NEWS OF THE PROVINCE.

Drowned in a Port Guichon Slough—Fears of Fraser River Floods Allayed.

Coal Miner Badly Injured in Protection Island Shaft—Interior News.

(Special to the COLONIST.)

VANCOUVER.

VANCOUVER, June 19.—The first section of the Burrard Inlet & Fraser Valley railway will be cleared by G. W. Thomas, the work commencing on Wednesday.

A number of petitions were presented to the License Board to-day not to grant a license for the park. They were laid over. There were fifty hotel licenses, twelve saloon, five shop and seven wholesale applications. The petitions of G B. Sciutto, the Inlet View hotel, W. J. Pyper and A. S. R. Blackwood were laid over.

Eighty seven per cent. of the pupils passed the promotion examination at Mt. Pleasant school.

VANCOUVER, June 20.—The numerous improvements to Stanley Park will be completed on Dominion Day. A safe landing stage near the point is being made, and the bridge across Coal harbor repaired.

A concert was held at Lytton on the 15th, Bishop Sillitoe in the chair, in aid of the railroad benefit fund. There was excellent local talent forthcoming, and the affair was a success.

In future street car tickets will be five cents each straight, and not six for twenty-five cents.

The second quarterly meeting of the local Union of Christian Endeavor takes place at St. Andrew's church on the 30th June.

Mr. H. Newman won the first prize, a $100 gun, at Sunnyside Thompson's raffle—twenty-five cent tickets.

Miss Langlands has come out from Scotland to marry Mr. Finley MacFarlane, steward of the Delmonico, the marriage takes place this week.

Miss Newman, graduate of the training school for nurses of the Toronto General Hospital, has taken charge of the nursing department of the Alexandra Hospital.

Messrs N. Thompson, S. K. Twigge, E J. Fader and H. W. Edwards (mining expert) returned from a trip to Triangle Island, yesterday. They report having found rich copper deposits. They will go ahead with development work.

H. B. Walker has returned from England.

His Lordship Bishop Sillitoe will have a confirmation service in St. James' Church Sunday morning.

Seventeen canneries are operated from this city.

Governor Moresby was in the city yesterday. He has entirely recovered from his recent illness.

W. L. Fagan says that the fruit is nearly all spoilt by rain and hail at Aggassiz.

To-day is fine. It is the 30th fine day without rain since the 18th of September, according to Westminster weather statistics.

The wharf at North Vancouver is about completed. Steamers are calling there.

A mass meeting of the different temperance societies in the city was held in the Market hall on Sunday afternoon. The societies were urged by the speakers to oppose granting a license for the park in every possible way.

Rev. Mr. Cleaver, of St. Catharines, arrives in Vancouver on Wednesday afternoon, and will be a guest of Mr. J. R. Seymour.

Mr. Albert Chestnut, formerly of St. Catharines, Ont., another ex-member of the former St. Catharines Athletic Lacrosse club, now extinct, left here for Nanaimo today.

The contract for clearing the right-of-way for the C.P.R. branch line from Revelstoke to the head of Arrow Lake has been awarded to Mr. J. J. Nickson.

M. W. Grand Master Bro. Downie paid an official visit to Cascade lodge A. F. & A. M. last night.

The Free Library Board have decided to move into the Y. M. C. A. building, concessions being made on both sides in regard to a final agreement.

W. H. Mackie leaves to-day for the Old Country, after an absence of twenty-three years.

The Islander ran into the Empress on leaving the dock yesterday, tearing away some of her rigging and breaking away her foretopmast. There were twenty passengers standing below when the mast fell, but none of them were seriously injured.

A committee has been appointed by the members of the three local Orange lodges to arrange for a celebration on the 12th July, in commemoration of the battle of the Boyne. A big day is expected.

The North Vancouver Council have called the old Government road, along Capilano, the McKay road, in memory of the late G. G. McKay.

Captain Bridgman, of the steamer Mermaid, picked up a man on Kinghorne Island, a hundred miles up the coast, who claims to have been deserted by his mate, who had taken away provisions, boat and gun. The man said he had been without food five days. He gave his name as William Thomas.

The Columbia carriage factory business has been revived, and is being carried on by Messrs. James Duke & Co.

While removing a cracked pane of glass from the window the Palmer House restaurant, yesterday, the glass slipped and fell, cutting D. Buchanan, H. Rose and W. Cornell more or less severely. When the new pane was being put in position Mr. G. Allan did not notice it and walked into it, smashing it to pieces and cutting himself badly.

Steamer Boscowitz has gone north. S.S. Umatilla has arrived with eighty tons of freight. The Coquitlam leaves for the north to-morrow.

