The Colonist.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 9TH, 1889.

From THE DAILY COLONIST, August 2.

LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

Beat the Record.

The steamship City of Puebla arrived at San Francisco on Wednesday from Victoria, making the trip in fifty hours, beating the best previous time of fifty-three hours, made by the Queen of the Pacific.

Rule Britannia.

The young man Huttan, who was arrested at the same time as Ross, the San Francisco defaulter, and released, was in a hilarious state in front of the Driard last night, singing "Rule (hic) Bri(hic)tannia (hic)," etc., and had to be locked up for safe keeping at the barracks.

Police Notes.

In the city police court yesterday, Mee Wah, a Chinaman, was charged with an infraction of the health by-law, and was remanded until Friday.

Ah Chow, charged with causing a disturbance in the streets by screaming, was fined $5.

Two more thistle cases were disposed of on payment of the cost of summons.

Coal Shipments for July.

For the month ending July 31st the shipments of coal from the various collieries were as follows:

Vancouver Coal Co	19,030
Wellington Colliery	18,503
" " Colliery	4,799
" "	4,600
	46,932

Wellington Collieries.

The No. 3 shaft of the Wellington collieries has again resumed work, and a large output is being obtained. The work of opening the No. 6 shaft, recently sunk, has progressed so favorably that the management is now getting out over 100 tons per day from this new shaft alone, the daily output of the several Wellington collieries averaging over 1,000 tons per diem.—Free Press.

The Imperial Federation League.

Sir Charles Tupper has been elected a member of the executive council of the Imperial Federation League Council, which has since elected him a member of the executive committee, by which, under Lord Rosebery, the League's movements are directed. This election is the direct outcome of Sir Charles Tupper's proposals for an Imperial convention.

Inland Revenue.

Following are the inland revenue collections for the month ending July 31st, 1889:

Licenses	$2,025.00
Tobacco	1,295.00
Cigars	860.50
Spirits	6,444.02
Malt	1,33 .42
Total	$11,954.94
Collections July 31, 1888	$11,521.91
Increase	433.03

The Salmon Run.

The salmon run on Wednesday night was very heavy and the boats came in this morning deeply laden with the shining beauties. The run is keeping up wonderfully well, and no complaints are now to be heard of the dimensions of the catch. The canneries are running full capacity and are canning enormous quantities of fish every day. The Point Roberts fishing ground has been abandoned for the present as fish are sufficiently plentiful in the river without going outside to look for them.—Columbian.

Is Your Life Insured?

If not, you had better leave town for a few days. In Victoria at the present time are several prominent insurance men. Sheppard Homans, president, and R. H. Matson, Canadian manager of the Provident Savings, and A. W. McCabe, general manager of the North American Life, have been in town for several days. Mr. Macaulay, general manager of the Sun Life, arrived last night. The standing army of insurance men are always with you, and it is a "risky" matter if you remain within the city limits.

New Post Office.

Inspector Fletcher, during his recent visit to the interior, opened a new post office at Nelson, with Mr. F. B. Wells as postmaster. The mail service will be weekly for the present, leaving Revelstoke every Monday, and Nelson every Saturday. The contract for steamer service is with Capt. R. Sanderson of the steamer Dispatch, which is a guarantee that it will be effectively and satisfactorily performed. Mr. Fletcher says the trail from Nelson to Sproat's Landing is in first-class condition, the damage by fires to bridges having been fully repaired. He pronounces it the best trail he knows of in the province.

Placer Diggings.

Geo. W. Rasure, known as the "Cowboy Evangelist," returned to Vancouver from Yale on Wednesday, bringing with him samples of gold and plumbago ore from Siwash Creek, near Yale, and also specimens of flake gold and nuggets from the claim of the Similkameen Mining Co. The latter are placer diggings, and are proving very rich. A small phial filled with flake gold was the result of five hours' work, only four men being engaged in washing it. Hydraulic machinery is being put in and big results are expected. The company has had to locate water, and can now rely upon 1,000 inches for years to come for hydraulic purposes.

The Vancouver Collieries.

The New Vancouver Coal Co., who are sinking a shaft at North Field, Nanaimo, have got down to a seam between 7 and 8 feet thick; which is pronounced of excellent quality. Workmen are engaged in constructing a bridge on the Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway, near the old South Wellington track, so as to allow the track from the North Field Mine of the New Vancouver Coal Company to pass underneath. The track from the North Field Mine will run from the mine to the proposed loading wharves at Departure Bay. It is also stated that New Vancouver Coal Company propose sinking another shaft in their South Field property, and also running a drift in their Esplanade shaft, that will materially increase the output from that mine. It is the intention of this company to raise their output to over 1000 tons a day.—Free Press.

All Aboard for Alaska.

