PACIFIC SHARPSHOOTERS.

They Continue to Be Much in Evidence at the Great Ottawa Gathering.

A Prize in the League Series—Detailed Report of the Toronto Winnings.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

OTTAWA, Aug. 28.—The Walker match, which occupied the attention of the D R A. competitors this morning, is one for battalion teams only, there being no individual prizes except a cup presented by Hiram Walker & Sons, of Walkerville, to be awarded for the best score made by any member of the competing teams. It takes a great score to win this cup, for the very best marksmen of the country are called upon to make up the teams, but a British Columbian proved equal to the occasion today, a well compiled 96, out of the 105 possible, making Gunner Henry C. Chamberlin the winner. He had 90 and two shots to go, but finished with two magpies, when he might easily have tied last year's top score of 98. The cup does not have to be shot for more than once. In the team competition, however, the chief prize is the Walker challenge cup, to be fired for annually. This was secured to-day by the team of six men from the Victoria Rifles, Montreal, who scored 524 out of the 630 possible. The team scoring was lower than last year, when 539 won first and 528 the sixth and last prize. Then the B.C.G.A. were 10th with 525; to day their score of 494 left them 15th. A tricky wind at the last range made an all-round lowering of scores there.

This afternoon the Henshaw match, for ninety individual prizes, was fired, the competition consisting of seven shots at 200 yards standing and ten shots at 600. Last year's top score of 78 was equalled by Lieut. Monro of the 44th Battalion, Niagara Falls, who thus won the Corby cup and $20. British Columbia took three prizes:

76th—$4—Gunner Geo. Turnbull	67
77th—$4—Gunner R. Wilson	67
82nd—$4—Gunner A. F. Cotton	67

One 67 was counted out, while last year twelve 65's drew prizes. The Kirkpatrick match, to be fired to-morrow morning, will complete the grand aggregate, the first hundred in which shoot on Friday for the Governor-General's prizes and for places on the Bisley team. The leader at present is Sergeant Major Armstrong of Guelph, who has 308. Gunner J. C. Chamberlin, of New Westminster, with 290, is probably within the first thirty; the next British Columbian is Gunner A. R. Langley, whose 285 points place him now about fortieth.

The annual meeting of the Canadian Military Rifle League was held here to-night, when the prizes won as a result of the four competitions of this season were presented. No. 4 Company, of Westminster, did credit to British Columbia by taking eighth place, and winning one of the ten cups, which went thus:

1—Thirteenth battalion, Hamilton	3586
2—Forty-fifth battalion, Bowmanville	3560
3—Fifty-ninth battalion, Cornwall	3555
4—Forth-fifth battalion, Lindsay	3540
5—Forty third battalion, Ottawa	3524
6—Queen's Own Rifles, Toronto	3434
7—Tenth Royal Grenadiers, Toronto	3420
8—No. 4 Co., B C.B.G.A., New Westminster	3416
9—Eighth Royal Rifles, Quebec	3413
10—Seventh Fusiliers, London	3392

The headquarters of the League, which move from place to place, were changed to Montreal for 1896, and Lieut.-Colonel W. M. Massey, of that city, was elected president, with Captain W. Andrews, also of Montreal, as secretary. Lieut. J. D. Taylor, Victoria, Lieut. Annandale, Westminster, and Mr. J. Duff Stuart, Vancouver, were elected to represent British Columbia on the executive. An address was by invitation delivered by Hon. N. Clarke Wallace, who stated that before long the Dominion government will equip the volunteers with the most improved rifles.

THE ONTARIO MEETING.

A letter from the B. C. team captain, Mr. A. R Langley, which arrived last evening, gives the complete details of the operations of the riflemen from this province at the Ontario prize meeting at Toronto last week, and only very meagre reports of which came by the wire. It seems that a very unlooked for piece of hard luck prevented their repeating the performance of last year which brought to this city the splendid Tait and Brassey cups representing the battalion and company championships, for they lost by only 10 points notwithstanding the collapse of a thoroughly reliable man at the mid range. The Tait cup was taken with 536 points, and the B.C.G A. won the fifth prize of $20 with the following score:

B C.G A. TEAM.

