PASSENGERS LANDED.

Capt. Rudlin Outwits the Vancouverites and Puts All Hands Ashore at "Omaha."

A Decided Decrease Already Evident in the Number of New Cases Reported.

Capt. Rudlin, of the Yosemite, in spite of all opposition, quietly landed all his passengers on the Mainland yesterday. If you ask the Captain where he got them ashore, he will tell you at "Omaha," and there is a keen suspicion abroad that Omaha is not more than a cool thousand miles from the Terminal City itself.

Already the stringent regulations adopted for the prevention of the spread of smallpox is having its effect, there being a decided and noticeable decrease in the number of new cases reported, as will be seen from the official report of Provincial Health Officer Dr. J. C. Davie.

Some more of the city cases were moved out to the Jubilee quarantine hospital yesterday, and the balance will be taken out to-day. They are all receiving the best possible attention. Further details of what has been done will be found below.

WHAT CAPT. RUDLIN SAYS.

When the steamer Yosemite arrived here last evening from Vancouver, she was after some delay, boarded by City Health Officer Dr. Milne, who received from Capt. Rudlin the clean bill of health required under the Provincial law. The passengers then came ashore and soon all the freight, mails, etc., were removed. Shortly afterward Capt. Rudlin told a COLONIST reporter of his experiences at the Terminal City. He said:

"When we got into Burrard Inlet, Wednesday morning, the little steamer, Senator, came out to meet us, and blowing the signal, three whistles, to speak us, we pulled up and allowed her to come along side. Health Inspector Huntley then handed a letter on board. The communication stated that the Vancouver authorities would allow me to land the freight and mail after they had been properly fumigated, but that no passengers would, under any circumstances, be allowed to go ashore. It did not say who was to do the work of fumigation. Mr. Huntley asked me if I would agree to this, and I said "no." He then went on board the Senator, and blew three whistles, which I was afterwards informed, when I went on shore, was a signal for the fire hose to be brought down and got ready for action. After the Senator went away I made the Yosemite fast to the buoy and went ashore in my boat, accompanied by the purser. There must have been fully 300 to 400 people on the dock at the time. When I landed on the dock I asked if my men would be allowed to go on shore to land freight, etc., and my officers to transact their business as usual. Huntley went up town and saw the city authorities, who agreed to this, and the dock was then cleared and the Yosemite came alongside at her regular place. All our freight, etc., was landed, our men not being molested. The mail bags were put on the dock and we fumigated them with what material I had on board, but the city authorities did not attempt to disinfect the sacks, etc. About 2 o'clock I received a telegram from our people in Victoria telling me that a mandatory injunction had been issued, but it was three or four o'clock in the afternoon before the city authorities received any word of it. All this time we were tied up to the dock. When the Vancouver authorities heard of the injunction, they had a consultation with Hon. A. N. Richards, and at 6 o'clock a special meeting of their City Council was held, when a resolution was passed appointing Dr. Herald Medical Health Officer. He came down to the boat and told me that the passengers would be allowed to land subject to 14 days quarantine, which, it is unnecessary to say, none of them agreed to. When the Medical Health Officer came on board, he did not examine any of the passengers, but only asked me where I took them on board. I told him at Victoria, and he asked me if they were all from there. I replied that I did not know, but I guessed a good many of them were residents, while there were some through passengers. I told him I had a clean bill of health, and he answered that wasn't required. He again said that any passengers who went ashore would have to remain in quarantine for 14 days, as they were from Victoria, which was an infected port. I might also say, too, that when I went ashore first in my small boat I handed Inspector Huntley my clean bill of health. He read it, and handed it back to me. Well, after it became dark all the passengers went to bed, and sometime between then and next morning they landed. When the Yosemite came back to the dock, the chief of police was there. He asked me where I had landed them and I told him I took them to Omaha. When the afternoon train came in we got our passengers, freight and mails and came back here."

Such is the captain's story. Some additional particulars are given by a passenger who was on board and saw the whole performance. This gentleman says it was a most ridiculous thing to see the fire department come down to keep the passengers off the dock, and the bitterest animosity was displayed by the Vancouver people against Victoria. During the morning it was reported at Vancouver that the C.P.R. train for the East was not going to stop at "Omaha" to take on the passengers, but Mr. Thos. Earle, M.P., who came through from Ottawa, was talking to Mr. Croasdale, at Mission, so that it is evident they all got away. This gentleman further says that no persuasion was necessary in order to get the passengers away from Vancouver. "They 'fled' like a child from a rattlesnake, for fear they would get smallpox."

