Weekly Colonist

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LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

Extension of C. P. R. Wharf.

Work on an extension 300 feet easterly of the C. P. R. wharf, Vancouver, is to be commenced immediately. A row of piles and crib-work from the present east end of the Abbott street wharf are also to be constructed at once.

Business Change.

Mr. John Teague, Jr., has purchased the business of R. Atwood & Co., druggists, Yates street, and will continue at the same stand. He has secured the services of a first-class druggist, and guarantees careful attention in all matters.

R. C. P. Mills.

The Royal City Mills, Westminster, have commenced cutting the cargo for the next vessel to arrive, the *John Bunn*. This vessel is now *en route* from San Francisco with a cargo of redwood, which will be discharged at Vancouver, after which she will be taken to Westminster to load for Southern California.

A First-Class Hotel.

Messrs. Osterhout & Kennedy, who recently purchased the Central Hotel at Nanaimo, are now permanently installed as proprietors. The premises have been thoroughly renovated, and the new firm are determined to earn the reputation of keeping a first-class house. A new French range has been put in, and as white cooks are employed the dining room, which will open August 1st, will be all that could be desired.

The Abyssinia.

The ss. Abyssinia, of the Canadian Pacific Steamship line, was arranged to leave Yokohama on the 26th of the month, and is expected to arrive at Vancouver on or about the 11th of August. She is one of the regular steamers of the line and will bring a large cargo with her. She will proceed to San Francisco after her arrival at Vancouver, and on her return will leave for the Orient on or about the 21st of August.

From San Francisco.

The passengers for this city on the steamer Umatilla, which sailed from San Francisco at 9 o'clock yesterday morning, are as follows: A. F. Dodd and wife, J. Roong, Miss Horton, S. Marks, Mrs. Gorham, Mrs. J. McLellan, Miss M. Hartney, R. Behrendt, G. H. Byrne, G. Smith, M. E. Reed, J. Hargrave, wife and son, G. Sibley, Miss Heath, G. Rodgers, S. Levy, Miss E. Allison, J. W. Storer, W. H. Williams.

Navigability of the Fraser.

Says the *Columbian*: Capt. Worrall and the pilot who took the Camano out of the river report 21 feet of water at the shallowest point, two hours before extreme low tide. That would be about three-quarter tide, which would give in the neighborhood of 24 feet at full tide. The official survey made lately reported 22 feet of water at high tide, but some of the engineers of the surveying party expressed the opinion at the time that 22 feet was considerably on the safe side, and that too much allowance had been made in various ways, tending to reduce the estimate of the actual depth.

Victoria the Beautiful.

Senator Ogilvie, interviewed by a *Gazette* reporter in Montreal on his return from this coast, among other things said: "I look upon Victoria as the most beautiful place for a private residence I have ever seen in my life, and I have travelled as much as most people over this earth of ours. I found the people more than kind. One gentleman drove us around for two days, and I saw a good deal of the island of Vancouver, and Government stores there are in splendid order and are splendidly managed. They have there some of the finest torpedo boats ready to be launched at a moment's notice and in perfect order. They could arm and accoutre half a dozen men-of-war from the stores on hand. The situations for houses and private residences on the island are unsurpassed."

Death of Mr. Herbert Harrison.

A telegram was received in this city yesterday announcing the death of Mr. Herbert Harrison, well known in Victoria as the agent for Croft & Angus. The deceased went over to Vancouver on Sunday morning last, in the enjoyment of his usual health, but next day was suddenly taken ill with inflammation of the bowels. Dr. Lefevre was called in and did everything possible to save the young man, but death resulted at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. His mother, Mrs. Henderson, and sister, Mrs. Sandover, of Saanich, were summoned to Vancouver on Tuesday, and were at his bedside during his last hours. The deceased bore an excellent reputation as a business man, and was highly esteemed by all who came in contact with him. He had many friends in this city who deeply grieve his untimely death, and his sorrowing mother and sister have the sympathy of all in their sad and sudden bereavement.

The C. P. R. Arbitration.

It is a matter of general remark in Vancouver that the trains made exceptionally good time up to the date of the arrival of the arbitration board. Since then the road along the Thompson river has become so unreliable as to require trains to run slowly, and, as a consequence, a couple of hours behind the former time. "What makes the train late to-day?" is a chestnut conundrum. A like reply is, "the arbitration board is in session." Counsel for either side are eminent in their profession, and before the evidence is all in the pros and cons of the case will no doubt be thoroughly elicited. If the section complained of is not so good a road as guaranteed by the government the damages will be limited to actual deficiency, for the enquiry being made is so thorough and practical that every foot of the road-bed will be dissected. To the spectator the proceedings are of a dry character, and the evidence, finally collated, will be very voluminous.

Petroleum in India.