H. C. Chamberlin	31	33	32	96
A. R. Langley	29	33	33	95
W. J. Sloan	30	28	30	88
R. Wilson	30	28	29	87
J. L. Beckwith	31	30	26	87
J. C. Chamberlin	30	17	26	73
Total	181	169	176	526

The only other team prize they won at Toronto was the fifth in the skirmishing match—$15. They secured, however, a splendid array of individual prizes, bringing the total winnings up to $195 for nine men against $191 for eight men last year. Following are the details:

GILMOUR—500 YARDS, 7 SHOTS.

4th—$7—Gunner H. C. Chamberlin	33
32nd—$4—Corp. J. Duff Stuart	29

GIBSON—500 AND 600 YARDS, 7 SHOTS.

41st—$4—Gunner A. R. Langley	57
48th—$4—Gunner R. Wilson	56
51st—$3—Gunner Geo. Turnbull	56

MACDONALD—200 YARDS, STANDING, 7 SHOTS.

13th—$5—Gunner Chamberlin	28
15th—$5—Corp Duff Stuard	28
46th—$3—Gunner W. J. Sloan	27

GORDON—600 YARDS, 7 SHOTS.

4th—$7—Gunner R. Wilson	32
7th—$5—Gunner J. C. Chamberlin	31
13th—$5—Gunner J. L. Beckwith	30
16th—$5—Gunner H. C. Chamberlin	30
53rd—$3—Gunner A. R. Langley	27

WALKER, 500 AND 600 YARDS, 7 SHOTS.

9th—$5—Gunner H. C. Chamberlin	62
30th—$4—Gunner W. J. Sloan	59
38th—$4—Gunner J. C. Chamberlin	58

TAIT-BRASSEY, 200, 500 AND 600 YARDS, 7 SHOTS.

3rd—$15—Gunner H. C. Chamberlin	96
6th—$10—Gunner A. R. Langley	95
42nd—$5—Gunner A. F. Cotton	89
54th—$4—Gunner W. J. Sloan	88
71st—$4—Gunner R. Wilson	87
80th—$4—Gunner J. L Beckwith	87
89th—$3—Corporal J. Duff Stuart	86

GRAND AGGREGATE.

2nd—Gov.-Gens. Silver Medal and $15—Gunner H C. Chamberlin	302
15th—$5—Gunner A. R. Langley	286

EXTRA SERIES, 200 YARDS, 5 SHOTS (2 SCORES).

17th—$4—Gunner H. C. Chamberlin	46
19th—Gunner A. R. Langley	45

EXTRA SERIES, 500 YARDS, 5 SHOTS.

17th—$3—Gunner Chamberlin	24

EXTRA SERIES, 800 YARDS, 5 SHOTS.

4th—$5—Gunner J. C. Chamberlin	24
8th—$5—Gunner J. L. Beckwith	24

The aggregates of the nine British Columbians at Toronto were as follows: H. C. Chamberlin 302, A. R. Langley 286, W. J. Sloan 275, R. Wilson 274, J. L Beckwith 270, J D Stuart 269, J. C. Chamberlin 262, A F. Cotton 258, Geo. Turnbull 251.

THIS YEAR'S CROP.

TORONTO, Aug. 28.—(Special)—The opinion is expressed by Government Inspector Gibb that a large portion of the wheat crop will not grade "No. 1 hard," but "No. 1 Northern." This difference between the grading of this year's and last year's wheat yield is accounted for by the fact that during the present season an abundance of moisture prevailed, while last year there was more heat and less rain. He says it will not affect the price, however, the value of the two grades being about the same. It is believed there will be no change this year in the regulations regarding the inspection of grain, that is in the matter of mixing and grading. The practice of mixing the grades, it is said at the inland revenue department, prevails with regard to all grades of No. 1 quality shipped from Duluth, the rival shipping port to Port Arthur, and it is felt that any stringent rules would operate to the prejudice of Port Arthur and would lessen the value of the Manitoba wheat crop. A meeting of the grain board for the selection of standard samples of this year's crop, Controller Wood says, will be held in Winnipeg about the 20th of September. It may be, however, that owing to the very heavy crop throughout the West the meeting will have to be convened at a later date.

