WEEKLY WEATHER SYNOPSIS.

Victoria Meteorological Office,
11th to 17th June, 1902.

During the greater part of the week high pressure barometric areas have been hovering on the Coast from California northward to Port Simpson, and low barometer areas from the ocean have traversed the province and crossed into the Northwest Territories. These movements have caused a continuance of cool weather, with moderate to fresh southerly winds in this vicinity, becoming quite strong occasionally on the Straits. At Victoria the rainfall was inappreciable, and very light on the Lower Mainland. In the valley of the Thompson river and in Cariboo moderate rains have fallen, but at Port Simpson the fall has been much heavier, while at Dawson, in the Yukon Territory, there has been no rain. In this province light frost has occurred at Barkerville, and temperatures in general have been below the normal. In the North Pacific states thunderstorms occurred at various points, and showers have been frequent; no great extremes of heat have occurred, except at Red Bluff, Cal., where the temperature rose above 90 several times. Occasional light frosts have been reported from the higher levels of Oregon and Washington.

In the Northwest Territories and Manitoba the barometric pressure has been low and somewhat erratic; showers and heavy rainfall have been very frequent, and various thunderstorms have been reported. On the 17th, at the close of the week, a marked depression was central in Manitoba, where very heavy rain was falling, accompanied with a fresh gale. Temperatures have been moderate during the week until towards the close, when a decided drop occurred, with a tendency, in Alberta and Saskatchewan, to be dangerously near the frost line, and at Calgary inficed snow was falling.

At Victoria 58 hours and 6 minutes of bright sunshine were recorded; the highest temperature was 63.4 on the 17th, and the lowest, 46.0 on the 13th; the rainfall was inappreciable.

At New Westminster the rainfall was 110 inch; highest temperature, 68 on the 13th; lowest, 40 on 12th.

At Kamloops the rainfall was .14 inch; highest temperature, 72 on the 17th; lowest, 46 on the 13th and 14th.

At Barkerville the rainfall was .54 inch; highest temperature, 60 on the 16th; lowest, 28 on the 13th and 17th.

At Dawson, Yukon Territory, no rainfall; highest temperature, 76 on the 14th and 15th; lowest, 38 on the 17th.

At Port Simpson the rainfall was 1.12 inches.

Local News.

GLEANINGS OF CITY AND PROVINCIAL NEWS IN A CONDENSED FORM.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

—The remains of the late Mrs. Grace Simpson were laid at rest this afternoon. The funeral took place at 2.30 p. m. from the residence of Mrs. W. H. Lowe, 131 Quadra street, and at 2.45 at the St. John's church, Religious services were conducted by Rev. P. Jenus. There was a large attendance of sympathizing friends.

—The Sons of St. George held a meeting last evening, when it was decided to hold a ball in connection with the coronation festivities on June 27th. The committee having the arrangements in hand will leave no stone unturned to make the affair a success. The best orchestra will be engaged, and a first class musical programme given. The hall will be adorned in a manner appropriate to the occasion.

—Herbert Alexander was the victim of a very painful accident the other day. He was holding a gate open to allow his father's team through when one of the horses kicked him severely in the face. The boy was unconscious for some time after he was removed to the Provincial Royal Jubilee hospital, but he is now reported to be progressing favorably toward recovery.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

—Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, president of the C. P. R., last evening went over to Seattle, where he left on his private car over the Great Northern and Soo railway, the latter of which is the C. P. R.'s American connection.

—A special meeting of the Presbytery of Victoria will be held in St. Andrew's church to-morrow evening at 8 o'clock in connection with the ordination of Rev. W. N. Carr, missionary in charge of Mount Sicker and Crofton. The public are cordially invited.

—There is on exhibition at the New England some of the largest trout ever seen in this country. The fish are as large as good sized salmon, and speak much for the wonderful resources of British Columbia waters. Every guest at the hotel or stranger who has seen them has been amazed. They were caught in Cowichan lake and represent a portion of a 65 pound haul made by B. J. Perry.

—Professor Ernest Haycock, of the Acadia College, Wolfville, N. S., who with a party of scientists are in the city and about to make a geological survey of the West Coast of this Island, has been deeply interested in the story of petrified ships found in the Yukon. He purposes to investigate these stories and on finding corroborative evidences of the existence of these pre-historic relics will open afresh the geological study of the Far North. His attention to the matter has been attracted by the publication in the Times a few days ago of a statement of Rev. L. J. Woodin, Episcopal missionary at Fort Yukon, who, on arrival at Dawson last week, is said to have verified the reports concerning the vessels and to have given their location as at the head of Crow river, on the verge of the Arctic circle.

