Weekly Colonist

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LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

Incoming Passengers.

The steamship Queen of the Pacific, which left San Francisco yesterday morning, has the following passengers on board for Victoria: W. Pethenck and wife, Mrs. L. Marboeuf, J. W. Cahn, Miss M. Whitney, G. Woodford, Mrs. T. Appleton and G. Carleton.

American Public Debt.

The reduction in the public debt of the United States during October amounted to $4,585,619, and for the first four months of the fiscal year $28,294,620. Net cash in the treasury on Nov. 1st was $74,491,969, against $96,444,845 on the 1st of October.

Fullerton-Cox.

On Thursday evening, at St. James' Church, Mr. W. F. Fullerton, contractor, of Spring Ridge, was united in marriage to Miss Cox, daughter of Mr. John Cox, of Humboldt street. The ceremony was performed by Ven. Archdeacon Scriven. The newly-wedded pair are receiving the congratulations of their friends.

Police Appointments.

Supt. Sheppard recommended Constable No. 1 Walker for the sergeantship, and yesterday the police committee confirmed the appointment. Sergt. Walker has always been a diligent and capable officer and his promotion was deserved. Allen, an Englishman, has been appointed by the police committee as constable and will be sworn in to-day. He was highly recommended.

Death of Reginald Chute Nuttall.

A letter was received in this city on Thursday evening, announcing the death at Santa Maria, Cal., of Reginald C. Nuttall, only son of Reginald W. Nuttall, formerly of Victoria. The deceased young man was 20 years of age, and was well-known here, having resided for several years with his parents on Pandora street. He was striken with heart disease on the morning of Oct. 21st, and died quite suddenly.

Presentation.

Mr. W. H. Griffin, late deputy postmaster general, who retired in July last after fifteen years' service, was presented with an address and a purse of £2,000, a few days ago by members of the civil service at Ottawa and post-office officials generally throughout the country. Subscriptions to the testimonial, accompanied by letters expressive of the esteem in which Mr. Griffin was held by all who knew him, were sent from every post-office of the Dominion, including Victoria.

Brutality.

A brutal deck-hand last evening, while the sheep were being landed from the Louise, first dragged one to the head of the gang-plank, and nearly killed it by beating it on the head. He then stood with a rope in his hand, and slashed at the animals as they passed on the run, severely hurting them. It is also stated he abused the docile creatures on the way over. He was discharged from the service later in the evening. He is known as "Barney," and is a subject who needs the attention of the society for the prevention of cruelty to animals.

Another Weather Prophet.

On Thursday morning, at Westminster, a bright halo was observed in the zenith, curved in the opposite direction to the sun. Capt. Peele described the phenomenon as an evidence of an Arctic wave passing over us, but which will not be felt until it reaches the interior. He says the northwest territories will experience a cold snap that will astonish the inhabitants in a few days. For the coast the captain predicts a period of fine weather with frosty nights.

A Divorce Granted.

Albert E. Haynes yesterday afternoon applied to Mr. Justice Gray for a divorce from his wife, Mary Francis, now an inmate of a house of ill-repute in Vancouver. No opposition was made by the respondent, and Chief Stewart, of Vancouver, gave evidence as to the woman's whereabouts. A *rule nisi* was granted, dissolving the marriage. The young couple have married a little over two years, and the wayward wife at the time of the ceremony was but fourteen years of age.

From Port Angeles.

Rev. A. H. Howell, pastor of the Congregational Church at Port Angeles, W. T., is at present in the city soliciting donations from the residents of Victoria who are interested in the prosperity of Port Angeles, towards the erection there of a Congregational church. The proposed church will cost in the neighbourhood of $1,500, of which $500 is contributed by the mission fund, the balance of $1,000 remaining to be raised by voluntary subscriptions. The reverend gentleman states that the population of Port Angeles, within a radius of one mile, is now about 600, and the town is still going ahead. A machine shop is the latest addition to the industries of the place, and a sash, door and blind factory is to be established in a short time.

Funeral of the Late Miss Courtney.

The remains of the late Ethel B. Courtney were consigned to their last resting-place in Ross Bay cemetery yesterday afternoon. The *cortege* proceeded from the residence of Mr. A. Calder to Christ church cathedral, where the services for the dead were read by Rev. Mr. Beanlands. From the cathedral the procession proceeded to the cemetery, where the last sad rites were performed. The funeral was attended by the pupils of Miss Cameron's and Miss Barron's divisions, each pupil bringing a bouquet, cross, or wreath of flowers, which were placed upon the casket containing the remains of their departed schoolmate, until the casket was covered with the wealth of floral offerings. The following gentlemen acted as pall-bearers: J. S. Yates, H. Wootten, Chas. Hayward, Jr., A. Mouat, Geo. Jay, and E. Wootten.

Chilliwhack Dynamiters.

Certain farmers and land owners at Chilliwhack are excited over an attempt to injure their lands. Vedder creek overflows its banks during the rainy season and inundates a considerable strip on either side. This is a matter of inconvenience to those whose lands are thus flooded, and it could be partially avoided if a portion of the water of Vedder creek was allowed to run off through another creek, the Luck-a-kuck. Owners of land along the banks of the latter stream objected to the water of Vedder creek being thus turned from its natural course, as it might flood their lands. For some years past a jam of logs and trees formed in the Luck-a-kuck, preventing an overflow. A few days ago, however, some parties used a quantity of dynamite and so well did they handle the explosive that the log jam has disappeared, and the waters of Vedder creek now run through the Luck-a-kuck, which has thus been converted from a slough into a swift-running stream, which is wearing away its banks and causing some destruction to property. The farmers are indignant, and offer a reward of $200 for the apprehension of the dynamiters.

The officers of the C.P.N. Co. look well in their new uniforms.