ALASKA BOUNDARY.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 28.—An attempt has been made in some quarters to work up a diplomatic controversy over the Alaska boundary survey between the United States and Great Britain. The status of the case now is that the boundary is to be settled by an agreement between the two countries, after a survey has been made. Both countries make an independent survey, but these surveys do not settle the boundary, which will have to be agreed upon by both countries at some time in the future. Because the survey which is now being made by Great Britain includes certain territory which people in Alaska and Washington believe rightfully belongs to the United States, an impression has been created that the survey settles the boundary and that the United States should protest against it. The survey by the United States may be unsatisfactory to Great Britain, as both surveys are made independently; they are preliminary to an international agreement, and until the surveys are completed, nothing will be done.

SEALING PROHIBITION.

LONDON, Aug. 28.—The Gazette yesterday evening published the following order-in-council: "From and after the date of the present order, and until Her Majesty in council shall otherwise direct, the catching of seals by British ships is hereby prohibited within such parts of those seas where the seal fisheries act of October, 1895, applies, as are comprised within the following: The zone of ten marine miles on all Russian coasts, Behring sea and North Pacific ocean; a zone of 30 marine miles round Kommandorsky islands and Tulenew and Robbin islands."

The powers granted to officers under the fisheries act relating to British ships and their equipments, their crews and certificates, may be exercised by any commissioned naval officer on full pay, or the captain or other officer in command of any war vessel of the Emperor of Russia, but subject to certrin limitations and exceptions.

HUNTING UP WESTERN SUPPLIES.

WINNIPEG, Aug. 27.—(Special)—Andrew Clement, of the firm of Andrew Clement & Son, produce merchants of Glasgow, with branches at London, Liverpool, Manchester and Newcastle, is here in connection with the development of the export trade of butter and cheese from this province direct to Glasgow, Scotland, where his head office is located. He is accompanied by Mr. Marshall, of the firm of Marshall & Steven, also of Glasgow, wholesale dealers and importers. Mr. Marshall is interested in the salmon canneries of British Columbia and will proceed to Vancouver with Mr. Clement. Mr. Marshall says the canned goods of British Columbia rank high in the old country markets, especially the Fraser river salmon.

WINNIPEG WIRINGS.

WINNIPEG, Aug. 28.—(Special)—The preliminary hearing of the criminal libel charges brought by R. T. Richardson, editor of the Tribune, against Mr. Bell, editor of the Nor' Wester, was heard to-day. Bell was committed for trial at the assizes.

A Calgary despatch says that Premier Bowell, while there, informed more than one prominent citizen that he would seek an interview with Premier Greenway on the school question when he returned to Winnipeg.

The Simpson brothers, convicts, who escaped from Portage la Prairie jail have been recaptured.

The eloping couple, Garfield and Miss Moore, escorted by Sheriff Haaze of Brown county, left for Aberdeen, S.D.

B. C. FRUIT SHIPMENTS.

WINNIPEG, Aug. 27.—(Special)—Yesterday J. A. Catherwood, of Mission City, B C., arrived in Winnipeg with a carload of choice plums for the Manitoba market. The shipment is an experiment, made by the Fraser Valley fruit society, and Mr. Catherwood says will be followed up by consignments until the cold weather sets in. There were 1,500 baskets of plums in the car received yesterday and 100 baskets apples. All were soon disposed of.

HUDSON'S BAY.

WINNIPEG, Aug. 27.—(Special)—Colonel Scoble and Archibald Wright, well known Winnipegers, left by boat] to-day for Lake Winnipeg, whence they proceed to Hudson's Bay. The object of the trip is to further a project for a canal system along the water courses from the head of Lake Winnipeg to Hudson's Bay. Plans for the scheme have been prepared for some time.

NIAGARA AT WORK.

NIAGARA FALLS, N.Y, Aug. 26.—At 7 o'clock this morning the Niagara Falls Power Co. first turned on the electric power generated by dynamos and tubines from the torrent of Niagara river. The current is transmitted to the works of the Pittsburgh Reduction Co., which a few moments later opened for business with a score of men employed. To-morrow morning 40 more men will be at work.

CANADIAN NEWS.

Gloucester Fishermen Lost on the Grand Banks Turn Up at Halifax.

Foul Play Suspected at Buck's Lake—Lord's Day act Infringed.