(From Thursday's Daily.)

—Returns of Victoria clearing house for week ending 17th June, 1902: Clearings, $175,551; balances, $36,977.

—E. V. Debs, the well known railroad workers' senior organizer, is visiting the Pacific Coast and will lecture in both Victoria and Vancouver during the coming week.

—In the account in these columns of Tuesday's excursion to Mt. Sicker and Crofton reference was made to a big dump containing $300,000 worth of ore, which it was erroneously stated was from the Tyee. The dump referred to was Lenora ore.

—Rev. W. Leslie Clay united in the holy bonds of matrimony yesterday afternoon John Jack, of the Mount Sicker & Crofton railway, and Miss Helen Cutler, daughter of Samuel Cutler, of Saanich. The ceremony took place at the residence of the bride's parents, South Saanich.

REVISION COURT.

Further Applications Dealt With To-Day—Court Adjourned Until To-Morow.

The adjourned sitting of the Municipal court of revision was held in the city hall this morning at 10.20. The Mayor and Aldermen Grahame, Worthington, Kinsman and Yates were present.

The B. C. Land & Investment Agency made a number of applications for revision of assessments on the Douglas estate. Blocks 9, 10, 11, 12, 18, 19, 30, 31 and 36 on the Fairfield estate were ordered to be reduced $100 per acre, and 32 lots of block 37 were ordered to be reduced $20 each lot. The remainder of the Douglas property with improvements is to stand as assessed.

Mr. Robertson appeared in support of an appeal for a reduction in the assessed value of Mrs. Robertson's property on Langley street. A reduction of $300 was made in the valuation of the improvements thereon.

The valuation of improvements on John Dougall's lots 1,646 and 1,647 was reduced to $3,400.

Jane McHardy's lot 14, of block 44, was reduced to $550 from $600. The valuation of improvements on Jane Noble's lots 12, 13, 14 of 5-acre lot 7, was reduced from $1,000 to $900.

The valuation of improvements on Lee Moung Kow's property on block C, was reduced from $7,000 to $6,000.

A number of other application for reductions were refused.

The court sits again to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

LAID AT REST.

Funerals of the Late Hon. B. W. Pearse and John Pape Held To-Day.

The remains of the late John Pape were laid at rest at Ross Bay cemetery this morning. The hearse left the parlors of W. J. Hanna at 10 o'clock, followed by numerous sympathizing friends, preceded by the Fifth Regiment band, which rendered the "Dead March" and other dirges. Most of the hackmen of the city turned out to do last honor to deceased, and the hack owned by the late John Pape was led behind the hearse full of flowers, wreaths and other floral designs, tokens of the esteem in which the deceased was held by his numerous friends and acquaintances. The most notable of the floral designs was a large wheel formed of white flowers, which was presented by R. Bray. Wreaths were also presented by the employees of the Victoria Transfer Company. Religious services were conducted at St. John's church by Bishop Perrin, while at the cemetery the last rites were read by the Rev. Baugh Allan. The following acted as pallbearers: Messrs. T. Prior and Wm. Smilie, representing the hackmen, and E. Haines, J. W. Taylor, J. L. Croot and A. Petch, representing the Sons of England.

The funeral of the late Hon. B. W. Pearse took place this afternoon from his late residence, Fernwood, Cadboro Bay road, and the Reformed Episcopal church. The cortege left the residence at 2.30 pm., moving slowly down Cadboro Bay road and Fort street, to Douglas, from Douglas to Humboldt streets, and thus to the Reformed Episcopal church. The city council had had the route watered, and the solemn procession was unmarked by the inconvenience of flying clouds of dust. At the church the services were of a most solemn nature. There was a large attendance of mourning friends, and services appropriate to the occasion were conducted by the Venerable Bishop Cridge, who has been acquainted with deceased from '86, assisted by the new rector, Rev. H. J. Wood. The choir was present and rendered several hymns. Shortly after 3 o'clock the cortege left the church and proceeded on the way to Ross Bay cemetery, where the remains were laid in there last resting place.