THE OFFICIAL REPORT.

Following is the report of the Provincial Health officer, Dr. J. C. Davie, viz:

PROVINCIAL HEALTH OFFICE,
Midnight, July 14, 1892.

NANAIMO—No cases of smallpox in city or district.

NEW WESTMINSTER—Two cases in the city and two in the district.

VANCOUVER—Five cases in the city.

VICTORIA—Fifty-six cases, as follows: Albert Head quarantine station, 14; Jubilee quarantine station, 26; in city proper, 16.

During the past 24 hours there have been two deaths—both in city cases. No deaths have occurred at either of the quarantine stations.

Hon. Forbes G. Vernon was removed to-day to the Jubilee Quarantine Hospital and is doing very well.

Dr. Richardson, of the Jubilee Hospital, has taken charge at the Jubilee Quarantine station and does not leave the grounds

(Signed) J. C. DAVIE, M.D.,
Provincial Health Officer.

VANCOUVERITES CRITICISED.

The Nanaimo Free Press, in referring to the return of the City of Nanaimo with her Orangemen excursionists, on the 12th, says: "Captain Rogers presented the Health Officers with the usual health certificate of the Vancouver Customs Department, which certified to their being no dangerous, contagious or infectious diseases in the city limits. The issuing of such a certificate proves either gross carelessness on the part of the official issuing it, or an ignorance of the true state of affairs in the city which is little short of criminal. It is a well known fact that there are cases of smallpox in Vancouver; the papers of the city state so in their columns, and also report that a house on Dupont street is quarantined because one of the inmates is down with the disease. Captain Rogers also presented the Vancouver Health Officer's report, in which the official states that he 'thinks' all on board are clear from infection."

WESTMINSTER ALSO QUARANTINED.

A dispatch received from the City Clerk of New Westminster, last night, contains the news that a quarantine has been declared against the port of Victoria, and all passengers, freight, etc., will be detained until further notice. Exactly what the notice means no one knows, but it is supposed in some quarters that the Royal City Council has been pleased to adopt the same course as the Council of Vancouver. In that case, it will only be a question of a day or two until the "quarantine" is declared off, for the rules and regulations of neither the Dominion nor the Provincial Government will permit any Canadian port to be closed against any other port when the rules as to vaccination and a clean bill of health have been complied with. Injunction proceedings have already been instituted.

AFFAIRS AT ALBERT HEAD.

With the exception of the patient Burrows, whose case has been regarded as a desperate one, and whose death occurred during Wednesday night, all the sufferers at Albert Head are justifying Dr. Fraser's prophecy and rapidly regaining health and strength. Mr. Lilley will be able to leave his room in about another week, unless he takes an unlooked for turn for the worse. Another of the patients is now practically cured, and is doing outside work, while the majority are up and around.

EASTERN SYMPATHY.

The interest taken by the Ontario authorities in all that concerns Victorians, and their readiness to lend a helping hand whenever assistance is required, is evidenced in the following telegram received by Dr. G. L. Milne, City Health Officer, yesterday. Of course no assistance is required, but the will is as good as the deed:—

"Sorry to learn of Victoria's misfortune. In what way can we help you? We have a vaccine farm.

(Signed) PETER H. BRYCE, M.D.
Secy. Ontario Board of Health.

RUMORS OF PROSECUTIONS.

VANCOUVER, July 14.—(Special)—Mayor Cope received a despatch, to-day, from Whatcom, announcing that that town had declared a quarantine against the province of British Columbia. The authorities here say that J. M. Spinks, who evaded the quarantine, yesterday, will be placed in quarantine, if he returns to the city. R. G. MacKay, who aided him in escaping, will also be proceeded against. Two fishermen, who attempted to spirit away the Spinks boys, have been remanded.

THE STAND OF THE WESTMINSTERITES.

