Dismissed For The Holidays

Closing Summer Vacation Exercises at Various City Schools Yesterday.

Large Attendance of Visitors Entertaining Programmes Rendered.

(From Saturday's Daily.)

All the school children of the city with the exception of those in attendance at the High school are now freed from educational duties for a period of six weeks—the schools having closed yesterday with appropriate exercises. The High school holidays do not start until next week and that school will reopen on August 24. All the other schools will reopen on August 10th.

At the Girls' Central school the exercises were rendered additionally interesting by the chief address from Rev. W. Baugh Allen. There was a large attendance of friends, and a choice programme, consisting of recitations, musical selections were given, honor rolls read and prizes distributed.

Rev. J. P. Westman presided at the closing exercises at the North Ward school, and there was a large attendance of Trustees. After a very interesting programme had been rendered by the pupils, prizes, donated by the chairman and L. Tait for pupils of the junior, intermediate and senior grades were presented as follows: Junior Grade.—Miss Elsie Sutherland. Intermediate Grade.—Second grade, Thos. Morrell; Third Reader, Miss Hilda Gilchrist. Senior Grade.—Miss Cora John and Alex McGregor

The proceedings at the Boys' Central school were made specially interesting by the presentation by R. L. Drury, chairman of the Board of School Trustees, of the Colonist cup, which the baseball club, made up of Central school boys, have again won this season.

The closing exercises in Kingston Street school were very interesting and pretty. The crowd of spectators at the early hour of 10 o'clock was an evidence of the appreciation by the parents and friends of the faithful work of the principal, Miss Lawson, and Miss Jesse and Mr. Fraser, teachers in the different departments. The schoolroom and porch were decorated lavishly, as well as tastefully, with quantities of beautiful flowers. The pictures on the blackboard seemed even better than usual, the sketches even showing talent in such young pupils.

Quite a good programme of recitations and songs held the audience interested. The amount of singing called forth a great many favorable comments; children always seem to sing well at the Kingston Street school. The organ was played by Mr. Fraser, one of the teachers. Many of the songs were patriotic and the children sang them with evident enjoyment. After the distribution of prizes, etc., and speeches from one or two gentlemen present, cheers for the teachers were called for and all dispersed to enjoy well-earned holidays.

South Park school was closed without exercises. On the assembling of the school for the new term, opening exercises will be held, prizes presented and a programme given by the children.

Victoria West, Hillside and Rock Bay schools closed with the customary exercises, which were witnessed by many friends of the pupils. In each case, interesting programmes of songs recitations, etc., were rendered.

PROMOTION LISTS.

The promotion list at the Girls' Central school is as follows:

From Intermediate to Senior.—Annie Andrews, Annie Aubel, Florence Baker, Hilda Baker, Pearl Bickerdike, Stella Beynton, Gladys Bodley, Margaret Cameron, Alice Croft, Gertrude Chambers, Irene Carter, Josephine Davis, Frances Foster, Agnes Fullerton, Effie Gonge, Olive Gowen, Minnie Harper, Myrtle Holness, Edith Howell, Katie Hastie, Eva Hood, Louise Halcy, Kathleen Jones, Florence Luscombe, Margaret LePage, Nine LeCleroq, Edna Lyell, Mary Pike, Zola Parberry, Gladys Rogers, Dulcie Royds, Norma Sears, Pennie Smith, Phyllis Wollaston, May Wagg, Evelyn Wagg, Margaret Ward.

From Junior to Intermediate Grade.—Irene Ball, Mildred Chrow, Edna Dack, Ella Escalet, Margaret Florence, Mary Fox, Annie Fox, Stella Gosse, Dora Green, Lulla Greggs, Norma Hamburger, Dorothy Harris, Maude Hatcller, Fanny Emma Jones, Sobyl Nelson King, Elizabeth Ledingham, Maud Ledingham, Mabel Lowrids, Irene Mason, Susan McConnel, Helene McGregor, Elva McMartin, Mary McMillan, Pearl Merrifield, Nora Morry, Rose Neal, Annie Norman Beatrice Proctor, Alma Stephenson, Florence Wilkerson, Emma Wills, Marjorie Wood, Alice Wyatt.

ROLLS OF HONOR.

Division I.—Regularity, Lizzie Trickey and Mabel Rausch; deportment, Alice Grace Barker.

Division II.—General proficiency, Marguerite Allouise Dennan; deportment, Sybil Kathleen Baugh-Allen; regularity, Edith Harris, Doove, Mary Halley, Florence Pussy and Mary Flora Losee.

Division III.—Proficiency, Maude Mary Baker; deportment, Laura Agnes Le Cleroq; regularity and regularity, Jean Lavinia Musgrave McNaughton, Etta Patterson Lessy, Erna Charlotte Amelia Papke, Violet Cameron and Katie Malcolm.

Division IV.—Proficiency, Helen Edith Saunders; deportment, Jessie Isabel Wilson; attendance, Louise Edith Lemm and Ellen Brown.