The Allahabad *Pioneer Mail* says: "The secretary of state has confirmed and sanctioned the agreement made by the government of India with Mr. J. D. Noble, representing the syndicate of Canadian capitalists in the matter of the Rawal-pindi petroleum deposits. Under this agreement, exclusive right is granted to Mr. Noble for three years to bore for oil in the Punjab. If successful in finding it he will be granted the option of selecting five square blocks of land at different points containing 10,000 acres each. The surface of the area is not to be interfered with, save where wells have to be sunk. The government incur no expense, but receive five per cent. of all crude earth oil obtained, this serving as a sort of land revenue. The concession will be worked by a limited company already formed, bearing the name of the Punjab and Oriental Oil Co., with a capital of 2½ lakhs in 100 rupee shares. One of the principal features of the agreement is that the original holders of stock cannot assign or sell their shares to outsiders without the consent of the government. This will ensure the enterprise being kept in the hands of the practical men who have now started.

THE MENZIES CASE.

The Defendant Remanded for One Week on Bail.

Prof. W. R. Menzies, arrested on Thursday night, appeared in the police court before Judge Richards. Mr. Taylor appeared for the prosecution and Mr. Gannaway for the defense. There was considerable discussion as to whether the case should at once proceed, as the prosecuting counsel contended that he was not in possession of any of the facts. After some questioning his honor elicited the fact that the information had been sworn out by Chief Bloomfield, on information presented to him by various parties, but he had no personal knowledge of the circumstances.

Mr. Gannaway said that the individual who had inspired the whole matter by the publication of sensational disclosures in the *Times* should have been the one to have sworn out the warrant; but that person had not come forward, as a good citizen should have done in such a case. The article printed was of a highly sensational character, and his client had returned from a foreign country to prove his innocence of the allegations. That he contended, was greatly in his favor. If bail was demanded he thought it should be light, for he believed his client would appear on his own recognizance. After further discussion the information was amended so as to conform with the statute, and now virtually charges Prof. Menzies with kidnapping Loi Ho.

In answer to Mr. Gannaway, Chief Bloomfield said he had no knowledge of the case. The warrant was sworn out and had to be returned and Menzies was arrested immediately after his arrival from Vancouver. He had returned suddenly, but the fact that he was going to return here on either Friday or Saturday had been stated in one of the newspapers.

The prosecution asked for a remand of the case for one week, which was assented to. Bail was fixed at two sureties of $500 each, and personal recognizance of $1,000.

SENSATIONALISM RAMPANT.

The Return and Arrest of Prof. Menzies—The Cowardly Action of the "Times."

The return of Prof. W. R. Menzies to Victoria and his subsequent arrest on a charge of kidnapping, was the general topic of conversation on the streets yesterday. The opinion expressed was that he is either an innocent or a very foolish man, but that his return is to be commended, for it will enable a thorough investigation into the many serious charges that have been preferred against him through the sensational evening sheet. The Prof. is confident he can prove his innocence of all criminal practice or intent in his actions during his residence in this city. The fact that he has returned goes far to prove the correctness of his contention. The *Times*, in a highly sensational manner, makes a number of statements regarding the defendant which every lover of justice can only characterize as brutal, and cowardly. If Menzies is guilty of any of the crimes with which he is charged, the courts are open for a fair investigation and impartial decision. The extreme animus exhibited in the aforesaid comments cannot purely emanate from a reasonable being, and must be deprecated by the respectable portion of the community. In an endeavor to make out a good case for himself, the writer in the *Times* accuses the police of dishonesty, and hints at the existence of a combination to defeat the ends of justice. Menzies was tried and condemned at the time of the first sensational disclosures without a hearing, and last evening, while stating that it was not the intention to prejudice the case against him, he is virtually condemned from the *Times* writer's standpoint, as an abandoned criminal. No fair-minded man will coincide with such treatment of a prisoner who is awaiting trial on a serious charge. Such conduct can only be characterized as cowardly and brutal.

THE COLONIST in no instance has stated that Prof. Menzies was innocent of wrongdoing—that yet remains to be proved. But in common justice the man should have his side of the case presented, and have a fair hearing before being characterized as a scoundrel.

That this paper, the police and "a ring" in this city have conspired to injure our sensational Yates street contemporary or the various persons it mentions, is so absurd as to scarcely require contradiction. No effort, so far as THE COLONIST is aware, has been made to secure his return, and the mere fact that Menzies was unable to obtain bail so that he might secure evidence in his favor, is sufficient proof that the prisoner has not the strong backing that the *Times* would like the public to believe. This is the case in a nut-shell. Menzies returned of his own free will to Victoria to establish his innocence of wrong doing. He has been arrested on a charge of kidnapping, first made public by the sensational evening sheet, and will no doubt be given every opportunity of proving whether or not he is guilty on that count or any other that may subsequently be preferred against him.