The Princess Louise, which leaves this port on the 7th inst. for her first excursion of the season to Alaska, has come out of dock ready for her trip, and looking as neat and trim as weeks of hard work and furbishing up could make her. She has, while in dock, been thoroughly renovated and refitted, and is now so arranged as to provide the very greatest comfort for her passengers. The trip to northern waters needs very little commendation through the press at the present time. The varying scenes, the picturesque strangeness of sights new to the eyes of the traveller and fascinating in their grandeur, and above all the beauty of nature filling every portion of the voyage, have been so often lauded by returned tourists that any such commendation is almost unnecessary. The Louise will take in among other points of interest, Bute and Knight's Inlets, Douglas and Gardiner Channels and Masset, and it is the intention of her captain to spare no trouble in showing to his passengers every sight that he possibly can. Already the passenger list is fast filling up, most of the intending voyageurs being Americans, among whom the Alaska summer tour is fast becoming a favourite institution, being, as it is, a trip that will well repay the visitor among the wonderful sights of the land of the midnight sun.

Cruelty to Animals.

A young man was arrested last evening on Cormorant street by Officer Miller for brutally treating a horse. The offender was intoxicated at the time, and the officer drove the prisoner in his own buggy to the barracks, giving the rig into the charge of the livery stable.

Customs Returns.

The collections at the port of Victoria for the month of July, 1889, are as follows;

Duties	$57,113 65
Miscellaneous	1,031 50
Chinese Immigration Act	104 50
Total	$58,249 65
Collections for July, 1888	71,022 94
Decrease	$12,743 29

The Funeral of the Late Hon. Mr. Davie.

In accordance with a desire expressed by the deceased the day prior to his death, the funeral of the late Hon. Mr. Davie will be of a plain and unostentatious character. The procession will leave the family residence, Michigan street, to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock for St. Andrew's R. C. Cathedral, where a solemn Requiem mass will be celebrated, and after the services the remains will be conveyed to their last resting place.

Return of the Sir James Douglas.

The steamer Sir James Douglas returned from a six weeks trip round Vancouver Island yesterday afternoon. The Douglas left here on the 14th of June with Hon. P. O'Reilly, the Indian commissioner, aboard. Since that time she has accomplished a 3,000 mile tour of inspection. On leaving here she passed up the west coast, on to the Skeena, and returned by the east coast, visiting all the principal inlets and sounds on her way. Captain Gaudin caught a fine 2-year old buck swimming across Gardiner's Inlet, which he presented to Ald. Goodacre yesterday to be placed in the park.

The Foresters' Marriage.

The marriage to take place to-morrow afternoon at the Foresters' celebration will to all appearances prove the main feature of the whole show. Although the officers of the Foresters are keeping the names of the contracting parties a secret it will not be far wrong to state that the intending bridegroom left the city this morning for Vancouver to welcome his affianced, who comes all the way from Wisconsin, whom he has never seen, and who will to-morrow stand before the officiating Minister and resign herself with a faithful trust to her unknown lover's keeping. The advertising columns of matrimonial newspapers have much to be responsible for. It is to be hoped in the present instance that they have been the means of producing that wonderful natural phenomenon

"Two souls with but a single thought;
Two hearts that beat as one."

LITTLE LOCALS.

The steamer Umatilla will sail for San Francisco at 1 o'clock this afternoon.

The tenders for the purchase of the Royal Hospital property will be considered to-day.

The customs collections at the port of Nanaimo, for the month ending July 31st, were $3,665.67.

Flags throughout the city were at half-mast yesterday in memory of the late Hon. Mr. Davie.

The funeral of the late Andrew Welch took place at San Francisco on Monday. The remains were followed to their last resting place by a large number of friends.

John Williams, cook of the steamer Wellington, from Nanaimo, has been arrested at San Francisco for smuggling. Sacks containing 500 five-tael boxes of opium were found in the cook's galley.

The real estate agents of Vancouver have decided to fight the trades license by-law to the bitter end. The fee for real estate agents is $50, which sum was unanimously voted exorbitant and unjust by the meeting.

MARINE.

Steamer Pilot left for Departure Bay yesterday to tow the ship Commodore to sea.

Steamship Walla Walla arrived from San Francisco at 11 o'clock yesterday morning with eleven passengers and 210 tons freight for this port.

Steamship Sardonyx, Capt. Meyer, sailed for the north yesterday afternoon with a full freight of general merchandise and 450 tons of coal for H. M. Fleet, to be transferred to the war vessels at Port Simpson.

The U.S. steamer Albatross will leave Port Townsend to-day for Departure Bay, where she will coal, after which she will sail for Behring's Sea to continue explorations there. She will remain in the Northern sea until October, returning at that time to the Sound, when she will probably go into winter quarters.

PERSONAL.

D. E. Burton of Vancouver is at the Driard.

Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Sturton of Vancouver are at the Clarence.

R. V. Nelson, Ottawa, and Robt. Kerr, Montreal, are at the Oriental.

Mayor Oppenheimer and E. V. Bodwell arrived on the Islander last night.