The funeral was a very large one, besides the numerous personal friends, the Pioneer Society, of which the deceased was an esteemed member, turning out in a body. The wreaths and floral designs were many and beautiful. The design presented by the Navy League was in the form of a large maple leaf, composed of numerous leaves of the same kind, and having on three separate corners the rose, thistle and shamrock, while in the centre was embedded an anchor in white, the emblem of the Navy League. The Navy League was represented at the funeral by Capt. Devereux, A. B. Fraser, sr., Capt. Cox, and Joseph Pearson. The following acted as pall-bearers: Messrs. J. O'Reilly, B. Wenk, Lindley Crease, F. B. Pemberton, W. T. Oliver, Theodore Lubbe, Allan Dumbleton.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Bailey took place this afternoon from the parlors of W. J. Hanna. There was a large attendance of mourning friends.

CHANGE OF POLICY.

Colonist This Morning Published Leader Attacking the Government.

Readers of court news are aware that a few days ago a decision of the full court established the ascendancy of Mrs. J. O. Dunsmuir and Forbes George Vernon in the directorate of the Colonist Printing & Publishing Company. The first outward sign of a change in the policy of the paper in provincial politics was apparent this morning, when an editorial appeared strongly in opposition to the government's course in regard to the Coast-Kootenay railway. It is understood the matter was discussed at an informal meeting of the directors yesterday afternoon, as the result of which this morning's anti-administration leader appeared.

Mr. Vernon had little to say when interviewed by a Times representative this morning, but he said sufficient to indicate that a change in the policy of the paper was to be made.

THE GRAND LODGE IS NOW AT WORK

MASONIC CRAFTSMEN IN ANNUAL SESSION

Address of Welcome Delivered by Mayor Hayward This Afternoon—An Excursion to Elk Lake.

The Grand Lodge, A. F. and A. M., opened its thirty-first communication today. During the past thirty years the province has had its own district Masonic jurisdiction, and the annual gathering has many times been held in Victoria.

When the first session of the present communication was convened this morning there was an attendance approximating two hundred. Most Worshipful Grand Master F. McB. Young presided, assisted by the Grand Lodge officers.

The first business to be transacted was the filling of the vacancies on the different committees, after which the reports of the grand master, deputy grand master and district deputies were submitted and considered. At 1 o'clock recess was called, and the delegates dispersed for lunch. Promptly at 2 o'clock the lodge was called to order and His Worship Mayor Hayward delivered the following address:

"I have to express the honor and pleasure of being permitted to address the officers and members of the Masonic Grand Lodge in this city and at this time, and to avail myself of the opportunity to extend to you a hearty welcome as Mayor on behalf of its citizens.

"As in every place in the world where civilization has extended, Victoria can boast that among her most prominent citizens are found those who are devoted members of the ancient craft, many of them filling high offices with credit to themselves and the order.

"The welcome, therefore, I have pleasure in extending is doubly cordial because so many of those I have the honor to represent on this occasion are already bound to the order by fraternal bonds, and also because the benevolent aims and work of the order commend themselves to the sympathy of those citizens who are not so fortunate as to be among its members.

"No more happier time of the year could have been selected for this convention. The city is looking its best. It is, we hope, not too much to say that in addition to the welcome we as citizens have to offer you, the city itself pleasantly smiles upon the occasion.

"Although we are not as demonstrative as it is reported the people of San Francisco have been in connection with the recent visit of the Mystic Shriners, still I am sure you will believe me when I say our welcome is no less cordial and sincere than theirs.

"If you can spare time among the many important duties which will fall upon you to look around a little, I am sure you will be rewarded by finding something to interest and contribute to your pleasure. We are aiming to make this city the mecca of tourist travel in the Northwest; the ideal place of summer residents; a place where the millionaires of the Yukon, or the Kootenays, and the country to the south of us would like to come and stay for a while, and enjoy the temperate breezes from the sea, the splendid drives, pleasure waterways, and scenes this city has to present. We are aiming to add one attraction to another in the matter of public improvements, in improved streets and buildings, both in the city and suburbs, so that those who visit the place may sound its praises wherever they go. We want all who come here to so thoroughly enjoy themselves, to have such a good time, that they will be advertising agents for us when they go away.

"If you can say anything good for us when you return do so. We will do the same of you, and whether you visit us officially, as members of the distinguished order or not, we say, 'Come again, we shall always be glad to see you.'