A number of citizens have been summoned to appear as witnesses for the prosecution, among them Mr. Gardner and Messrs. Templeman and Munn of the *Times*.

A HEARTLESS HUSBAND.

He Deserts His Wife and Family in New York State and is Now Consorting with Another Woman in this City.

Nearly every day telegraphic despatches contain accounts of the desertion of a family by either a husband or a wife, but fortunately such things rarely occur in this city or are we often brought into contact with people of that character, and it was a matter of surprise to a representative of THE COLONIST when he, yesterday morning, learnt that there is at present living in Victoria a man who, if the tale of his wife be true, should be horse-whipped.

About four years ago this man (whose name is withheld, hoping that he may see the error of his ways) arrived in the province from a certain town in the state of New York. He engaged in the barbering trade in several cities until he reached Victoria, where he obtained a position in one of the leading tonsorial establishments. At the place he worked previously he said he had a wife and four children. On being asked if he contributed anything for their support he said no, but that he would like to, and the proprietor of the shop advanced him one hundred dollars on the promise that he would send that with what he already had to bring his family out. Instead of forwarding the money he gambled it away, and after working for a time in the shop to refund the advance, he, as before stated, came to this city and met a woman, with whom it is said he is now living, in spite of the remonstrances of her relations who know who and what he is. The deserted wife has written many letters to a gentleman who once employed the fellow, begging him to look after him and endeavor to keep him straight as she still loves him and would be glad to have him come home and care for her children, for whom she has great difficulty in providing means of support. The man, although he has been pleaded with, turns a deaf ear and the wife will not obtain a divorce because she thinks he will yet come back. Her letters show her to be a good woman, one who evidently has the fear of God in her heart and is altogether too good for the man who is carrying on at a rate that will before long lead to his utter ruin. The other day the gentleman referred to above, received another letter from the wife who enclosed a letter from her daughter, not more than ten years old. He called on the fellow and proferred him the letter, but he refused to take it saying that the gentleman could burn it as he did not want to read it. After some remonstrance he took it, but whether he read it or not is not known. If he did it is hoped it made him consider what course he is taking, for the pleadings contained therein were calculated to soften a heart as hard as a stone. The woman, who is a member of the Roman Catholic church in the town where she lives is highly respected, and the sisters of the convent there have endeavored to bring her erring husband back, but so far without avail. Of course the woman has no remedy yet, but should her husband marry the person with whom he is now living, her friends will then be able to punish him for his heartless behavior.

FOR THE FISHING BANKS.

The Schooner "Theresa" to Leave for the Black Cod Banks.

THE COLONIST has frequently advocated the dispatching of schooners to the halibut and black cod fishing banks on the west coast of Vancouver and Queen Charlotte Islands. Mr. Henry Saunders, well-known for his energy and enterprise, in company with a couple of others, has taken the initiative in the matter, and has fitted out the schooner Theresa for a black cod fishing cruise off Queen Charlotte Islands, and to night the tidy little vessel will sail out of the harbor with Captain Olsen in command.

That success will attend the venture is almost assured beyond doubt, for the city black cod are known to exist in large numbers, and the return of the schooner will likely prove a sufficient inducement for others to fit out for the same purpose.

Black cod is little known on the coast, but those who have tasted it pronounce it far more palatable than the true cod, and there is every reason to believe that it will acquire a large sale. Black cod, salted, smoked and canned will become a common article of food in the near future, and Mr. Saunders will have the satisfaction of knowing that he was the first to practically and generally introduce it to the fish-eaters of the American continent.

LOCAL BRIEFS.

Salmon were running slightly better on Fraser river yesterday.

The steward of the Royal Hospital acknowledges the receipt from Mrs. Plummer of linen and papers.

The remains of the late Anna Whitehead were laid to rest in Ross Bay cemetery yesterday afternoon.

The steamer R. P. Rithet landed seven head of cattle at Cadboro Bay for Van Volkenburg Bros., and a car load of flour at the outer wharf for Welch, Rithet & Co. yesterday afternoon.

The examiners have not yet completed the certificates in connection with the recent examination. Their labors will be completed in a day or two, when the returns will be published.

Mr. J. Sehl, Jr., will leave for Nanaimo this morning to open a branch establishment there for his father, the enterprising furniture manufacturer of this city.

The boiler in an ice cream factory at Olympia exploded on Thursday morning and Mr. Henry Kirkindall was severely scalded, and Messrs. Wood, Doane and David Williams slightly scorched.

On the down trip of the steamer Idaho from Alaska the tourists enjoyed a fine deer hunt. Three noble bucks were sighted swimming in the stream, when the captain ordered a boat to be lowered and the deer chased. The three bucks were captured alive.

Sergt. Sheppard yesterday received the handsome medal won by his boy at the Caledonian Society picnic. On one side is engraved the society's badge. On the other the inscription: "Won by Chas. J. Sheppard, best dressed boy in Highland costume, Gathering, Victoria, B.C., 1888."

