The Colonist

From THE DAILY COLONIST, Aug 9.

LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL. Election Committee. A general meeting of Hon. Mr. T. Davie's election committee will be held at Philharmonic Hall in the room to the left of the main entrance, this Friday, evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Capt. Remers, of the J.H. Hustede, is getting on very slowly with his discharge of cargo, the Chinamen employed for the work being lazy in the highest degree. The Hustede is chartered by degree. The Hustede is cnarrows. Robert Ward & Co. to convey a cargo of salmon to London from this port.

The property holders along Colquitz tream, who feel aggrieved at the water stream, who feel aggrieved at the water in the stream being curtailed, have ap-pointed J. F. Chandler, J. W. Carey and J. Griffiths a committee to take le-gal proceedings against the city for the stoppage of the water which passes down the stream from Beaver Lake.

Bouilla Point Telegraph Line. T. D. Conway, contractor for erecting the telephone poles from Victoria to Alberni, has already completed his work forty miles from the Capital, and reports no brush fires as far as he has gone, nor yet on the west coast, but says fogs and high winds are very frequent.

Found Drewned.

The body of a man found drowned in San Francisco Bay has been identified as that of William Bowen, an Englishman, fifty-five years old. Recently he went to Victoria, from which place he returned a week ago on the steamer Mexico. It is thought he lost all his money in Victoria, and during the resulting despondency drowned himself.

The Westminster Income Acrium The addition to the provincial asylun for the insane at Westminster is now in process of construction. The old buildprocess of construction. The old build-ings, with the exception of the female department, are being almost com-pletely rebuilt in order bring them into conformity with the new plans. When completed the asylum will have ample accommodations for 200 patients.

The Nanaimo Free Press says: An the Nahamo Free Frees says: Another prophecy of Mrs. Sampson has failed to come to pass. While in Nahamimo she predicted that an explosion would take place in the Wellington collieries on August 3d. Well, here we are up to the 7th of August (says the Free Press) and no explosion has taken place are likely to And wet a let of place or is likely to. And yet a lot of gullible people paid \$2 each for such predictions. All the fools are not dead

Alberni Thursday afternoon. He reports that the fires have been terrific along the Cameron Lake over the mountain last week, but he would have needed to be inside of one of Taylor's safes, to travel through the seething and roaring flames. The cribbing of the road is all burned away, and it is almost impassable at Cameron Lake and over the mountain. Mr. Armstrong results the great in the levels of the safe was put down by Mr. Wall. the road is all burned away, and it is almost impassable at Cameron Lake and over the mountain. Mr. Armstrong re-ports that the crops in the lowlands of Alberni have not suffered much from the drought, but on the bench or high lands crops are parched up.

run," but there is no sign of the fish

Several pieces of farm machinery arrived here on the steamer Islander last night, consigned to Messrs. E. G. Prior & Co., from Messrs. Larmonth & Co., Kanloops, and a three-horse tread power machine to Messrs. Young and

at Philharmonic Hall in the room to the left of the main entrance, this Friday, evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Successful Bear Hunters.

Dr. Davis, of Nanaimo, and Mr. W. J. Goepel, of this city, who have been spending a few days in the neighborhood of Cameron Lake, returned to Nanaimo on Wednesday with four bears, one wolf and a good stock of hunting yarns for their friends.

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B. C. Fruit Growers' Exhibition.

The dity treasurer states that checks will be ready at the city hall on Monday for payment. It was reported at Port Townsend yesterday that the hotel at Dungeness hand been burned.

Among the Chinase who will leave for Chinate do the but few came, and the growers were compelled to go to Portly and the provers were compelled to go to Portly and the provent of the past nineteen years has been employed as cook at Joe getting on very slowly with his discharge of cargo, the Chinamen employed for the work being lazy in the highest

R. C. Fruit Growers' Exhibition. The exhibition of flowers and fruit held at Vancouver on Wednesday and held at Vancouver on wednesday and yesterday is pronounced by the papers to have been an unqualified success. The display of fruit. flowers and vegetables was particularly fine. The principal exhibitors were residents of Westminster district, Port Haney and Westminster district, Port Haney and Westminster districts and well represented. minster district, Fort Haney and West-minster city being well represented. The News-Advertiser says the only ex-hibit from Victoria is that of G. A. Mc-Tavish, by Wm. Dodds, and it is one-worthy of the Queen City's wealth of flowers—that she, however, kept well home. Mr. McTavish, has almost ex-hausted the prize list in flowers.