"You will no doubt have an opportunity of seeing some of the improvements going on in the city. It has occurred to me that you might like to see some city works outside. I have pleasure therefore in stating that I have arranged with the Victoria & Sidney Railway Company for a special train to take the members to inspect the city works at Beaver lake, and if you will accept the invitation we can leave from the door of the Association Temple returning to labor before 4 o'clock."

An adjournment was then taken and the delegates escorted by the Mayor and aldermen took the Victoria & Sidney train for Elk lake, where the city water works are being inspected by the visitors. The convention will convene again this afternoon imemdiately on returning, and business will be proceeded with.

To-morrow the officers for the ensuing year will probably be elected and installed, while in the evening a grand banquet will be held.

The present Grand Lodge officers are Fred McB. Young, M. W. grand master; E. E. Chipman, R. W. deputy grand master; C. Ensor Sharp, R. W. senior grand warden; William J. Bowser, R. W. junior grand warden; Rev. C. F. Yates, V. W. grand chaplain; A. B. Erskine, V. W. grand treasurer; W. J. Quinlan, V. W. grand secretary; E. Hosker, grand tyler.

United Service Lodge, No. 24, A. F. & A. M., held their regular installation services last evening, when the following officers were formally installed by R. W. Bro. T. N. Woodgate, D.D.G.M., assisted by M. W. Bro. A. McKeown and W. Bro. R. E. Brett:

W. M., W. Bro. W. T. Phillips; J. P. M., W. Bro. Rev. C. E. Sharpe; S. W., Bro. R. F. Rankin; J. W., Bro. E. Massey; chaplain, Bro. Rev. W. D. Barber; treasurer, Bro. Geo. Phillips; secretary, Bro. W. G. Sayer; S. D., Bro. W. A. Higgett; J. D., Bro. H. J. Warwick; Dir. of Cer., Bro. J. S. H. Matson; organist, Bro. A. J. Graylen; I. G., Bro. A. Wood; stewards, Bros. A. G. Cuthbertson and T. Murphy; tyler, Bro. W. J. Worden.

A jewel, as grand representative of G. L. of Nova Scotia, was presented to R. W. Bro. C. E. Sharpe in appreciation of his services as W. M. during the past year, by the D. D. G. M.

An adjournment was then taken to the banquet room. The repast was prepared in the usual elaborate manner, and all the delicacies of the season were on the festive board. The hall was tastefully decorated with bunting and flags. After the banquet the toast list was proceeded with as follows:

Worshipful Bro. W. T. Phillips, W. M., proposed "The King and the Craft," and the "Grand Lodge of British Columbia," to which R. W. Bro. T. N. Woodgate, D. D. G. M., R. W. Bro. C. E. Sharpe, G. S. W., R. W. Bro. W. J. Bowser, G. S. W., and M. W. Bro. A. McKeown, P. G. M., responded.

R. W. Bro. Woodgate, D. D. G. M., proposed "Installed Officers United Services," and W. Bro. W. T. Phillips, W. Bro. R. F. Rankin, W. Bro. C. Massey, and Rev. Bro. W. D. Barber, responded.

"The Sister Lodges" was proposed by Bro. R. F. Rankin, S. W., and W. Bro. P. J. Riddell replied. "The Visitors" were proposed by R. W. Bro. C. E. Sharpe, S. P. M., and W. Bro. Rev. Norman Tucker, W. Bro. Rev. F. Clinton, W. Bro. Brown, and R. W. Bro. Stevens replied.

The toast of "Absent Brethren" was proposed by Bro. E. Massey, and was drunk in silence. The last toast of the evening was the "Tyler's Toast," proposed by Bro. W. J. Warden, tyler.

During the evening songs were given by Bros. Geo. Phillips, N. S. Goodwin, C. P. Askey, and W. Bro. Robinson.

Among those present were the following past masters: W. Bros. C. Gatewood, Rev. Norman Tucker and Stuart Livingstone, of Cascade lodge; Chas. Nelson, W. J. Bowser, H. A. Bell, F. N. Cowperthwaite, J. N. Jarvett and J. J. Logan, of Mount Hermon lodge, and Rev. Bro. H. G. Fiennes Clinton, T. Michell, John H. Kilner and F. J. Burd, of Acaria lodge; Very Worshipful Bro. Chas. S. Stevens and Bro. Geo. Mallery, of Kamloops; John Highman, of Vernon; Norman McLeod, of Armstrong; H. N. Rich and D. P. Sanderson, of Union lodge, New Westminster, Henry Hughes, of Ladysmith; S. Robinson, of Duncan, besides a few of the brethren from this city, together with Wm. Cairns, of The Temple, Manitoba.

