Steamer Improvements.

W. H. Russell, riseamboat inspector, who has met with such snoess in preparing designs for marine engines, has completed the specifications for the new engines for the steamer Hope, owned by Mr. J. A. Sayward. They are compound condensing engines, 12 and 24x18 inch stroke, with Scotch cylindrical holler carrying 120 pounds steam. The dender are in from the Albion Iron Works, Victoria Machinery Dapot and the Van-couver foundry. The tender will be awarded on Saturday.

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By the steamer Sarchoryx, which arrives the st

The Columbian says: "When the Ion. Edgar Dewdney visits Westmin-ter this fall he will be presented with momento of the days 'when we went fishing together.'"

The Vancouver Celebration.

It is understood that, the entire strength of both Nos. 3 and 4 batteries B.C.G.A. have signified their willingness to visit Vancouver on the 1st inst. Out of nineteen present at the meeting of No. 2 eight were for and elever against, and had their been a full attendance the majority of that battery also would have been in favor of going. It is searcely possible to do the militia a better service than having these periodical reunions, and "feather bed soldiers who object to putting on their uniformon account of the heat should not be allowed to interfere with the arrangement. Should Vancouverites invite our citizen soldiers to visit them on the 1st they can depend upon a full muster acknowledging the compliment, and the honors of the day will be done by a body of men of which Victoria may welfeel proud.

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trail. The towns of Nelson and Ainsworth will be built quite rapidly as soon as Buchanan's mill can furnish humber. There are now probably 300 men in both camps, and this number is increasing weekly.

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MARINE.

Tug Alexander left for Departure Bay yesterday to tow the Robert Kerr to Vancouver. American barque J. H. Bowers, which Edgar Dewdney visits Westminthis fall he will be presented with
soil painting by Mr. W. H. Vianen,
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A WATERY GRAVE.

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The secretary's eleven will play reasurer's eleven on Beacon Hill NANAIMO CRICKET CLUB.

A cricket club was organized at Nan-mo on Tuesday evening, with Mr. S. .. Robins as president; Mr. Haslam

LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

Lowered the Rates.

The C.P.R. raised the price of freight on fresh salmon destined for eastern markets. They kept it at the advanced rate for one week, and as the shippers determined to stop sending, the rate was then reduced.

The fire at Seattle has not been with-out its compensations, for it has devel-oped the humorous genius of many who were never before supposed to possess a modicum of wit. This humor finds expression in sign-boards placed on tents in which new business has been

tents in which new business has started. A few samples are: "Forced to remove en account matic changes." "Glad to be on earth." "Slightly disfigured, but still ring."
"Our name is Phœnix."
"What is left of us can be within."
"We will stay with the town."
"New Seattle or bust," and so confinitum.

Early yesterday morning the body of Walter Unwin, who lost his life while bathing in the Arm on Thursday afternoon, was found near the spot where he sank, by his father, who assisted by Mr. J. Creedon and Mr. C. W. Dakin, spent the night in grappling for it. An inquest into the cause of death was held at Mr. C. Hayward's undertaking rooms at eleven o'clock, by Dr. Jackson, coroner, and a jury composed of Messrs. Henry Short, foreman, I. L. Stamford, J. L. Hawkins, S. Reid, F. Wallenstein and Frederick Castleton. A verdict of "accidental death by drowning" was returned, and the finneral of the victim of the sad affair will take place to morrow. The Body Re

Blakely to load lumber for Rosario, S. A.

British ship Riversdale, loaded with Moodyville lumber for Port Pirie, is ready for sea.

Steamer Daisy, having passed her inspection, went over to Chemainus yesterday.

Steamer Berpire and Corona sailed from San Francisco for Nanaimo yesterday.

Steamer Ancon will not arrive until six o'clock this morning, having been delayed at Port Townsend taking on freight.

The steamer Bertha arrived at San Francisco on. Tuesday night from Kodiak, Alaska, with 3,665 cases of salmon for the packing company. Among her passengers were Captain Cushman and the mate and steward of the bark Lizzie williams, which was wrecked on the 17th of last April. The rest of the crew are on Kodiak island, where they are working for the owners of the Lizzie williams.