Division V.—Proficiency, Irene Ullin; deportment, Irene McLennan; regularity, Katie Hallam, Amie Mittalstatte, Mavis Reama and Rhoda Sherwood.

Division VI.—Proficiency, Hilda Patience Baker; deportment, Phyllis Catherine Wolfenden; punctuality and regularity, Stella Boynton, Minnie Hafer, Florence Baker, Pearl Bickerdike, Annie Andrews, Althea Myrtle Holness and Irene Carter.

Division VII.—Proficiency, Maude Elizabeth Beasley; deportment, Elizabeth Hodges; regularity and punctuality, Iolene Fox, Matilda Harriet Grant and Gertrude Marion Yarwood.

Division VIII.—Proficiency, Pearl Stephenson; regularity, Alice Maude Wyatt; deportment, Mildred Chrow.

Division X.—Proficiency, Elizabeth Archibald; deportment, Mabel Evelyn North; regularity and punctuality, Iva Stella Fox.

BOYS' CENTRAL.

The closing exercises of the Boys' Central school took place yesterday afternoon in Memorton Gymnasium. There was a large attendance and standing room was at a premium. Mr. R. L. Drury, chairman of the School Board, presided, and Rev. Baugh Allen addressed the children.

Herbert, a bright young lad who is thirteen years of age, won the prize kindly presented to the head pupil of the school by Mr. Taylor, manager of the Royal Colonist Baseball Cup, which has Bank of Canada.

won a second time by the team that presented this school, was formally presented by Mr. Drury.

The team, comprising H. Sargison (capt.), Beaudrault, Roy McKitrick, Guy Morley, Phillips, Lance Nesbitt, Howard Ayres, Robert Shanks and J. Brooker received three rousing cheers. The presentation, which was well rendered, follows:

Song Song .....The Maple Leaf

Recitation—Labor's Golden Rule .....

.....Master W. Pretty

Instrumental Selection .....

Miss Agronson, Masters Bert Foote, Percy Ward, Gregson and Messrs. Wallace and Hoxtable.

Recitation—Ten Little Busy Boys.... Song by boys from Miss Sylvester's class.

Solo ..... Home Is the Best

Recitation—Why .....Master Clayton

Instrumental Selection ..... Orchestra

Recitation—When We Are Men.....

.....By Boys from Miss Nelson's Class

.....The Coral Insect

Song—Anthem ..... By School

The Roll of Honor is as follows:

Division I.—Donald Herbert, proficiency; Leo King and Nelson Gowan, regularity and punctuality; Thomas Liddiard, deportment.

Division II.—Proficiency, Rogert Hunter and punctuality, Arthur Ridgman Pender; deportment, John Sanderson Dee.

Division III.—Deportment, Francis Edwards Roberts; punctuality and regularity, Keith Britton Dalby; proficiency, Alex. Milligan.

Division IV.—Deportment, Robert Burns; regularity, Clyde McDonald; proficiency, Percy Waller.

Division V.—Proficiency, Charles Schilhanson; deportment, Lew Pineo; regularity, Ed. Jackson.

Division VI.—Deportment, Cecil Clayton; proficiency, Elmer Finland; regularity, Jas. Hall.

Division VII.—Regularity, James Cochen; deportment, Willie Norman; general proficiency, Arthur H. Maynard.

Division VIII.—Proficiency, Fred Beckwith; deportment, Nowell Royds; regularity and punctuality, Cecil Losee, Clyde Dow, Nellie Cox.

Division IX.—Proficiency, Orlebar Walls; deportment, Richard Rossow; punctuality and regularity, Robert Mason.

Division X.—Proficiency, Duca Zarelli; deportment, Ernest Huggett; regularity and Punctuality, Nellie Renfrew, Gilbert Blank.

VICTORIA WEST.

The closing exercises of the Victoria West school were held yesterday at 11 a. m. in Semple's hall. Owing to the large number of parents and friends in attendance it was very difficult to obtain even standing room. Such a large attendance at an event of this kind is encouraging, both to teachers and pupils, and shows that the people of Victoria West take more than a passing interest in the educational advancement of their children.

A programme of fourteen numbers consisting of songs, recitations, drills, etc., was rendered by the pupils, and judging by the prolonged applause which greeted each number, was heartily enjoyed by those present.

Trustees Geo. Jay and Beaumont Boggs then presented the rolls of honor to the successful pupils in each division, after which each made a short address, congratulating the teachers and pupils on the excellence of the programme presented, and the highly satisfactory progress made during the past term. They also briefly referred to their endeavors to obtain a new school during the present year for Victoria West. Their efforts in this direction had proven fruitless, owing to their being unable to obtain the necessary number of signatures of property holders to the petition asking the City Council to place a bylaw before the people for the purpose of raising money for this object.