NEW WESTMINSTER, July 14.—(Special.) Permission having been obtained from the Provincial Government to erect a smallpox hospital in the cemetery reserve, north of Eighth avenue, the Board of Works are erecting a building capable of holding 12 patients. The City Engineer has drawn up plans for the hospital, including isolated buildings for convalescents and a kitchen separated from the other buildings. At present, however, there being no smallpox cases in the city, it is not thought necessary to put up the whole of the buildings as drawn up in the plan.

A quarantine has been declared, at last, against Victoria. When the news reached the city to day that the C.P.N. Co. intended running their boats to Westminster since Vancouver had refused to allow passengers to land, the council, which was then in session, decided at once that their intention must be baulked. They considered Westminster would be foolish to run a double risk and take all the chances going of being overrun with smallpox and the refugees from the capital. A motion, therefore, was passed, ordering a quarantine to be declared against all persons landing in the city from Victoria. Vessels will be allowed to land, but any passengers coming ashore will be quarantined for 14 days. Notice to this effect was sent to the C.P.N. Company and the Provincial Government. If the company decide to land passengers at Port Moody, the Coquitlam municipality will also declare a quarantine, thus effectually shutting off all communication with the Island.

Two new cases of smallpox were reported Friday, one of them in Vancouver and one in Victoria. This makes the total number of patients in this city 55, as will be seen by the report of the Provincial Health Officer, Dr. J. C. Davie, which is given below. Most of the sufferers have been removed to the quarantine station, and the others will be taken out to-day. There were two deaths yesterday, one at Albert Head and one in the city. In both instances the remains were immediately interred. The deaths were Wm. Short at Albert Head and a plasterer named McKay in the city. The new patient in Victoria is a colored man named Gant.

THE OFFICIAL REPORT.

The following report has been issued by the Provincial Health Officer:

PROVINCIAL HEALTH OFFICE.
MIDNIGHT, July 15, 1892.

Nanaimo—No new cases in the city or district.

New Westminster—The health officer yesterday reported two cases in the city and two in the district. To-day I received a telegram from him as follows:

"Two convalescent Chinamen found here last night."

The inevitable inference is that the two convalescents have been in New Westminster or vicinity during the whole course of the disease, undiscovered by the authorities.

Vancouver—Report of health officer states one new case, making a total of six in that city.

Victoria—There are 55 cases reported, located as follows: Albert Head Quarantine Station, 13; Jubilee Hospital Quarantine Station, 36; city proper, 6. One new case was discovered to-day, a colored man named Gant, who was immediately removed to the Jubilee Hospital Quarantine Station. Two deaths have occurred, one at Albert Head, and one in the city proper.

On my visit of inspection to the Jubilee Hospital Quarantine Station, I found things thoroughly organized, and every attention being paid to the comfort and treatment of the patients, by the efficient staff. Dr. Richardson and the matron stated to me that the convalescent patients were in need of fresh fruit, and that newspapers and books would be particularly welcome to the older patients: also that picture books, etc., would be a boon to the little ones under their charge. I am sure I have only to draw the attention of the citizens to this matter to have a plentiful supply of these articles forthcoming.

Mayor Beaven has failed to provide a building for "suspects," in spite of my urgent request for the same. This class of people will be a continual menace and danger to the inhabitants of Victoria. Without there is isolation we cannot hope to stamp out the smallpox. I have now the assurance that if the Mayor will not act, the Provincial Government will supply the building to-morrow.

Dr. Wade and Dr. Watt, Jr., personally superintend the removal of the patients from the city to the Jubilee Hospital Quarantine Station.

(Sd.) J. C. DAVIE, M.D.,

CHINESE ARE CAREFUL.

A thorough inspection of Chinatown was made yesterday by a couple of Chinese residents, without a single case of smallpox among the pigtails being so much as heard of. The Chinese have their quarantine ready for service, with two nurses on the spot, and promise to report and isolate every patient as soon as any contract the disease—if they do. Chief Sheppard's report of the tour through the quarter, to the city health officer, is given below:

SIR,—I have visited Goon Gan, a Chinese merchant, this morning, and he states that they have employed two Chinamen to visit the whole of Chinatown, and they have reported that, so far, they have no cases of smallpox whatever. They are also so prepared, that if any case should crop up, they have everything prepared for their own treatment, and will notify me should any cases turn up.

I have the honor to be, sir,
Your obedient servant,
HENRY W. SHEPPARD,
Superintendent of Police.

TACOMA ALSO QUARANTINED.

