The Grand Jury Find Grounds for the Charges Against the Province.

Barrata Convicted-Williams the Bunco Man Stands His

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The assizes were continued this morning with his lordship Mr. Justice Mc-Coll presiding. The first case was that of Joseph Burrata, charged with wounding and attempting to murder Joseph Gross, at the Osborne House on the 31st of April. Eighteen jurymen were called, from whom the following were selected; Henry Erickson, Fred A. Billingsly, Charles Steers, Thos. Keenan, Dan Mil-ler, Patrick Farrel, Francis F. Raif, Richard F. Sterns, Walter Noble, John W. Borland, Wm. F. Fullerton, and Wil-

iam Brownell

Deputy Attorney-General Smith briefly addressed the jury, outlining the history of the case, and then called Jos. Gross, who stated that be had known the accused since 1882, and at the time of the offence was tending bar at the Osborne House. About noon the accused came in and spent the afternoon playing cards in the house. About seven the two men the house. About seven the two men, got into an altercation and the witness struck the accused with a glass. Bar-rata then left the house, and at 7 o'clock returned, pushed open the door, and fired a shotgun at the witness, wounding him. Cross-examined by Mr. Powell, witness stated that when shot he seized a revolver, but did not fire it. He was then removed to the Jubilee hospital.

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Christian, the proprietor of the Osborne House, gave evidence, and was followed by Detective Palmer, who arrested the accused on Douglas street with the gun in his hand. One barrel was empty and still warw. He removed prisoner to the lockup and afterwards, at Dr. Fraser's, witness saw a wound in the arm of the

Dr. Hart testified to having dressed Gross' wounds at the Jubilee hospital. They had been inflicted by No. 8 shot, and were superficial, the wounded man having only received the scattering shot

at the edge of the charge.

This concluded the case for the prosecution, and the defence not calling any witnesses, the deputy-attorney general cautioned the jury not to take into consideration the wound on the accused's arm, as according to the evidence of Detective Palmer it was Dr. Fraser's opinthat the wound was caused by a

Mr. Powell on behalf of the accused pointed out that wilful intent must be established to substantiate the indictment. The fact that Barrata had been drinking all day and that an hour or two before he had received a stunning blow on the head precluded the possibility of wilfulness in his deed. Counsel held that the prisoner should not, under the circumstances, be held strictly responsible evidenced by his walking down the street after the affair with the gun on his shoulder, and by his strange language to

His lordship said he had listened with surprise and admiration to the most in-genious defence Mr. Powell had manufactured for his chent out of hothing which was an evidence of the great ser vice he could be to his clients when he had good grounds for his case. He then reviewed the evidence, emphasizing the fact that there was no evidence of irresponsibility, and it was a most dangerous doctrine to promulgate that in a condi for committing a crime for which he must be held accountable while sober.

His lordship's charge was strongly against the prisoner, and the jury retired to consider their verdict.

Charles W. Johnson, charged with em-bezzlement, again failed to appear when called upon, and his ball will be estreated should he not appear before the end of the assizes and show good cause for his

Mr. H. D. Helmcken having notified the deputy attorney general that the de-fence in the Wolff case were not yet poned until to morrow. Mr. Frank Gwillym was duly admitted to membership of the British Columbia

par, and the court adjourned until 1 o'clock this afternoon. The jury in the Barrata case brought