G. Hill, of London, England, is paying the city a visit. He is at the Clarence.

T. G. Matthews of Winnipeg is paying some friends here a visit, and is at the Driard.

P. C. Dunlevy and family, of Soda Creek, have taken up their residence on View street.

Chas. Gabriel left for the east yesterday morning, and will be absent a couple of months.

Miss Flora McRae, of Walla Walla, formerly of Saanich, arrived from the Sound last evening on a visit to relatives.

Rev. J. R. Lewis, James Tilt, a prominent Toronto lawyer, and his nephew Willie Tilt, leave for Alaska on the Corona to-day.

Jules Guthridge, of the New York Herald, and wife, are charmed with their Victoria experience. They return south this morning.

F. C. Ambridge, one of Tacoma's rustling real estate men, arrived over on the North Pacific last evening, and is at the Driard.

Calvin West, Esq., of Parksville, New Brunswick, his wife and daughter, are in town stopping at the Driard. They are en route for Alaska.

Among the passengers for the north by the Sardonyx yesterday were M. Stronas and W. P. Janes for Naas; Rev. D. Jennings, Fort Simpson; J. M. Alexander and family for Fort Simpson.

Chas. Newell, clerk of the Senate, Washington, D. C., accompanied by Mrs. Newell and son, spent yesterday in the city and left for Port Townsend this morning.

B. D. and D. D. Dick, of Edinburgh, Scotland, are at the Clarence. The former is manager of the Scotch National Bank at Banff. They are visiting the city for a week.

Mr. Sheppard Homans, president of the Provident Savings Insurance Co. of New York City, is also at the Driard, bound for Alaska. Also Mr. and Mrs. Frank Homans and Mrs. Tillis Bladgett, of New York City, having the same destination.

S. Withrow, formerly a Chilcoten rancher, and for the past two years a farmer near Woodstock, Ont., arrived on Wednesday evening and leaves today for California. He has sold his Ontario farm, finding life in the east disagreeable after so many years passed in the mountains of British Columbia.

From THE DAILY COLONIST, August 3.

LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

Government Offices Closed.

The provincial government offices will be closed to-day, as a mark of respect to the deceased premier and attorney-general, Hon. A. E. B. Davie.

Theatrical.

Margaret Mather, the actress, has arrived at San Francisco from Europe, and will shortly make a tour of the northwest, including Victoria.

Contracts for Road Work.

The chief commissioner of lands and works has awarded contracts for gravelling the Gordon Head Road to James Baker's; for repairs to the Richmond road to W. H. Snider; and for an extension of the Beecher Bay-Sooke road to William Phillips.

An Unverified Prediction.

When Mrs. Sampson, the medium, was in Nanaimo, she predicted that on August 1st the whole of the eastern side of Commercial street in that city would be destroyed by fire. August 1st has come and gone, and happily Mrs. Sampson's prediction was not verified.

Municipal Road Tax.

The payment of this tax, which Mr. W. K. Bull is now collecting, gives the right to vote at municipal elections for mayor and aldermen on signing the declaration of having occupied in the city a residence for the past six months at a rental of not less than sixty dollars per annum.

Police Notes.

In the city police court, yesterday, Mee Wah, charged with an infraction of the health by-law, was fined $5.

A thistle case was disposed of on payment of $2, cost of summons.

Joseph Carey, charged with overdriving a horse, was fined $10, half of the fine going to the prosecutor, Provincial Officer Miller.

For San Francisco.

The steamship Umatilla sailed for San Francisco yesterday with the following passengers from Victoria:—C. M. Gordon, J. W. Isaacs, A. E. Westcott and wife, Hy. Swilow and wife, Miss T. Haughton, Miss Colin H. Campbell, S. Withrow, Miss Laura M. Adams, Miss Ella Robson, Miss Annie Denycas, Thos. Ball, T. G. Matthews, Robt. Jacques.

Another Collier.

The collier San Pedro, which has been plying in the Tacoma-San Francisco coal trade for some years past, is to be withdrawn from that route, and the impression prevails in Tacoma marine circles that she is to go into the Comox coal trade. The capacity of the San Pedro is somewhat smaller than the San Mateo, and her usual cargo is 4,000 tons.

Funeral of the Late Hon. Mr. Davie.

The funeral of the late Hon. Alexander E. B. Davie will take place this morning, the cortege leaving the family residence, Michigan street, at 9 o'clock for the R. C. Cathedral, where a Requiem Mass will be celebrated. At 9:30 the procession will re-form and proceed to Ross Bay Cemetery, where the remains of the deceased premier will be interred.

Importing Female Servants.

A scheme is now on foot at Tacoma for the importing of servants from England and Scotland and the distribution of the same among the several families in need of the same. Mrs. Joyce, of England, is interested in the scheme, and Right Rev. Bishop Paddock, Col. Whyte, ex-Mayor Drum and Samuel Collier, of Tacoma, are also backing the idea.