Rev. D. Macrae was the next speaker. After a few congratulatory remarks to teachers and pupils the reverend gentleman spoke strongly upon the urgent need of a new school in that portion of the city, saying that he regarded the fact that the efforts made by the school trustees had proven fruitless as nothing short of a calamity. Rev. W. D. Barber also referred to the urgent need of a new school, regretting the lethargy and shortsightedness of the property-holders in allowing the petition to fail, after which he concluded a brief address by a few happy words of congratulation to teachers and pupils.

Rev. Mr. Osterhout, who was the last speaker, addressed himself to the pupils, and won at once their attention and approbation by the few humorous remarks he made.

The exercises were then brought to the close by all present joining in the National Anthem. During the morning, Principal Winsby was the recipient of a handsome pair of gold cuff links and an address from the pupils of his class.

The Roll of Honor is as follows:

Division I, Principal Winsby.—deportment, Lizzie Rowe; regularity and punctuality, Marion Duncalfe, Frank Cherry.

Division II., Miss A. F. Gardiner.—Proficiency, Florence Patton; deportment, Colin Mackenzie; regularity and punctuality, Agnes McLachlan, Frieda Hasenfratz.

Division III., Miss M. H. Holmes.—Proficiency, Maude Knappett; deportment, Effie Collister; regularity and punctuality, Bernice Hinds, Sadie Cheery.

Division IV.—Miss K. Johnson—Proficiency: Edith Austin; deportment, Alice Andrews; regularity and punctuality, Emma Nott, Allen McLachlan, Andrew Todd.

Division V., Miss R. C. Pope.—Proficiency, Violet Evans; deportment, George Corkle; regularity and punctuality, Ernest Cherry.

Division VI. Miss E. A. Lee.—Proficiency, Viola Nicholson; Deportment, Angus Robertson; regularity and punctuality, Edna McKiel.

Division VII., Miss E. Nisbet.—Proficiency, Bessie Fawcett; deportment, Jeanette Todd; regularity and punctuality, Lizzie Corkle.

ROCK BAY.

Following are the results of the closing examinations at Rock Bay school:

Rolls of Honor—Second Division—Erma Cessford, proficiency; Ada Etherington, good conduct; William Balcom, regularity and punctuality.

First Division.—Deportment, Madeline Basso; proficiency, Woodward Marden, regularity and punctuality, Robert Stewart.

Promoted to North Ward.—Woodward Marden, Isla Adams Addie Gibson, Dolly Baker, Madeline Basso, Graham Ross, Percy Rivers, Luga Thomson, Arthur Taylor, Ernest Wolfe, Alex. Hill Eloise Toddle, Ola Balcom, Florence Davin, Lexy Blake, Clark Barausley, Ernest Freeman, Frank Hammond, Lewis Heald, Emily Nobbs, Reggie Palmer, John Grice, Beatrice Morrison, Charles Hardie, Ralph and Albert Cruickshank.

Promoted to First Division.—Erma Cessford, Leila Carson, Ada Etherington, Mabel Beaumont, Gertie Beaton, Frank Reville, Wong Kee and Wong Sone, Whong Choong, Jack Chu, Ching Fat, Soon Kee, Loo Yuen Lang, Jim., Wong Fung, Mabel Basso, Edna Ross, Frank Simons, James Pilgrim, Schuyler Pemmett, Gordon B. Macdonald, Ernest Adams, William Balcom.

THESPIAN IN CITY.

Wm. Fitchett Has Narrow Escape From Smallpox in the Orient.

Wm. Fitchett, an actor in leading roles, who has been touring India, Australasia, China and Japan, with the Janet Waldorf Dramatic Company, is in the city and is staying at the Victoria hotel, having crossed the Pacific on the Indrapura. He had the misfortune whilst at Shanghai to become the victim of a malignant attack of smallpox. There were 24 members of the company, and all escaped infection with the exception of Mr. Fitchett and Miss Mildred Yorke. Miss Yorke, who was second lead and well known in Australia as a talented actress, succumbed to the disease. Mr. Fitchett after hovering for some time between life and death in the General hospital at Shanghai, was saved by the excellent treatment received at the hospital. He states that he had not been vaccinated since his boyhood days, otherwise he would very probably have escaped infection. The Janet Waldorf company has disbanded, and Mr. Fitchett is now on his way to San Francisco, where he has been requested to report for engagement. Mr. Fitchett has played the dude in "The Wrong Mr. Right"; Touchstone in "As You Like it"; Launcelot in "Merchant of Venice," and Festi in "Twelth Night." After the disbanding of the Waldorf company he played an engagement with the Brough company in Shanghai.

VICTORIAN WEDS.

Mr. Coote Chambers Takes Unto Himself a Wife in Toronto Last Week.