BILL TO PERMIT OF PLACER IRON MINING

Was Introduced by the Minister of Mines Last Night—Its Provisions.

In the legislature last night the government brought down a bill to make provision for the extraction of iron from magnetic sand. The bill was introduced by the Minister of Mines.

The preamble sets forth that there are large deposits of magnetic iron, in the form commonly known as black sand, which cannot be located by free miners under any statute.

Clause 3 of the bill provides that it shall be lawful for the gold commissioner, with the sanction of the Lieut.-Governor-in-council, to grant a lease of any unoccupied and unreserved crown land for the extraction of iron from magnetic sand for any term not exceeding 20 years, on such terms and conditions as he shall think fit; and any free miner desiring to obtain a lease of any such ground shall mark out such ground by placing a legal post at each corner, and shall post a notice on the post nearest to the iron placer leaseholds then being worked in the immediate locality, and also on the office of the mining recorder, which notice shall set out: the name of the applicant, the locality of the ground to be acquired, the quantity of the ground and the term for which such lease is to be applied for.

Clause 5 provides for a deposit of $10 at the time the application is made. If the application is granted the $10 will go towards the payment of the first year's rent, the balance of which is to be paid within 60 days of the granting of the lease. If the application is not granted the $10 will be returned.

The applicant will have to state in his application the amount of rent proposed to be paid for the lease, the area of which is not to exceed 80 acres.

The conditions of the leases are set out in clause 11: "Every lease shall provide for securing to the public reasonable rights of way and water, and shall contain a covenant by the lessee to mine the ground in a miner-like manner, and shall contain such covenants for the continuous working of such ground as the gold commissioner shall think reasonable, and shall reserve the right to free miners to enter on such ground and mine for veins or lodes, as defined by the Mineral Act.'"

Provision is made for the extension of leases: "When any iron placer ground shall have been efficiently worked, as required by the conditions of the lease, to the satisfaction of the gold commissioner, and if at the expiration of the lease a portion of said mining ground remains still to be worked."

Clause 15 provides that: "Any free miner, or two or more free miners, holding adjoining leases of iron placer mining grounds, may consolidate as many as ten leases, by filing with the mining recorder a declaratory statement containing the name of the company or partnership (if any) which is to hold the consolidated lease, the location and size of each lease; and such statement shall be signed by the holder or holders of the leases to be consolidated. After filing such declaratory statement such free miner, or free miners, shall be allowed in each and every year to perform, on any one or more of such leases, all the work that is necessary to be performed to hold all such leases."

Clause 17 provides for a royalty on each ton of iron won from the ground, the amount, however, being left blank in the bill, and the last clause limits the mining operations on the leases to iron only.

A serious fire occurred at Creede, Colo., yesterday afternoon, and fully $100,000 worth of property was burned. Two persons are missing and many persons were injured. The fire occurred in what is known as Upper Creede, and 60 families are homeless there.

BIG SALMON PACK IS NOT EXPECTED

FISHERMEN'S UNION DECLINE PAY OFFER

Canners Submit Sliding Scale of Wages—Reduction in the Number of Boats.

The Canners' Association of British Columbia and the Fishermen's Union, whose differences in the past few years have had a very demoralizing effect on the fishing industry of this province, are again at a deadlock in respect to wages which may or may not give way before the busy season begins.

The canners met last Saturday on the Mainland and agreed on a sliding scale of wages, proportionate with that paid last year, and offering to pay 10 cents a fish if the pack exceeds 600,000 cases. They proposed to reduce the number of boats from 3,148 to 2,500, or 2,700, paying the members of the union according to the number of salmon caught. A schedule of the rates was arranged and submitted to the union, but the latter refused to accept it, and here the matter stands. The canners say that they cannot afford to give more than they have offered, and believe that before long the better element of the fishermen will give way, deserting the union and starting to work from the commencement of the season.