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Arnnfelt, secretary; and a finance committee consisting of J. H. Pleace, Eac., Company and a finance committee was next appointed, committee was next appointed, consisting of Mr. Hawthorntwaite, E. Potts, Esq., was unanimously elected. A field committee was next appointed, consisting of Mr. Hawthorntwaite, E. W. Praeger, A. Potts, R. Watson and R. Miller. A subscription of five dollars annually was decided on five dollars annually was decided on the 4th of rost of the league.

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LITTLE LOCALS.

W. G. Sum, the Chinese restauranteur, of Johnston street, will to-day make application to the commissioners for a license to sell wine heavy and Maple Leaf nines. The playman decided on five dollars annually was decided on for four-towns and the previolege of membership being left open for four-towns and the mate and steward of the hart Lizzie will be played between the James Bay and Maple Leaf nines. The playman decided on for four-t

nounced the benediction. The plans for the new rooms were on exhibition. The association hope to occupy them about the first of October. THE NANAIMO ELECTION.

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LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

The business and general public will regret to learn that at the instance of Dennis Murphy, Cariboo road, plaintiff, the business and estate of Van Volkenburgh Bros. has been placed in the hands of a receiver. Mr. J. C. Prevost.

New Use for B. C. Lumber.

The Vancouver World reports that Mr. Neeland, of San Francisco, is at the Moodyville Hotel, where he is awaiting the arrival of a ship, nine days out from that port, which will be loaded with selected British Columbian lumber to build an American man-of-war.

Prof. Bredemeyer has made an assay of three pounds of gold quartz from the Nutcracker claim, on Texada Island, with the following result: Ounces of silver to 2,000 pounds, 2.92; ounces of gold to 2,000 pounds, 154 582-1000; value of gold, \$3,195.50. School Trustee Elec

We are authorized to state that Mr. Chas. Hayward, Yates street ward, and Mr. R. Erskine, Johnson street ward, will be nominated as candidates for the above wards; and it is expected that Mr. D. R. Harris will seek re-election by Lewes Par wards.

Mr. D. R. Harris will seek re-election in James Bay ward.

A Good Suggestem.

It has been suggested by several prominent citizens that, in order to facilitate severage, the best thing for the aldermanic board to do is to accept Mr. Pickering's moderate offer to yisit Victoria in order that he may have performed to his scheme.

The monthly meeting of the Church of England Temperance Society will be held in the Cathedral school to-morrow evening, commencing at 8 o'clock. A lecture will be delivered by Ven. Arch deacon Scriven on "Mentone," and during the evening ice-cream will be served. Admission 25 cents, the proceeds to be devoted to the Mission Fund.

A telegram received from Port Townsend at 8 o'clock last evening contained the information that the Sound steamer T. J. Potter, which was due in Victoria at 5 o'clock, had not yet left her dock in Port Townsend, nor would do so until after midnight, as the weather on the Sound was too rough for her to venture out in safety.

Another Brick Block.

Tenders are invited for the erection of

the most satisfactory tests, and that he will be able to furnish them to the city at less cost than the imported drain pipes. This being the case, and the pipes being squal in strength and quality to the imported article, it would be only just that the home manufacture should have the preference.

A Enliway Centractor.

Prominent among Mr. Van Horne's party is Mr. R. B. Langdon, of the well-known railway contracting firm of Langdon & Sheppard, who built the line of the C. P. R. from Winnipeg to the Rockies, a distance of 800 miles, in sixteen months. This is his first visit to the coast. Mr. Langdon is a politician, and for a term served as Senator for the State of Minnesota. He says he will return east over the Northern Pacific, with the knowledge that the Canadian Northwest is of itself a very desirable empire in which to reside.

Mevements of the Squadron.