Coote A. Chambers, a native son of the province, who has recently been residing in Portland, Oregon, was married last week in Toronto to Caroline Jane Foolis. The ceremony was performed in the Yonge street Methodist church, Miss Brown, of Owen Sound, being the bridesmaid, while Miss Mabel Fooks was maid of honor, and the groom being attended by Ross Bremner as best man. The bride wore a gown of white silk and old point lace with court train and veil, the bridesmaid wearing white silk, with Dolly Varden hat of black chiffon, the maid of honor being in white with white silk straw hat and white roses. The gift of the groom to the bride was a gold watch and chain, and to the bridesmaid solid gold lovers' stars. After the ceremony the wedding party drove to the home of the bride, where a reception was held. Mr. Chambers and his bride are now in Winnipeg, where he will occupy a position in the accountant's office of the C. P. R.

Mr. Chambers, who is a violinist of considerable ability, is a son of the late Coote M. Chambers, inspector-general of the local branch of the Dominion Savings bank, and who was very prominent in local musical circles over a decade ago, being conductor of the Philharmonic Society, and also serving as a trustee on the Victoria School Board.

Mr. Chambers' many friends in this city are extending cordial congratulations and wishes for a happy future.

There are many forms of nervous debility in men that yield to the use of Carter's Iron Pills. Those who are troubled with nervous weakness, night sweats, etc., should try them.

Susie—And so you are an old maid, auntie—a real old maid. Aunt Ethel—Yes, Susie, dear—I'm a real old maid. Susie (wishing to be nice and comforting)—Well never mind, poor dear auntie; I'm sure it isn't your fault.

See the new linen mesh tennis and boating shirts with reversible collars at $1.25 and $1.50. B. Williams & Co.

Finals In The School Exams

Additional Lists of Prize Winners at Local and District Institutions.

Successful Ones at North Ward, South Park, Saanich and Oak Bay.

(From Sunday's Daily.)

Following are additional reports of the closing exercises and prize winners at schools not included in the lists published in the Colonist yesterday:

NORTH WARD SCHOOL.

The four junior grades held their closing exercises on Friday morning, which were witnessed by a large and enthusiastic gathering of spectators and friends. The Rev. Mr. Westman was present and gave the names of those in the third, second and first readers who were fortunate enough to win his prizes for rapidity and accuracy in arithmetic. Master Thos. Morell won this prize in the ninth division, Elsie Sutherland in the Second Reader, and Hilda Gilchrist in the Third Reader.

The principal's prizes for the same in the grammar grades were won by Alex. McGregor and Cora John. After a splendid programme the children dispersed for the holidays.

In the afternoon the five senior grades held their closing exercises. By doing this the teaching staff of the North Ward school expected to avoid the usual crush, but the interest and enthusiasm of the parents and people of this district was shown by the large crowd that, despite the rain, came to see and hear. Trustees Mrs. Jenkins, Messrs. Jay and Huggett were present, and at the close of the exercises made excellent addresses complimenting pupils and teachers upon the work of the term. Trustee Jay, in complimenting Instructor Waddington on his success in training the pupils to sing, said he hoped that in the near future regular and systematic training in voice culture should become a feature of Victoria school work. Rev. Mr. Westman gave a stirring address to the pupils, wishing them a pleasant holiday and happy return to school after holidays.

The thanks of the pupils, teachers and visitors are due Prof. Haynes and his excellent orhcestra, composed principally of North Ward school pupils, for their assistance in carrying out the excellent programme which delighted all who listened to it.

The instrumental trio of Mrs. Bird, Miss Haynes and Prof. Haynes, the solo of Cora Lawrence and the vocal solo of Miss Jennie Bishop were noticeably good in the well sustained programme.

Miss Chase Going read the accompanying valedictory, and "God Save the King" brought the pleasant exercises to a close, and once more set the happy children of the North Ward school free.

The following is the honor list:

Div. II., Miss Dowler, Teacher.

Proficiency—Frederick Stemler.

Deportment—Gladys Hewlings.

Regularity and Punctuality—Annie Rudd, Alice Gonnason.

Div. III., Miss Marchant, Teacher.

General Proficiency—Jennie May Duncan.

Deportment—Madge Nesbit Bishop.

Regularity and Punctuality—Victor A. Levy, Norman B. Hall.

Div. IV., Jas Gray, Teacher.

Proficiency—Alice D. Etheridge.

Deportment—Catherine E. Thomas.

Regularity and Punctuality—Stanley Stewart.

Div. V., Miss Murton, Teacher.

Proficiency—Agnes McKittrick.

Deportment—Muriel Tait.

Regularity and Punctuality—James Watson, James McCahill, Harry Billingsley.

Div. VII., Miss Quikley, Teacher.

Proficiency—Ethel Hardie.

Deportment—Ray Meldrem.

Regularity and Punctuality—John Stewart, Jessie Leonard.

Div. VIII., Miss Colquhoun, Teacher.

Proficiency—Tuasio Nagano.

Regularity—Henry Curtis.

Deportment—James Forrester.

VALEDICTORY.

Ladies and Gentlemen, Teachers and Fellow-pupils: We have assembled today to celebrate the close of another school year. The events of the year have been full of interest to us, and we trust the lessons learned, habits formed, and principles adopted, during the weeks and months, may be such as will enrich our future.