Presbyterian Church Entertainment.

The Y.P.L.A. of the St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church will hold the second of their series of popular and entertaining concerts in Philharmonic Hall on Monday evening next, Nov. 12th, when English character will be illustrated in song and story.

Provincial Museum.

Contributors for the month of October: Victoria—Supt. Roycraft, T. Steele, John Kurtz, R. Maynard, C. P. Bloomfield, C. E. Perry, Chas. E. Spring, W. H. Sutton. Sooke—M. Muir. Mount Tolmie—Geo. H. Knight. Ashcroft—John Saul. Kamloops—John Paterson. Hastings—Geo. Black. Vancouver—H. Abbott. Metchosin—W. Fisher. Bella Coola—Prof. Jacobson. Moodyville—S. J. Randall. Illecillewaet—Mr. Tilton.

The Star and Planet Mine.

Mr. Geo. Henderson, of Nicola, reports satisfactory progress at the Star and Planet mines, taking out the ore, which is rapidly increasing in richness. The new stamp mill is working nicely, and in connection with two concentrators they are reducing 50 tons of rock and 10 tons of concentrates per week, all of which is shipped to San Francisco. The mine is one of the best paying in the province, considering the capital invested.—*Columbian.*

Expenses of Moody Meetings.

The following is a statement of the receipts and expenses in connection with the Moody meetings in this city:

RECEIPTS.	
Collections	$697 90
Donations	110 00
Refund for lumber	40 90
Total	$848 80

EXPENSES.	
Fitting up Rink	$410 00
Rent	175 00
Advertising and printing	34 95
Putting up stoves	16 75
Care taker	35 65
Electric light and gas	23 00
Choir expenses	39 00
Mr. Moody's hotel expenses	74 12
Drayage, telegrams, etc	27 50
Sundries	10 00
Total	$845 97
Balance to Y. M. C. A.	1 93

MIRACULOUS ESCAPE.

A Hack Driver Thrown from His Box and Dragged Through Several Streets.

Last evening at about 6:30, the front axle of a hack owned by George Winter and driven by a young man named Duncan J. McDonald, broke near the Rocabella hotel on Churchway. The horses started on a run, and the driver and a companion who was riding with him, were thrown from the seat. The latter escaped with scarcely a bruise and started at once in pursuit of the runaways. McDonald was not so fortunate. The reins were twisted about his hands and he could not extricate himself, being dragged by the frantic horses down the entire length of Humboldt street and up Government to the Windsor Hotel, where the runaways were brought to a standstill. The victim of the accident was taken from under the vehicle, and carried into the hotel, where he has boarded since his arrival in the city about three years ago. Dr. Hamilton Griffin fortunately was in the house at the time and did all that could be done to relieve the unfortunate man. His head and body were found to be one mass of bruises, his clothes were torn almost from his body, his left leg was fractured above the ankle, his right arm was badly crushed and a deep hole was found in his right knee, the size of a silver dollar. His chest also was badly lacerated and it is feared he has suffered severe internal injuries as well. His injuries were promptly attended to and it is thought they will not prove fatal, though it was almost a miracle that he escaped with life.

LOCAL BRIEFS.

The Louise brought down thirty cattle and 250 head of sheep for Van Valkenburg Bros., and a large general freight.

Hong Yap, a Celestial, was arrested yesterday on a charge of stealing $20.

The steward of Royal Hospital thanks Mr. A. B. Erskine for a parcel of boots and shoes.

The Vancouver squatters who were awarded their lots by Chancellor Boyd only received their deeds yesterday.

A special meeting of the Council will be held this evening for the purpose of confirming the minutes of Wednesday's meeting.

Yesterday morning the steamer Olympian, in leaving the harbor, ran aground opposite Laing's ways, where she remained until 9 o'clock, when she floated off uninjured.

Remember the matinee this afternoon at the theatre by the Rochester Musical Comedy Company. Each child will be presented with a ticket for the drawing of a beautiful wax doll.

The *Daily Columbian*, published at Westminster, comes to hand in an enlarged form, and bears every evidence in its well-filled columns of prosperity. THE COLONIST congratulates its mainland contemporary on its improved appearance.

Mr. J. Savannah has just finished two large and handsome portraits in India ink of Postmaster N. Shakespeare and Mrs. Shakespeare, which, with a number of other equally fine specimens of the portrait artist's skill, will be placed on exhibition at Hasting's studio, Fort street, in a few days.

On Thursday night, while the lineman was putting fresh carbons in the electric light at the corner of Government and Yates streets, one of the heavy ropes broke, precipitating man and lamps halfway down the pole. Fortunately the lineman had sufficient presence of mind to crouch in the bottom of the cage, and beyond a bad shaking up, escaped uninjured.

A genuine, old-fashioned rough and tumble fight, in which three Indians, two Chinamen, and a brace of white men took a hand, disturbed the monotony of the Chinese quarter last evening. One of the white men getting the worst of the battle commenced to call loudly for "help," and police, and the fight ended in a race to get out of the neighbourhood before the police should arrive. One of the crowd lagged behind, however, and was gathered in.

CITY POLICE COURT.

(Before Judge Richards.)

Kitty Cooper, an Indian woman, paid over the usual $5 for the privilege of being drunk.

Henry Bula was also charged with creating a disturbance on the street by being drunk. Henry said he wasn't pretty drunk, but he paid the $5 just the same.

Mr. Hett, representing the prosecution in the libel suit against THE COLONIST, said that it was proposed to adjourn the further hearing of the case until Monday, as both Mr. Davie and Mr. Mills were engaged in another case in the Supreme Court. The case was enlarged until Monday morning at the usual hour.

The new clerk of the court, Mr. Dowler, being present, his honor congratulated him on his appointment and stated that in future he would expect informations to be laid in every case. He did not think it legal to convict on admission of guilt by the prisoner.