(Special to the COLONIST.)

BRAMPTON, Aug. 24.—William Marston, a bachelor 80 years of age, remarked to a neighbor that he thought he would hang himself. Yesterday morning he was found suspended from a ceiling.

TORONTO, Aug. 24.—The senate of Toronto University last night unanimously granted the certificate asked for by J. A. Tucker, recently expelled from Toronto University on account of an article published in the "Varsity."

GRAVENHURST, Aug. 24.—On Tuesday a fatal quarrel took place near the Severn bridge, resulting in the death of John Wilson, a Swede. The assailant was his nephew, Peter Paulsen.

KINGSTON, Aug. 26.—Hon. Mr. Harty, commissioner of public works in the Ontario government, in reply to a deputation which interviewed him here on Saturday regarding the running of Sunday street cars, suggested that the proper thing to do would be for a deputation from all the cities in the province to fix a date on which to present their case against Sunday street cars before the full meeting of the cabinet, when the whole matter could be dealt with from a general rather than a local point of view.

CHATHAM, Aug. 26.—Detective Zeney, of Dover, was in the city to-day working up cases against the notorious burglar and sneak thief now in jail here. Zeney says that Duncan McDonald alias Moore stole two valuable boats at Marine City, Mich., sailed them to this side and sold them. An officer has traced the boats and will put the owners in the way to recover them.

MONTREAL, Aug. 26.—(Special)—Lieut.-Governor Chapleau left to-night in the private car Earnscliffe for the Pacific coast via Winnipeg. He expects to be away six weeks. Mrs. Chapleau goes with him.

NORTH BAY, Aug. 27.—The body of Alexander T. Douglas, one of the victims of the ill-fated boat Fraser, burnt on Lake Nipissing in 1893, was recovered on Saturday. The body, which is well preserved, was interred yesterday.

HALIFAX, Aug. 27.—Richard White and Fred Schwartz, who strayed from the Gloucester schooner Shenandoah on the Grand Banks on the 6th instant during a dense fog, arrived here yesterday in a famished condition. They were four days without food or shelter.

CORNWALL, Aug. 27.—David B. Moss, of Moulinette village, went to church Sunday night on his bicycle. He returned home between the double tracks of the Grand Trunk railway. Next morning his body was found in a culvert. He was still astride his wheel, and was lying in fifteen inches of water. He had evidently fallen into the culvert, was stunned and drowned before he recovered consciousness.

TORONTO, Aug. 27.—On August 15, Jas. Barrett, a farmer residing twelve miles from Novar, was out rowing on Buck's lake with a number of companions. For some reason Barrett attempted to swim to shore, 100 yards distant, and was drowned. Contradictory stories being told by the men who were with Barrett at the time suspicion that all was not right was aroused in the mind of the dead man's wife and of John Barrett, a brother, and they have brought the matter to the attention of the Attorney-General's department.

TORONTO, Aug. 27.—Bandmaster Waldron of the Royal Grenadiers, and several members of the band have been summoned to the police court for violations of the Lord's Day act, by playing at sacred concerts at the island on Sundays.

MONTREAL, Aug. 27.—Warden King has left about half a million and made many charitable bequests. He left the Manitoba Theological College $5,000, and home and foreign missions $2,000 each. To these and kindred societies he leaves a total of $45,000.

TORONTO, Aug. 27.—Serious charges have been preferred against some of the officials of the central prison here, and Hon. J. M. Gibson, provincial secretary, has ordered an open investigation into the whole management.

OTTAWA, Aug. 27.—A. M. Burgess, deputy minister of the interior; William Pierce, superintendent of mines; John Dennison, general inspector, were appointed to day by the government to attend the international irrigation convention at Albuquerque, New Mexico, September 26 to 29

MONTREAL, Aug 28.—The C.P.R. division of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers is in session here in biennial convention. Over thirty delegates are in attendance, representing over 500 men from Halifax to Vancouver. Ashe Kennedy, of Winnipeg, presided, and the election of officers resulted as follows: "Chairman, Ashe Kennedy, Winnipeg; vice-chairman, J. Scott, Toronto Junction; secretary-treasurer, Chas. Pope, Rat Portage. The convention will last four days."