in a verdict of "guilty" with a recommendation of leniency, and sentence was When his lordship resumed his seat on the bench shortly after 1 o'clock, the foreman of the grand jury reported that the Williams indictment had not yet been considered by them. His lordship then proceeded to charge the jury in the case of alleged criminal libel, in which Walter C. Nichol, editor of the Province, is the defendant. In doing so he detailed the consequences attendant the derendant. In doing so he detailed the circumstances attending the case, saying he gathered that the admitted facts were that the Hon. J. H. Turner and Hon. C. E. Pooly occupied the positions of premier and president, of the council, that they had also allowed their saying he gathered that the admitted facts were that the Hon J. H. Turner and Hon C. E. Pooly occupied the positions of premier and president of the council, that they had also allowed their names to be used as directors of the companies referred to in the article, that they had been published in the Province and was partly in Nichol's writing. His lordship dwelt upon the importance of the position occupied by newspapers in discussing public questions and reminded the jury that this became a matter of public interest on account of the positions occupied by the gentlemen whose actions were commented upon. The question to which he would ask the larry to give their particular attention was that of what is fair comment? It must be considered from the point of view taken by the newspaper press. What was being said in the series of articles was with reference to the conduct of three gentlemen allowing their names to be used in reference to the conduct of three gentlemen allowing their names to be used in reference to the conduct of three gentlemen allowing their names to be used in reference to the conduct of three gentlemen allowing their names to be used in reference to the conduct of three gentlemen allowing their names to be used in reference to the conduct of three gentlemen allowing their names to be used in reference to the conduct of three gentlemen allowing their names to be used in reference to the conduct of three gentlemen allowing their names to be used in reference to the conduct of the provided was whether there was any allegation or charge of dischosest conduct apart from what is alleged in the article to flow from the admitted facts. If all that is alleged to be a natural sequence of the sequence of the provided to the provided as the many of the gentlemen is nothing more than what is alleged to be a natural sequence of the sequence of the provided to the provided the provided to the provided the provided to the provided th use made by them of their positions, it would be nothing more than might reasonably be construed as being fair comment. If more than that, if there was a distinct charge of distronesty made against these gentlemen, a charge of conduct over and above that which rightly on wrongly was alleged to be the natural consequence of their positions, the jury would know how to deal with it. The question of what is fair comment was one entirely for the jury, the law had never yet laid down what was not fair comment. His lordship quoted from a large number of legal authorities bearing upon the point of what is permissible

pertance of very carefully considering the article complained of the articles which preceded it, and of which it was the culmination, and also the position occupied by the defendant as a writer for the pub

The grand jury then retired, being in-structed by his lordship to consider the Williams case first, and the court ad-journed until half past two. On resuming shortly after that time the foreman Williams, the members of the jury being taken as being present, it being presumed that they were engaged in discussing the Nichol case.

Nichol case,
Williams, charged with buncoing J. A.
Henry out of \$210 on April 7th, was
then put in the dock. Since his incarceration the prisoner has grown a chin
whisker and presented a much healthier
appearance than when in the police
court, probably due to his enforced abstinence from morphine, to the use of
which he is a slave. Mr. H. E. A. Robertson appeared for the defence and before the arraignment of the prisoner enertson appeared for the defence and before the arraignment of the prisoner entered an objection on the ground that Williams had applied to re-elect but the court over-ruled the objection. The prisoner by his counsel pleaded not guilty. The following jury was empanelled: Peter John Riddel, Wm. F. Fullerton, John W. Bowlden, F. C. Berridge, Henry Cooley, James Morrison, John C. Renfrew, Frank Henskey, William Boness, K. Jennings, Geo. W. Barber, Richard F. Stevens.

addressed the jury, outlining the circumstances of the case, and called J. A. Henry, the first witness. Henry prostances of the case, and called J. A. Henry, the first witness. Henry proceeded to detail his adventures on the day of the alleged robbery and was interrupted by the foreman of the grand jury who requested his lordship to furnish them with copies of newspapers referred to in the Province article. His lordshiped asked Mr. C. Wilson, Q.C., for the prosecution, to attend to this, and suggested allowing the jury to have the depositions. Mr. Wilson had no objection to this being done, but Mr. Archer Martin declined to say one way or the other, and his lordship said he could not send them in, except by consent of counsel on both sides. Ultimately Mf. Wilson said he would see that the papers sel on both sides. Ultimately Mr. Wilson said he would see that the papers asked for by the grand jury were sup-

tinued at the time of going to press.

The grand jury returned at 3:35. The foreman said they understood from his lordship's charge it would not be necessary for them to examine any witnesses. His lordship said he did not quite know what witnesses might have been neces-

The Foreman-"We are agreed, your His Lordship-"Oh! You are agreed?"

The Foreman—"Yes, sir."
The clerk thea read the grand jury's finding: "Regina v. Nichol, the grand jury find a true bill."
The grand jury were then discharged: FAREWELL AND RECEPTION.