PERSONAL.

J. W. McFarland, Vancouver, is in the city.

Thos. Ellis, Pentiction, arrived from Vancouver last night.

G. Ford, Pacific manager Dominion Express Co., is at the Driard.

R. W. Cawston arrived from Oscoyos yesterday afternoon on the Rithet.

Mrs. Geiger and son returned from a visit to the mainland last night.

I. W. Powell, Indian Commissioner, returned from Vancouver last night.

M. M. English arrived on the R. P. Rithet from the river yesterday, and is at the Driard.

C. H. Kent was a passenger from Westminster on the Rithet yesterday afternoon.

J. M. Bowell, collector of customs, Vancouver, arrived down last night and is at the Clarence.

Miss Bertha Piper, formerly of this city, was married in Seattle on Thursday evening to Mr. Bert Venen.

Cameron Stanton, of Ottawa, who has been visiting the Lieut.-Governor and Mrs. Nelson at Government House, left for home this morning.

T. J. Grant, of the Seattle *Post-Intelligencer*, is at Hotel Vancouver, accompanied by his wife. Mr. Grant is in poor health and will probably make a trip to Banff springs.

Henry L. Sprague, New York, Mr. and Mrs. Leckler, Brooklyn, and Mrs. W. D. Ellis, Brooklyn, arrived from the east last night and are registered at the Driard.

Ex-Mayor Beaugrand, of Montreal, has published three lectures entitled "De Montreal a Victoria," "Le Journal: Son origine, et son histoire," and "Anita: Souvenirs d'un contre-guerillas."

The Marquis of Lorne is about to appear as a poet. He has written a number of books, but has never published any of his poems. His publishers have just published a love idyl by him which is handsomely illustrated.

Concerning Samuel J. Randall, the great Democrat, the undiluted American, now lying on the bed of sickness, a friend in Wayne county, Penn., writes: "I feel that to this one man the wage-earners of the United States are more deeply indebted than to any score of others put together." True words! Let us hope that Randall may soon be restored to health and the service of his fellow-countrymen!

MARINE.

Steamer Mexico will leave the outer wharf to-day at 1 o'clock p. m. for San Francisco.

Steamer Umatilla left, San Francisco for Victoria and the Sound at 9 o'clock yesterday morning.

Ship William J. Rotch, now discharging tea at Tacoma, is chartered to load lumber at Moodyville for Melbourne.

FOREIGN PORTS.

MELBOURNE—Arrived July 31—Br. bark Knight of St. Michael, Moodyville.

YOKOHAMA—Arrived prior to July 21—Br. steamer Batavia, hence June 25 *via* Vancouver.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 27.—Cleared—Steamer Wellington, Nanaimo.

Joseph Racette, laborer, of Longeuil, drank two bottles of whisky Saturday night and was found dead in bed in the morning.

From THE DAILY COLONIST, July 23.

LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

Arrival of the Titania.

The H. B. Co.'s clipper ship Titania arrived in Esquimalt yesterday, again making a quick passage, reaching port in 121 days from London. She has a general cargo and naval stores.

Pelagers.

Victoria, which is situated just across the straits from us, is a famous health and pleasure resort, and yet it has in summer, too foggy, says to our one, *Model Commonwealth*. Our contemporary doesn't know Victoria. Fog is an unknown quantity. Sunshine reigns supreme here. Come and see.

East Coast Route.

Commencing on Tuesday, 31st inst., the steamer Amelia will leave for Comox direct on Tuesday mornings at 7 o'clock, instead of Fridays as heretofore, returning from Comox to Nanaimo on Wednesday afternoon and to Victoria on Thursdays. She will also leave for Nanaimo and all way ports on Fridays, returning on Saturdays.

The Northern Excursion.

The C. P. N. Co. have issued a circular regarding the trip to the north on the Princess Louise. There is now little doubt but that the steamer will have a full passenger list, and there is no fear whatever but that they will be well repaid for their outlay. The excursion is the most attractive that could have been suggested.

Thanks.

Canadian Manufacturer: THE COLONIST, Victoria, B. C., is the oldest and best equipped newspaper in that province. It embraces complete printing, engraving and lithographing establishments, lithograph cards, labels, etc., being printed in several colors. A contract for 8,000,000 lithograph labels, in colors, for a salmon cannery, was recently executed in THE COLONIST office.

Pleasant Pastime.

The following conversation was overheard on Government street yesterday afternoon: "But what do you do for amusement at your boarding-house? Nobody but women there, they tell me." "So much the better. We have lots of sport, you know." "Sport! What kind of sport?" "Why, dears talking, of course."

For San Francisco.