The following telegrams speak for themselves:—

VICTORIA, B.C., July 14.

G. G. Chandler, General Agent, N. P. R., Tacoma, Wash.

Reported here that Tacoma is not quarantined against Victoria, same as Seattle and Port Townsend. If true, cannot you run boat here direct to Tacoma, not stopping at other places. Please answer.

(Signed) E. E. BLACKWOOD.

REPLY.

TACOMA, Wn., July 15.

E. E. Blackwood, Victoria, B C.

Same conditions exist at Tacoma as at the other Puget Sound ports.

(Signed) G. G. CHANDLER.

CAPTAIN RUDLIN'S ARRAIGNMENT.

VANCOUVER, B.C., July 15.—(Special.)—On the arrival of the Yosemite this morning Capt. Rudlin was taken into custody on a charge of having violated the Customs regulations by entering and leaving Port Moody on Thursday without clearance papers. The trial was set for 12:30, at which time the captain appeared in Alderman Connon's office, before Magistrates McLean and Jordan.

For the C.P.N. Company, A. Williams, of McPhillips & Williams, appeared, and for the city Mr. Hammersley.

Mr. Williams asked for a postponement, and Mr. Jordon asked him to promise that the defendant would not violate the law by landing passengers at Port Moody again.

Mr. Williams said there had been no violation.

Mr. Hammersley to Captain Rudlin: "Will you promise not to again land passengers at Port Moody until the injunction may have been dissolved, or until this Court sits again?"

Captain Rudlin replied, "I am not going back on the Yosemite. Captain Irving is going to take her to Victoria. He told me he was going to Victoria; that is all I know."

Mr. Hammersley: "Captain Irving, will you promise not to land any passengers at Port Moody, this trip?"

Captain Irving: "I'll promise nothing."

Mr. Hammersley: "Are you going to land them there."

Capt. Irving: "That's none of your business."

Magistrate Jordon: "The charge is against Capt. Rudlin, for landing passengers at Port Moody without a bill of health from the Vancouver authorities. Capt. Irving is not a witness, and is not in the indictment."

Mr. Hammersley; "I state that the health of Vancouver citizens must be looked after and the law maintained. I submit in this case we should exact a promise that the law should not be broken. The case, gentlemen, is in your hands.

Magistrate Jorden: "These laws are not made to trifle with."

Magistrate McLean suggested that the case be postponed till Saturday at 10 a.m., and this action was taken.

On the adjournment, Capt. Irving climbed into the wheel house and ordering the lines to be cast off, steamed direct for Hastings where all those desiring to land were put off.

Later—Capt. Irving will be proceeded against for landing Victoria passengers at Hastings this morning. R. G. MacKay has been arrested, and will be tried Saturday for aiding and abetting in the escape of his partner, Mr. Spinks, from the steamer Yosemite under quarantine. Judge Bole refused bail.

9 p.m.—Lawyers retained by MacKay and Spinks advised them to resist arrest at Hastings, on the grounds that they were outside the city limits and the warrant headed them was iregular. Chief McLaren decided to return to the city and consult authorities, when he was given a fresh warrant properly executed, and at this writing he is after the fugitives with a horse and rig.

10:10—Your correspondent just saw Spinks on Cordova street. Six policemen and a deputy sheriff are on his track. They have been all afternoon, but without success.

WESTMINSTER TAKES PRECAUTIONS.

WESTMINSTER, July 15.—(Special.)—The Health committee has been authorized to put up a smallpox building, and also to erect a smallpox hospital for Chinese on the cemetery reserve, in event of any fresh cases being discovered. The only patient here now, Miss Kelly, is nearly well. Governor Moresby and Dr. DeWolf Smith went out this afternoon to investigate a reported case of smallpox in a cabin near the tram line, outside the city limits. They found the cabin locked and no sign of any person about. It was learned later that the report was false.

It is rumored, this evening, that the steamer Rainbow will arrive during the night, and attempt to land passengers quietly. Preparations have been made to prevent any such attempt. Mayor Townsend said he did not think he would have any trouble with steamers; they were receiving due warning. However, in case any attempt was made to land passengers, they would immediately be quarantined for the full space of fourteen days.

No new cases of smallpox Saturday, and all the patients receiving the best possible attention in the hospitals is the very satisfactory report of how the smallpox stands at present.