Harvesting at Chilliwhack.

Harvesting at Chilliwack and Sumas is well advanced, and magnificent crops are being reaped. A little more rain would have improved the crops, but as are being reaped. A little more rain would have improved the crops, but as it is they are over the average. On Friday last threshing commenced and is now in progress on half a dozen farms. Small quantities of this year's crop of wheat have already been marketed, and another week will see regular shipments of grain reaching this city. Fruit growers are busy picking and packing fruit, and shipping it to market. Although an immense quantity of fruit is being exported daily, the shipping season cannot be said to be in full swing yet.—Columbian.

Commercial Travellers' Association A meeting of the Commercial Travellers' Association of Canada was held at their rooms in the Macdonald building, Bastion Square, last evening, a large representation of the commercial element being present. Reports were read showing the prosperous state of the association, and that already quite a number neing present. Reports were reas snowing the prosperous state of the association, and that already quite a number of the prominent mercantile men of Victoria have become members. Railway and other matters affecting the inter-

and other matters affecting the interests of commercial travellers were discussed, and it is confidently hoped that the privilege accorded to commercial travellers by railways in the east will very shortly be granted to the commercial men in British Columbia. The City Ice Factory. Last night was show night at the ice factory on Spratt's wharf, and Ald. Kelly, the proprietor, did the honors to a large number of visitors anxious to

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On Tuesday the Walla Walla fouled the tay Tyhee on Puget Sound, inflicting damage to the amount of \$1,500.

A gang of men were engaged in extinguishing a bush fire on the Saanich road yesterday.

Rock Bay bridge is closed for traffic, and vehicles have to go around by way of Government street.

A resident of Victoria is reported to be a loser to the extent of \$300 by the Minneapolis forger, J. F. Collom.

A large number of new fifty cent pieces, Canadian coinage, have been put in circulation in Victoria.

The first batch of salmon canned this season on Puget Sound was put up on Wednesday at Morse's cannery, near Seattle. The batch amounted to 100 cases. The salmon were caught between

dredger. The steamer Princess, regularly every morning tows the dredger out from the powder magazine to its buoy, a process that takes over an hour, and at about 4:30 every afternoon tows her back again. This means of going to work loses over two hours of dredger ing work every day of the week when the powder and Lady Cecil, from London, England, arrived at the Driard last night by the Islander.

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A FOREIGN WAR VESSEL.

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or the Nordenfelt pattern. Her s is twelve knots per hour. She is jour-plated throughout. The follo is the list of her officers:

Captain—Florencis Valenzuela.

Commander—Joaquim Mennoz.

1st Lieutenant—Vicenti Nerino.

2nd Lieutenant—Dario Espinoza.

3rd Lieutenant—Int. Pario.

Returning to China.

A large number of Chinese arrived at Pa., are staying at the Driard for a Vancouver on Thursday by the Pacific Express. They came through from the United States in bond, and left for China by the Batavia yesterday. One man, who had a chain round his waist, connected with shadken on his

A. Ferguson, an Ottawa barrister, i

THE OTHER SIDEOF THE SHIELD.

thirty days out from Honolulu, arrived at Esquimalt at 11 o'clock yesterday morning. She will stay in port ten days and then proceed via San Fran-cisco to Tahiti. She is a sloop of 600 tons burden, mounting four twenty-pound guns and four quick firing guns of the Nordenfelt pattern. Her speed

The Philharmonic band, Prof. Haynes, leader, will play at Beacon Hill this afternoon. Following will be the programme:

Wednesday at Morse's cannery, near Seattle. The batch amounted to 100 cases. The salmon were caught between Deception Pass and Ustaintly, where they are very plentiful just now. 1889 will long be remembered as they sear of the great salmon run on the Frayser. Up to yesterday, there was not abatement in the run of fish.

The Young People's association of St. The Young Peop

Matsada Sorakichi, the great Japan-ese wrestler, and James H. Faulkner will wrestle a three nights' tournament at the Club Theatre, commencing to To the Editor:—It is a pity that you, who to-day have devoted more than a column of your valuable space to a article under staring capitals in depreciation of the Peace River country, can find neither time nor space for the publication of the Senate Committee's report on the same region.