The following Victoria passengers are on the steamer Mexico, which left for San Francisco yesterday afternoon: L. H. Feiling, M. Franklin, Miss Anna Henderson, Dr. E. P. Henderson and child, J. Young, F. G. Moody, W. M. Nichols, Miss Genevieve Wright, Miss L. Adams, Mrs. Haynes, Mrs. H. Russell, W. P. Sayward, C. Gabriel.

Hereditary Deformity.

Six Chinamen arrested for being illegally in the country, were sent back from Seattle to Vancouver yesterday, on board the Premier. One of the Chinamen has two almost perfect thumbs on one hand, and he is a brother of two others who are equally liberally supplied with thumbs. The brothers say that double thumbs on the left hand is hereditary in their family. For several centuries nearly all of the descendents, and all of the sons of the family have been blessed with a superfluity of thumbs on the left hand. They attribute it to some charm or hoodoo, the nature of which they cannot make intelligible, as they speak very poor English.

Repairing Esquimalt Road.

The portable engine, steam drills, and rock crusher are to be taken to a point on the Craigflower road at the junction of Catherine and Edward streets, Victoria West, where there is a large quantity of rock obstruction. It is the intention of the government to blast rock here for the improvement of Esquimalt road, which, from Point Ellice bridge to beyond the railway track, is in a very bad condition, and greatly needs attention. The work will accomplish two things. It will remove the rock obstruction from the street in a thickly settled district and will provide macadam for the Esquimalt road. Yesterday the engine was in position, and pipes were being laid to the Esquimalt waterworks main for steaming purposes.

Proposed Railway and Ferry.

Our Ottawa correspondent telegraphed some time ago the gist of the following taken from one of our Ottawa exchanges: Notice is given that application will be made at the next session of Parliament for an Act to incorporate a company for the purpose of constructing, equipping, maintaining and operating a line of railway from the City of Victoria, B. C., to some point at or near Shoal Harbor, North Saanich, Vancouver Island, and of running a ferry from the said point near Shoal Harbor aforesaid to some point on the mainland of British Columbia, at or near Fort Garry, as well as to some other point on the South side of Fraser River, at or near Canoe Pass on the said mainland, and also of constructing, maintaining and operating one or more lines of railway from either or both of the aforesaid points on the said mainland to New Westminster City and to the International boundary line so as to connect with the Canadian Pacific Railway, and the railway system of the United States respectively.

The Schooner Venture.

Mr. John C. Nixon of Seattle has employed a captain and three men to go north and bring his schooner Venture to Seattle. Two of the men are Gloucester fishermen, and on the way down they will fish for halibut. There are several tons of salt on board the schooner, which will be used in curing the fitches. The crew will leave Victoria in a few days for the far north, on board the Beerwitz. The schooner Venture went north on a humane sealing expedition. That is, instead of shooting the seals and losing half of them, she carried a large fishing seine, which was cast and drawn around the seals, catching all that came within its limits. One morning, while hauling the seine, two of the crew were drowned, and the captain and remaining man left the schooner in charge of an Indian agent and started for the nearest trading post for two sailors. They travelled in an open boat, and from the time they disappeared from view they have never been heard from, and the chances are they are both drowned.

Narrow Escape from Death.

Yesterday morning a Chinaman, working on the building on the south-east corner of Douglas and Fort streets, had a narrow escape form death. A second story is being added to the building, and in preparation therefor the bricks in the coping of the first story were being removed. As the bricks were loosened they were handed to the Chinaman standing on top of the verandah, who piled them in a heap on the frail structure. About a couple of tons of the bricks had thus accumulated when the weight became so great that the verandah collapsed, and, with a mighty crash, Chinaman, brick, mortar and dust came down together. Those who witnessed the accident thought the unfortunate Chinaman was certainly killed; but no. As soon as the cloud of dust occasioned by the wreck had subsided, John was seen to struggle to his feet amidst the *debris*. He had received an ugly cut of about two inches in length in the forehead which was bleeding profusely, but he was otherwise uninjured. He coolly wiped the blood off his face, gazed first at the building and then at the ruins of the verandah, and walked off. Dr. Milne dressed the wound, and fifteen minutes after the accident John was apparently as well as ever.

Death.

The wife of Mr. Geo. Stevens died at his farm in Cedar district on Friday. Mr. Stevens, who was working on the waterworks in this city, on learning of his wife's serious illness after the train had left, rode all the way up on horseback.

The Matsland Scatoraby.

It is rumored that Mr. James Reid, M. P., for Cariboo, will accept the Senatorship, and that Dr. Watt will be in the field in the Government interest. The name of Mr. R. McLeese, M. P. P., is also mentioned in this connection.

Wedding.

A marriage will take place at St. Andrew's pro-Cathedral this morning, the contracting parties being Miss Florence Preston, of San Francisco, and Mr. J. Stanley, of Portland. The bride has been on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Dwyer in this city for the past month and the groom arrived from Portland last week.