To most of us there is no shadow in the pleasure we anticipate through the long summer holidays. The pupils leaving for the High school may feel a tinge of regret, as they remember they will no longer tread these familiar halls, nor mingle with the teachers and pupils endeared to them by long association. Most of us started in the primary grades under the principalship of Mr. McNeil, and have passed from grade to grade until we have attained our present proud position, that of senior pupils of the North Ward school.

Many notable events have taken place during these years while we have been laying the foundation of our education. We have seen the passing of one sovereign, and the accession to the throne of another, in 1902. We attended a service held in memory of good Queen Victoria, and were addressed by the Lieutenant-Governor and the leading clergymen of the city.

In the autumn of the same year, the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York visited Victoria, and received the school children assembled in front of the legislative buildings.

The Boer war excited our wildest enthusiasm and our strongest patriotism, the many holidays being much appreciated by us.

Last year our school was honored by a visit from His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, Sir Henri Joly, who gave us a very interesting lecture on tree life, which we hope we shall never forget.

During last Easter the North Ward school took a prominent place in the Victoria exhibit of school work. The work of our school was highly commended by spectators and authorities.

During our short school career many important inventions have come into general use, valuable scientific discoveries made, and many important political changes effected. Last year saw the completion of the "All-Red Cable." Red is now the most prominent color in the world.

In our own province, mines have been developed, better means of communication have been arranged, and last, but to us not least, some beneficial changes have been made in the public school system.

Our year's work is done. We cannot change its errors, nor prevent its consequences, be they good or ill.

To our teachers, who have endeavored to awaken our intellects and develop our characters, we give our sincere thanks for their affectionate interest in our welfare, and especially do we wish to express our gratitude to our beloved principal, Mr. Tait, to whose kind and patient efforts we are so much indebted. We thank our parents and friends for their presence here today, and hope in the future they may have reason to be proud of us.

Dear fellow-pupils, who today, for the last time, meet here as students of the North Ward school, we extend to you our heartiest congratulations, and assure you our best wishes go with you. It is our sincere hope that in later years you may graduate with high honors; but let me charge you never to forget the school association of your earlier years, and wherever you may be, keep in your heart a tender memory of the North Ward school.

SOUTH PARK SCHOOL.

The following is the honor roll at the school:

Division II.

Proficiency—Justice Gilbert.

Deportment—George Thomson Roberts.

Regularity and punctuality—Clarenda Victoria Berryman, Violet Catherine Rudge and Daisy Jones.

Division III.

Proficiency—Jean Robinson.

Department—Joyce Woodward.

Regularity and Punctuality—Sydney Lance Wilson, Ernest Geo. Casey, Ida Belle McNiven and Georgina Bebbington.

Division IV.

Proficiency—Jessie Converse Thompson.

Deportment—Harold Farrar Mitchell.

Regularity and Punctuality—Mabel Florence Booz and Edward Thos. Sullivan.

Division V.

Proficiency—Glayds Evelyn Spencer.

Deportment—Flora Katharine Shore.

Regularity and Punctuality—Beatrice Maude Collis, Elsie Richards and Matthew Henry Scott.

Division VI.

Proficiency—Sterling Whelpley Belyea.

Deportment—Edith Noble.

Regularity and Punctuality—Ethel May Casey and Robert DimmaTravis.

Division VII.

Proficiency—Olivia Grace Cameron.

Deportment—Andrew Alexander.

Regularity and Punctuality—Katie Mead Jackson, Joseph Wm. Casey and Frank Stanley Martin.

Division VIII.

Proficiency—Clara Simpkins Heard.

Deportment—Mary E. McRoberts.

Regularity and Punctuality—Cassie Phillips Scott.

AGNES DEANS CAMERON,
Principal.

SOUTH SAANICH.

On Thursday last a large number of parents, visitors, and trustees assembled to witness the closing exercises of the Saanichton school, of which Mr. Shelton is the teacher. There are 63 scholars on the roll, and the little building is not able to seat them all comfortably. This is largely owing to the popularity of the teacher, and the good example set by him, and his wise administration of discipline, which has drawn somewhat on the adjoining school districts.

The school had a very patriotic appearance with its walls adorned with Canadian flags, Union Jacks and many of the conspicuous heroes of British history, and the late South African war.

A sumptuous feast was provided for the pupils and friends at noon, and ice-cream and strawberries were served in the evening, to which all did full justice.

A bright and attractive programme was rendered by the pupils after which the visitors and trustees gave brief addresses, in which they felicitated the teacher and pupils on the successful work of the year.

OAK BAY.

On Friday afternoon the Oak Bay school held its closing exercises. Notwithstanding the weather, many parents and friends turned out to hear the children "speak their pieces." In the absence of Mr. Gibson, the only gentleman trustee now on the board, Mrs. Burrell, the secretary, took the chair.

The programme consisted of many interesting recitations, a few songs and duets, and one or two drills, which, considering that there was no instrumental music, were very well executed.