The Indian Reserves.

Judge P. O'Reilly, the Indian reserve commissioner, completed the placing of the whole of the reserves of the west coast, about a hundred in number, on his late trip on the Sir James Douglas, and has had an extremely busy time during his absence from Victoria. He reports that bush fires on the other side of the island are becoming very large, in some places raging like furnaces, and making the country for several miles around oppressively hot.

An Expression of Sympathy.

The following telegram was received from Vancouver on Thursday last:

VANCOUVER, Aug. 1.

To Hon. John Robson, Victoria:

The municipal council and citizens of Vancouver unite in extending to the government of the province their sincerest sympathies at the loss sustained by the members of the government and the province at large in the death of the Hon. Alexander E. Batson Davie, premier of British Columbia, your late lamented colleague. His loss will be hard to bear and will be deeply felt.

D. OPPENHEIMER, Mayor.

Preparing for Death.

Thomas Meldrum, J. P., a rancher and trader in Chilcoten country, twenty miles from Soda Creek, who has been ill for the past four months, has made all preparations in advance for his burial. He personally selected the spot where he is to be buried, and has had his grave dug. His coffin has been made and tested as to whether it is a good fit. He has also made every arrangement for the distribution of a large property which he has amassed during his residence in Chilcoten. Mr. Meldrum is a man of high intelligence, and was formerly a wealthy merchant of Barrie, Ont., but reverses came and he emigrated to this country in the early sixties. He has been farming and trading ever since his arrival in the country, and was at one time a partner of W. Pinchbeck of William's Lake. He has been a justice of the peace for some years, and is universally respected in the district.

Funeral of Andrew Welch.

Andrew Welch, the commission merchant, who died in Portland, Or., last week and whose remains were taken to San Francisco for interment, was buried on Monday last from his late residence at 1090 Eddy street. His remains were followed to their last resting place by a large number of sorrowing friends. The following gentlemen acted as pall-bearers: Alexander H. Longborough, Hon. Charles R. Bishop of Honolulu, Robert Oxnard, F. W. Zeile, E. C. Burr, W. H. Bailey, General W. H. Diamond, George A. Moore, Frederick Townsend, Walter Powell, R. B. Forman, H. L. E. Meyer, E. D. Heatley, W. W. Montague, Joseph Plaw, William Lawson, George F. Smith, James R. Kelley, Ira P. Rankin, President Chamber of Commerce, and James McNabb, president St. Andrew's Society.

The Forester's Fete.

This afternoon the Caledonian Society's Grounds will be crowded to their utmost capacity to witness the celebration of the Forester's fete and the attendant ceremonies which form the programme this year. Everything in connection with the chief attraction—the marriage—is in readiness, and when Bishop Cridge performs the ceremony at 3:30 this afternoon there are certain to be thousands of people eagerly gazing on the first public wedding in Victoria. In the centre of the ring a small platform eight feet square has been erected, and here, sheltered by a handsome canopy, topped by the Union Jack, the couple will stand while the ceremony is being performed. The flowers exhibited for the bouquet prize will be used to beautify the platform. At 11 o'clock this morning the Foresters in full regalia will form into a procession and attend at the E. & N. Railway station to welcome the visiting brethren from Nanaimo. This morning members from all over the province are in the city. The programme of sports is an excellent one, and will add greatly to the enjoyment of the fete. The archery contest will also be witnessed with pleasure, and some fine shooting may be anticipated.

Funeral.

The funeral of the late Daniel McIver took place yesterday afternoon, the Rev. Mr. McLeod officiating. The pall-bearers were James Boyd, William McDonald, A. Whetstone, F. Campbell, Peter Corr, John Murphy.

From the Orient.

The ss. Batavia passed up yesterday on her road to Vancouver from Hong Kong via Yokohama. She is the first of three steamers that will arrive here this month from the Orient—the Batavia, Parthia and Port Augusta.

Hunting the Otter.

The schooner Vanderbilt, fourteen days from Sanals, Alaska, arrived at San Francisco on Saturday last, having left that port March 10, 1888, on a fishing cruise. Captain Turner reports having seen the following vessels: Schooner Helen Bluhm, with 83 otter skins; schooner City of San Diego, 65 otter skins; schooner Alexander, 35 otter skins, and the schooner San Jose, 700 otter skins.

Beware of Pickpockets.

On Wednesday night a man standing in the crowd at Campbell's corner, listening to the oratory of the lightning tooth-puller, had his pocket picked of a purse containing $280 in notes. He did not find out his loss till he was retiring for the night some hours afterwards. The purse was in a side pocket. Luckily, he had another $70 in his breast pocket, which was saved, and which enabled him to get back home to Vancouver, where he hails from, yesterday morning.

The Visiting Foresters.