Cured by B. B. B. when all else Failed.

Mr. Samuel Allan, of Lisle, Ont., states that he tried all the doctors in his locality while suffering for years with Liver and Kidney trouble; nothing benefitted him until he took Burdock Blood Bitters, four bottles of which cured him. tts

MORE LIGHT.

Improvements at the Electric Station of the Illuminating Co.

The ever increasing demand for incandescent electric lights for interior illumination, has for some time past been keenly felt in this city, and the Victoria Electric Illuminating Co., in order to supply the requirements of the public, recently made arrangements with the Edison Electrical Manufacturing Co., Sherbrooke, Que., for the purchase of new apparatus to more than double the power, and greatly increase the quality of the light. The new machinery arrived several days ago, and is now being placed in position at the electric light station on Langley street, by Mr. T. Carson the electrician of the company, and Mr. Wm. Hutchinson, the electrician of the manufacturers. The additional plant comprises two new No. 10 Edison dynamos with a capacity of 450 lights each, which are being placed in position beside the old ones, with two new boilers, from the Albion Iron Works, with a capacity of 75 H. P. each. The one has already been set up, and the other is now almost complete, and will shortly be placed in position by the Albion Iron Works' men. The new high speed horizontal engine, 150 H.P., is from the well-known manufacturing firm of Armington & Sims, Providence, R. I. It has been speeded to 300 revolutions per minute, and is complete, with automatic regulators and all modern improvements, making it the best engine manufactured for the use to which it will be put.

Link leather belting is used on all the machinery.

Four new pole-changing switches are to be attached to each machine, enabling the engineer in charge to start up and cut off the power as the load increases. The nine new pressure indicators will show the pressure at as many different points on the circuit. Six comparative indicators depend for their working on the two standard indicators of the latest improved design. One test indicator is also being placed in the station, that can be switched on in place of either of the "Standards," at any time, to determine their accuracy. All the new apparatus is of the best and latest design, complete with every modern improvement that scientific research and experimenting can suggest.

The new plant will increase the power of the station by 150 horse power, and the capacity from 600 to 1400 lights of varying candle power. The additional machinery will be in position and, it is expected, will be running in full blast in eight or ten days. The interior of the station is to be repainted and refitted, the relieving wires of the regulators, switches, etc., to be of polished brass.

The company have spared no expense in the improvement of their plant, and their patrons the public cannot fail to be satisfied with the result.

PARTED IN A GALE.

The Alexander Parts With Her Tow, the Tam O'Shanter, off the Cape—The Steel Hawser Snaps In Two—A Rough Experience—The Ship Passed on Her way Making Sail.

The tug Alexander, on Friday evening, passed down to sea with the ship Tam O'Shanter, bound from Nanaimo to San Francisco with coal. It was blowing a fierce S. W. gale while going down the straits, with a very heavy sea running, rendering progress slow. Neah Bay was passed at 10 o'clock and at midnight the tug and tow were off Cape Flattery, where the sea ran mountains high, and a wild gale was blowing. From 12 until 2 o'clock the tug only made about three miles. At 2:30 a heavy squall sprang up, the atmosphere becoming as black as ink. Flattery light was obscured, and there was nothing but a black wall in front. The only light that could be distinguished was from the phosphorescent flashes as the waves broke over the bow, while the long hawser was a line of fire reaching from the tug to the vessel. The tug behaved well in the squall, but owing to the strength of the wind could not make steerage, and lay at an angle in the trough of the sea, and with her tow drifted with the ebb tide towards Cape Flattery. The helm was hard a-starboard. The squall spent itself in half an hour, and the wind shifted to the N. W. and the tug secured steerageway and headed for sea. At 3:30 while Capt. Brendrot was on the bridge, the Alexander shipped a heavy sea forward, which buried the bow completely in the water. This incident drew his attention to the fact that the tug was making quick time and he came to the conclusion that the hawser had parted or the line had been cast from the ship. On going aft the hawser was found to be slack, and all hands were called to haul it in. When the end had been reached it was seen that the heavy steel hawser had been snapped in two as though the strands had been of straw. It had parted leaving about ten fathoms of the 25 with the ship. The tug was then turned up the Straits and against the wind. In a few minutes the Tam O'Shanter was passed about two hundred yards distant. All hands were making sail as fast as possible, having three topsails and all fore and aft sails. At this time Tatoosh light was bearing S.E. by E., distant seven or eight miles. The Alexander passed Cape Flattery at 4:30 a. m. and arrived in the harbor about noon. Capt. Bendrot says with one exception last spring in a snow squall, it was the fiercest weather he has experienced at the Cape.

PERSONAL.

C. W. and Mrs. Green, Toronto, are at the Clarence.

Miss Gray returned from Westminster yesterday.

Capt. Irving returned on the Louise last evening.

J. S. Clute, collector of customs, Westminster, is at the Driard.

T. W. Pearson and wife, Winnipeg, are registered at the Driard.

F. H. La Brash and Mrs. La Brash, of Portland, are at the Clarence.

James H. Thain, C.P.R. mail clerk, arrived down on the Yosemite.

J. F. McMartin, of McKeddie & Co., manufacturing clothiers, Montreal, is in the city.

Capt. Urquhart, W. H. Cusack, and A. E. Rand, arrived down from Vancouver last night.

James Holroyd and Ogden Milson, of Dease Creek, Cassiar, are in the city. The latter secured considerable gold from his claim during the past two years.

Robert Crane, of the Whitman & Barnes Manufacturing Company, Akron, Ohio, is in the city.

Sam. Mott, agent for the Rochester Musical Comedy Company, returned from Vancouver last night, and left for Port Townsend this morning. He will return in a short time with a minstrel combination.