The committee appointed by the Epworth League to look into the matter of aiding the missionary steamer Glad Tidings recommended that no action be taken owing to the numerous responsibilities of the league. A resolution was passed condemning the action of the License Commissioners in granting a liquor license for the Park. The Religious Work committee reported for publication a memorial paper on Sister Minnie Robb, Bro. Langdale, Bro. B. H. Spring, and Mrs. Tiffan. A resolution of sympathy was also passed for Bro. C. H. M. Sutherland and his little ones in their recent and sad bereavement. Miss Dunnington then read a paper on the "Relation our Epworth League Members bear to the Social, Commercial and State Life of our Country." Mr. Haslam, Revs. C. Watson and Bailey, Mrs. Powers, Mrs. Siddall, and Messrs. Beckett, Tufts, Grant and Cline took part in the discussion on the paper. A resolution was passed recommending the Sunday School committee of the Epworth League of British Columbia to co-operate with the officers and teachers of the Sunday schools in placing before scholars at least once a month a temperance pledge for signature, and that each League hold temperance meetings as often as possible. A motion was passed condemning the action of the World's Fair Commissioners in opening the Fair on Sunday, and the Secretary was instructed to communicate with the Provincial Secretary, re closing the exhibit on that day.

The city is going to buy a tug and scow for the purposes of scavenger work.

The Council will pay $150 to the Railway and Marine Gazette for a write up of the city on Dominion Day, with fifteen cuts.

The Council say that in charging insurance companies $200 to do business here they are taxing them $100 less than Victoria. The insurance companies say the city is not taxing them at all, as they will charge higher premiums to correspond, and that they are simply increasing the taxes of the ratepayers.

NEW WESTMINSTER, June 20.—New electric light plant has been ordered by the city to the value of about $25,000. This additional machinery will yield an annual income to the city of $20,000.

The Hyacks have organized a hose reel team and had their first practice this evening. The team will take part in the Vancouver races on July 1, and at Whatcom on July 4.

Nineteen out of thirty of the public school pupils who went up for the entrance examination for the High school were successful in passing.

The spring salmon catch, last night, was the largest average of the season.

The water is still falling with remarkable rapidity, and all the lands overflooded, a week ago, are now free of water.

Public meetings were held at Stave Valley on Friday, and at Matsqui on Saturday, at which the Parliament Building's bill and the failure of the Government to bring down a redistribution measure were condemned.

There promises to be an interesting divorce case filed within a few days, in which it is reported a citizen will have an action brought against him by his wife for alleged unfaithfulness.

The Westminster and Port Haney Freezing Co. received yesterday from England a complete new chemical process fish-curing plant, by which fish can be so treated that they will remain in a perfectly fresh condition for sixty days without freezing or icing. The plant consists of two large steel drums, furnished with tubing, water gauges, etc. The fish are placed in drums, certain chemicals added and then very high water pressure is pumped in, the effect of which is to saturate the flesh of the fish with a compound which, it is claimed, does absolutely no injury to the fish. This process has produced very successful and satisfactory results in England, where it first came into use last winter. The machinery will be placed in position to-morrow, and Manager Mowat will put the first batch of salmon through the process as soon as all is ready. During the last visit of E. E Rand, real estate agent, to England he heard of this new process, and, after seeing it work and ascertaining that it was a success, he acquired the patent right of the machines for Canada. If the process will do all that is claimed for it, it will revolutionize the salmon export trade.

WESTMINSTER.

NEW WESTMINSTER, June 19.—The water fell five inches last night opposite the city, and eight inches in all since Saturday. The fall at Chilliwack has been about five feet, and the land flooded last week at various points along the river is now free.

E. Stride was elected councillor in Burnaby Municipality on Saturday in place of W. E Brenchley, resigned.

Ald. Keary and W. A. Duncan, of this city, are candidates for the vacancy in the Coquitlam Council caused by the resignation of S. W. Lehman.

Burnaby municipality is now completely free of diptheria, and the quarantine has been raised.

Edward Harlock, unmarried, aged forty, employed for many years as watchman at his brother's (H. E. Harlock) cannery, Ladner's, disappeared ten days ago, and it was feared he had been drowned. Yesterday his body was found in the ditch at the side of the road near Port Guichon. There were no marks of violence. Harlock was subject to fits, and is supposed to have fallen into the ditch and been drowned when attacked by one of them. At the inquest it was proved that the death was the result of accident, and the body was interred this afternoon.

The Westminster Slate company shipped 14 cars of slate, during the last three days, East and South, and will send as much more by the end of the week.

Captain Jemmett has left on a Government exploratory survey expedition to the upper Squamish. He is accompanied by William Clark, brother of a young man of that name who left Victoria with Braden, the artist, last summer, and of whose fate nothing is known. Clark hopes to find traces of the missing men, which will relieve the present uneasiness.

Cubbins, of Langley, who is accused of assaulting W. Rutter with intent to murder, elected to be tried under the Speedy Trials Act.