The schoolroom was prettily decorated with flags and flowers, many specimens of the children's work adorning the blackboards. Appended is the prize list:

For Deportment—Angela Allison, roll of honor. Second prizes, George Ford, Annie Gravlin. Primer Class—Olive Salmond.

For Proficiency—Intermediate grade: Ethel Regan, roll of honor; Angela Allison, 2nd prize; Harold Regan, third prize. Primer class: Jessie Bond, first prize; Arthur Rochfort, second prize.

For Regularity and Punctuality—Third Reader: George Ford, roll of honor; Charity Rochfort, second prize. First and Second Readers: James Ford, first prize; Edna Milne, second prize. Primer class: Lilly Gravlin, first prize; Harold Bond, second prize.

Special Prizes—For Geography: Ethel Regan. For Arithmetic: Thomas Hooper. For one mile race (boys): Arthur Hollins. For 100 yards race: Willie McLeod.

After the presentation of these prizes and the conclusion of the programme, the school, with as many of the parents and friends as could make it convenient, adjourned to Summerdene, the home of Mrs. Burrell, who had kindly invited the children. There a very pleasant time was spent, the hostess proving herself in every way more than equal to the dual task of entertaining the pupils with games and refreshments. The happy party broke up after giving three cheers for Mrs. Burrell and their teacher, Mr. Marchant.

REGISTRATION OF VOTERS.

Copy of Form With Instructions as to Requirements to Be Observed.

As some mistakes have occurred in filling out the form of application necessary for a voter's name to be placed on the list, the following copy of the form with instructions as to the insertion is published for the purpose of enabling applicants to fully inform themselves of the requisites to be observed in filling out the application:

1. (insert here Christian names and surname in full, and occupation) do hereby apply to have my name inserted in the Register of Voters for the Victoria City Electoral District, and I do hereby make oath and say (or solemnly affirm):

1. That I reside at (here insert street and house number or number of lot or other local designation) in the Victoria City Electoral District, and my post office address is Victoria, British Columbia.

2. That I am of the male sex, of the full age of twenty-one years and a British subject.

3. That I have been for a period of six months immediately prior to the (here insert date of application) day of——, 190—, a resident of and domiciled within the Province of British Columbia, and that I have been for a period of one month immediately prior to said date a resident of and domiciled within the Victoria City Electoral District.

4. That I am in good faith a qualified elector in said Electoral District.

5. That I am not registered as a provincial voter in any Electoral District in British Columbia.

Sworn (or affirmed) before me at Victoria in the Province of British Columbia, this —— day of ——, A. D. 190—.

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Signature of Applicant.

Note.—Any person applying for registration in any Electoral District while his name appears on the Register of any other District, is liable to a penalty of fifty dollars. Any person who takes any false affidavit (or affirmation) is guilty of perjury and liable to fourteen years imprisonment.

"GRANARY OF THE EMPIRE."

Visit of Commercial Congress to Dominion Will Prove Claim to Title.

Toronto, June 26.—The News' London cable says: Lord Brassey presided at the annual meeting of the London Chamber of Commerce yesterday, and said he looked forward with delight to presiding over the Congress of Chambers of Commerce of the Empire to be held in Montreal next August. He considered that no body of men were more competent to debate the momentous question of fiscal union than the representatives of the various chambers of commerce throughout the Empire. He expressed the opinion that the visit to Canada would show if Canada was justified in her claim to the name of "Granary of the Empire."

Special values in tennis and cricket shirts, trousers, belts and sashes. B. Williams & Co.

Talked Of New Hotel

General Manager McNicoll of C.P.R. Interviewed by Tourist Association.

Declares Emphatically That the Large Project Will be Undertaken.

Gives Assurance That Intended Large Hostelry Will do Big Business.

(From Sunday's Daily.)

Further confirmation of the determination of the C. P. R. to proceed with the erection of the suggested big tourist hotel on James Bay flats, is furnished in the statement made by General Manager McNicoll last evening to a deputation who waited on him at the Hotel Driard. He said, in effect, that there was no doubt whatever about the success of the project—the entire matter being now one of arranging details. And he supplemented that pleasing information by the statement that not only would the C. P. R. build the hotel, but it "would operate it successfully."

A deputation from the Tourist Association had an interview with him at the Driard hotel last evening, almost immediately after his arrival. The members present were Chas. Hayward (president), Jas. Forman, A. Henderson and Herbert Cuthbert (secretary).

The first matter brought to Mr. McNicoll's attention was the granting of special cheap excursion rates in summer and in winter from Manitoba and the Northwest to Victoria, and good for 60 or 90 days. It was pointed out very strongly by the deputation that a person in the territory mentioned, if he had $150 to spend on his vacation, could go East and spend three weeks or a month on that amount; but if he wished to come West, it would take almost the whole of it to pay his transportation, etc.

The correspondence that has already taken place between the passenger department of the roads interested was shown to Mr. McNicoll, and the whole matter thoroughly discussed, with the result that he promised to give the matter his most serious consideration, and if it is possible, the rates asked for will be given.