The canners do not expect a big pack this year, for the large run of fish came last year, and is never followed by another in succession. Poor runs generally come for the three years following. And, again, judging by the immense preparations in progress on the American side of the Fraser river, operations are sure to be very seriously affected, and the pack decreased by the activity of the canverymen across the boundary line.

Along the Fraser this year a number of the canneries where close together, and under the same management, will be worked in conjunction in cases where they would be closed entirely, had not preparations been begun before for their operation prior to the organization of the combine. Next year, however, it is probable that these institutions will be shut down altogether.

Up north on the Skeena river the salmon run has been fairly good for several years, and a good pack may again be obtained this year. Fishing for sockeyes was to begin on the 15th. Previous to this two canneries were in operations, but the run of spring salmon was very small, the average catch to the boat up to the time of last advices being but four fish a week.

On Rivers Inlet much will depend on the climatic conditions prevailing. Last year fishermen state that there was plenty of salmon in the Inlet, but that they were too wary to be caught, the water in which they are found being an arm of the sea, and not in a river where there is fewer avenues of escape. What is desired is plenty of rain, which, washing down the big hill sides facing the Inlet, discolors the water and hides the operations of the fishermen on the surface from the view of the fish.

At Clayoquot preparations for a busy year have, it is understood, been made. The cannery there was recently taken over from its former owners by a Victoria syndicate, which will run it to its full capacity.

A DAILY SERVICE.

Strathcona to Be Placed in Operation Between Sidney and Nanaimo.

Monday next will see the inauguration of the improved steamer service between Sidney and Nanaimo.

The steamer Strathcona arrived from the Skeena river this afternoon for the purpose. She is the craft recently taken over by the Victoria Terminal Railway Company, and which Engineer Gill was sent north to bring down. She was formerly operated in the north by the Hudson's Bay Company, being run between Port Simpson and Wrangel, and the latter point and Telegraph Creek. She was built a few years ago by the B. C. Iron Works, Vancouver, but as a river steamer has never proved a huge success, for the reason that she was of too great draught, the very feature about her that now adapts for the Sidney-Nanaimo run. She can steam 15 knots an hour when pushed, a speed which will enable her owners to put on a daily service between Nanaimo and Sidney. Leaving the former port every morning, she will be due to arrive at Sidney about noon every day. The railway terminal she will leave on her return voyage about 2 p.m., arriving back at the Black Diamond City at about 7 o'clock, touching either trip at Chemainus and Crofton.

Manager Anderson is now completing arrangements for this schedule. He says a special train will be operated in connection with the steamer, thus placing Victoria in a position with places on the east coast that had been little thought of a few years ago.

The Strathcona is a splendid passenger boat, having accommodation limited to 250, and should go a long way towards popularizing the tourist business of the east coast, a route that needs only to be seen to be admired.

JAPANESE EMIGRANTS.

Ten Thousand of Them Have Gone to the Hawaiian Islands.

Steamers arriving from the Orient bring news that owing to the case with which emigration to Hawaii can be undertaken the number of Japanese emigrants already dispatched to the islands this year up to last month was about ten thousand, including males and females. As it was feared, however, that the immigration law might be more strictly enforced in the event of any more Japanese emigrants being sent to the islands, a notice was recently received by a certain firm in Yokohama interested in the emigration business to assume a cautious attitude. Another warning was also received to the effect that as regards emigrants to the Philippines, there is every indication that the government in Manila will enforce the laws adopted by the home government and will refuse landing to all laborers under contract with emigration companies. Apropos of this information, it is stated that a reaction is feared, following the lenient attitude which has resulted in the dispatch of an enormous number of Japanese laborers to Hawaii. This year, some emigration companies are considering the advisability of discontinuing to send any more emigrants from July until September, but this scheme has not yet received the general approval of their colleagues.

A recent dispatch to the Viceroy from Kwang Si speaks of the rebels as now overrunning the whole of that province. Two more places have fallen into their hands, Lou Chau and Ts'am Chau. At present three strong bands of rebels are marching on Kwei Lin, the capital of Kwang Si, from the east, north and west. Although Kwei Lin is the provincial city, there are only a few troops there. The probability, therefore, is that the city has either already fallen into the hands of the rebels or will soon. The danger of this happening was anticipated, but has led to no satisfactory preparations being made. If the two expeditions were sent, led by high military officers, for the protection of Kwei Lin, but it is equally true that both of these expeditions proved worse than useless, as they returned to their headquarters when they got half way, and the reason given for this strange action is that they were afraid of meeting the rebels.

