont.,—775.

Guelph Rifle association, first team, Guelph, —774.

Twelfth York Rangers, first team, Toronto.—767.

Second Queen's Own Rifles, first team, Toronto.—765.

Hespeler Rifle association, Hespeler, Ont.,—761.

Eighth Royal Rifles, first team, Quebec,—758.

Governor-General's Foot Guards, first team, Ottawa,—743.

ATHLETICS.

TOURNAMENT AT UNION.

UNION, June 16.—(Special)—The newly formed athletic club has decided to hold its first annual sports on July 1. A good programme is in preparation, and hearty support is being given on every hand.

STOCKS IN NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, June 17.—Pacific railroad bonds closed as follows: Union firsts, 106 bid; Union Sinking Funds, 102⅜; bid; Centrals, 105 bid. Money on call 4 to 7 p.c. Foreign exchange posted rates sterling, 486 for sixty days; 488 on demand. Speculation at the Stock Exchange was extremely dull; the sales of stocks amounting to only 45,784 shares. Considering the inactivity the temper of speculation was quite firm. The market closed firm. The changes throughout the session were confined within a radius of ⅛ a ¼ p.c. Closing bids: Canadian Pacific, 78⅜; Central Pacific, 25¼; Denver and Rio Grande, 14; Wells Fargo, 140; Missouri Pacific, 36; Northern Pacific, 13; Northern Pacific preferred, 34¾; Northwest, 105½; Oregon Navigation, 60; Oregon Improvement, 12; Pacific Mail, 18⅜; Texas Pacific, 6⅝; Union Pacific, 29⅝; Western Union Telegraph, 83⅝; Northern Pacific consolidated fives, 63; Oregon Improvement, do 56; bar silver, 83⅝.

A TRIP TO KOOTENAY.

Henry Croft, M.P.P., Talks of What He Saw and Heard in the Upper Country.

Connection Between the East and West Districts by Trail—Rich Finds Being Made.

Henry Croft, M.P.P., who returned on Friday evening from a trip through West Kootenay district, says he is now more firmly convinced than ever of the greatness of that section of the country, and more enthusiastic and hopeful. Even those who are directly interested in the advancement of this great centre of the mining life of the province hardly appreciate the full extent of the advancement now being made and the prospects ahead of even greater strides than in the past.

Mr. Croft went up to Kootenay by the C.P.R. via Revelstoke to Nelson, at which place he made a short stay. He then went to Kaslo and up to Argenta and Duncan City. Between these two last named places there is an excellent eight mile trail on which pack horses are now used, but as the bridges along the route are constructed for a wagon road it is expected in the near future the trail will be widened and improved to make a good road out of it. From Duncan City a trail is being built on the north side of the river up to Heeley Creek, where the C.P.R. have a townsite proposition. This trail being on the north side gets all the southern sun, and will therefore be open earlier in the spring and later in the fall than a trail on the south side. A short distance from Duncan City a pass has been discovered through the mountains. It is about fifty feet wide, and being the only available pass will, beyond all question of a doubt, be the railway route so soon as it is decided to build. Above Duncan City several miles a trail is being built along Hamel Creek and eastward to connect with Shuswap Creek in East Kootenay. This is known as the East and West Kootenay trail and will give direct connection between these two districts—a most important feature in the development of the country as heretofore all travel between the East and West districts has had to be by the C.P.R. on the extreme north, or by the United States on the south, there being no easy way of getting over the mountain range which borders the Kootenays. This trail Mr. Croft says, will bring a large traffic to Duncan City. He looks upon this place as an ideal townsite, it being level land on the upper Kootenay lake in a first class position and owing to the very small rise in this lake the lower part of the property is never flooded.

"The whole of the Kootenay country," continued Mr. Croft, "is five to six weeks late owing to the exceptionally heavy snowfall during the past winter. A number of prospectors went in there as early as March and of course they could not get to work then. The result is that some of them have eaten all their grub and unless they can get 'staked,' they will leave the country and declare it is no good. However, there will be comparatively few of these. There are about 400 prospectors now around the upper Kootenay and some 150 on the Trout Lake. Some good finds have already been made. Just a few days before I was there, a claim was discovered almost on the trail between Argenta and Duncan City, which shows up 200 ounces to the ton. At Kaslo things are quiet. People there are waiting for railway communication, and I guess they are sorry they did not let that charter go through the Legislature last year which would have enabled a road to be built by practically the same people as have the Nelson and Fort Sheppard railway in hand. In the Slocan things are brisk, one company, an American syndicate, having already some 300 men at work, and other companies also moving. The fact is Kaslo is temporarily handicapped on account of lack of railway facilities. It costs $32 a ton to get ore from Slocan to Kaslo, and only $8 to get it from Kaslo to Tacoma, so you can see it would not p