The hotel project was next discussed; and it was very refreshing to note the sanguine manner in which Mr. McNicoll spoke of it. Speaking of the tourist travel, he pointed out that the local association must not look for too many results the first year or two. "Why," he said, "I spent the hardest days of my life working up tourist business in the East 15 years ago, and we are only reaping the value of it now. The business is good when it comes and well worth the trouble of getting it; but you must not expect it to come all at once."

He pointed out that last year the company increased the capacity of all their mountain hotels and he was now giving their architect instructions to double it again.

"We will build the hotel for you," he said, "and if we do, we intend to make it pay; and we shall no doubt have to increase it as we have all the other hotels."

With reference to the agreement, Mr. McNicoll said that he had really very little to do with it. The matter would be carried through by Sir Thomas Shaughnessy; but of course he would make himself acquainted while here with as much of the details in a general way as possible.

He complimented the Tourist Association on its good work, and the members of the executive withdrew, after thanking Mr. McNicoll for the opportunity of talking matters over with him and for the very pleasant interview accorded them.

UNION PACIFIC ACCUSED.

Chicago, June 26.—The Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe came out openly as an accuser of the Union Pacific before the inter-state commerce commission today, its representative taking a prominent part in trying to prove that the latter company had been allowing F. Peavy & Co. rebates in the form of elevator services at Council Bluffs and Kansas City. That the Santa Fe was the instigator of the inquiry has been hinted at by J. C. Stubbs, of the Harriman system, who criticized the practice of the commission in instigating charges made by a business competitor, a representative of the Santa Fe, appeared at the commission's meeting, and referring to Stubb's attack on the commission as an insult to an honorable body.

TATOOSH REPORT.

Tatoosh, June 26, 8 p.m.—Heavy rain; wind south, 18 miles. Inward—Steamers Charles Nelson for Seattle, Shawmut, Hongkong-Victoria. Outward—Steamer Melville Dollar, Seattle-San Francisco.

ANOTHER VICTORY FOR FERROZONE

LIFE OF A LINDSAY LADY SAVED BY ITS TIMELY USE.

Remarkable Cure of Female Trouble That Doctors Gave Up as Incurable.

Lindsay, April 18—Owing to the great number of wonderful cures performed by Ferrozone in this town, its reputation is now second to none. Many leading citizens have testified to its merits, and scarcely a day passes but someone proclaims the untold benefit derived from this great tonic. Mrs. J. J. Perry, of No. 4 Peter street, makes the following statement, which will be of interest to every reader:

"About ten years ago I was confined to my room for five months under the constant care of a doctor, suffering from weakness and female trouble. Since then I have scarcely been able to get around, being always run down in flesh, nervous and hysterical. My appetite and digestion became so poor that my strength failed entirely. A constant headache, palpitation of the heart, and sores at the corners of my mouth added to my burden.

"My druggist, Mr. Dunoon, advised me to try Ferrozone. I used three boxes at first, and, noticing an improvement, bought six more. I improved steadily and grew stronger each day. Finally Ferrozone cured me. I am twenty pounds heavier, I have a splendid appetite, and my complexion is everything that could be desired. My heart trouble is gone, and to-day I am a strong, healthy woman, just what Ferrozone made me. My life was saved by Ferrozone, and I am glad to testify to its great merits. MRS. J. J. PERRY."

Pale, weak women who are despondent and ailing will find hope and new health in Ferrozone. It makes rich blood, braces the nerves, strengthens enfeebled organs. Ferrozone corrects stomach trouble, improves the appetite, and brings color to the cheeks. Price, 50c. per box, or six boxes for $2.50, at all dealers.

Ferrozone assures health.

BIG MINING DEAL.

Options on Turner and Boscowitz Interests in Britannia Mine Closed.

The option held by E. H. Robinson, of Butte, in the interests of Joseph Boscowitz and T. Turner, in the Britannia mine, has been taken up.

This announcement was made by Mr. Boscowitz last evening. Messrs. Boscowitz and Turner bonded their interests to Mr. Robinson for $143,000, and the transaction will be consummated today at Vancouver, Mr. Boscowitz having left by last evening's steamer for the Terminal City to meet Mr. Robinson and conclude the bargain.

The acquisition of the interests of Messrs. Boscowitz and Turner is part of a far-reaching scheme of energetic development of the Britannia property. An aerial tramway is to be constructed at once, and it is intended to have fully 300 men at work within three month's time. Mr. Boscowitz intimated last evening that the Britannia ore would be shipped to the Crofton smelter, as arrangement of that nature had been effected between Mr. Robinson and Mr. Breen. The extensive ore bodies in the Britannia would allow of the Crofton smelter being operated at full blast.