NANAIMO.

NANAIMO, June 19.—Over two hundred pleasure seekers left on the excursion to Sechelt yesterday morning on the steamship City of Nanaimo, and in spite of occasional showers spent a very enjoyable day, returning home at 7 p.m.

Rt. Rev. Bishop Perrin preached in St. Alban's yesterday morning and at St. Paul's in the evening. At both churches the attendance was exceptionally large, everyone being favorably impressed with the new Bishop. At St. Paul's, after the sermon, His Lordship was presented with an address of welcome, signed by the Rector and churchwardens on behalf of the congregation. In a brief reply His Lordship alluded to the long period during which Rev. Canon Good had had charge of the parish, and other good work he had done here and in the interior previously. The Bishop hoped that the Rector would be spared to the parish for many years to come.

Bishop Perrin was present at a largely attended reception in St. Paul's Institute, this evening. The gathering was nonsectarian, members of all the churches in town being present. This afternoon His Lordship was tendered a reception in St. Alban's hall, where he was presented with an address of welcome. The Bishop returns to Victoria in the morning.

The anniversary of Centennial lodge, I. O. O. F., was commemorated this evening, in the shape of an "at home." An excellent musical programme, with refreshments, was provided. The affair was well attended.

Another of C. Dempster's dogs has been poisoned in the same manner as the others. The police, so far, have been unsuccessful in their efforts to obtain a clue to the miscreants.

George Pierce, a miner, employed in the Protection Island shaft, was seriously injured this evening. He is now in a critical condition.

Sailed: Ship Tacoma.

NANAIMO, June 20.—The E. & N. Railway will in future run an extra train on Saturday and Sunday evenings between Nanaimo and Wellington, leaving Nanaimo for Wellington at 10 p.m.

The annual Sunday school picnic of the Wallace street Methodist church will be held on Dominion Day, probably at Chemainus.

The city schools close for the summer holidays this week. The girls' and ward schools break up to-morrow, the boys' school closes on Thursday and the High school on Friday.

Messrs. Hermon & Burwell, of Vancouver, have been awarded the contract for the re-survey of the city. Their tender was the lowest but one, $3,800.

Bishop Perrin's visit to Nanaimo was greatly appreciated by the members of both St. Paul's and St. Alban's churches, and it is believed that the Bishop, too, was well satisfied with the state of affairs here, except for the slight dissension still existing between the two parishes. It is hoped, and generally expected, that the Bishop will be instrumental in bringing about a reconciliation. In his brief address, at the reception in St. Paul's Institute, His Lordship alluded to the present state of affairs and expressed a wish that all quarrelling would cease, and that both parishes would unite in their efforts to forward the cause of the Church in Nanaimo.

KAMLOOPS.

(From the Inland Sentinel.)

Crops at Dog Creek are looking better than ever before, as also the wild fodder on the hills. Cattle are already fattening, and will be fit for market in the course of a week or so.

J. Simister has been making explorations of the head waters of the Chilcotin river. He reports the spring backward in the mountains, and thinks there is room for a large contingent of settlers in that unknown portion of the Chilcotin.

An inquest was held at Ashcroft on Thursday, on the body of an unknown Chinaman, which had been found the previous day in the river. Nothing could be learned concerning the dead man, and the body had been in the water so long that it was impossible to tell whether his death had been by drowning or he had met with foul play. An open verdict was rendered.

John G. Myers, a prospector, who represents a number of capitalists in Tacoma, states that he has located a mineral district at Adams Lake, and that, although he has been prospecting for years, and has seen some good claims, it is the best he has ever come in contact with. It is a ledge of galena, six feet wide, and can be seen for miles across the country. He has shipped 451 lbs. to Tacoma for assay. Mr. Myers has located four claims, one for himself and three for his company.

CLINTON.

CLINTON, June 16.—Before Judge Walkem, in the Supreme Court, a man named Ross, arrested in Chilcotin for cattle stealing, was convicted and sentenced to five years in the penitentiary. He and an accomplice, also by the name of Ross, who has escaped to the mountains and is not likely to be captured, were charged with having stolen and re-branded a large number of cattle on the ranges. Many of them belonged to the Harper estate, whose brand was partially obliterated, the remainder being converted into an entirely new mark. They started five years ago with less than fifty head of young stock which since have increased to more than 300, having, as the judge remarked, bred faster than the Australian rabbit.

PLUMPER PASS.

PLUMPER PASS, June 19.—The Public school examinations on both Mayne and Galiano Islands will be held on Friday afternoon, the 23rd inst.

Large beef shipments have been made to Victoria lately, the meat being stall-fed and of excellent quality. F. G. Powell, of Mayne Island, and W. J. Wessell, of Saturna, were two of the principal shippers.

Professor Macoun, of the Geological Survey, and party are expected to arrive here shortly.