Funeral of Herbert A. Harrison.

The funeral of the late Mr. Herbert A. Harrison took place from the Masonic Temple yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock, a large number of the brethren and private citizens being in attendance. The *cortege* proceeded from the temple to Christ church cathedral, where the services were conducted by Rev. Mr. Beanlands. The procession then wound its way to the cemetery, where the last sad rites were performed and the remains were consigned to the earth. Grand Master Milne, assisted by Worshipful Master Northcote, performed the masonic ceremony. The following gentlemen were the pall-bearers: A. G. McConnell, W. R. Brown, W. H. Pennock, J. E. Church, J. Piercy and J. Dear.

Pile Covering.

It is understood that Messrs. R. Dunsmuir & Sons have recently given an order for several thousand yards of pile covering to Gulline & Cameron, agents at Seattle for the celebrated "Teredo and Limnoria Proof Pile Covering." This is the fourth large order which the agents have received for their pile covering, and is another proof of the undoubted excellence of the goods. The Seattle Lake Shore and Eastern Railway as well as the Seattle Coal & Iron Company have used the covering very extensively, and are thoroughly satisfied with its protective qualities.

No. 3 Battery Rifle Match.

The annual match of the 3rd class of No. 3 Battery took place at Clover Point range yesterday afternoon. The ranges were 200, 400 and 500 yards, 7 shots at each range. Owing to a very heavy wind from the sea and rain the scoring was not up to the usual average. The following is a list of the successful competitors:

		Points	Value.
Gr.	Beckwith	78	$ 8 00
2 Gr.	Langley	69	12 50
3. Gr.	H. Flemming	67	10 00
4. Sgt.	Newbury	64	7 50
5. Sgt.	Atkins	63	6 00
6 Gr.	Maclure	62	5 00
Gr.	E. Flemming	59	4 00
8 Cor.	Wisnby	55	3 00
9 Sgt.	Williams	52	2 50
10 Gr.	Boggs	48	2 50

The Beaver on the Rocks.

The steamer Beaver, Capt. Marchant, sailed on Thursday night from Vancouver for Thurlow Island. The wind was blowing pretty fresh and with the strong tide running carried the famous old craft on to the rocks just at the entrance of the narrows. The steamer Muriel went to her assistance but failed to pull her off. The Beaver is half full of water, and it is not yet known to what extent she is damaged. Her hull is of the best English oak, and although 53 years old is apparently as sound as on the day it was put in. It is hoped that she will be pulled off without much damage. Capt. George Marchant has gallantly stuck to his vessel and will do everything possible to save her.

The Dread Little Shark.

Columbian: A well-known C. P. R. magnate, at whose name governments tremble and railway corporations quake with fear, while in conversation with a prominent British Columbian a week or two ago anent the building of the Southern railway, concluded his remarks with the following characteristic sentence: "If Westminster don't look out I'll kill the little burgh." To outsiders, looking at Westminster through C. P. R. spectacles, we do seem venturesome when we oppose the greatest railway corporation on earth. But the people of the royal burgh are not to be bull-dozed, and they are made of a material too manly to lick the shoes of the C.P.R. or any other corporation.

ANOTHER ROBBERY.

Four Rooms at the Driard Entered—The Thieves Get Safely Off With Their Plunder.

Between 4 and 6 o'clock yesterday morning thieves visited the Driard, and unobserved by the watchman, succeeded in making quite a valuable haul. The rooms of Messrs. Wilson, Lelaihe, Smythe and Roberts were entered, and without disturbing the sleepers, the robbers got away with three fine gold watches and from $60 to $70 in money. The search for plunder must evidently have been a hurried one, as money and valuables to a considerable amount were in the rooms. Having secured their booty, the thieves decamped, and nothing was known of the robberies until the gentlemen whose rooms had been entered awoke and found their doors open, when a search revealed that they had been robbed. All the doors had been locked at night and the keys left in the locks, and the thieves must have used nippers to turn the keys from the outside and secure entrance. The police were notified, but up to last night the guilty parties had not been arrested and have possibly got across the Sound with their booty.

CRICKET.

Eleven of Law and Banks yesterday defeated a team of twelve from the rest of the city by 11 runs with 10 wickets to fall. Of ten bowlers who were tried on one side or the other only two were successful, viz: Clinton, who took 7 wickets for 25 runs, and Sinclair, who got 3 for 35. The same two players also proved invincible at the bat, while Coulthard and Snowden made a highly creditable stand for the losing side. Cold weather and bad light were doubtless the cause of numerous dropped catches to the disadvantage of either side in turn.

CITY.