It is evident that Mr. Robinson, after a critical examination of the property, has fully satisfied himself as to the richness of the mine, and that no half measures will be adopted in demonstrating its value. The determination to begin the immediate construction of the aerial tramway and employ fully 300 men in connection with the shipment of ore for treatment to the Crofton smelter, is most gratifying intelligence for the working of the Crofton smelter to the limit of its capacity will be a material factor in inaugerating an era of greater prosperity on the Island.

Options On City Property

English Capitalists Seeking to Acquire Realty Facing Trounce Alley.

Movement on Foot For Business Arcade On Comprehensive Scale.

The rumor mentioned in the Colonist some weeks ago that a movement was on foot to acquire the Green-Worlock property on Trounce Alley, running from Government street to Broad street, appears to have had some truth behind it. At the time the C. P. R. was credited with the intention of purchasing this valuable property. Yesterday more definite information was elicited on the subject. Upon the authority of Mackenzie Cleland, the trustee of the Green-Worlock estate, it is announced that a syndicate representing English capital is contemplating purchasing all the property on both sides of Trounce Alley, with a view of converting it into an arcade. With this object in view, it is stated that an option has been obtained upon the Musgrave property on the south side, and the Green-Worlock estate property on the north side of Trounce Alley. The proposition, if carried out, would, without doubt prove a highly profitable business venture, as the land to be acquired is in a most advantageous position for the purposes of an arcade. The fact that English capital is seeking investment in the city, is indicative of confidence in Victoria's future by financiers who in laying out their money in local improvements would approach the situation from a conservative standpoint. Mr. Cleland also states that a meeting of the creditors of the estate will be held immediately after the syndicate has made its decision in respect to taking up the option. If the negotiations are completed, the creditors of the Green-Worlock estate will come in for a very respectable dividend.

POOL ROOM RAIDED.

New York, June 26.—Six alleged pool rooms in the tenderloin district, including the "Allens," were raided today, and 596 prisoners taken, making the raid the biggest of its kind ever executed here.

OIL FIELD BURNING.

Kansas City, June 27.—A special to the Star from Houston says a fire is raging in the Sour Lake oil fields. It began in Guffey's tanks, where thousands of barrels of oil are stored. The entire field is endangered. The fire started from an explosion.

COUNT BONI'S DEBTS.

Paris, June 26.—A claim by a holder of bills to the amount of $16,000, drawn by Count Boni de Castellane, to the order of the Marquis de Dion, had the two summoned to give explanations, but the latter alone appeared. He said he lent Count Boni $80,000 to meet debts of honor, and received the bills in exchange. The claim is for a portion of these bills, which is outstanding. Judgment was postponed.

DRUGGED AND ROBBED.

San Juan, Porto Rico, June 27.—Leslie Lumsden, an assistant surgeon in the Marine hospital service, who is temporarily acting as quarantine officer here, and Mrs. Lumsden, were drugged and robbed at the hotel Inglaterra. Chloride was placed in their lemonade. A porter who took the lemonade to the Lumsdens has been arrested on suspicion.

COLLISION NEAR HAMILTON.

Passenger Car Collides With Freight and Conductor Killed.

Hamilton, June 26.—The most serious accident in the history of the Hamilton, Grimsby and Beamville electric railway occurred at 2 o'clock this morning, when Conductor Robert Braidwood was killed and several other employees of the company, besides some passengers, were injured. The accident was a head-on collision near Winona crossing, between the regular passenger car coming towards the city, and a special freight car going east.

GERMAN MARTINETS AGHAST.

Berlin, June 27.—The newspapers of Berlin print the speeches of Emperor William and United States Ambassador Tower at the Kiel banquet last night, mostly without comment. The National Zeitung regards them as important demonstrations for the promotion of German-American relations. The Tageblatt thinks the speeches breathe cordiality, sympathy and restored confidence; but the paper reverts to the Cochlan and Dewey incidents to show that the "friendly spirit of the American navy for Germany is a new thing, and is due to President Roosevelt's energetic steps." The Kensse Zeitung prints a letter from Kiel, which describes the American sailors as "young, slender, sinewy fellows, with intelligent faces, but in appearance and bearing exhibiting carelessness unknown among us." The writer of the letter adds: "They are not careful in giving and returning military salutes, even toward their own superiors, their behaviour would cause a Prussian corporal's hair to stand on end."

Special values in boys' suits, with extra knickers to match, at $1.50, $2.00, $2.50 and $2.75 per suit. B. Williams & Co.

Discuss Bill Of Sale Act

Board of Trade Appoints Committee to Report Requisite Amendments,

Complaint Lodged Against Inadequacy of the Sound Mail Service.

(From Saturday's Daily.)

The principal subject discussed at the adjourned meeting of the Board of Trade last evening was in connection with the resolution of Mr. S. J. Pitts, involving a radical amendment of the Bills of Sale Act, whereby no creditor could obtain a priority or preference over another creditor in the disposition of the personal property of an insolvent. Attention was also drawn to the irregularity of the Sound service, and a strong desire was expressed by members of the board representing the most influential business in the city, that an immediate improvement should be inaugurated. There was just a quorum