Ripe strawberries are becoming plentiful and are being shipped to market. On the average, they are a better crop than last year's, and a much larger demand is being made for them. Mr. James Bennett expects to ship some three or four tons to Victoria during the season.

Wm. Robson, of Mayne Island, is making arrangements to board and accommodate the men working in the Tumbo Island coal shaft, and will open up a branch store in connection with it. Work is going ahead day and night in the mine, and the new pump is doing its work effectively.

Alex Morrison, foreman of the men working on the drill in search of coal on Saturna, paid a visit to Mayne island on Sunday. He reports everything working favorably, rapid progress being made with the boring. Mr. John Patterson of New Westminster, the original promoter of this enterprise, is delighted with the prospect which presents itself, and seems perfectly satisfied that ere long coal will be reached. A number of capitalists interested in developments will arrive during the week to overlook the place.

Dominion Day is drawing near, and the people are once again discussing the best way of celebrating it. It is understood that a few of the young men on Tumbo are getting up a picnic at that place, and that delicate but newly printed invitation cards are being issued. The shooting match between members of the Rifle association will take place at the usual time on the afternoon of that day.

Haymaking has commenced.

A large portion of the Government grant appropriated to Mayne Island will go towards repairing the public wharf.

Mr. T. Collinson, postmaster and storekeeper here, is making extensive alterations in and around his building, and is replenishing his season's stock of goods.

In rounding up sheep on a local ranch during the past week, a newly made bullet hole was found on the flank of one of the animals, evidently the work of a miscreant who, firing at its head, missed.

Though little has been said of Galiano Island lately, it must not be surmised that the state of things there has become dull. With the ever increasing activity displayed on the part of Mayne Islanders in promoting the welfare of their place, so it is with the Galiano people, who are not to be left behind. Buildings here and there are still being erected, and new settlers are gradually coming in. Speculators have lately been on the alert overlooking the place with a view to investing in property on account of the coal prospects and the contemplated Government roads which will be made this summer.

The root crops are looking well, though there is not so large an acreage as last year, but a good haying season is expected.

Harry Sturdy, of Victoria, who came up on Monday week last to paint on the new hotel, had the misfortune to lose $35 in notes on the trail leading from the hotel to the public wharf.

The assessments and other taxes for the year 1893 are now due, and are payable by the end of the month.

Tug Kildonan, of Vancouver, made another trip to Bennett's Landing on Wednesday for a load of cordwood.

Alexander McCloud, of the H.B. Company, Victoria, and one of the pioneer settlers of this Province, is spending a few days on the Island recruiting his health.

J. H. Deacon, of Village Bay, is making a prolonged stay in Westminster. C. Mitchell, of Victoria, who has been working on the plastering of the new hotel, returned home by the Rithet Thursday.

John Bennett of Mayne Island is away on a visit to Ladner's Landing. This is the first time he has been off the Island since coming to live on it when but a child eighteen years ago.

DUNCAN.

DUNCAN, June 19.—A licensing court for Cowichan district, without the Municipality, was held at the Government court house on Thursday last by H. O. Wellburn and F. H Maitland-Dougall, J.'s P. Applications by C. E. Lee for a license for the Elkhorn hotel (Halfway house) on the Cowichan Lake road, and by H. N. Rogers for a license for the "Travellers' Rest," Fulford harbor, Salt Spring island, was granted.

A boom of logs containing 2,500,000 feet from McIntyre & Parks' logging camp at Cowichan lake, was towed down the lake on Friday last, and on the following day a boom of 1,500,000 feet from A. A. McDonald & Co.'s camp, was taken by Fraser & McIntyre's steamer; the whole were immediately sluiced and are being run down the Cowichan river.

Douglas Dick and Government Agent Wellburn returned from Cowichan lake by the stage yesterday (Sunday.) The former left by the afternoon train for Nanaimo en route for Vancouver.

Mr. Joseph Tarlton entered into the bonds of matrimony with Miss Elise Prigge on Friday last, the ceremony being performed by Rev. J. A. Leakey at St. Peter's church, Quamichan.

G. B. Ordano and Mrs. Ordano left last week for an extended visit to Northern Italy.

GOLDEN.

(From the Golden Era.)

Nearly $700 towards the amount wanted have already been promised for the proposed hospital in the district of Golden, without any canvas, so it is to be seen that there will be no difficulty in raising the funds. In a few days a personal call will be made on every friend in East Kootenay. The meeting last Monday considered that the best site would be Government ground on the other side of the bridge which crosses the Kicking Horse river. A request will at once be made for it.

Now that the "Bobbie Burns" has changed hands, we expect to see things boom, and in consequence a rush into the McMurdo basin.

REVELSTOKE.

(From the Kootenay Star.)