I do not intend to attack Mr. Davis' assertions about that great tract; but it is evident that, being a trader and not an agriculturalist, the value of his opinion is not as great as the experience of those who have resided in the Peace River basin and have tilled the soil for

iciating.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Henry Brown will take place this afternoon, leaving the family residence, Fort street, at 2 o'clock and St. John's Church at 2:30.

The San Francisco people who printed the new stock of registers for the Clarence hotel have headed each page with the word "Clarendon." Moral: Get

the word "Clarendon." Moral: Get your printing done at home.

R. L. Cawston arrived down from Osoyoos last evening on the Rithet, having brought out 123 head of beef cattle for Van Volkenburgh Bros., 84 of which came down to Victoria.

The steward of the Royal Hospital desires to thank Mrs. J. McGregor for a quantity of flowers, and Mrs. Capt. Rudlin for a good supply of plums. Vegetables and clothing will be acceptable at the hospital.

Jonathan Robinson, known all over the city as "Geordie," died yesterday afternoon. He was formerly employed aboard the schooner Triumph and also had charge of Mr. E. Crow Baker's office for a considerable period as care-

F. E. Carlyon, of Sehome, W. T., is staying at the Driard House.

A. Barnard and two daughters, of Ontario, are at the Clarence.

Geo. Beckingham arrived over by the Sound steamer last evening.

James Hamilton Lewis, Seattle's well known lawyer, is at the Clarence.

S. R. Anderson, G. Leiser and Jesse M. Cowper returned by the Islander last evening. last evening.

Geo. Byrnes left for Vancouver this

Geo. Byrnes lett for Vancouver this morning on business connected with the provincial land sale.

Miss Armstrong, principal of the girls' school, Victoria, returned from the mainland last evening.

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THE PREMIER IN COMOX. s Heartily Welcomed by the Farmers of the District-Matters of Local Interes

In response to a numerously signed requisition, the Hon. John Robson met the settlers of Comox at the central school house on Friday night. The attendance was very large, including set-tlers from all parts of the district. Thos. Pearcy, Esq., was voted to the chair and Mr. E. Halliday was appointed to act secretary.

The chairman, in a few appropriate

The chairman, in a few appropriate remarks, explained the circumstances under which the meeting was called and introduced the Hon. Mr. Robson to the audience. Upon rising to speak Mr. Robson was greeted with hearty applause. He referred to his former visit to Comox, some twenty years ago, and spoke of the great progress made since that time, and of the great agricultural possibilities which lay before that beautiful and fertile valley. He concluded what might be called his

partitle people paid of each for some of the profession of the pro ther own local affairs, and thereby carry out the principle of responsible government. By this means they would not only be in a position to collect and expend their own revenue, but the establishment of a little local parliament would exert a beneficial influence in many ways. The hon gentleman closed his address with an eloquent peroration, and resumed his seat amid prolonged applause. A hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Robson was unanimously passed, which Robson was unanimously was fittingly acknowledge hanks were given to the chairman, the ecretary and those who had taken an

THE RUSH'S COMMANDER

Blamed for Placing Only One Man in Charge of the Black Diamond.

A Washington despatch says: At the Navy Department the officers and offi-cials did not hesitate to express themselves very freely on the course of taken by the Rush's commander. say that he could not excuse him vessel, and that the Britisher hadshrewdly brought the whole controversy to a
point where a decision must be rendered at once. The United States navy
dlaim the ownership of the Black Diamond, and may prefer charges of kidnaping and lareeny against her
commander. But this would open up the whole question as
to the right of the United States to
assume exclusive control over Behring's ssume exclusive control over Behring's Sea, and would perhaps lead to a set-

States can again take the Black Diamond peacefully. She will have to be recaptured, red-handed, in order that this country may maintain a case against het, and if the negotiations for a settlement of the various diameter. a settlement of the various disput tween Canada and the United Sta not speedily entered into it will be neces-sary for this government to enter into proceedings before some international

The Presbytery of Columbia met in the Presbyterian Church, Richmond, on Tuesday last, for the induction of Rev. J. A. Jaffray, B.A. Rev. Mr. Jamieson presided; Rev. Mr. Maclaren, of Vancouver, preached; Rev. Mr. Tait, of Langley, addressed the minister, and Rev. Mr. Ross, of Chilliwack, the people. After the induction a social was held in the new manse, at which there was the usual abundant supply of choice eatables, etc.

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