

Weekly Colonist

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1888.

LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL

Adjusted Income. R. S. Fleming, a native of New Brunswick, 40 years of age, was adjudged insane, at Portland, Or., by Dr. G. M. Walls, and committed to the asylum. His affliction consists of fits of anger, irritability, general debility and lack of memory.

Correction. Through the intelligent composition changing the name of Baker to Robinson in the report of Thursday's legislative proceedings, the hon. provincial secretary made to vote against the bill relating to part-timers. Hon. Mr. Robinson voted for the bill.

Charged With Smuggling. On Thursday at Seattle Wm. Anderson, purser of the steamer Premier, was on trial on a charge of smuggling opium in his clothes. Anderson's defence is that he had nothing whatever to do with the opium. The jury were out in one hour and at last accounts had not agreed upon a verdict.

The Emmitts' Passengers. Following are the passengers on the United States mail steamer, the Emmitt, W. G. Stevenson and child, A. D. Holden and W. H. Prudman, Miss A. R. Campbell, S. Hoffman, Miss A. Smith, J. McWhimney, Mrs. McWhimney, Mrs. G. Thane, Mr. Deagan, S. E. Tucker, C. E. Remond, Miss E. Ramay, Mrs. S. Roberts and boy, T. M. Robertson and Miss Bernice, M. G. Margie.

An Elopement. Last night a young couple arrived on the Louie and were the objects of much attention. It was rumoured that they had eloped from Whooton, W. T. From a gentleman who came over on the boat it was learned that the couple had not eloped, but that they were on their way to Vancouver, but it proved unsuccessful and they banded the steamer in a boat-looking fashion, while the wife has the appearance of not being over fifteen years of age.

The Revival Meetings. These interesting meetings have been held every evening this week in Wesley Church, Pandora avenue. Fair attendances are in attendance at each meeting and much good has been done. The meetings are conducted by Revs. Starr and Waldman. The first few evenings there was but a small number present, but now a faithful work a deep interest has been created in the people, and of late the meetings have been exceedingly large.

A Keenly Fictive. There has been a fire in the window of Jamieson's book store for several days past a crayon portrait of Mrs. G. L. Milne, but her husband is not the same. The artist is one of the leading artists of Canada and during the past several years has obtained distinguished recognition wherever his name, oil and crayon, have been exhibited.

Extensive Smuggling. A gentleman who claimed to be well informed, made the following statement in a report to the Insurance company: "The number of Chinamen in the city up to the 1st of February was 2,975. I also claim to have positive information that 1,227 came over the line from British Columbia since the 1st of January, and knowing this was that very Chinaman that crossed the line, was numbered, and was in the hands of the officers, an agreed price was paid. Last night only fifty were captured." -Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

The Submerged Locomotive. Further particulars have come to hand regarding the sinking of the locomotive at Seattle on the 17th inst. It is stated that on Wednesday night the locomotive came in from Spauk pushing ahead of her train consisting of a passenger coach, a freight coach and three box cars. All went well until the train was within a few hundred yards of the depot and the engineer commenced slowing down, when all at once the trouble began to give way under the heavy engine. As it went down the engine broke through the trestle, and went into the water except the locomotive. It now lies on a soft bottom about 100 feet from shore. The crew were rescued, and the train was saved.

A Keenly Railway. The petition of Geo. J. Answorth and Jno. S. Baker, presented to the house of commons, in relation to the proposed extension of the railway to the Sekir range to some point on Columbia river at or near the junction of the Kootenay and Columbia rivers, was read. The petitioners ask for a modification of the Kootenay and Columbia Railway and Transportation Company. The petitioners also ask for a modification of the Kootenay lake and advertising said lands and also for a modification of the Kootenay and Columbia Railway and Transportation Company Act, 1883, through an unlooked for chain of circumstances, wholly without the power of the petitioners to prevent. The franchise granted by said act expired on December 31st last. Petitioners ask the legislature to extend or renew the franchise for two years or until December 31st, 1889. Petitioners make no claim to the \$25,000 paid into the treasury for the franchise. Petitioners ask for 700,000 acres of land.

The Lecture at the High School. At the High School yesterday Dr. Milne's remarks were upon the structure of the lungs and the mode in which the blood is oxygenated. The doctor described the lungs and their relations to other organs of the chest, and the blackboard demonstrated the minute anatomy of the lungs. He likewise referred to the mechanism of breathing and the changes taking place in the respiratory air. It was shown that the heat of the body is to the extent of 30 per cent. This is due, first, to the friction of the air taken into the lungs, and second, to the expansion of the water given off with expired air. This is readily seen in the latter instance, by blowing the breath on a piece of glass, when the expired air is almost completely saturated. Respiration is an involuntary act, under control of the nervous system. It is not possible to hold one's breath for a long time. It is not possible to breathe without the lungs. The chief purpose of respiration is the removal of the carbonic acid from the blood, and the provision of oxygen for the tissues. The doctor concluded by giving some simple rules to be observed in breathing, as follows: Never sit or stand in a position to cramp the chest. Do not breathe too

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