CASSELMAN, Aug. 28.—A fire here yesterday destroyed a saw mill, about 2,000 cords of wood, a million feet of lumber and 1,000 pieces of timber. The loss is about $35,000, half covered by insurance.

TORONTO, Aug. 28.—A Montreal agent is in Toronto negotiating for 1,000 head of yearling and two-year-old cattle for the Allen ranch in the Northwest. This experiment may lead to the development of a large and profitable trade between Ontario and the Northwest.

GALT, Aug. 28.—The agricultural hall in Dickson Park was burned yesterday. It is owned by the South Waterloo Agricultural society, and is also used as an armory by the Militia department. Loss about $40,000.

HUNTSVILLE, Aug. 28.—The barn of George Hutchins near this village took fire from the bursting of a coal oil lantern. Hutchins' son and two boys went to the barn to sleep, and when the lantern was blown out it burst. Joyce, 14 years, perished in the flames, and Hutchins' son was badly burned.

CHATHAM, Aug. 28.—On July 9 last the neighborhood of Merlin and Port Alma was thrown into a state of intense excitement by the discovery in a heap of ashes of some human remains, under circumstances strongly suggesting the commission of a murder. From the result of Detective John Murray's inquiries and examinations, Murray is satisfied that the man, whoever he was, had been done to death, perhaps to hide traces of another crime, and he is determined to probe the mystery to the bottom.

NEWS OF THE PROVINCE.

The C. P. R. Seeking to Secure the Trade of Kootenay—Masonic Funeral.

Reception to Bishop Dart at Westminster—Lumber Trade With Honolulu.

(Special to the COLONIST.)

VANCOUVER.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Aug. 28.—Keyser Verbeist who has been inviting offers from the different cities as inducements for him to start a linseed oil mill, has decided to erect a mill near Mission.

Captain Butler was buried yesterday afternoon under the auspices of the Masons, Odd Fellows and Knights of Pythias. The obsequies were very impressive and the funeral largely attended.

W. C. Peacock, of Honolulu, is looking into the lumber business here. He leaves by the next Australian steamer to inaugurate an extensive lumber business on the Hawaiian Islands.

Mr. McGillivray who has the contract for clearing a right of way for a 13 mile extension of the Arrow Lake branch of the C.P.R., left for Kootenay to-day with 100 men. The labor market was taxed to its utmost to supply the men required. Mr. McGillivray says that things are very lively in the Kootenay country. In the Trail Creek district 1,000 miners are sinking shafts, and Rossland has now 3,000 population. The C.P R. are not leaving a stone unturned to secure the trade of Kootenay for themselves and Canada. The C.P.R. branch from Trail Creek to Rossland is being surveyed, and should Trail Creek, as is fully expected, have communication with the outside for the entire twelve months, it will make a big difference to that country and the province.

The steamer Capilano arrived from Alaska yesterday. The voyage was uneventful. There was considerable distress amongst the laboring classes at Juneau, but all anticipated better times.

An inquest is to be held inquiring into the cause of the death of the infant whose body was found in a box in Central Park by some children a few days ago.

WESTMINSTER.

NEW WESTMINSTER, Aug. 28.—The Board of Revision, after adjusting matters in connection with Judge Bole's decision regarding assessments has adjourned sine die.

The city clerk is to communicate with the provincial government reminding them of the promise of the legislature as to widening the street near the provincial jail reserve. A long forgotten survey of the proposed improvements has, it seems, been brought to light.

His Lordship the Bishop and Mrs. Dart were welcomed by the parishioners of Holy Trinity last night at St. Leonard's hall, which was beautifully decorated for the occasion. Rev. A. Sheldrick read the address of welcome, after which Miss McColl sang "Light of the Lane." The bishop said that he had seen enough during his short time in the province to convince him that his predecessor must have worked with a faithful spirit and with great energy to create so many church institutions. He urged those present to manifest an interest in diocesan affairs, and to take a catholic and extended view of matters connected with the church. Whilst they remembered their families, they must also remember the parish and diocese, and the life which is above and beyond them all. He wished them to worship God on week days as well as on Sundays. He thanked them for their great kindness to himself and wife. He had come amongst them to live and die, and hoped that his sons, whilst they remained true Englishmen, would grow up to be true and loyal Canadians.