JAMISON DISMISSED.

Beats the Seattle Customs Officers in a Notorious Smuggling Case.

"James Jamison, the most famous smuggler on Puget Sound, walked out of the United States court room a free man yesterday, a jury of his peers declaring him not guilty of smuggling Chinese in the United States," says the Post-Intelligencer. "The facts were all against Jamison, but Attorney H. Ballinger handled his case skilfully, took advantage of every loop hole in the immigration laws, and brought his man free. Jamison simply laughs at the customs officers, and says they are easy. He declares he could take a steam launch and clear the Sound of smugglers in thirty days, but intimates that the officers cannot. It will probably be a long time before another man is tried for smuggling in Chinese, for the officers say if they cannot secure a conviction against such a notorious smuggler as Jamison admits himself to be, it will be useless to try to convict any of the lesser lights.

"After trying for seven years the United States authorities succeeded in getting Jamison before a jury in the United States court yesterday. Jamison, according to his own story, has been in what he calls the 'transportation business' for years, and has landed Chinamen at the principal docks of Seattle times without number, running on regular schedule of two trips a month. The customs officers have taken four sloops away from Jamison, but he has always managed to escape the clutches of the law."

After giving a little of Jamison's history the Post-Intelligencer concludes by stating that: "Assistant Attorney Cushman handled the case for the United States and presented his evidence skillfully. The fact that the jury plainly says a man to be guilty must either land or attempt to land the Chinaman, makes it extraordinarily hard to secure a conviction. Mr. Cushman said the fact that Jamison was commonly known as a smuggler, and that he made no attempt to conceal his vocation, was the reason that this prosecution was brought, as he realized how hard it was to secure a conviction. He said if Jamison could not be convicted it would be useless to try anyone else, for he has been known to all the United States officers for the past ten years as a smuggler, and laughs at their efforts to convict him."

THREE DEATHS.

John Pape, a well known hack driver, died at the Provincial Royal Jubilee hospital yesterday from the effects of injuries received at Bray's livery stables by a kick in the neck and face from a horse. The force of the blow broke his skull and jawbone and crushed his face terribly. Medical skill proved of no avail, and he succumbed yesterday. He was well known in Victoria, being a member of several lodges, among which were the K. of P. and Alexandra, Sons of England. Deceased was 50 years of age and a native of England. The remains will be laid at rest on Thursday morning. The funeral will take place at 10 o'clock from the parlors of W. J. Hanna, and members of Alexandra lodge, Sons of England, will attend in a body, while many of the members of the local Knights of Pythias will also be present.

The death occurred yesterday at the Provincial Royal Jubilee hospital of Mrs. A. A. Bailey, wife of Leonard Bailey, of this city. Deceased was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Young, of No. 1 Hill street, and had a wide circle of friends and acquaintances in Victoria by whom the news of her death will be received with regret. She was a native of Berry Dale, Parrsy Sound district, Ontario, and was 19 years of age. The funeral has been arranged to take place on Thursday at 2.30 p. m. from the parents' residence.

Mrs. Richard Penketh, of 125 Quadra street, passed away suddenly this morning. She was well known in Victoria, having resided here a number of years. Deceased was a native of Ireland and 53 years of age. She leaves to mourn her loss three sons and two daughters, together with a husband. The remains will be laid to rest at Ross Bay cemetery on Friday afternoon at 2.30 p. m.

VENTURE'S FIRST TRIP.

Steamship Venture arrived this morning from her first trip to Skagway. Capt. Bucholz is greatly pleased with the performance of his ship. On the way down the Venture called at Ketchikan, where she discharged a considerable quantity of her bunker coal, at Port Simpson, at Lowe Inlet and at Comox, where she took in a quantity of coal for one of the canneries. Her actual sailing time from Skagway to Victoria was 4½ days, and Capt. Bucholz says that when her engines are run at their full capacity she will do better than this. The Venture's cargo to Skagway consisted chiefly of live stock, and the excellent condition of the animals on arrival showed that she is everything that can be desired in that line. The Venture cleared Milbank Sound in a heavy sea and proved herself an excellent sea boat.

SPORTING

LACROSSE.

TO GO TO NANAIMO.