The Incoming and Retiring Pastors of Centennial Church Honored. A very important change, and one that

is required, according to the usages of the Methodist church, viz, a change of pastors, has taken place at the Centen-nial Methodist church. As arranged by the managing directors, a farewell and reception gathering was tendered the retiring pastor, Rev. Mr. Betts, and the incoming pastor, the Rev. Mr. Barraclough. During the early part of the evening an interesting musical programme was lendered, after which an address was read and presented by Mr. E. James Gray, secretary of the trustee board, to the Kev. Mr. Betts, who replied, making mention of the very pleasant relationship existing between himself and congrega-tion, and asking for his successor the same hearty support that has been given him during the last three years of his ministry. The following gentlemen, Mr. Walter Morris, Dr. Hathaway, Hon Abram Smith, American consul; Rev. P. C. L. Harris, Rev. Mr. Ousterhout, Rev. Mr. Speer, representing the city churches, and also the church and congregation of the Centennial, spoke a few words of farewell to the outgoing pastor, and words of welcome to the Rev. Mr. Barraclough, the incoming one. Mr. A. J. McLellan occupied the chair, and in a few well chosen words introduced the Rev. Mr. Barraclogh, after which refreshments were served to a crowded house, and a very pleasant social evening

was spent.
Following is the address:
Dear Mr. Betts:—Occasions such as the Dear Mr. Betts:—Occasions such as the present naturally cause us to take a resume of the relationship existing between pastor and people. Now, in order of Divine Providence, and of the discipline of the Methodist church, the relationship as it has existed between the Centennial Methodist church and yourself must cease, at least, for some years to come. We naturally begin to consider what we owe to you and your good partner, who in God's providence were called to labor amongst us during the last three years.

A difficulty which presents itself is to know where to begin. We frest that throughout your mulatrations there has been that uniform, consistent and persevering effort to unite the forces, both temporal and spirltual, in building up the best interests of the church, that to specify any particular circumstance would be misleading.

of making known the teachings of our most holy religion.

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one entirely for the jury, the law had never yet laid down what was not fair comment. His lordship quoted from a large number of legal authorities bearing upon the point of what is permissible in the way of newspaper writings in commenting upon public men, and in conclusion urged upon the jury the im-

The By-Law to Provide for the Completion of Filter Beds Defeated.

Apathy of Voters Results in Majority Against the Proposal.

Out of a total number of 3,000 only 543 were sufficiently interested in the question of improved water service for the city to take the trouble of marking their ballots yesterday. This was not wholly unexpected, for although quite a number visited Beaver Lake the day previous, it is safe to say that not more than thirty or forty per cent, were bona fide voters. Although those who visited the lake were thoroughly satisfied first the beds are in a water tight and workable condition, there was a large element able condition, there was a large element throughout the city who refused to credit it, and who failed to visit the reservoir in order to satisfy themeslyes as to the ctual condition of the improver But this section of the city were eviden but this section of the city were evidently more intent upon crystallizing their views in the ballot box fluor were those favorable to the completion of the works, as the relative number of votes shows. It, proposed by-law authorized the council to borrow \$15,000 to complete the works, although the city engineer's estimate of the actual sum required was marky \$13,000 the additional \$2,000 being timate of the actual sum required was merely to provide for possible contingencies. A three-fifths vote was necessary in order to carry the by-law, and it did not even receive a majority of the total vote cast. Below is the result by

wards: North Ward Total

its sides are faced with material of some kind the result leaves the whole question in an unsatisfactory condition.

SINGERS, CLERGYMEN, POLI-TICIANS.

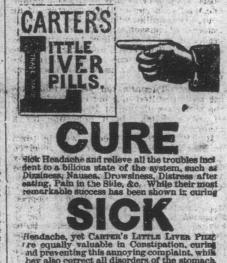
The well known comedy singers, Fostell and Emmett, say: "Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder is the most wonderful medicine we have ever heard of or used, especially for people in our profession, who are troubled with sore throat, hoarseness, tonsilities and catarrh. Myself and wife are troubled with tonsilities and catarrh. We have tried everything we know of, but found nothing to equal Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powderfor quick action and permanent citte." for quick action and permanent cure Fifty members of parliament and ler ing ministers of the Dpiscopal, Methods ing ministers of the Episcopal, Methodist. Presbyterian, Baptist and Roman Cath-olic churches have testified over their own signatures to the effectiveness of Sold by Dean & Hiscocks and Half &