NANAIMO.

NANAIMO, Aug. 28.—On Monday morning while William Cheney, of Englishman's river, was at work on his farm a big panther sneaked up to the house. The front door was open and the baby was playing in the porch. When the panther was within a few yards of the child, Mrs. Cheney came to the front of the house. To pick up her baby and lock the door did not take many seconds. From the window she could see the panther on the doorstep, and being unable to load her husband's rifle, she had to await his return. Two hours later Mr. Cheney came home, when the panther, hearing his approach, bolted into the bush. Shortly after Mr. Cheney tracked the brute to its lair, and yesterday the scalp was presented to Marshal Bray for the $7 50 bounty.

Within the last few days there have been several dangerous bush fires in the Nanaimo district and the fire department have been compelled to turn out frequently to prevent the flames approaching the city. On the "five acre" blocks a gang of Chinamen is employed fighting the fire, also on Newcastle townsite. The bush fires at Fish Creek and Nanoose Bay are again raging and the outlook is very threatening for the settlers. When the Alberni mail stage passed on Monday the fire was dangerously close to Knight's place. At Sack Belyea's the bush is all ablaze.

As Messrs. Pawson and Pimbury were crossing the Bastion street bridge yesterday afternoon they found it on fire. Furtunately it was easily extinguished, but with the prevailing high wind it would soon have made rapid progress.

It is rumored that the Texada island iron mines are to be opened up again at an early date.

The Nanaimo Indians are returning from the Fraser river, where they have been engaged in salmon fishing. They have plenty of money and will be circulating it freely during the next few days.

ALBERNI BAY.

ALBERNI BAY, Aug. 24.—Those who had the pleasure of attending the Sunday school excursion and basket picnic to Klik-siwi on Tuesday last enjoyed a rare treat. William May, on whose farm the picnic was held, gave the excursionists a cordial welcome, and threw his grounds wide open for their comfort and recreation. With plenty of good things to eat and drink, and games—with boating on the placid waters of the Klik-siwi, the party made the best of the day, and had no reason to complain. Credit is given the teachers for the noble manner in which the excursion was got up. Among those contributing to the success of the picnic were: Mesdames Mathers, Corker, Cook, the Misses Woods, Mathers, Dowley, Beeching, the Messrs. Woollocott, Bird, Hyde and Principal Corker, the superintendent of the Sunday school. The festivities of Tuesday will long be remembered as among the pleasantest features of the season's social events.

The timely application of a few buckets of water saved the residence of Adam Mathers from fire at Riversdale, on the Nimkish, last week.

The unsavory smell arising from the front of the Indian camp is getting to be a nuisance, and causes annoyance and discomfort to people who have occasion to visit the east end, and who are obliged to use this road in going to the post office. The beach near the road is made a repository for fish offal and sewage matter of the worst description, the smell from which is enough to breed a pestilence. Wonder is expressed that the Indian department permits such an undesirable state of things to exist.

The cannery has started up again to pack the spring salmon, the run of which is now commencing.

A party of five miners are camped at the mouth of the river. They intend going up the head waters of the Klaunch river to make a thorough search for gold and precious minerals. It is said that fair wages were made at one time washing gold in that vicinity, but of late years the place has received little or no attention from prospectors.

A man employed on the derrick at the Haddington quarry had one of his hands crushed in the cogs of the winch this evening. He was brought here to take the Victoria steamer to receive proper surgical treatment.

More English Agony.

In the United States, which used to be called the paradise of women, they are not just now having a very good time. They are suffering from the persecution of both sexes. In the state of Albany a law against ladies wearing tall hats in theaters was recently proposed in the legislature, while a bill has been laid before the board of aldermen at Chicago, at the instigation of the Women's Reform society, to forbid women from wearing leggings or skirts that are above a certain number of inches from the ground. The men want their attire to be cut off at one end and the women to have it lengthened at the other. What would the fair fashionables who disport themselves in Battersea park on their two wheeled steeds say to such sartorial edicts? The new woman boasts of the freedom permitted to her sex in America, but even there, it seems, they want to trample on her, or at least upon her skirts.—Illustrated London News.

A Slander.