It is hoped, however, that the public will not relax the precautions from a sense of security which may now be more fancied than real, for as pointed out in Dr. Davies report, there may be another outbreak in a week or ten days. If such an outbreak does occur, however, it will be the last. In the meantime everyone should get vaccinated. There are few points available, but there is plenty of pure lymph in the hands of the public vaccinators who guarantee its effectiveness.

THE OFFICIAL REPORT.

The following report has been issued by Dr. Davie:

PROVINCIAL HEALTH OFFICE,
Midnight, July 16, 1892.)

NANAIMO: No cases in city or district.

NEW WESTMINSTER: Four cases in city and two in district.

VANCOUVER: Six cases.

I received the following telegram to-day from the health officer at Vancouver:

Victorians not allowed to land here; are effecting a landing at Hastings and Port Moody. This is too bad. Can you make arrangements to prevent this or empower me to do so?

I telegraphed the following reply:

If you carry out the regulations for smallpox issued by the Provincial Government, you have all the power necessary to protect your city. Vancouver will gain nothing by setting the law of the land at defiance.

Victoria: There are 56 cases, as follows: Albert Head Quarantine Station, 13; Jubilee Hospital Quarantine Station, 43; at Victoria proper, none. No new cases reported. There was one death at the Jubilee Quarantine Station, a man named Brown.

Mayor Beaven has at last furnished the city with a building for "suspects," etc. In the letter I wrote to him in the early part of last week, which letter seems to have given him offence where none was intended (and I shall be obliged to him if he will cause it to be published in the newspapers), I suggested that the Ross Bay municipal buildings be set aside for this purpose; he to-day has acted on this suggestion, and the municipal health officer, Dr. Milne, will at once have the "suspects," etc., removed to Ross Bay, and a strict guard placed over them.

I am glad to be able to report that *there is no case of smallpox in Victoria city proper to-night*, so far as known to the authorities, and as any and every case is reported, the patient will be immediately removed to the Jubilee Hospital Quarantine Station. That other cases will arise is about as good as a certainty. In all probability a crop of cases will appear within the next 10 or 12 days, which have been infected from the patients now in quarantine. Their number would be legion were it not that the majority of the people are protected by vaccination. Two weeks hence, if the regulations respecting smallpox issued by the Provincial Government are rigidly adhered to, no more cases should occur in the city of Victoria. I would urge on Dr. Milne, the Municipal health officer, and the gentlemen assisting him, also upon appointees of the Provincial Government, to unite in carrying out those regulations literally. I feel sure each and every one will conscientiously do his duty.

(Signed) J. C. DAVIE, M.D.,
Provincial Health Officer.

MATRON'S REPORT.

Miss Hardy, matron of the Jubilee Hospital quarantine station, sent in the following report, yesterday, to Dr. J. C. Davie:

Hon. F. G. Vernon is progressing very favorably.

The inmates desire to thank the press for newspapers sent.

The patients desire to thank Governor and Mrs. Nelson for books, fruit and flowers, sent; Mrs. Carne, for books, which were very acceptable; Mrs. G. R. Wood, for books; Mrs. Pemberton, for books and linen; Mrs. Waitt, for books; Mr. Fell, for fruit; Mr. McCandish, for papers; Mrs. Whiffen, for strawberries and raspberries; books from I.O.O.F. library. Mrs. McMicking, for books; and those ladies and gentlemen who sent presents anonymously.

NO CASES IN CHINATOWN.

Chief of Police Sheppard sent the following report to Dr. Milne yesterday:

VICTORIA, July 1', 1892.

To Dr. Milne.

SIR,—I have the honor to report that I visited Chinatown this morning, and I am happy to state that not one case has been reported as yet.

I have the honor to be, sir,
Your obedient servant,
HENRY W. SHEPPARD,
Superintendent of Police.

QUARANTINE STATION PROVIDED.

The City has at last provided a building for the isolation of suspects and those who may have been in attendance on smallpox patients. The following letter is self-explanatory:

VICTORIA, July 16, 1892.