A WELCOME REDUCTION. OIL C. P. R. Telegraphic Rates Cut All

Round, A.M. Comencing to-day a new tariff of rates comes into effect in the Canadian Pacific Railway company's telegraph department. The \$1.25 rate to Unifed States offices has been reduced to \$1.00 for both day and night messages of Jen words. To Seattle and Tacoma the new rates are 40c day and 30c night, a reduction of 20c and 10c respectively. Port Puget Sound companies' lines, from Soc is reduced to 40c, and Port Angeles from \$1.10 to 25c, a reduction rendered ossible by the new direct communica-

tion. ONCE TRIED, ALWAYS USED If we sell one bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, we seldom fail to sell the same person more, when it is again needed. Indeed, it has become the family medicine of this town, for coughs and coids, and we recomend it because of its established merits.—Jos, E. Harned, Proprieter Oakland Pharmacy, Oakland, Md. Soid by Langley & Henderson Bros., Victoria and Vancouver.

R. M. S. Aorangi will sail to-morrow for Honolulu, Suva and New Zealand and Australian ports.



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CARTER MEDICINE CO. Yow York.

-Mr. Sydney Booth has purchased the Point Comfort Hotel on Mayne Island, Plumpers Pass, and has renovated and enlarged it. This is one of the best summer resorts on the coast.

-Mr. and Mrs. William Mitchell, of Saanich, are mourning the loss of their infant son, a bright little fellow only two years old. Pneumonia was the cause of death. The funeral took place this af-

-- If parents who have children suffer ing from stuttering will take them to Dr. Ernest Hall's office in the Brunswick block any evening between 7 and 8 they will r7eceive the benefit of the most mod-

would have four warships in Vancouver harbor for the 1st of July celebration, the Imperieuse, Amphion, Phaeton and will be held to-morrow, Thursday and Friday.

formally remanded until Monday next at 11 a.m. William Adam Gordon, charged with the theft of property belonging to Isaac Jones who disappeared in the Omineca country some time ago. remand was granted at the equest of Superintendent Hussey: -Mrs. L. Casey, of 242 Fort street.

lost a gold watch and chain on her way home from Christ church cathedral last night. The watch was a stem-win enclosed in a hunting case. The chain had a two-dollar gold piece, and a gold nugget attached, and the watch case is set with diamonds and rubies.

-Notwithstanding the fact that the premier, Hon. J. H. Turner, was notified by special messenger on Saturday morning of the desire of the council of the Board of Trade to hold a conference with him in reference to the Coast-Tes-lin and Stikine railroad, no acknowledgwhatever has yet been received from him by that body.

Hon. J. H. Turner received on Sattirday a telegram from Ottawa to the effect that Mr. T. G. Shaughnessy, vice-president of the C.P.R., is en route to coast with the intention of commen ing construction on the V. V. & P. iailway. The hon, premier also believes that the Columbia & Western extension from Rossiand to Boundary will be commenced at the same time

-The sad death of R. G. Lambert. well known business man of Harriston, Ont., is announced. He was called suddenly away when sitting in his place of business. He arrived in the morning in his usual good health. Mr. Lambert was well known to manny people now resi-dent in Vancouver and throughout the province, and was always a man who was highly esteemed and much thought of by those who enjoyed the pleasure of

At the Centennial Methodist church yesterday Rev. J. F. Betts, who has tract by a company of the proportion of been stationed at New Westminster, preached his farewell sermon. The church was crowded and the eloquent address of the departing pastor was listened to with every mark of deep interest. To-morrow evening a social will be held, at which Mr. and Mrs. Betts wil take formal leave of the congregation and Rev. Mr. Barraclough, the new minister, will be introduced.