A clever woman, in the New Orleans Picayune, says that it has been whispered to her that there will be a room in the Woman's building, at the Atlanta fair, where any of the sex so minded may steal away and smoke cigarettes, and she follows up the story with a talk against the evils of the weed for the feminine gender.

That such a story should exist at all is probably due to the ingenious brain of some newspaper space writer, and it has never occurred to the women interested in the Woman's building that there were women who might be addicted to the noxious weed. From the very inception of the enterprise the general trend of ideas for every department has been to make it thoroughly refined and womanly, and indeed the mere suggestion of cigarette smoking among women would horrify most of the members of the board beyond expression.—Atlanta Letter.

Miss Burta Grace Boyd.

The Eastport (Me.) Sentinel notes, as an honored visitor to that place, a young lady of brave fame—Miss Burta Grace Boyd, known as the Grace Darling of the St. Croix, who has charge of the Ledge light, located about six miles below St. Stephen, and who won her worthy title 12 years ago by saving, alone and unaided, two young sailors from certain death, a deed of bravery recognized by the Dominion government, which presented her with a handsome, well equipped lifeboat and a beautiful gold watch. Miss Boyd is the daughter of Captain John Boyd, for years keeper of the light. Since his death Miss Boyd has faithfully performed the keeper's duties. She is described as a petite body, whom one would never credit with sufficient physical prowess for the deeds she has done, but the great things are achieved by the great spirit so often found in small frames.

The Club Movement.

Mrs. Lillian C. Streeter gives some interesting statistics of the growth of the women's club movement after the organization of the general federation. "We know," says Mrs. Streeter in the Boston Herald, "of only four clubs organized prior to 1870. Between 1870 and 1880 we have a record of 39 more, the centennial year giving birth among others to the famous Chicago Woman's club, whose record is in many respects the most remarkable of all. Between 1880 and 1890 only 140 clubs were organized, while during the five years which have elapsed since 1890, the year in which the general federation was organized, more than 250 clubs have come into being and joined the federation, while many more are still waiting to be allied to it."

A Philanthropic Countess.

The Countess Schimmelmann, formerly a lady in waiting at the court of Berlin, addressed the workingmen of Copenhagen the other day and announced that she intended to sell her large villa near the Danish capital and devote the proceeds to the poor. She had lived, she said, in the palace of an emperor and in the huts of fishermen, and she had become convinced that the poor are happier than the millionaire.

VICE-PRESIDENT STEVENSON.

TACOMA, Aug. 23.—Vice-President Stevenson and party arrived from Alaska to-day. They are the guests of John A. Parker, at whose residence an informal reception is being held. The party starts East to-morrow morning over the Canadian Pacific railway.

The late Duke of Hamilton made the biggest bet on record against a Derby winner about thirty years ago. This was on the occasion of the Duke's visit to Middle Park in 1866, when he laid out £180,000 to £6,000 against Hermit for the Derby. Fortunately for him, friends intervened and the bet was scratched.

CABLE NEWS.

Chinese Missionaries Nearly Beaten to Death by Native Evangelists—The Inquiry Proceeding.

England to be Asked to Restore Hawaiian Monarchy—Burned to Death in a Church.

LONDON, Aug. 28.—A dispatch from Shanghai says that at the yamen of a magistrate of Tsaiohsio, near Wuhu, a member of the alliance mission was beaten by native evangelists nearly to death.

The Canary Island battalion have landed en route to Cuba.

Captain General Martinez de Campos has arrived at Havana unexpectedly.

The Queen has left Cowes for Balmoral.

The Havana correspondent of the Times telegraphs that Marshal Campos has definitely decided to fix his headquarters at Santa Clara.

An explosion of a lamp in a church at Ribordone, Italy, set fire to the pilgrim shelter adjoining the church, and eight persons were burned to death.

A dispatch to the Times from Shanghai says the Kucheng inquiry has been proceeding since Wednesday with all the members of the consular commission present. The dispatch adds that a Mohammedan rebellion has broken out in the province of Kansu, and is spreading seriously.

A dispatch to the Standard from Berlin says the Vossiche Zeitung hears from Honolulu that should America decline the request of the deputation to Washington City to annex the islands the Hawaiians will beg England, with America's assistance, to enthrone Princess Kaiulani.