Hugh Ross, foreman, and the men employed on Government work on Fish creek, arrived up on Monday, having finished one of the bridges over Fish creek, but a ferry is being used at Lardeau City, where eventually a bridge of large proportions and fine appearance will be built.

A section hand on the C. P. R., named Cosby, was run over on the track near Revelstoke a few days ago and sustained severe injuries. He was taken to Donald hospital.

The Canadian Pacific Telegraph Co. will shortly proceed with the construction of a telegraph line from Revelstoke to Kaslo, via Nakusp and New Denver, and from Kaslo to Nelson, following the shore of Kootenay Lake. This line is much needed, and will bring the Kootenay country into closer touch with the Coast cities.

B. C. AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the directorate of the B. C. Agricultural Association was held last evening in the Secretary's office, at which were present W. H. Ellis, president; S. F. Tolmie, vice-president; Messrs. C. E. Renouf, W. J. Pendray, R. Seabrook, J. M. Okell, J. Holland and W. H. Bainbridge. After the minutes of previous meetings had been read and adopted, the Secretary was instructed to push the publication of the prize lists.

A statement was submitted by the Secretary, showing that liabilities to the amount of $4,500 were due. This included some $800 just due for premiums on the endowment insurance policies taken out by the society on several of its members to meet the $20,000 loan at maturity. The accounts were referred to the Finance committee, to be paid when funds were in hand.

The Sports committee were requested to report at the next meeting; the Advertising and Band committees were also asked to submit reports at the same meeting.

The Secretary was instructed to write the management of the tramway, asking if concessions would be made and additional service given the public during the exhibition.

A letter was read from Mr. H. K. Prior, passenger agent of the E & N. railway, stating that his company would grant twenty-five cents per head for all passengers carried on excursion trains, provided other companies gave a similar concession. The Northern Pacific steamer line and the C.P.N. Co. advised that the matter of making a similar arrangement was under consideration.

The Secretary was authorized to call for tenders for restaurant and refreshment privileges.

It was decided that manufacturers exhibiting be accorded the privilege of disposing of their wares, providing the value of the exhibits was not lessened.

The meeting then adjourned until Monday evening next, at 8 o'clock.

WASHINGTON, June 20.—Prof. T. C. Mendenhall, on the part of the United States, and Commissioner King, on the part of Great Britain, will shortly determine the vexed question as to the legal owner of Posed Folly Island, off the coast of Maine, near the international boundary. In view of Mendenhall's claimed discovery that the island, according to the first chart of Great Britain, was ceded to the United States, he believes he will have no trouble in settling the question in favor of this country. When this is settled, the only other important matter between the two countries is the determination of the boundary line between Alaska and British possessions. The party which left here in March last has been unable to accomplish much, and it is not believed that the boundary line can be marked for a year because of unfavorable weather.

A CANADIAN FAVORITE.

The season of green fruits and summer drinks is the time when the worst forms of cholera morbus, diarrhœa and bowel complaints prevail. As a safeguard Dr. Fowler's Extract of Wild Strawberry should be kept in the house. For 55 years it has been the most reliable remedy.

FROM KASLO.

Valuable Discovery of Yellow Ochre—Another Political Parson—Important Regulations.

New Telegraph Line—Waiter on a Steamboat Drowned—Mining Matters—General Development.

(Special Correspondence of the COLONIST.)

KASLO, June 12.—Early last week three young fellows named Gillis, Adams and Anderson, made a valuable discovery of yellow ochre on the north shore of the lake, about seven miles from town. The vein is fully six feet wide and of unknown depth, and it can be traced for several hundred feet. A peculiarity of the vein is that running parallel with it and connected thereto is a foot vein of rock bearing gold and silver in equal quantities and of high grade. The ochre is the pure article, and can be taken out in immense blocks. Some idea of its value may be gleaned from the fact that an offer has been made to the owners of six cents per pound for all that can be produced, the buyer guaranteeing to erect a mill at the site for pulverizing the rock. The ochre, or mineral paint, when mixed with oil, makes a beautiful yellow substance that would delight the heart of any knight of the brush. This is the only discovery of the article in quantities in the Province, though croppings may be seen in various places on the lake shore; also near Kemp's mineral springs. There is a mine of the article in the Cœur d'Alenes, but it is so impregnated with sand that it does not pay to work. The trio of fortunate prospectors some weeks ago located a ledge bearing ruby silver to the value of $750 to the ton, which, with the last strike, makes a group of four valuable locations in that neighborhood.

A big mass meeting of the citizens was held in the Comique concert hall on Tuesday. C. A. McAim, barrister, acted as chairman, and, after calling the meeting to order, invited R. Green to address the audience, which he did at some length upon the question of the Government making Kaslo a port of entry, offering, at the same time, a set of resolutions in support. These were adopted and a petition circulated and numerously signed. W. M. Bucke then offered a resolution asking the local Government to erect a court house here, which was also adopted. Rev. D. M. Martin followed in a lively speech, denouncing the railway company, the Government and the member for West Kootenay in particular. This speech called forth loud-voiced remarks for and against, creating much merriment. W. Baillie replied at length to Mr. Martin, denying what had been said against his concern, stating that his company were prepared to redeem all the promises made by them to the public. The meeting then adjourned.