Mrs. Storey and Miss Georgie Storey, who have been at Harrison Hot Springs for some time, arrived down on the Yosemite last night. Mrs. Storey is greatly benefitted in health by her visit to the Springs.

MARINE.

Steamer Hope arrived yesterday morning from Valdez Island with a logging outfit.

Ship Viola, from London, is now 182 days out.

Steamer Sardonyx is unloading paddy for the Victoria Rice Mills, from the Kaisow at Esquimalt.

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Change of Time.

The sailing of the Str. Princess Louise for Westminster on Tuesday mornings has been changed from 9 to 8 a.m., commencing on Tuesday morning next.

Coal Shipments.

During the month of October, 26 coal-laden vessels cleared from Nanaimo, their united cargoes amounting to 34,605 tons. Of these vessels 16 were steamers, 6 barks, 3 ships and 1 schooner, 14 loaded at the Vancouver shutes, 8 at the Wellington shutes, and 4 at East Wellington.

True Charity.

The Good Templars of Somenos recently gave a very enjoyable social, in the Somenos schoolhouse, the proceeds to be devoted towards the relief of the Sumner family, the father of whom is at present suffering from cancer. The total receipts amounted to $113.25, for which the family are very grateful.

For Yokohama.

The steamship Antonio, Captain Wallace, for some time in the coal trade between the Wellington collieries and San Francisco, has completed her charter. The Antonio is at Departure Bay taking on 500 tons of Wellington coal for fuel, and will sail at once for Yokohama, Japan. Captain Wallace expects to load tea at the latter port and sail for England.

Accident at East Wellington.

Mr. George Bainbridge, an employee of the East Wellington saw mill, met with a severe accident Friday afternoon by having a portion of his foot cut off by the machinery. He was engaged in canting a large log when it slipped over and caught him on the foot, completely crushing several toes. Dr. Walkem, colliery surgeon, dressed the wounds.

Death at Nanaimo.

Samuel Fiddick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Fiddick, of the Occidental Hotel, Nanaimo, died early on Thursday morning. The deceased was 17 years of age, and for some time resided at his parents' farm in Cranberry District, where he contracted a severe cold while hunting. He neglected the cold and diphtheria resulted, which ended in his death.

Outgoing Passengers.

The following passengers left for San Francisco by the Mexico yesterday afternoon: Miss R. Meyer, T. Simpson, wife and daughter, C. E. Redfern, Dr. West, Mrs. Croft and child, M. Henderson, John Baylis, wife and three children, C. Worth, John R. Thompson, and seventeen steerage passengers.

Wedding.

Dr. Walkem, surgeon of the East Wellington colliery, was married in Nanaimo yesterday morning to Miss Minnie Brown, lately from London, England, and daughter of Joseph Brown, Esq., architect, New Westminster. The wedding took place at the residence of B. H. Smith, deputy collector of customs. Mr. and Mrs. Walkem arrived down by the noon train yesterday.

Nanaimo Customs Collections.

Following are the official returns of the Nanaimo custom house, for the month ending October 31st, 1888:—

Import duty	$4,540 29
Sick M. dues	289 94
Petroleum inspection	37 00
Total	$4867 23
Depart. of Agriculture—Insp. of Animals	6 00
	$4873 23

Biggs' Portage.

The Dominion government have cut a boat canal through what is known at Nanaimo as Biggs' Portage, thus saving a long detour around Jack's or Shape Point. Mr. Thomas McGuffie, who has charge of the work, completed the canal on Thursday. It now affords passage for large sized boats and canoes, for nearly three-fourths of each tide, and is bound to be a great convenience to the settlers on Gabriola, Mudge and adjacent islands.

A Peculiar Mania.

Westminster can boast—or deplore—the presence of a man who is addicted to one of the strangest freaks ever heard of. This man has a mania for getting drunk on every possible occasion, which is generally every night. When sufficiently primed he staggers down to the wharf, and, not being able to trust himself to walk the plank, cries "Man over board!" and throws himself into the water. The crew are up in an instant and the eccentric man is hauled aboard, considerably sobered by the cold bath. This is far from being a rare occurrence, but, on the contrary, happens quite frequently. Some night the crew will happen to be all ashore, and then a coroner's jury will bring in a verdict to the effect that "the deceased came to his death while practicing an eccentric habit superinduced by over-drinking and mental anxiety."

Youthful Criminals.

Four young lads, whose ages range from eight to twelve years, are at present in jail at Vancouver on a charge of house-breaking. The names of the youthful thieves are Willie McBroom, Johnny Curran, Willie and Albert Davie. The first-named seems to be the leader. The "gang" started out on their criminal career by running away from home, they being the same lads who came down to Victoria on the Yosemite, as mentioned in THE COLONIST a few weeks ago. Through the kindness of Captain Rudlin the boys were taken back to Vancouver and handed over to their parents. The quartette, however, seem to have been bent on wrong-doing, as, foiled in their attempt to run away, they decided to continue their career in Vancouver. They committed several petty robberies, and wound up by breaking into Lang's cigar store and stealing about $50 worth of cigarettes and tobacco. The boys are now in prison, but the authorities are puzzled how to deal with them, as they are too young to be sent to jail for a term, or to be sent to sea. This is another evidence of the necessity for a reformatory in the province.

Police Inspection.

The city police force were mustered for inspection by the police committee of the city council in the barracks, yesterday afternoon at 4:30, Ald. Wilson, chairman of the committee, addressed the force briefly, deploring the necessity which had arisen for making the recent changes in the force. He hoped that in the future the police would work together as one man in the enforcement of law and order in the city. He promised that good conduct and diligent, faithful service would not be unrewarded. The police committee would do all in their power to make the men comfortable and to ensure the efficiency of the force. On behalf of the committee, he also stated that they hoped soon to be in a position to increase the pay of the officers, although it would hardly be possible this year. He referred to several ways in which the laws of the land are known to be violated every day in the city, and directed the force to act without fear or favor in the discharge of their duty. The committee stood at their back and would support them in the discharge of their duty.