The Berlin correspondent of the Standard telegraphs that the news that France will join England and America in whatever steps may be necessary to stop the massacres of foreigners in China has induced some German newspapers to express the hope that Germany will do likewise. Germany has a large squadron in Chinese waters.

According to a dispatch from Naples, there is no truth in the report that a formal and final settlement has been arrived at between Princess Colonna, daughter of Mrs. John W. Mackay, and her husband Prince Colonna, on a basis of the former having the custody of her children, and the latter receiving an annual income of 50,000 francs. It is stated that the relations which have existed between the Prince and Princess for some time past are unchanged.

Le Figaro this morning declares that the Waller affair is unimportant; that Waller was only American consul through an accident; that he never did well, and his consular colleagues, in addition to the natives, shunned him. Le Figaro adds: "Nothing serious can result from negotiations regarding his condemnation, for he is not worth the trouble. The Castine incident is more serious, but any formal complaint should come from France and not from America, which is entirely wrong. Moreover the American newspaper campaign in this connection is nothing but an engine of election warfare, without importance for us, and aimed much more against President Cleveland and Mr. Eustis."

Vienna newspapers announce that the cotton firm of Staubandguyer, of Cornigliano, near Genoa, Italy, has failed for over 1,000,000 lire.

There was a cloud burst yesterday evening in the district of Sidi Aich which caused enormous damage. An Arab village was destroyed; 14 persons killed, and 16 seriously injured have been removed from the ruins.

A dispatch to the Pall Mall Gazette from Shanghai says the utmost dissatisfaction and indignation prevails among the members of the foreign colony at the appointment of the formerly degraded Viceroy Liu, who is regarded as being the organizer of the Chen Tu riots, to investigate the recent outrages.

The Havana correspondent of the Times, writing of the gravity of the situation there, urges the necessity of large concessions in the direction of autonomy, or else even loyal Cubans will drift into disloyalty. "The only alternative is a costly campaign in men and money," the correspondent adds, "followed by the occupation of the island by 50,000 men for a decade. In an editorial on the foregoing, the Times also says: "The failure of Campos to suppress the rebellion has caused disappointment in Madrid.

R. B. Finley, Q.C., Liberal-Unionist member for Inverness, has been appointed solicitor-general.

The Chronicle says that at the request of Lloyds a committee of the board of trade is considering the advisability of sending a representative to Washington to organize a joint scheme to destroy floating derelicts, especially in the North Atlantic. It is probable that Messrs. Cummings and Macdona will be chosen.

The Field says: "The New York Yacht club cannot be blamed for selecting the Defender to race for the America's cup, although she has not in a fair and square race shown that she is superior to the Vigilant. However, undoubtedly she is the better boat. It is regrettable that so much trouble has been taken to get the Vigilant out of the way and to impress upon the public mind that the Defender defeated her in a conclusive manner. It does not concern English yachtsmen much, because if the Valkyrie III defeats the Defender and then it is claimed that the Vigilant is a better boat, we can complacently refer to the Britannia's victories over the Vigilant."

A resolution has been presented by the municipality of Panama, asking the other municipalities of Colombia to join in a petition in favor of the Cuban patriots as belligerents.

The Sultan has sent a dispatch to the Turkish ambassadors at Paris and St. Petersburg bitterly complaining of Great Britain's attitude on the Armenian question, and asking their good offices to induce Great Britain to modify her present attitude.

It is reported from Hongkong that the members of the Ku Cheng commission are in good health. It is said the Chinese officials are assisting actively in the investigation into the recent massacres. Ten Vegetarians have already been convicted, and the trial of others is proceeding.

Major Wodehouse, the late British minister to Hawaii, who passed through this city recently en route home, has told the Eastern press that "the so-called republic of Hawaii is a veritable despotism, maintained by the military force of the American residents." In regard to President Dole's refusal to allow either Mrs. Wodehouse or himself to bid the imprisoned Queen good-bye, the Major added: "The commercial adventurers who compose the government are afraid that some account of their inhuman treatment of the unfortunate Queen might get abroad and excite sympathy for her." The Major and his family are just now at Niagara Falls.

The little steamer Muriel is on the Stocks at present, receiving repairs made necessary by her recent grounding in the North.