Barrister Bucke has a notice in this week's issue of a local paper announcing that a company for which he is acting will apply to the Legislature next session for a charter to construct a railway to the mines in opposition to the Kaslo-Slocan company. It is believed the Great Northern are at the back of the movement, as a number of their leading officials have been here looking over the ground.

The latest move in mining circles here is the approachment to the Bastion & Montana Mining Co. by another influential combination from the States regarding the sampling work. Should the negotiations terminate satisfactorily, the former will construct their works at New Denver, while the latter organization will erect powerful smelting works here. From present appearances, it is believed the plan as stated will be carried out.

Great satisfaction is expressed at the announcement that the C.P.R. will construct a telegraph line to Kaslo from Revelstoke, via New Denver, and thence to Nelson.

A number of leading citizens presented Freddie Wilson with a handsome silver medal the other night for saving the life of R. McMillan on the lake on May 24.

Tenders are being asked for the new Presbyterian church, to be in by Monday next. On Friday night the Episcopalians meet to discuss church matters and to arrange for the erection of an edifice. The Methodists are moving slowly with their building scheme, while the Catholics have dropped theirs for the present. However, the latter are endeavoring to erect a hospital here, having received the offer of a free site.

Last Friday was unlucky to two of the citizens. D. Cameron slipped off the sidewalk on Third street and broke the bones of his ankle. At first it was feared the leg would have to be amputated, but fortunately the break is healing gradually and satisfactorily. W. A. Bauer, surveyor, while working on the South Kaslo townsite, was unfortunate enough to cut his right shoulder with an axe. Dr. Bruner attended to both cases.

A couple of Vancouverites, named Douglas and Liernay, rescued a fisherman from drowning on Tuesday on the opposite side of the lake. The latter had taken a fit and was being held in the boat by a small boy. He was brought back to the city and soon recovered.

One hundred feet of a tunnel is to be run on the Mammoth mine at once.

The "Nelson" lost her favorite waiter, Charles Marlow, on Friday, on her down trip. While the boat was taking on wood at the Boundary, Charlie and another waiter went for a ride in the river in a small canoe. They had only gone about fifty feet when the frail craft was caught in an eddy and overturned. By means of a log the companion of the doomed man made good his escape to the shore, but Charlie immediately sank, only coming to the surface once, notwithstanding the strenuous efforts made to save him. An attempt was made to recover the body, but without avail, the current having carried it away. The fatality happened before the eyes of the passengers and crew on the steamer only a few feet away. Marlow was but 23 years of age, hailing from Spokane. The Nelson carried her flags at half-mast for several days.

Messrs. Middaugh and Humphreys, representatives of the powerful Minneapolis syndicate which recently invested heavily in this district, have been in town these last few days. In conversation they stated that the company would shortly press the sale of their property in Four Mile City and New Denver. They had 100 men now at work on their mines near Bear City, and their number would be largely increased so as to thoroughly develop the properties for the shipment of ore. The syndicate were here to make money, and they would endeavor to advance the interests of the district as well as their own. What ore was taken out would be probaply sent to Pilot Bay for treatment, if possible; and if not, to their own works in Montana.

Jim Winchester took a party of friends out to see the Solo mine, on Sunday. When they arrived there, Jim stopped outside for a time, permitting the others to enter the tunnel. When in about twenty feet they disturbed a large bear, which made a rush for the opening, overturning the whole party. Winchester, hearing and understanding the row, secured a pick, and, when the bear appeared, sunk the point into its skull, killing it instantly, much to the relief of his friends.

Last Wednesday, a two-foot ledge of galena was discovered in the gulch opposite the city.

Great headway is being made with the clearing of the right of way for the railroad, which will soon be completed.—The new jail and Government offices will be finished in a few days.—Work on the citizens' wharf is proceeding in a satisfactory manner.—The Byers Hardware Company have had a floating wharf and warehouse erected for their own use.—Nothing is being done towards building the road and wharf for the sampling works.—Several new buildings have gone up.

High water has forced the sawmill to discontinue operations. The water is eighteen inches higher than last year and still going up. It will be at least six weeks before the mill is running again.

Word comes from New Denver that the owners of the Grady group have refused an offer off $175,000 for the property, they wanting $250,000. The ledge in the principal mine is sixteen feet wide.

Rich strikes are reported from the Solo and Mountain Chief mines, the latter assaying as high as 2,500 ounces.