-Perhaps the most largely attended --l'erhaps the most largely attended funeral of a young man that ever occurred in this city was that of Charles Keown, which took place yesterday afternoon from the parents' residence, Douglas street. The casket and the fables and the floor of the parlor were literally covered with the most beautiful floral emblems, showing the sympathy felt for the family in their sad and sadfor the family in their sad and sud-den loss. Rev. Mr. Speer, assisted by Rev. Mr. Trotter, conducted impressive services, and the following young gen-tlemen acted as pall-bearers: Masters D. Mitchell, J. Moss, R. Goodacre, M. Jewell, W. Clark, A. Jewell.

Jewell, W. Clark. A. Jewell.

—After a long illness, Mrs. Dora Siewerd, wife of Captain H. F. Siewerd, died yesterday at the family residence, Fort street. The deceased lady, who was but 35 years of age, was a native of Baltimore. She leaves three children, a son and two daughters, and to them, and to Captain Siewerd the deepest sympathy is extended by all who know them. The flags of the sealing boats in the harbor are at half-mast to-day in memory of the departed. The funeral will take place to morrow at 9:30 a.m. from the family residence, and at 10 o'clock from family residence, and at 10 o'clock from St. Andrew's R. C. Cathedral. The following gentlemen will be the pallbearers: Capt. Wm. O'Leary, Capt. Foley, Ross Monro, Louis McQuade, J. H. King and Capt. Sprott Balcom,

The following, clipped from the Van-couver World, is self-explanatory; Edi-tor World: In your issue of May 10th you state about the Soapy Smith gang getting, run out. Please allow me to state to you that I have no gang, that I am here in Skagway since the first tent was pitched here lest July and that I am here in Skagway since the first tent was pitched here last July, and that I have not been run out nor has anyone that I am connected with. Please publish this and give the devil his due. Yours, Jeff Smith, called Soapy. Skagway Alaska, May 16, 1898. We cheerfully comply with Mr. Smith's request and may add that he encloses a clipping from a Skagway paper announcing the opening of his new saloon parlor, the back of which is said to be as cosy as a lady's boudoir, the whole being a dainty study in white, gold and light blue. The character that has been given to Soapy does not seem to fit a man whose taste is so dointy. Maybe he has been maligned.

—Harry Smith, of Mount Sikler, was in the city last week. He has a force of about twelve men engaged in tunnelling and completing assessment work on the claims which he controls in one of which the tunnel is now in 300 feet. The results have more than justified the optimism of the original prospector. The funnel, which is fax; feet, is in a solid bidly of high grade ore assaying \$62 to the ton. About 10 tons are being taken the ton. About 10 tons are being taken out daily, and there are 700 or 800 tons out daily, and there are 700 or 800 tons already on the dump. So confident are the owners of the value of the property that Mr. Smith privately expressed the oninion that a stamp mill will be erected during the summer. While in Victoria he despatched a parcel of the ore to the Scotch investors, whose faith in the pro-

LOCAL NEWS.

position has done so much towords the realization of the hopes of the locator, Several Victorians who had an opportunity of sampling the filtered water and pronounced it excellent. From Monday's Daily.

Thirty-one casks of sealskins were forwarded to London yesterday morning.

Residents along the Hamman and the control of the locator, ity of taking some neighboring claims some time ago, but refused, now regret that they did not invest when opportunity offered.

—Residents along the Happy Valley road are complaining that Uninese are trapping grouse in that vicinity for secret sale in the city.

—The hours of admission to the provincial museum in lorce after June 1st will be as follows: Daily except Sunday, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sundays from 2 to 4 p.m. vices will be conducted under the auspieces of that order

From Tuesday's Daily.

The vital statistics for the month of May for the city of Victoria are as follows: Births, 22; marriages, 28; deaths,

+It is announced that the Alberni Paper mills have been purchased by a large British company and will be started

The gold watch lost by Mrs. Case while returning from Christ Church while returning from Christ Church Cathedral on Sunday night was found by another lady member of the congre-gation, and returned to the owner last

-While visiting Victoria last week Mayor Garden, of the Terminal City, paid a semi-official visit to Admiral Palliser. The Admiral promised that he would have four warships in Vancouver harbor for the 1st of July colebstion.

-The party of excursionists which arrived yesterday from the Sound by the North Pacific spent about five hours in the city, visited the principal places of interest and expressed themselves well pleased with their visit. Several hundred cyclists are expected to arrive on Sunder the exercises, several in Sound Sunday, the excursion season in Sound effies being now fairly established.