When the Islander was fetched up alongside her wharf last night there was an unusual scene of bustle and activity, and the crowd about the gates completely blocked the whole of Wharf street for some little distance. On the steamer beside a very large number of tourists were eighty-seven members of the A. O. F. from the Vancouver and New Westminster lodges, and the committee of the local lodge, with the full band of the A. O. F., gave them a right royal reception as they landed. They were welcomed to the city by H. L. Salmon, the secretary of the lodge, and his brother officers. The contingent from Nanaimo to arrive at 11:30 this morning will number about sixty, so that altogether the number of Foresters who will attend the celebration will be little short of 350. At 12:30 to-day an excellent cold collation will be served up at the Foresters' Hall to all members.

The Big Run of Salmon.

Mr. J. H. Todd, while in Vancouver on Thursday, informed a representative of the World that the sockeye run now going on in the Fraser is the greatest on record. There are several degrees of "runs," and never before in the history of the canning industry in this section was there such a surfeit of salmon as there is at present. From the mouth of the Fraser at the Sandheads to the Sumas river, boats are hauling the silvery beauties in by the thousand. The canneries are operated to their utmost capacity, and the certainty now is that the present season's pack will exceed that of any previous year. Care is being taken that no more salmon is caught than can be properly handled, so that there is no wholesale slaughter going on by the fishing boats. It is understood that in many instances boats are limited as to the number to be taken from or delivered by them daily. The theory promulgated some years ago that there was a big run every four years is fully sustained by what is now observed on the Fraser, where there was a big run in 1881, again in 1885, and now in 1889. There is much money in circulation amongst the fishermen, and business on the Fraser may be termed as being exceptionally good. The cannery men are assuredly in luck this year, both as to price and quantity.

LITTLE LOCALS.

The longshoremen of Seattle struck for fifty cents an hour on Thursday.

The customs collections at Vancouver for the month of July were $10,787.28.

The remains of the late McNab Stuart were interred in Ross Bay cemetery yesterday.

The land registry office at the government buildings has been removed to the law courts.

The steamship Batavia, from the Orient, passed up to Vancouver at noon yesterday.

Yesterday afternoon Bourchier & Higgins completed a sale of lot 22 Beckley farm for $500.

Mrs. Collier, of Seattle, who was terribly burned by an explosion of coal oil last Sunday, has since died.

Jerry Lewis, a carpenter, blew out his brains at Port Townsend on Thursday while in a drunken fit.

Mr. J. Butler, late chief officer of the steamer Islander, has been promoted to the position of captain of the tug Pilot.

The vote of the ratepayers on the Victoria, Saanich and Westminster Railway Interest Bonus By-Law will be taken on the 13th inst.

Messrs. M. W. Waitt & Co., agents for J. & J. Taylor of Toronto, yesterday received an order for a splendid set of vault doors, for the residence of Mr. Dumbleton, Cadboro Bay Road.

Among the freight of the Umatilla for San Francisco are 5,000 cases of Alaska salmon, which were brought down by the Ancon on her last trip and transferred to the Umatilla at Port Townsend.

Mrs. Agatha Krogh, a Swede, living near Seattle, became violently insane on Thursday and attempted to throw herself into Lake Washington. The unfortunate woman is the mother of seven children, is wretchedly poor, and the privations she has undergone have driven her insane.

Ald. McConnell, of Vancouver, has been fined $60 and costs, for his escapade with a rifle in that city some time back. Speaking of it the News-Advertiser says: "Five dollars a shot is the legal price for which an alderman can blaze away at the public with a Winchester. Had it been an ordinary laborer, no bail even would have been granted, and a trial at the assizes would have been the result.

MARINE.

The Wanderer looks fresh and bright with her coat of green paint.

The barque Lottie returned from Nanaimo yesterday morning with a load of coal.

The steamship Corona sailed for Alaska yesterday afternoon, with a full complement of excursionists.

The steamship Michigan left Portland for Victoria yesterday morning with a thousand sheep for Van Volkenburgh Bros.

The crew of the Triumph were paid off yesterday. It is expected that the crew of the Walter Rich will be paid off to-day.

(BY TELEGRAPH.)

SOUTHAMPTON, Aug. 2.—Sailed—Eider from Bremen for New York.

QUEENSTOWN, Aug. 2.—Sailed—Celtic, for New York.

NEW YORK, Aug. 2.—Arrived—Britannic, from Liverpool.

SOUTHAMPTON, Aug. 2.—Arrived—Augusta Victoria. She passed the Needles in seven days and two hours, beating her own best previous record by one hour.

Excels All Others.

I USED one bottle of Burdock Blood Bitters for constipation and loss of appetite and it cured me. I would not be without it at six times the price for it excels all others.
WILLIAM WARNOCK,
s-w-f Galt, Ont.

CARIBOO MINES.

Rich Strike on Grouse Creek—A 22-Ounce Nugget Picked up in Begg's Gulch—Good Results on the Horsefly.