Chief Sheppard also addressed the men briefly, referred to several special classes of crime to which he wished the men to devote their attention and expressed the wish that nothing but harmony should exist among them. The men were then dismissed.

Will Arrive on Time.

In order that the Emma Abbott Co. may arrive in time to open at the usual hour, special arrangements have been made with the O. R. & N. Co. to run the steamer that day a couple of hours earlier, which will land the company in Victoria at 5:30 in the afternoon. This will enable the curtain to be rung up at 8:15 o'clock at the latest. All desirous of attending on Monday night need have no nervousness about late steamer and indifferent performance.

St. Andrew's and Caledonian Society.

At a meeting of the St. Andrew's and Caledonian society, held on Friday evening, the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: His Worship Mayor Grant, president; Robert Mitchell, first vice-president; Robert McIntosh, second vice-president; John Ross, secretary; Donald McKay, treasurer; directors—R. P. Rithet, A. J. Smith, John Boyd, John Robertson, William Lorimer, W. A. Robertson and Geo. Webb. Mr. Thomas Gorrie was elected warden, and Mr. David Kennedy, piper.

Drowning Accident.

On Wednesday the 7-year old son of a farmer named Haggman, of Lulu Island, (formerly a milkman of Westminster), was drowned in a most mysterious manner. Mr. Haggman and some laborers were working on the bank of the river and an axe being required the little chap was sent to get it. The boy not returning in a reasonable time somewhat surprised the father who made immediate search for him, but without avail as no sign or trace could be found. The conclusion is the boy fell into the water and sank without uttering a cry.

A Peculiar Occurrence.

On Thursday evening, while the steamer Rainbow was at the wharf at Westminster, a stranger walked on board and posted himself on the hurricane deck, leaning against the cabin. Suddenly his feet flew from under him and a second later he shot between the rails and dropped into the water. A life-preserver was thrown to the man, who made no attempt to take hold of it, but lay contentedly in the water. Seeing that the man would be drowned Capt. Cavin hauled him on deck with a boat-hook. After giving himself a shake, this strange personage quietly walked ashore without saying "thank you" or "good-bye."

A Chapter of Accidents.

The past week has been a rather hard one on Westminster steamers and steamboat men generally. During the storm on Tuesday a scow belonging to Mr. B. Young was being towed across the gulf frow Cowichan, but the sea got so high that it was necessary to cut it loose and abandon it. Two scows belonging to the Brunette Saw Mills Co. were beached at Point Roberts, but were got off again without sustaining serious damage. A boom of logs belonging to the same company, while being towed from Mud Bay, was broken up by the heavy sea, and only a portion of the boom was recovered.

The steamer Clara Port on Tuesday evening ran aground on Pitt Lake but did not suffer serious damage. The accident was so sudden and unexpected that the engineer was thrown overboard, and the captain and pilot were only saved from a similar mishap by the walls of the pilot house. The engineer was aboard again in a few minutes, and with his bare hands pulled the fire from the furnace, which saved the boiler from being destroyed.—*Columbian.*

A GAME OF FOOTBALL.

In Which One of the Players Meets with a Bad Accident.

Yesterday afternoon the football boys turned out in full force for practice on Beacon Hill. The rival teams were captained by Messrs. Crease and Drake, Mr. Crease's men having the advantage from kick-off. During one of the scrimmages, Mr. Chartres Pemberton met with a very painful accident which will confine him to his bed for some time. He was in the thick of the battle and his legs were tangled with those of several other players, when the ball was passed and the man who secured it made a dive to get away, striking Pemberton with his head. The players heard a snap like the breaking of a pipe-stem and it was found that in the fall Pemberton's leg had been broken just above the ankle. The boys did the best that they could for their injured comrade, placing the injured limb in hastily arranged splints and took him to the Colonist Hotel, where Dr. Helmcken was soon in attendance upon him. He was afterwards removed to the hospital, where his injuries were properly attended to, and where he is now doing as well as could be expected.

POLICE COURT.

(Before Judge Richards.)

A Chinaman charged with stealing $20 from a fellow celestial, was the only occupant of the pew in the police court yesterday morning. He was remanded until Monday.

Mrs. Craigie, mother of one of the boys recently convicted of stealing grain sacks, appeared in court and stated to the magistrate that she had secured a berth for her son on board the bark Nanaimo, now at Nanaimo, and soon to sail for Australia. The boy was again remanded until the ship was ready to put to sea.

LOCAL BRIEFS.

The city council held a special meeting last evening in the mayor's office, the only business before the board being the confirmation of the minutes of the last regular meeting.

Mr. F. G. Richards, jr., will in a few days open a real estate and general commission office on Yates street, near the Poodle Dog Rotisserie, where he will also transact the business of a notary public.

During the strong wind prevailing early on Wednesday morning, the scow on which the steam boiler is kept to supply steam to the drills at Nicol Rock, in Nanaimo harbor, sunk near the rock.

Jones Bros. are erecting a neat two-storey frame building, with a frontage of 18 feet, and a depth of 30, on Douglas street, to be used as a photographic studio. They expect to be in possession of their new premises in about three weeks.

A team of horses attached to a light wagon left standing in front of a house on Broad street yesterday morning, took fright while the owner was in the house and ran down Broad to Yates street and up Yates to Quadra, where they were caught. No damage done.

Officer G. A. Colbick of the provincial police arrived on the Yosemite last night with a blue-jacket named Timothy Collins who is charged with deserting from H. M. S. Espiegle while at the "Terminal City." Collins was lodged in the provincial jail.