The local Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals at their usual monthly meeting last evening decided to affiliate with the local Council of Women and appointed Miss Agnes Deans Cameron a delegate to promote affiliation. Reports were read, Hon. Colonel Baker's name added to the membership roll and several new cases calling for the atten-tion of the society noted.

-The funeral of the late Joshua Strick-—The funeral of the late Josnua Surick-land took place to day at 2.30 p.m. from Hanna's parlors, where the Rev. Mr. Speer conducted services. The Sons of England marched to the cemetery and onducted the services of the order. The following gentlemen acted as pall bearers; Messrs. G. Paine, F. R. Olives, H. E. Smith, Chas. Hughes, F. Tubbs, R. W.

-At a largely-attended missionary meeting held at the cathedral school-room last evening, Bishop Perrin, who presided, announced that \$2,000 had been granted for mission work among the Chinese in this diocese. Rev. A. J. Hall and Rev. Grundy lectured on mis sionary work, the former dealing with the Indians and the latter with the

-The Simon Leiser Co., of Victoria. are working overtime filling a large order from the Alaska Commercial Co., of Sin Francisco. This annual order, which increases from year to year, must be ready for shipment to Dawson City shortly, and includes all classes of supplies required by the company for the year. The selec-

-The police magistrate had not a single case brought before him this morning. Yesterday morning, at the trial of William Slicknoth for assaulting May Williams, the latter, who did not appear at the fime, was subsequently brought up by order of the court, when she stated the defendant had visited her twice since laying the information and had paid her \$8 to replace the dress he had destroyed and \$2 as costs of the court, in consideration of which she agreed not to appear against him. The magistrate THIRTY MINUTES. to appear against him. The magistrate fined the offender \$12, at the same time sharply reprimanding him for attempting tol escape the consequences of his mis-behavior.

at the wharf this morning, when about eighty mules were loaded on the Amur for shipment northward. The herd were purchased in Portland by Wooley and purchased in Portland by Wooley and Pike, and several stockmen were brought along to assist in controlling them. Last night the animals broke out of their corral at Mount Tolmie and gave the cowboys an interesting time before they were again secured. The mules are in the pink of condition and the lariat had to be persistently used this forenoon to get them aboard. The shipment will be taken to Glenora in change of J. Martin, where they will be used in a pack train.

-The records of the police court show that during the month of May the of-fences committed by whites were as follows: Assault, 4; attempted suicide, 1 lows: Assault, 4; attempted suicide, 1; cutting and maining, 2; infraction of city by-laws, 12; drunks, 22; fighting, 4; keeping house of ill-fame, 1; infraction of liquor ligense act, 1; lodgings, 2; malicious injury to property, 1; public morals by-law, 2; pointing revolver, 1; robbery from the person, 1; supplying intoxicants to Indians, 1; unsound mind, 1; vagrancy, 1. Six Indians were committed for drunkenness and two for pointing a revolver. Chinese offences were one each for aggravated assault, infraction of city by-laws, fighting, possessing stolen property and stealing, possessing stolen property and stealing. The aggregates are: Whites, 57; Indians, 8; Chinese, 5; total, 70. The offences for April were 84 and for March -Six or seven car loads of citizens

availed themselves of the excursion yes-

availed themselves of the excursion yesterday to Beaver Lake to view the filter-beds, lately constructed for the purification of the city's water supply. Mayor Redfern, Ald. Humphrey. McCandless, MacGregor, Kinsman. City Engineer Wilmot and City Clerk Dowler accompanied the excursion. About two feet of water was admitted to the east and west filter-beds, the centre one being left dry. The water tightness of the respective beds was evidenced by the fact that although the sluces from all three were left open and water was filming freely from the east and west beds none was coming from the central sluce or oozing upward on the central sluce or oozing upward on the central filter-bed. In the receiver, the sides of which it is proposed to face with concrete, there is already much vegetable matter, the accumready much vegetable matter, the accum-mulation of this season. The inspection was calculated to strengthen the opinion that to turn pure filtered water from the beds into this receiver until the sides are faced and a roof has been placed over it would be a foolish proceeding. The capacity of this receiver is 5000,000 gallons at ficient trees. is 5,000,000 gallons, sufficient to meet for samples to Toron

and pronounced it excellent

From Wednesday's Daily,

A convention of government support ers in the city for the selection of candidates will be held in Institute Hall June 9th. It is announced that arrange June 9th. It is announced that arrange-ments are being made for a meeting to be held this week or early next, when Hon. J. H. Turner will speak.