Mining matters throughout Cariboo are looking better this year than they have for a long time past, particularly on account of the rich strike made on Grouse Creek, where it is thought the old Herran lead has again been found. This claim in the early days paid over a thousand dollars a day to the man. Messrs. McSinden and Paris have been prospecting this ground for the past two years in the hope of finding the original claim. A few weeks ago they commenced taking out pay dirt at a higher level than was ever worked before, and since then have been taking out over a hundred dollars a day to the man. If the strike is in reality the famous Herran ground, the probability is that a great deal of gold will be taken out and employment given to a large number of men.

The pioneers of Cariboo will remember that the trouble arising out of the adjoining claims—the Grouse Creek Co. and the Canadian Co.—gave name to the "Grouse Creek War" of 1864. The Canadian Co. entered ground belonging to the former, and work was carried on under the protection of revolvers. Two magistrates in Cariboo would not render a decision in the dispute, and military interference from Victoria was solicited to quell the warlike attitude taken by both sides. Judge Needham, however, proceeded to Barkerville, and after examination decided the claim in favor of the Grouse Creek Company. If the present strike returns to the present miners as many hundreds per day as the mine then gave thousands they will have a rich claim.

On Begg's Gulch a Chinese miner last week washed out a nugget weighing 22 ounces.

The Mason Company, on Antler Creek, began pumping the water out of their mine last week, but twisted the end off the shaft of their wheel. This will be repaired in three or four days, and work will be resumed.

On Horsefly River the McCullum Company are working six men, and are taking out $12 per day to the man.

J. Parkerton, Geo. Cowan and the Flynn Bros. have located a quartz claim on Lowhee Creek, free milling ore. It was within one hundred feet of this claim that some wonderfully rich rock was taken out during the first quartz excitement.

The reduction works have treated a number of tons of ore, but with what result is not as yet known. Work is proceeding steadily in a number of quartz mines around Barkerville.

SPORTS AND PASTIMES.

BASEBALL.

THE LEAGUE SERIES.

The thirteenth game of the local series for the League pennant will be played at Beacon Hill this afternoon, the competing clubs being the James Bays and Mayflowers. A rattling good game is expected. Following are the players and their positions:

James Bays.	*Position.*	*Mayflowers.*
Hannan	catcher	Borthwick
Jackson	pitcher	Gus Gowen
Wishart	1st base	Partridge
Widdowson	2nd base	N. Gowen
Franklin	3rd base	T. Millar
Deasy	shortstop	F. Williams
Smith	left field	Gold
Gouge	centre field	Askew
Sullivan	right field	Hamley

YESTERDAY'S GAMES.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 2.—Washington, 6; Boston, 10.

PITTSBURG, Aug. 2.—Pittsburg, 5; Indianapolis, 9. Second game, Pittsburg, 5; Indianapolis, 10.

NEW YORK, Aug. 2.—New York, 7; Philadelphias, 10.

CHICAGO, Aug. 2.—Chicago, 8; Cleveland, 7.

BUFFALO, Aug. 2.—Buffalo, 4; Syracuse, 12.

ROCHESTER, Aug. 2.—Rochester, 9; Hamilton, 7.

LONDON, Aug 2.—London, 3; Detroit, 9.

TORONTO, Aug. 2.—Toronto, 5; Toledo, 8.

WRESTLING.

PERRIE V. THE JAP.

Thursday afternoon, according to agreement, Matsada Sorakichi and G. E. Perrie met at Vancouver and signed articles of agreement for a new match. It would have been impossible for Perrie to wrestle on Saturday, and this was admitted by Sorakichi, Perrie wanted to put the match off for three weeks, in order to obtain all the time possible for his shoulder to heal, but the Jap found it impossible to extend the date beyond the 17th. The 17th of the present month was accordingly agreed upon. Perrie's shoulder is very sore, and there is a possibility that he may not be able even on the day fixed to wrestle, but he signed the articles and will forfeit the money if he is not in condition. Matsada Sorakichi arrived by the Islander last night, and left for Seattle this morning to go into training for his match with Quinn.

LAWN TENNIS.

THE CHAMPIONSHIP CUP.

The Vancouver World says:—J. T. Williams, the present holder of the championship cup of the province, sent it to Victoria to-day, as it is necessary, in accordance with the rules laid down, that it be deposited for fourteen days or so in the Bank of British North America in Victoria prior to the commencement of the Grand Tournament there. Mr. Williams intends going down to Victoria on or about the 16th inst. as does also Mr. J. O. Benwell. Both will play there. Mr. Williams thinks he will be unable to devote any of his time to the local tournament here, as he will have to work hard to get ready for the contest in the capital. Mr. Worsfold of Victoria, is coming over to give Mr. Williams practice. The cup has to be won three times running, and is open to all comers. The officers of the navy intend to compete on the present occasion. The cup was won in 1886 and 1887 by Mr. Handcock, of Victoria, and in 1888 by Mr. Williams.