Mr. E. C. Smith, not Mr. J. Partridge as stated in Saturday's issue of the *Standard*, is deserving of credit for the very satisfactory manner in which he has discharged the duties of clerk of the police court since the suspension of the late city clerk.

Baptist Church at Vancouver.

The first sod for the new Baptist church to be erected at Vancouver was turned on Saturday last by the pastor, Rev. James B. Kennedy, and Rev. Mr. Pedley. The latter led in prayer, after which the former used the spade. The new church is to be situated at the corner of Hamilton and Dunsmuir streets.

PERSONAL.

J. S. Chase returned from Seattle yesterday.

H. R. Harrison of Somenos is at the Clarence.

Dr. and Mrs. Walkem of Nanaimo are at the Driard.

Hermann Peters returned last evening from Vancouver.

Walter F. Campbell of San Francisco is visiting Victoria friends.

If the gentleman who called at 133 Fort street last Friday will call again he will convey a favor.

G. Byrnes, Major Wilson, E. B. Carmichael, W. H. DeWolf and J. M. Sparrow arrived down on the Yosemite.

D. Doig, who has bee relieving the teller of the Vancouver branch of the Bank B. N. A., returned last night on the Yosemite.

Robert Irving, city agent of the C.P.R., left Vancouver yesterday for Montreal. He will be absent on his trip about a month.

Hon. Robert Dunsmuir yesterday received a telegram from W. C. Ward at Kingston announcing his safe arrival there with Mrs. Ward and Miss Maud Dunsmuir.

MARINE.

Steamship Mexico sailed from the outer wharf for San Francisco yesterday afternoon.

Bark Ferris S. Thompson, now at Departure Bay, will load Wellington coal for the Sandwich Islands.

Steamship Wilmington with 800 tons of Wellington coal sailed from Departure Bay for San Francisco yesterday.

Ship Valley Forge is now under the shutes at Nanaimo, and will be followed by the barks Amelia and Jabez Howe.

Ship Kennebec completed her cargo of 3,400 tons of Vancouver coal on Friday evening and sailed yesterday for San Francisco.

Steamship Antonio went on the "Natural dry-dock" at Nanaimo on Wednesday, to clean and scrape her hull, and is now loading Wellington coal.

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CITY POLICE COURT.

(Before Judge Richards.)

Monday is always a busy day in the police court. Yesterday was no exception to the general rule; the following cases were disposed of:

Mary, a Fort Rupert squaw, blushingly admitted that she had been under the influence of the ardent. She donated the usual $5 towards the support of the city.

Thomas, a Cowichan Indian, was upon the information of Provincial Police Constable Miller charged with being unlawfully possessed of intoxicating beverages. Thomas owned up and was fined $25, which his friends subsequently paid.

Another Indian named Tom, a Nitnat, was also charged with having liquor in his possession. Dominion Constable Lewis saw Tom with a bottle in his hands, and, before he could arrest him, the Indian broke the bottle, a small piece of which was found to contain gin. He was fined $25, and not having the money was sentenced to one months' imprisonment, unless the fine was sooner paid.

Richard Claydon, who had been found by Sergeant Walker lying on the sidewalk in a state of paralyzed intoxication, was charged with creating a disturbance by being drunk. "I was guilty, your honor," said Richard, and he was fined the usual $5.

In default of the necessary, he was consigned to the cells for one week.

Wm. Johnson was charged with breaking-in two doors of a house on Herald street, owned by Mr. A. K. Stronnach, and occupied by several Indian women. The prisoner said he would rather plead guilty than go into the case; he acknowledged that he only destroyed one door, however. The agent of the property deposed to receiving information of the doors being broken and stated that four doors of the same house were broken last week. People, he said, came to the house drunk and being refused admittance destroyed the property.

The magistrate thought that if the owners of the property let it to prostitutes they had themselves to blame if the property was destroyed. The prisoner was instructed to make good the damage, and was fined $1 without costs.

Wm. Grey, an elderly man living at Nanaimo, and pronounced of unsound mind, was further remanded, as it was supposed he could be sent home in a few days.

Richard Murray was charged with committing an aggravated assault upon Robert Mitchell. The case was proven and the prisoner sentenced to four months' imprisonment at hard labor.

The C. P. N. Co. were charged by John Courtney and eight other Vancouver longshoremen with refusing to pay their wages in full, for discharging the steamer Sardonyx at Port Moody. The men claimed that they found the work unusually hard and were promised 40 instead of 25 cents per hour in consequence. They were brought down on the steamer Sardonyx to Victoria.

Mr. Stewart appeared for the prosecution and Mr. Walls for the company.

The magistrate thought that the men should have been bound by their agreement to work for 25 cents an hour. He did not think they should be supported in claiming extra wages.

Mr. Walls, while denying the jurisdiction of the magistrate in the case, had a very reasonable proposition to make. The Sardonyx not being here now, the company would pay these men off at the rate of 25 cents per hour, pay their board bill here and send them home, leaving them to sue for the balance if they though fit. This settlement, Mr. Walls wished it understood, was not to prejudice the case if it should be again brought up, the proposition being made more out of charity than in justice by the company.

This proposition was accepted and the men left the court.

MARINE.

Steamship Queen of the Pacific arrived from San Francisco on Sunday evening, and left for Puget Sound at 2 a. m. on Monday.

Ship W. A. Campbell, Capt. Frank, has completed her cargo of lumber at the Moodyville mill and will sail as soon as her crew is completed.

British bark Ethelbert, from Liverpool for this port, was spoken on Aug. 18th in latitude 28 S., longitude 46 W.

British ship Gitana, for Victoria, was in port at Glasgow on the 20th October.