The intermediate Victoria West lacrosse players are practicing hard in preparation for their match at Nanaimo on June 23th, Coronation Day, with the Nanaimo stick handlers at the Coal City.

CRICKET

GAME AT WORK POINT.

The officers and non-commissioned officers and the gunners and sappers played a cricket match at Work Point barracks yesterday afternoon, which was won by a score of 170 to 41 by the gunners and sappers. The following are the scores:

N. C. O.'s and Officers.	
Sergt. Askey, b Gr. Longbottom	3
Br. Longbotton, c Miller, b Crump	22
Corp. Sergeant, run out	0
Br. Croft, b Longbottom	0
Major Gurdon, b Longbottom	3
Hon. Lieut. Hood, b Crump	0
Corp. Simpson, b Longbottom	2
S. Sergt. Chapman, b Longbottom	0
S. Sergt. Shurey, not out	8
Br. Spall, b Longbottom	4
Br. Fairless, b Crump	0
Br. Price, run out	0
Extras	3
Total	41

Gunners and Sappers.	
Gr. Longbottom, l b w, Askey	6
Gr. Oliver, b Price	15
Gr. Crum, b Price	8
Sapper Hefruser, b Askey	7
Gr. Rivers, c Askey	53
Sapper Johnson, c Hood, b Askey	5
Gr. Ridge, b Sergeant	8
Gr. Beaumont, not out	32
Gr. Campion, b Sergeant	5
Gr. Smith, b Sergeant	2
Gr. Wilkes, b Sergeant	23
Sapper Miller, b Price	0
Extras	16
Total	170

BASEBALL.

GAMES DURING CELEBRATION.

During the coming two weeks the local ball team will have their work cut out for them, no less than six games being booked during that time.

The first games will be with the crack Stanford team, from the Stanford University of Palo Alto, California. This team is at present making a tour of the North, west under the management of Harry J. Edwards. They will meet most of the ball teams of any note in Oregon, Washington and British Columbia. On June 24th and 25th they will play at Vancouver, and on June 26th, 27th and 28th Victoria will be their opponents.

The Thursday game has not yet been definitely arranged, as it was the intention of the Victorias to play but two games, one on Friday and the other on Saturday. However, many of the local fans have expressed the desire of having a game on Thursday as well, this day being a general holiday, when everybody can see the match, while on both Friday and Saturday it will be impossible for many people to get away from business.

No doubt arrangements will be completed for the extra game. The game would not be called until after four o'clock, so that everyone can attend the public ceremonies at the parliament buildings.

On Dominion Day the Everett team will play here. This team is no doubt the best known organization that will play here during the season. Their big pitcher, Shock, Thornton, Pringle, Le Bean and the best of last season's players are still with them, and these, with several additions, make the nine the strongest that will be seen on the local grounds this year.

On the glorious Fourth the boys play at Port Angeles, the Angeles team playing a return game here on the following day.

The boys have been practicing faithfully since their last game, and are now in first-class form. In the Friday game the club will present a rather different line-up from that in any game so far this season. Schwengers, the team's big catcher, will go in the box, and Capt. Smith will do the catching. In addition to this change two new men will also be found on the team: H. A. Goward and Sam Shanks being the candidates for positions on the senior team. Both have been practicing with the nine and have shown that they are perfectly at home on the ball field. Of course, everyone will be anxious to see how Schwengers will do as a pitcher, and if he is as successful in handling out curves as he is in speaking them, he will certainly be a crackajack. The balance of the team will be very much the same as during the early part of the season.

The Stanford games should draw big crowds, as there will no doubt be a large number of visitors in the city during the coronation and society re-union celebrations.

Friday's game will be played in the morning at ten o'clock, so as not to clash with the society re-union sports at the Cafedonia park in the afternoon. Saturday's game will be at the usual time, three o'clock.

NOTES.

Pendleton is anxious to play another game here during August.

The N. P. R. team, of Tacoma, play here on the 12th of July. This team is composed of employees of the Northern Pacific railway ships and offices at South Tacoma.

The Chemawa Indian team from the United States Indian Industrial school at Chemawa, Oregon, will most likely play here on July 26th.

Vancouver is booked to play here on August 2nd, and Victoria is booked at Vancouver on August 9th. These will be red hot games and no mistake, and should be good drawing cards in both towns.

Among the many applications for dates is one from the Kuper Island Indian team.

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