P. D. Goepel, b. Sinclair	0
Dr. Fitzgerald, b. Sinclair	9
H. Martin, c. Anderson b. Clinton	0
J. E. Martin, b. Clinton	2
F. J. Coulthard, b. Clinton	22
N. F. Snowden, run out	16
E. M. Bovill, l.b. wkt. b. Sinclair	10
W. Greaves, c. Pooley b. Clinton	5
H. Jones, b. Clinton	1
C. Worsfold, b. Clinton	1
A. F. Owen, b. Clinton	0
W. R. Wilson, not out	0
Extras	8
Total	103

LAWS AND BANKS.

J. W. Sinclair, not out	24
H. Fiennes-Clinton, not out	55
Extras	2
Total	115

Messrs. Rawson, Campbell, Wyld, Irving, Pooley, Anderson, Ridley, Dempster and Fawcett did not bat.

THE SEISED SEALER.

Capt. Tom Wright's Account of His Trip Down with the Schooners.

Capt. Tom Wright, of Seattle, who assisted Capt. Gilmore, of the tug Mastick in bringing the condemned sealing schooners Grace, Dolphin, Ada and Anna Deck from Sitka to Seattle, gives the following characteristic account of the trip:

Let me tell you I feel proud of the manner in which we towed those vessels down from Sitka in five and a half days. Of course we were fortunate in having very fine weather, but it is quite a job under any circumstances. We left Seattle July 12th with a ship in tow for Nanaimo, where we stopped 24 hours to take in coal and another stop of 24 hours was made at Sitka, thus practically making the round trip in eleven days, or the fastest time ever made and that with four schooners in tow half the voyage. The Idaho left Townsend a day ahead of us and we beat her over a day to Sitka. Out of the 140 tons of coal taken on at Nanaimo we bring back 75, although we didn't expect to have a shovelful.

It was fun coming through Seymour Narrows, 60 miles from Nanaimo. The current there runs like a mill race at the rate of 12 miles an hour, and we sped along at at least 15. The four vessels in tow got to running every which way, no two of them heading in the same direction. It took prompt and active work in several emergencies to keep them from beaching. It was very exciting, but we got them through all right. Altogether it was a memorable trip, and Captain Gilmore is much pleased with its successful ending.

$10,000 DAMAGES.

A Prominent Merchant Sued in the Above Sum for Slander.

Some time ago a letter was received from San Francisco, containing information concerning Mr. Campbell, who was reminded to the full assizes from the spring on a charge of conspiracy to defraud in selling a coal mine on Tumbo Island. This letter contained nothing detrimental to Mr. Campbell, but was shown to a friend of the latter's, accompanied by some strong expressions against his character, and accusing him of worse than he had done. This came to the knowledge of Mr. Campbell and he immediately entered suit against the alleged slanderer, claiming that the sum of $10,000 would likely place him right before the public. The case will soon occupy the attention of the courts. The defendant is a prominent Government street merchant.

LOCAL BRIEFS.

The legless beggar woman and her robust sister are enlisting alms at Nanaimo.

The schooner Theresa left for the black cod banks last night. Indians will be employed for fishing purposes.

The steamer Lorne cleared for Olympian last evening, including three carloads from Eastern Canada.

A week from to-morrow the Victoria Cricket Club and the Vancouver eleven will play a match game at Beacon Hill.

O'Reilly, the "C" Battery man committed for trial on the charge of entering St. Ann's Convent, will be tried under the Speedy Trials Act.

The steamer Mexico carried no mails for San Francisco yesterday. The present system is creating much dissatisfaction, and the sooner it is changed the better for all concerned.

The Chinaman who it is alleged assaulted Miss Hinkle at the Western Hotel, was again remanded for eight days, bail being fixed at $500 for his appearance.

James McGloughland, a miner employed at the Southfield mine, jumped from a train while it was in motion, near Chase River, and was severely injured about the legs.

C. H. Randall, an elderly resident of Seattle, has disappeared, and it is thought he has committed suicide. He was agent in this city for the San Francisco *Call*, and was looked upon as not being quite of sound mind.

A week ago last night the Pacific express cash box, containing $10,000, disappeared from the steamer R. B. Thompson at Portland. On Thursday night Benjamin King, the night driver, and Frank Anderson, the night porter, were arrested and confessed to being the guilty parties. They buried the stolen money in a vacant lot.

PERSONAL.

Henry Saunders left for Vancouver this morning. He is the owner of the stranded steamer Beaver.

J. M. Bowell, Collector of Customs, Vancouver, Mrs. Bowell and child, left for home this morning.

William II., the new Emperor of Germany, spent two years in learning to set up and one year in a press room.

W. Christie, on the C. P. R. telegraph service, and Mrs. Christie returned on the Olympian last evening from a visit to the Sound.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Scott and daughter and Mr. Williams, wife and child, of Wellington, are registered at the Oriental.

Dr. Sampson arrived last night from Donald, and during Dr. Milne's absence in the East will attend to his practice here.

Wm. W. Weeks, formerly a real estate agent at Burrard Inlet, but now a successful trader in the Salmon River district, W. T., is at the Driard.