Steamer Batavia arrived at Yokohama from Vancouver on Oct. 27th.

British ship Gainsborough, from Moodyville, arrived at Melbourne previous to Oct. 29th.

Bark Pacific Slope, lumber laden from Moodyville for Australia, arrived in Esquimal on Sunday night.

There are six ships in Tacoma awaiting to load wheat for European points. Wheat is arriving slowly owing to the inability of the railroads to handle it. Coal and lumber laden vessels are delayed for the want of tugs.

Steamship Abyssinia arrived off the harbor on Saturday evening from China and Japan. She took Pilot Urquhart on board and passed on to Vancouver, arriving there at 2:30 a. m. on Sunday. She has a valuable cargo of teas and silks, about 30 white passengers and 64 Chinese.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

Clearing Off a Church Debt.

A special collection was taken up in the Pandora street Methodist Church on Sunday for the purpose of clearing off a portion of the debt upon the church. The congregation responded liberally, the collection amounting to the sum of $4,200.

Vancouver's Youthful Burglars.

The four boys at Vancouver, charged with larceny, have been sentenced to one month's imprisonment in the city lock-up apart from other prisoners, during which period they are to be twice whipped by their fathers under the supervision of the chief of police.

Fire at Donald.

A despatch from Donald states that a fire broke out there at 11:30 on Friday night. The fire started in the kitchen of the Railway House, and communicated to Ferland's store adjoining. Both buildings were totally destroyed. Ferland's stock was saved, but badly damaged in the removal. The loss is about $7,000.

Gospel Temperance.

Mr. Geo. Woodford of Chicago, will lecture in the Pandora street Methodist church this and to-morrow evenings, commencing at 8 o'clock. Song service at 7:40. Mr. Woodford is highly spoken of as a lecturer, an Oakland, Cal., paper saying, "his fine word painting upon the horrors of drink and upon the home destruction caused by it, held his audience under complete enthrallment."

Cedar Hill Entertainment.

The Cedar Hill people are making elaborate preparations for the proposed entertainment on Friday evening next under the auspices of the lodge I.O.G.T. The programme promises to surpass all previous efforts. Excellent music has been secured for the dancing, which is to follow the musical and literary programme. A bus will leave Bowman's stables at 7:15, charging the very modest sum of 25 cts. for the round trip.

Fell Down a Hatchway.

Yesterday morning while Mr. M. Lopatecki, of the *Standard*, was walking along the main deck of the steamer Yosemite, he fell down an open coal hatch, which he had failed to see. The accident was witnessed by a couple of men who rescued Mr. Lopatecki in a fainting condition, but he soon recovered, the only injuries he received being an ugly bruise on the right leg and on the arm. The accident might have been much worse, and Mr. Lopatecki's friends will be pleased to know that his injuries will not prevent him attending to his usual duties.

Yesterday Morning's Fire.

About two o'clock yesterday morning the outbuildings owned by Mr. McKay of Lime Bay, were discovered to be in flames. The neighbors were quickly roused and hastened to the scene of the conflagration, but the fire had gained such headway that the utmost that could be done was to prevent it spreading. With the help of the Esquimalt water, supplied by the new works, this was done, but the outbuildings were entirely destroyed. The danger of the situation was aggravated by the close proximity of two powder magazines as, if the fire had spread, the consequences to life and property would have been disastrous.

Caught at Last.

Yesterday afternoon, Provincial Constable Miller and Dominion Officer Lewis noticed an Indian coming out of the little junk shop kept by "Joe." Phoenix, on Chatham street, carrying two molasses cans. The cans looked suspicious, and, upon investigation, one was found to contain molasses and the other whiskey, plain and unmistakably an "intoxicant." The Indian said that he had procured his forbidden luxuries from Phoenix, paying him $3 for the little can of bad whiskey. The seller was arrested and will answer for his misdeeds in the police court this morning. He was up a short time ago for cruelty to animals. He partially acknowledges selling the liquor by saying that he will go to jail, but will not pay a fine.

Big Dyking Scheme.

The Surrey and Delta farmers, of Westminster district, have held a meeting to discuss the Mud Bay dyking scheme. The proposed dyke will reclaim 30,000 acres of the finest muck lands on the coast. It was decided that the owners of all property which will be improved by the dyke should agree to an assessment of $2 per acre on their lands, which would amount to about $30,000. The dyke would reclaim to the Dominion government fully $30,000 worth of land, and as the cost of the work will be in the neighborhood of $70,000 there will be only $10,000 more to make up. It is proposed to ask the Dominion and Provincial goverments to contribute an equal share of the cost of the work not covered by the above figures.

The Orange Ball.

The Loyal Orangemen of Victoria celebrated the two hundredth anniversary of the landing of Prince William of Orange, last evening by holding a grand social hop in Philharmonic Hall, under the direction of L. O. L., No. 1426. About fifty couples were in attendance, and with a good floor, good order and the best of music provided by the well-known orchestra of "C" battery, the hop was a decided success of which the members of the order may well feel proud. The hall was brilliantly decorated with banners, etc., and presented a charming appearance, while the supper, served on the stage by the veteran caterer Mr. Russell, was in his usual excellent style. Sergeant Walker, of the city police, proved himself a prince of floor managers and the entire affair reflected credit on all concerned.

PERSONAL.

F. Michelena and wife, and 14 other members of the Abbott Opera Co., are at the Clarence.

W. F. McCulloch and wife and J. R. Davis, of Seattle; F. H. Major, of Montreal; and F. H. Anderson, of San Francisco, are stopping at the Clarence.

H. E. Wines, business agent of the "Chip o' the Old Block" Comedy Company is at the Clarence. It is expected that the well-known comedy will be produced two nights next week in The Victoria, with Harry Mills, R. L. Scott and Miss Jessie Bonstelle as the "stars."