THE RING.

CLEARY WINS AGAIN!

On Wednesday night, says the Port Townsend Argus, Tom Cleary and Tom Ward had a misunderstanding over a matter of a private nature, and they resolved to settle which was the better man by an assault at arms. It was agreed that they would seek the shelter afforded by a barn in the country, and there see which could stand the most punishment. Timekeeper and referee were selected at the ringside, and Marquis of Queensbury rules were to govern. The men were accompanied by a half dozen friends, leaving here in a boat at one o'clock. At two the men entered the ring, Cleary showing much better than Ward, and it was evident to everyone present that Ward was overmatched. The few fouls struck were overlooked, none of them being of a serious nature. In the fourth round Ward claimed that he had injured his left hand, and refused to fight any longer. By those present it was conceded that Cleary had much the best of the fight.

HERE AND THERE.

HOOFBEATS.

At Cleveland, Ohio, on Thursday, the three-year-old stallion Axtel trotted a mile in 2:10¾, beating the three-year-old record of 2:14¾.

A CLEVER SWINDLE.

A big swindle on the bookmakers of St. Paul, Minn., was recently unearthed. The plan adopted was the wire tapping one, and worked well till found out. A couple of young men leased an upper room of the building over which the wire passed, made a connection, caught the result of each race, and writing it on a card dropped it out of a window to an accomplice in waiting in a lane below. With this information he would slip across the street to the pool room located there and plunge very heavily on the winners. The frequent success of this individual at last aroused the suspicions of the bookmakers, and a detective was secured to investigate, with the result that six of the swindlers were captured.

DEFECTIVE YOUTH.

The Belleville Institute for Deaf and Dumb—What is Being Accomplished for Defective Youth—Probability of a Deaf Mute Race.

Mr. R. Mathison, superintendent of the deaf and dumb institute, Belleville, Ont., arrived on the Islander last night, and left for the Sound this morning. Mr. Mathison is one of Ontario's oldest journalists, having been publisher of several journals in Western Ontario. In 1871 he was appointed to his present position by the Ontario government, and has since managed the Belleville institute with abundant success. His trip to the coast is one of pleasure, and the past three weeks have been spent in Vancouver, where a son of Mr. Mathison's is residing.

In conversation with a COLONIST representative last evening Mr. Mathison stated that the Belleville institute has now a regular attendance of 240 pupils—140 boys and 100 girls, the teaching staff numbering thirteen. The cost of the institution annually was $40,000, contributed by the government, the cost per pupil being $167 to $169 a year. The pupils are given a good common school education, and the boys taught trades—shoemaking and carpentering and farming. The girls are instructed in dressmaking and tailoring, and the management of the sewing machine, the school containing all the makes of machines in use in Canada.

There was also an articulation class, where the deaf and dumb were taught to speak and to read lips. All deaf mutes cannot be taught to speak, and in the school only forty could do so. Those who were mute because of inherited deafness could always be so taught, and a few of the brighter class among the deaf mutes, when taught to speak, half of the disability was always removed, for written questions could be readily answered. In lip reading numbers of pupils were wonderfully expert. The school also contains an art class, where boys and girls are taught drawing and painting, for which some of them showed great talent. The girls were also instructed in all kinds of fancy work.

Mr. Mathison said that Professor Bell, of telephone fame, had ventured the assertion that by the intermarriage of deaf mutes in the course of time there would be a race of that class of individuals. An endeavor had and is being made at the present time to secure statistics on this head. So far as the Belleville school was concerned, of the 800 or 900 scholars who had been educated there, only one was the offspring of deaf mutes. The greater number of affected children were so because of disease, while many were the result of inter-marriage between cousins. So far as Mr. Mathison can learn from careful inquiry, the offspring of deaf mutes are not afflicted by their parents' affliction. The statistics of American institutions also lead to the same conclusion. Disease and the marriage of near relations are the chief causes for producing defective youth.

Mr. Mathison was grieved to learn that the Victoria institute, started by Mr. Ashcroft, had been discontinued, and hoped that an effort would be made to resuscitate it. Among the human family there were now those who required greater sympathy than those who were deprived of speaking and hearing powers, and their unhappy lot could only be lightened through means of schools for their special instruction. He therefore trusted that the Victoria school would be continued.

PERSONAL.

John T. Fee returned from Vancouver last night.

George R. and Miss Tingle, of Vancouver, are at the Driard.

D. N. McPhee, of Port Townsend, is in Victoria.

General Tripe returned to Victoria by the Sound boat last evening.

E. A. McQuade and Theo. Lubbe returned from Puget Sound last evening.

Ex-Mayor Dalby and bride left Vancouver for a trip to the Sound on Thursday.

The Rev. Dr. Sweeney is paying a short visit to Victoria and is located at the Clarence.