If there be any miners in the city from the north who have any information about the drowning of the young Englishman, Leonard Shaw, at Lake Tagish, briefly reported in yesterday's issue, they will greatly oblige his friends by calling upon Mr. A. Longfield, 166

The total losses by fire during the onth, just closed were \$3,810; insurance to the amount of \$5,700 was held by the owners of the various properties. most serious fire was that at the resi-dence of Hon. Robert Beaven, on May 3rd, the estimated resulting damage being \$2,500. Eleven alarms were turned in during the month.

The new rifle range for which \$6,000 is appropriated in the supplementary estimates brought down by the Dominion government will probably be constructed at Oak Bay. Some opposition is being evinced by property owners in that vicinity, however, and all due care will doubtless be taken to avoid the injury of any

The department of agriculture nounces that an invitation has been extended to Hon. Mr. Fisher, the Dominion minister, to visit next month accompanied the professors from the cen mental farms. The object is to provide the agriculturist province an opportunity to benefit by the knowledge and experience of the vis-itors, who will address meetings of the various Farmers' Institutes.

A very quiet wedding took place at the residence of Rev. J. C. Speer on Mon-when Wm. Walmsley, a day evening when Wm. Wall popular member of the Domini popular member of the Bollimon hotel staff, was united in marriage to Miss M. J. Snell, of Oak Bay, daughter of the late Wm. Snell, of Plymouth, England, the ceremony was performed by Rev. C. Speer, in the presence of a few riends. The intentions of the groom were kept very quiet, even his associates ing unaware of his plans, and he is today being made to pay for his reticence.

An apropriation of \$3,500 has been made by the Dominion government for the purpose of defraying the cost of tele-graphing to the meteorological station at Esquimalt reports from other stations to enable the observer to publish forecasts of the probable weather. This desirable addition to the valuable reports issued daily will be made now in a short time, and residents of the district will not be slow in appreciating the boon conferred upon them by the Federal authorities.

The first of the June weddings was solemnized this afternoon at the James Bay Methodist church, when Rev. J. T. McCrossan, the former pastor of that church, but now stationed at Winnipeg, was married by Rev. J. C. Speer of the Metropolitan Methodist church to Miss Josje Spencer, fourth daughter of David Spencer. Mr. A. T. Spencer acted as best man, and Miss Charlotte Spencer, sister of the bride, was bridesmaid. Her younger, sisters, Misses Gladys and Flossie, acted as maids of honor. A large number of the friends of the happy couple witnessed the ceremony.

It is announced that the position of provincial mineralogist, rendered vacant by the resignation of Mr. W. A. Carcity, who is expected to arrive in Vic-toria about the end of the present month. Mr. Robertson is highly recommended by Dr. Dawson, and is spoken of as an energetic and capable mineralogist. I York to come to British Columbia. native Canadian, Mr. Robertson has un bounded faith in the mining future of this province, which has served as great inducement to him to accept the

Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart gives profect relief in all cases of Organic or Sympathetic Heart Disease in 30 min. utes, and speedily effects a cure. It a peerless remedy for Palpitation, Show ness of Breath, Smothering Spells, Pain in Left Side, and all symptoms of a Diseased Heart. One dose convinces. Sold by Dean & Hiscocks and Hall &

Chamberlain's Pain Balm has no equal as a household liniment. It is the best remedy known for rheumatism, lame back neuralgia; while for sprains, cuts, bimises, barns, scalds and sore throat, it is invaluable. Wertz & Pike, merchants, Fernandina, Fla., write: "Everyone who buys a bottle of Chamberlain's Remedies comes back and says it is the best medicine he has ever used." 25 and 50 cents are bettle at Langley & Henderson Bros. per bottle at Langley & Henderson Bros, wholesale agents, Victoria and Vancou-