Wm. Gordon, W. H. De Wolf, W. A. Russell, R. Corbett and Dr. Shannon were passengers by the Yosemite from the Inlet last evening.

Thos. Rees, of the *Rimon State Register*, of Springfield, was a passenger from the Sound yesterday on a flying visit. Mr. Rees returns by Monday's boat.

We regret to learn that Harry Heywood, the popular editor of the *Star*, is so seriously indisposed as to prevent his being able to attend to his journalistic duties.

John Wenger has removed his premises to No. 90 Government street, in the Hesthorn building. Mr. Wenger has for many years been a successful watchmaker and jeweller in this city, and having taken larger premises, it is his intention to put in a choice stock. As a repairer of the delicate watch machinery Mr. Wenger has few equals.

Henry F. Moore, the well-known editor of *Bell's Weekly Messenger* and the agricultural correspondent of the London *Times*, will pay a visit to Canada this year for the purpose of reporting upon the country. Mr. Moore will leave by the Allan line steamer Parisian on August 16th, and will come straight through to the Northwest, spending some eight weeks in Canada, and devoting particular attention to the growth of dairying and mixed farming. Dr. Fream and Professor J. P. Sheldon will leave by the same steamer.

Henry Norman, of the *Pall Mall Gazette*, called at the residence of Viscount Mori, State Minister for Education, Japan, on the 27th instant, and enquired about the condition of education and its organization in that country. On the occasion the Viscount is said to have kindly explained to Mr. Norman all questions about education, commencing from the Imperial proclamations regarding the organization of several schools, and showing in order the general accounts of every school in the country, so that Mr. Norman expressed his great satisfaction at the interview with the Viscount. Mr. Norman continued his inspection through several schools in Tokio the day following.

TEACHERS' CERTIFICATES.

The Successful Candidates and Marks Obtained.

A Long List of Renewals and New Certificates—A Large Percentage of the Candidates Pass.

The examiners have completed their labors in connection with the recent examinations of candidates for teachers' certificates, and below will be found the official list of successful candidates, renewals granted and the number of marks obtained in each case. There were a little over one hundred applicants for certificates and out of these it will be seen a large percentage have succeeded in obtaining the number of marks necessary to qualify them as instructors of the young idea in the Province.

FIRST CLASS—GRADE A.

Stainburn, George, B. A., Cantab 1880. Renewal 1888.
Johnson, J. D., 1882. Renewal 1888.
Strachan, Hector M., B.A., Dalhousie University, Halifax, 1884. Renewal 1888.
Paul, Edward B., M. A., University of Aberdeen, Scotland, 1886. Renewal 1888.
Hunter, Walter, B. A., McGill University, Montreal, 1882. Renewal 1888.
Rositter, Henry J., B. A., University of Toronto, 1886. Renewal 1888.
Landells, Robert, B.A., Dalhousie University, Halifax, 1887. Renewal 1888.
Gordon, Robert George, B.A., Dalhousie University, Halifax, 1887. Renewal 1888.
Muir, John N., B.A., McGill University, Montreal, 1888.
Wilson, David, B. A., University of New Brunswick, 1888.
Anderson, John, B. A., University of New Zealand. Renewal 1888.
McKinnon, Michael, M. A., University of Halifax, 1888.
McLeod, John P., B.A., Dalhousie University, Halifax, 1888.
Smith, Henry, B. L., B. A., Mount Allison University, New Brunswick, 1888.

Max'ket.	Marks Obtained.	
Postmeyer, Heinrich	4550	2980

FIRST CLASS—GRADE B.

		Renewal.
Kaye, James	1880	1888
Halliday, James A.		
Thomas, E.		
Lewis, S. G.		
Murray, Peter	1882	
Dods, Archibald	1883	
Cameron, Miss A. D.		
Grant, Miss Margaret		
Forrest, Miss C. W.	1883-1884	
Sluggett, George H.		
Hall, Miss Ellen		
Phelps, William H.		
Good, E. C.	1885	
Fraser, Roderick I.		
McKenzie, John C.		
Gardner, Miss Abbie E.		
Gilchrist, Alexander		
Mitchell, Henry A.		
Kenny, William T.		
Bryant, Miss Maria		
Meadows, William C.	1885	
Kerr, Daniel E.		
Purdey, Raffles A. R.		
Rennerson, Alex. M.		
Armstrong, Miss F. E.		
Easton, Robert J.		
Offerhaus, Mrs. Mary A.		
McDonald, Donald J.		
Rockwell, George M.	1887	
Irwin, Joseph		
Sylvester, Miss E. E.		
Fong, Miss Ti Lan		
Leduc, Thomas		
Rogers, Miss Ellen		
Nicholson, Thomas		
Shaw, John		
Watson, Frederick		
McRae, George Wallace		
Campbell, Eli J