John Bell and J. C. Bowman, of Vicksburg, Mass., are both registered at the Driard.

Among the arrivals at the Driard last night were Mr. and Mrs. D. Hugh Paton, of Montreal.

Joseph Hunter, supt. E. & N. Railway, returned from Vancouver on the s.s. Islander last night.

E. W. S. Tingle, of the Seattle Morning Journal, is in the city. His wife accompanies him. They are at the Driard.

Mr. E. E. Oleatt, of New York, returned to the Driard last night from a visit to Vancouver and New Westminster.

James Orr, M.P.P., is staying at the Oriental. He has come to the city to attend at the obsequies of the late Hon. A. E. B. Davie.

Ald. Townsend, acting mayor of Westminster, arrived down last evening for the purpose of representing his city at the funeral of the late Premier this morning.

Louis V. Bennett, a representative of the Batavian Bank in La Crosse, Wis., is at the Clarence. He is paying a visit to the province and will return home to-morrow.

G. and Mrs. Robertson, of Vancouver, are at the Driard, with Miss A. R. Robertson. Mrs. Carvoe, a married daughter of Mr. Robertson, accompany them.

Mayor Oppenheimer, of Vancouver, arrived in the city last night for the purpose of attending the funeral of the Hon. A. E. B. Davie to-day. He returns to-morrow.

Sheppard Homans, president of the Provident Savings Life Assurance Society of New York, who is making a tour of Canada and the Pacific Coast, left to-day for Alaska on the steamship Corona. Mr. Homans is a leading authority on life assurance statistics, and had the distinguished honor of being recently elected president of the Actuaral Association of America. He is charmed with the appearance of Victoria and suburbs and with the kind reception accorded him by the many friends he has made during his visit here.

THE NEW GOVERNMENT.

Formed by the Hon. Jno. Robson—The Members of the Cabinet Assume Office.

Owing to the death of the Hon. Alex. E. B. Davie it became necessary to form a new government, and on Thursday His Honor the Lieut.-Governor sent for Hon. Jno. Robson and entrusted him with the task of forming a new cabinet. On Friday, Mr. Robson waited upon the Lieut.-Governor and informed him that the ministry had been selected as follows:

Hon. Jno. Robson—Provincial Secretary and Minister of Mines.

Hon. Chas. E. Pooley, Q.C.—President of the Executive Council.

Hon. Forbes G. Vernon—Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.

Hon. John H. Turner—Minister of Finance and Agriculture.

Hon. Theo. Davie, Q.C.—Attorney-General.

The above cabinet having received the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor, Hon. Messrs. Robson, Vernon, and Turner were then sworn in, and yesterday afternoon Hon. Messrs. Pooley and Davie took the oath of office.

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LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

Ice! Ice!

Ald. Kelly will commence the manufacture of ice on Monday morning at his new ice works, Store street, when he will be able to supply the public with this luxury. Victorians, for the past season have depended mainly upon Port Townsend for their ice supply, but from and after to-morrow they can purchase the home manufactured article.

The Great Salmon Run.

The Columbian reports that the salmon catch on Thursday night was just as good as ever. The canneries are overcrowded with work and the staff employed is kept as busy as bees from morning till night. Another week of this run and one of the largest packs on record for the Fraser river will be assured.

Incoming Passengers.

The steamer City of Puebla sailed from San Francisco for Victoria and Sound Ports yesterday morning with the following passengers for Victoria: Mrs. J. McCarthy, Mrs. B. Edwards, Miss A. M. Wise, C. Stokert, Mrs. J. B. Wilkinson, Mrs. O'Sullivan, A. Frank, Miss Good, Miss Brown, W. Loree, G. S. Milberry, Mrs. E. S. Batelle, and Mrs. Gray.

The Hero of the "Silent City."

The Omaha Bee has received a letter from Bruce, its Alaska correspondent, detailing his experience in Glacier Bay for three days. He was lost in the glacier, but finally reached a place of safety in an exhausted state. During the time he witnessed the wonderful mirage of "The Silent City," first discovered by Professor Willoughy. Bruce will shortly start on another trip to Glacier Bay with Willoughby.

Last Hours of the Alaskan.

The above is the title of a painting now on exhibition at Portland, and which is attracting considerable attention. The scene represents the ill-fated steamer Alaskan at night, a few hours before the foundering. She is before the wind, rising on a huge wave, showing dark and sharp against the moon which shines from a wild and stormy sky. The four life-boats which were towed for several hours before the wreck are represented. The scene is realistic and fully impresses one with all the horror of a wreck on the midnight sea.

The New Tug Lorne.

Capt. Christiansen, who for the last ten years has been commander of tug boats in British Columbia, on Friday evening at Nanaimo transferred his command of the steamer Pilot to Mr. James H. Butler, who for years has been first officer of the tugs Alexander and Pilot, belonging to Messrs. Dunsmuir & Sons. Capt. Christiansen will take