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VANCOUVER. From our own corresp (From our own corresponded of the Colonist of Sunday about consty protesting against upia coal shipments is straight incorrect. Capt. Mel usul here, says he never thing to a reporter about quite incorrect. Capt. Mel consul here, says he neven anything to a reporter abo the statement is totally with espect. A special Spanish espect. A special Spanish espect. The way to valie sealed papers are in Clark. The business, says (of more importance the estion, but cannot be diept. Mellon and the Unite pare in close conference. ul are in close conference. Charles Graham, a young who is reported to have be st on the serious charge One cheque, value \$150, Mr. Roberts, proprietor of hetel, and a \$30 cheque to hetel, and a part cheque to Clarke. It is reported that were issued. Graham says Gaden, now at the Driard he holds his draft, which we Graham cheques. here from Victoria, rent back yesterday. The heard in the police court. A young woman named sister of a livery stable s city, attempted suicide by evening. She was walking evening. She was evening. She was a voung man on the ter and a young man on the ter and a young man on the ter and a young man on the terming. ery wharf when suddenly, her hat and coat and spranter. The colored boatswal anight Commander, at a wharf, jumped in and sa struggled violently to presented. She was conveyed.

ned. She was conveyed hack. No reason is rash attempt.
Shortly after the breaking tilities between Spain an States it began to be while liplomatic circles that the diplomatic circles that carment was very uneas great cargoes of coal leavi lumbia to fill orders in the It is claimed that Capta local Spanish consul, was interfere, but being a loca he knew that such a mov he knew that such a move popular and took no actifut now develops that Cruz, a Spanish diploma way west and is expectiver any day. Credential very extensive powers a with the local consul, are on behalf of the Spanish will likely demand that coal from British Co.un United States shall instat that all collieries which is that all collieries which sunnlied coal shall be supplied coal snail be damages by the Imperial behalf of Spain. Local sympathy is so United States that the

States consul, are said close conference to-day. lon when approached sa are in my safe, and whe will see something that row, and probably lead lications. Vancouver militia pleased to learn that the ernment have voted \$20 large and well appointed The Vancouver city afternoon inspect the sit

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ternational complications lon and Colonel Dudle

sible future recreation within central districts. Barclay Bonthrone re West Coast of Vancou inspecting the numer that district belong Agency and the B. C. G panies. These companie at different points the ce parations are being mad the small owners of ce on Vancouver Island to ments of ore from their ments of ore from their that the smelter return cievity favorable to just the part of heavier comp. The tram bridge over have to be cut again for the James Domville an etern-wheelers for the completion in False Ore A number of local min A number of local min menting on the recent

of enquiries regarding perties being received Oll Country. An English Syndicate to get 1,000 head of cat to Dawson. Four hun here to morrow by the s No. 1, now ready to los and 600 leave Scattle stermer Skookum. The ment will be taken can W. Thebo, who has ma ilar trips.

NEW WESTM The citizens held a me Hall on Friday evening their celebration in con year's Fair. There was tendance, and the follo were appointed, the man mittee, and the mayor a ent chairman, and Me ould, R. F. Anders chairman, and Mr. G.

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Armstrong, J. Machony
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J. Leamy, Geo. Armst
and G. D. Brymner.
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W. Booth, T. R. Pearso
F. D'Argy F. D'Arcy.
Collection committee:
Phillips, Sheriff Arms ningham, George Adam D. S. Curtis, R. F. Lewis, R. Jardine, G. I Insley, J. Crean, Jose Brennan, J. Cash, A. McDonald and H. Fre to add to their number

It was decided, after to have a celebration Messrs. G. B. Brymson and A. Malins were mittee to look into t 1897 celebration, and porting to next meeting porting to next meeti It was resolved the salary shall be fixed whole term of office.

On motion, the meet fil Wednesday next, it fornightly motions. ornightly meetings nesday until August

late every week. The programme con on Tuesday next at the City Hall.

Mr. Shape, of the E at Agassiz, intends ms exhibit, not for the pur but for the instruction tending the Fair. H hibit 150 varieties of Adelaide Moe and me i he