An old miner, recently from the Duncan, reports a location of gold-bearing quartz, the vein being ten and a half feet wide and traceable for 400 feet. It assays $158 to the ton.

Forty thousand dollars has been offered R. H. Kemp and J. Harding for the Gem City mine, by Spokane parties. It will doubtless be accepted.

From Duncan City comes word of another strike of paying galena near there, this time on Grizzly creek, by two men named Davidson and Evans. Gray copper runs thickly through the ledge.

The electric light company are canvassing for orders preparatory to putting in a plant to cost $25,000.

Dr. Kilbourne, of Seattle, is inspecting his properties on Jackson creek, the chief of which is the Northern Belle. He will commence shipping ore as soon as the road is in shape. Last Sunday the Idaho took out several tons belonging to the Doctor, which he is shipping to Aurora, Ill.

The wagon road is in good condition for fifteen miles, as far as Sproule's; but the progress made is very slow. Two stages are running daily now both ways.

Litigation is likely to ensue shortly as to the ownership of a portion of the townsite; also for the control of a well known mining property.

M. F. White and E. S. Savage have located two paying ledges of galena fifteen miles up the South fork. They assay 150 ounces.

GARDEN PARTY AT ST. JOHN'S.

What was voted by all to be one of the most delightful afternoon outings of the season, was the garden party held yesterday afternoon at the rectory of St. John's Church, where a formal reception was tendered Bishop Perrin and Miss Perrin, and an address of welcome presented on behalf of the congregation.

The lawn where the social was held was gay with bright colors, decorated with flags and bunting, shaded by numerous large Japanese parasols, and so arranged with seating accommodation that it was delightfully pleasant for all. Rev. Mr. Jenns, Mrs. Jenns and Miss Jenns, assisted by members of the congregation, received the guests, who were all introduced to the Bishop, and thus had an opportunity of making the personal acquaintance of the new head of the church in the Province. An orchestra of five pieces stationed on the verandah supplied music at intervals, while from a booth at the lower part of the lawn delicate refreshments were served. The weather was all that could be desired—a clear, bright, sunshiny day, with just breeze enough to keep everyone cool and comfortable. The attendance must have been gratifying to those who had the affair in charge.

Before the pleasing event came to a close, Mr. Henry Saunders, the people's warden, on behalf of the congregation, presented the Bishop with a handsomely illuminated address, which read as follows:

VICTORIA, June 21, 1893.

To the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Columbia:

We, the Rector and Church Wardens, on behalf of the parishioners, beg to extend to your Lordship a cordial welcome to St. John's Church, the first Church consecrated on Vancouver Island.

In the thirty-three years that have passed since that consecration, many and great have been the changes; but through all the Church has grown and prospered, and in welcoming your Lordship we feel that a new era of earnest work and broad achievement has come to the Church in this Diocese.

We believe that the time has come when this Church should unite in Synod with the other Churches of this Diocese, and we look forward with pleasure to the time when your Lordship shall sit in the House of Bishops in the Synod of Canada, and the Church in this Province form a part of that vigorous daughter of our Mother Country, the Church of England, in Canada.

We assure you of our earnest desire to loyally support your Lordship in all your labors for the Church, knowing well that in all our difficulties and trials, successes and failures, we shall have your advice, encouragement and sympathy.

(Signed.) PERCIVAL JENNS, Rector.
A. L. BELYEA, } Church
H. SAUNDERS, } Wardens.

Bishop Perrin, in replying to the address, expressed his gratification at the sincere, hearty way in which he had been received in his new field of labor, both in Victoria and Nanaimo. When first he had been chosen for the diocese, the Bishop of Winchester, England, had told him that one of the great difficulties of a Bishop's life was that when he assumed the arduous duties of his office he would be apt to become removed from personal contact with those for whom he would have to work. Happily this experience he had not now to fear, for he was glad to be able to meet members of all the congregations in his diocese as he did here, and he hoped they would accept his personal ministrations, as he did not wish to be simply the executive head. As to the question of St. John's joining the Synod of Columbia, he had to say that he was extremely pleased at the voluntary expression of such a wish, recognizing as he did that St. Johns, as the first established church in the province, should add her strength to that of the synod and have an important voice in the conduct of its affairs. Whether or not it should be decided that the Synod of Columbia should join the Synod of Canada, he did not say, but he was confident, if such were the decision, representatives would be sent from this diocese well able and competent to discuss and deal with the various matters of importance that would be brought up. He wished to tender his earnest thanks to the rector and congregation of John's for their hearty reception and for the address, which he would value highly, along with the others he had received in the Province.

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THE WORLD'S FAIR.

Ample Accommodation for Visitors in Chicago at Very Reasonable Rates.

Railway Transportation Charges in the Way of the Success of the Show.

(Special correspondence of the COLONIST.)