The following is the plan of the cruise contained in the sailing orders received yesterday by H.M.S. Swiftsure, Champion, Amphion and Icarus, and torpedo boats 39 and 40: The warships named will leave Esquimalt on June 18th (Tnesday), and after cruising in the Straits will arrive at Victoria on the 27th inst., passing on to Vancouver, which will be reached on June 28th. On the 2nd of July the Champion and torpedo boats will leave Vancouver and return to Esquimalt, and on the 3rd the remainder of the squadron will sail for Fort Simpson, reached on or about July 8th. Leaving Fort Simpson on July 11th, the Swiftsure, Amphion and Icarus will visit Fort Wrangel and Juneau, returning to Fort Simpson on August 2nd, and being joined there by the Champion. The four men-of-war will leave Fort Simpson on August 4th, and return to Esquimalt on August 10th.

Kootensy.

A lively fight took place last evening between two sailors on board the Indian sealing schooner Lettia, now at anchor in James Bay. The fun was of short duration, but fast and furious while it lasted.

A broken axle caused the downfall of A broken axle caused by Mr. N. Port-

VICTORIA'S CONTRIBUTION Acknowledged with Sincere Thanks by Seattle—"Such Acts Tend to Make Us Truly Brothers."

The following telegram was received yesterday by Mayor Grant from Mr. J. R. Lewis, Chairman of the Seattle Relief Committee, and shows that the citizens of our sister city over the Sound are in no way discouraged, but are working with a will to make the New Seattle a thousand times better than the old:

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Tramway Contracts.

The president and secretary of the Tramway Co., yesterday affixed the seal of that corporation to a contract with the city limits. A second contract was made with Mr. F. H. Osgood, representing the Thomson, Houston Co., of Boston, Mass., for the installation of between four and five miles of electrical attachments for the new road. Work will be begun in about four weeks and finished about the 15th October. The routes selected for immediate operation attended about the 15th October. The routes selected for immediate operation attended about the 15th October. The routes selected for immediate operation attended to the comment, Birdcage Walk and Superior of the street to the outer wharf; and from Store street near the Albion foundry via Government and Fort streets, to the Jubilee Hospital. The fare will be five cents. It is said that trips willbe made wery 15 minutes. The contracts given out yesterday aggregate about \$80,000.

neries has failen through, the Indians returning to work at the old rate of pay. Each of the canneries have already got up about 100 cases of this season's pack, and have made every preparation for a big season's work. The run, so far, has been very much better on the Naas than on the Skeena, McLellan's cannery having not up more selling than any of the on the Skeena, McLellan's cannery having put up more salmon than any of the others as yet. The new cannery steamer Winnifred, recently built in Victoria, reuched the Naas safely, making the trip up in 3½ days. On her way up the Boscowitz passed the Maude, discharging lumber for the Cascade Packing Co. on the Naas. The Maude is now due at Victoria.

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LITTLE EUCALS.

A letter from Skeena states that a big run of salmon is expected on that river this week.

Six hundred raw sheepskins were shipped to Portland yesterday by Mr. William Heathorn.

From one hundred to six hundred cases of salmon have been put up at the northern canneries,
Pupils and teachers of the first and second divisions of the girls school, picnicked at Cordova Bay yesterday.
Householders on Pandora hill are rejoicing in the posession of a fair amount of water under the new arrangements.
Mr. Theodore Davie, Q. C., has admitted Mr. E. V. Bodwell into partnership with him. The firm will be known as Davie & Bodwell.

Special collections will be taken up in the Pandora Street Presbyterian Church at both services to-day in aid of the Seattle sufferers.
A large number of lots have been disposed of in Sumas, W. T., by Frank Richards, investors believing it is an excellent speculation.

The Columbian says since the passage of the two loan by-law real estate has taken a rise, and before thirty days it will increase one-third in value.

There was a large movement in real state yesterday. The one sprinkler was inadequate to fight the dust. When is the new sprinkler going to sprinkle?

inadequate to fight the dust. When is the new sprinkler going to sprinkle? Lot 1332 Michigan street, changed hands yesterday through Bourchier and Higgins' agemcy; the amount of money moving in the transaction being about \$600.

The Knights of Pythias of Nanaimowill march to the cemetery in that city to-day, and, with appropriate ceremonies, decorate the graves of departed

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