H. Langelier and S. T. Greenleese, Montreal, are at the Driard.

M. M. English arrived down last night from Lulu Island.

G. List, traveling agent of the Dominion Express company, is at the Driard.

H. P. Bell arrived on the Louise last night.

LOCAL BRIEFS.

Mr. Moody commenced his meetings in Westminster yesterday.

Sixty-five young men attended the meeting in the Y. M. C. A. rooms on Sunday.

Secure seats at M. W. Waitt & Co.'s for the "Rose of Castile," to be given by the Abbott Co. to-night.

The attention of intending buyers is directed to the furniture sale by Geo. Byrnes at 11 o'clock to-day on the premises, Chatham street, near Blanchard.

A requisition is being circulated in Vancouver asking Mayor Oppenheimer to stand for re-election as chief magistrate.

The members of the Loyal Orange Order in this city attended Divine service at the Gorge road Church on Sunday, where a special sermon was preached by Rev. Mr. Wadman.

WRECK OF A SLOOP.

Seen by the Schooner Eliza Between Seabird and San Juan Islands.

Rough Weather Prevents it Being Brought to Victoria—Supposed to Be a Sloop Which Started From Ross Bay With Two White Men and Eight Chinese and a Large Quantity of Opium—Probable Loss of All Hands.

The schooner Eliza, of New Westminster, Capt. Hett, which arrived last evening with a heavy cargo of oats from Mud Bay, reports sighting an abandoned sloop, evidently of about three tons, at about 2 o'clock Monday afternoon, between Seabird and San Juan Islands. The sloop was drifting northward, stern down and bow up, her jib sheet flying and main sheet fouled. At first she was taken for an Indian canoe or a floating tree, but as the Eliza came nearer her captain clearly saw that what had at first been taken for a floating tree was the sail lying on the water. The first attempt to pick up the sloop failed, but on the second she was captured and taken in tow, Captain Hett intending to bring her in with him to Victoria. The sloop was deep in the water, had no name on her bow, or anywhere else that could be seen. Her bottom was coppered, her decks painted green, and the hull white. Nothing about her would lead to any knowledge of her name or port. Her four oars were drifting in the rowlocks, and her sails were evidently nearly new. The sloop was towed for about three miles, when Capt. Hett, seeing signs of an approaching storm and being heavily loaded, was compelled to drop his prize in order to avail himself of the little wind left and get into port. The sloop will probably drift back to near where she was found with the tide.

LATER.

A smuggling sloop answering to the description of the one found by Capt. Hett sailed from Ross Bay on Wednesday night of last week between midnight and three o'clock. She was in charge of two white men, said to be residents of Victoria, who were driven out to Ross Bay at about twelve o'clock by one of the city hackmen, who also conveyed several large parcels which were supposed to contain opium, from the city to the sloop. The hackman describes his passengers as two middle aged men, one rather short the other about medium height, wearing dark overcoats and soft felt hats. Owing to the darkness he could not describe them more fully. In addition to the supply of opium, several hundred pounds, which they proposed to land in the United States, the men in charge of the sloop also appear to have had eight or ten Chinamen on board, to be smuggled across the line. If the sloop proves to be the same one, as she doubtless will, the bodies of all will not likely ever be found. The Chinamen were in the hold on the night the sloop sailed and their bodies may possibly be found there. No tidings of the sloop have been received in Victoria since she set sail, and it is generally believed that she met her fate during one of the stormy nights of last week.

EMMA ABBOTT WELCOMED.

Splendid Rendition of "Il Trovatore"—"The Rose of Castile" to be Given To-Night.

The first appearance of the Emma Abbott Co. in The Victoria last evening did not draw as large a house as anticipated, though parquette, dress circle and gallery were fairly well occupied. There were several reasons for this: Many were afraid of the late arrival of the steamer, the weather was execrable, and the opera given, "Il Trovatore," has been listened to so often that a large number reserved their dollars for the remaining three nights. The box sheet for to-night was pretty well filled yesterday and a bumper house will no doubt be present.

Miss Abbott, on entering the stage as "Leonora," accompanied by Miss Bertina as "Inez," was given a rousing welcome. The trip from Tacoma to Victoria is the reverse of beneficial to a vocalist, but the prima donna acquitted herself most creditably, and the aria in the first act, and her faultless singing in the last act, were received with enthusiasm. Her acting throughout was conscientious and artistic, and especially was this the case in the final act. There can be but one opinion as to the excellence of her vocal efforts. Her voice is sweet and pure, and she has it in admirable control, taking the most difficult notes with remarkable ease and correctness.

Signor Montegriffo has undoubtedly improved since his former appearance. As "Manrico" he had many opportunities to display his delightful tenor, and he did not fail to please his hearers. He was repeatedly applauded, and at the close of the third act was given a rousing recall.

Miss Annandale as "Azucena" displayed the wonderful capabilities of her contralto. In the prison scene her voice blended sweetly with the tenor of "Manrico," while her rendition of "Back to our Mountains" was simply superb.

Wm. Pruette, as "Count di Luna," sang his score in magnificent voice, and in the concerted pieces added much to the harmony. He was well received in his several numbers.

Wm. Broderick's basso did not have much scope to display itself, but sufficiently to prove that he will win many honors when a fair opportunity occurs. The cavatina in the first act he gave in splendid style.

The choruses were finely rendered, especially the anvil chorus.

Miss Abbott wore lovely costumes, and in the third act her neck and shoulders were ablaze with diamonds. The costumes of all were elegant, and in all cases appropriate.

Sig. Tomasi's admirable direction of the orchestra deserves mention, though it was remarked that there was a little too much brass in several of the accompaniments for the little theatre, lessening somewhat the effect of the finer notes of the vocalists.

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