CHICAGO, June 10.—A visit to the World's Fair is, to the minds of a great many Victorians, an undertaking requiring considerable experience as well as a similar measure of cash. While the latter is correct enough in a relative sense certainly the former is wide of the mark. With ordinary prudence and a map of the city no one need fear not being able to come and go in Chicago with perfect ease. Whatever may be the case later on, the long expected crowd of visitors, who were to fill the city "chock-a-block," has not yet materialized, and hotel accommodation is only too plentiful, and that at all prices. Visitors coming in from Montreal via the C. P. R. are landed at Dearborn street station, in the heart of the city, and to illustrate the facility with which Chicago handles travellers I might say that although absolute strangers, and without even the street address of the hotel to which we were going, still, in less than an hour from the time we reached the depot, we got off the street cars within one block of where we wished to go, although the distance from the station to our hotel is nine miles. Everybody seems glad to be able to help the stranger in finding his way about. Thus I had only to ask the agent of the baggage transfer company for the address of the hotel to which I wished to have him send the baggage, when he gave me the necessary information as to which lines of street cars to take in order to reach our destination. It cost $1.25 to tranship our trunk, etc., while car fares for two cost exactly ten cents for the entire distance. Moral—don't bring trunks. All that should be necessary is *hand-baggage*, and the street cars, of course, carry that free for passengers. This is the great lesson that the various transportation companies are trying to impress on intending visitors to the World's Fair. The accumulation of trunks, etc., is already quite large and a very short delay in claiming baggage is rewarded by finding that it has been sent to a warehouse for storage. Clothing of all kinds is cheap, and rather than trouble with baggage and laundries, it would be more convenient to purchase goods here.

As to hotels—there is, at present, a most plentiful lack of boarders at every one of the so-called World's Fair hotels, i. e., hotels whose *raison d'être* is the wonderful "White City," and, consequently, rooms are cheap. A neatly furnished bedroom on the first floor, overlooking a green field, and nice shady trees, yet within five minutes' ride of the grounds, can be had for $1.50 per day, and plenty of vacant rooms at that. To show how the hotel business has been overdone, take the following instance, that of a company which erected a very large wooden structure, of quite tasty appearance; and to make sure of being able to cope with the anticipated rush of guests, engaged fifteen cooks to attend to the culinary department of the caravansary. The longed-for rush never came, and the number of cooks has dwindled down to two or three, and not more than twelve or fifteen boarders in the whole establishment. It is, up to the present time at least, an unnecessary precaution to engage rooms in advance; and, besides, already more than one hotel keeper has "gone to the wall," carrying with him the various "deposits in advance," made by those who wished to be dead sure of rooms when they arrived! Almost every one of the thousand and one "guides" contains lists of hotels with their rates, etc., and you can come to Chicago in perfect safety and try for yourselves before making a final selection. Failing a "guide" there are agents of the various "Information Bureaus," who board all inward trains some distance outside of Chicago, and everything, even to the smallest detail, can be arranged with them. Not only are these agents veritable walking directories, but they are absolutely reliable, the transportation companies guaranteeing their integrity. Thus the responsibility of solving the problem, "what shall I do" on entering a strange city of such vast proportions as Chicago and at such a time as the present, is almost entirely removed from one's shoulders.

The question of cheap and good living need not trouble anyone—of course one must expect a somewhat higher price for meals on the fair grounds; nor are these expectations disappointed. Ten cents for a cup of tea or coffee and ten cents each for sandwiches; cold roast beef, thirty-five cents per plate, with two or three slices of bread and butter, are prices that make even a British Columbian wince. Still, just outside the fair grounds, for seventy-five cents one may enjoy a first-rate meal of four courses, and very nicely cooked, too.

Whether or not the World's Fair is to be a success seems at present to depend entirely on the transportation companies. The hotel men have, willingly or unwillingly, adopted a very reasonable scale of charges, and should the next few months see even ten times the number of visitors now in Chicago, it is doubtful if the hotels could succeed in exacting anything like the prices that they are reported to have asked a month or so ago. To all appearances the railroad companies could well afford to cut their rates at least thirty per cent., for, as a rule, trains running into Chicago present the spectacle of cars only taxed to half their capacity. At all events, every hotel man in the city, as well as everybody who has an interest in the wonderful "white city," devoutly prays that railroads will come to the rescue of that institution which at present is tending towards classification as a huge white elephant.

A. G. S.

PARIS, June 20.—The Comte D'Haussonville, leader of the Monarchist party, and general representative of the Comte de Paris, delivered a long speech at a Royalist banquet in this city to-day. He bitterly criticised the doings of the recent French cabinet, especially in connection with the Panama construction scandal. The chamber of deputies had attempted, he said, to rehabilitate political corruption. He appealed to all Conservative factions to unite in the general election in support of a programme of public honesty, social defence and religious liberty.

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