Dr. G. L. Milne, Medical Health Officer for Victoria:

DEAR SIR,—In view of the statement over the signature of J. C. Davie, M.D., in the morning papers, that "I have failed to provide a building for 'suspects,' in spite of his urgent request for the same," I desire to say to you that should you deem it advisable at any time to make a change in your present arrangements as regards "suspects," etc., the building at Ross Bay is at your disposal. It is at present occupied by the children from the Protestant Orphans' Home, but my arrangement with the managers of that institution provides for their vacating it at once, should you require to use it. I stated the same thing to the Honorable Theodore Davie, Premier, etc., last Thursday evening. I am yours faithfully,

ROBERT BEAVEN,
Mayor.

A NON-VACCINATION CERTIFICATE.

Dr. Milne has had forms printed as follows, for the use of medical men in the city:

Certificate of unfitness for vaccination:

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that I am of opinion that , the child of of Ward, in the City of , aged , is not now in a fit and proper state to be successfully vaccinated, and I do hereby postpone the vaccination until the day of . Dated this day of 189 .

SUCCESSFUL VACCINATION.

For the benefit of a few people who have a prejudice against "arm to arm" vaccination, the following document is published. "It speaks for itself," and for the method as well:

We, the undersigned physicians are of opinion that arm to arm vaccination from properly selected cases is, under present conditions, the best means of vaccination. We also assert that the greater part of the imported vaccine points hitherto used in Victoria during the present epidemic have proved worthless.

(Sd.), ERNEST B. CHANTINGTON, M.D.
J. D. HELMCKEN, M.D.,
J. S. HELMCKEN, M.R.C.S.,
J. C. DAVIE, M.D.

BEHIND CLOSED DOORS.

It is understood that the city health was the subject debated at a special meeting of the Aldermanic Board held yesterday afternoon. The meeting was called for 4 o'clock, and at that hour reporters of the COLONIST and News made their way to Committee room No. 1, from which the music of the City Clerk's voice was escaping.

As the press men entered, His Worship the Mayor held up a "paper writing" from which he was reading, and explained:

"I was just about to put this motion, that this meeting be private—we are going to discuss certain matters in connection with the Board of Health."

The representatives of the press and public decided to wait and see how the resolution fared, being encouraged by Ald. Baker's remark:

"I don't see that we have anything to keep private.

"There might be something come up that it would not be politic to make public," suggested Ald. Lovell.

Ald. Bragg said nothing, and Ald. McKillican, as though the question had been raised, remarked:

"We certainly have a right to make the meeting private if we wish."

The Mayor assented, and the resolution was declared duly carried, Ald. McKillican and Lovell alone voting for it.

Ald. Baker repeated his opinion, that there was no cause for the exclusion of the public, and Ald. Bragg did not vote, and was not asked to, before the doors were carefully closed by order of the Mayor.

The bare quorum attended.

OVER THE LINE.

Mr. P. Hickey, who has just come from San Francisco by the steamer City of Puebla, reports an interesting item of news regarding the Sound cities.

"Mr. Van Bokkelin, the customs house official," says Mr. Hickey, "who comes over each trip for the purpose of seeing the regulations carried out, stated in a conversation with me that there are now in Whatcom twelve known cases of smallpox, and several in the cities of Tacoma and Seattle. The true state of affairs is, of course, being hushed up, but this disclosure only serves to make more glaring the recent outcry of those cities against Victoria.

"In San Francisco the most appalling exaggerations are being circulated regarding the state of affairs in Victoria. The report is that there are 130 cases in the city and new ones coming to light every few hours. Goodall, Perkins & Co. stopped selling tickets to Victoria, on July 11. They will carry passengers to any of the lower Sound ports, and do their best to land them here afterwards, but refuse to contract to touch here. The Sound papers are doing all in their power to lend an air of truth to the rumors instead of endeavoring to state the facts, and there is no doubt their efforts will result in serious injury to our local business."

CAPTAIN JOHN IRVING TALKS.

Captain John Irving, commodore and manager of the C.P.N. fleet, naturally feels very keenly the malicious actions of the Vancouverites during the past few days.

"It's just the Vancouverites," he said, in talking over the matter yesterday, "the C.P.R. have no connection and no sympathy with them. The railway company are handling all the business offering, both for and from Victoria, and the whole trouble arises with the civic authorities. They are advised by Mr. Hammersley—and he is the president of the Union Steamship Company. There can be no doubt whatever in the minds of all disinterested parties that extraordinary pressure has been brought to bear on the Council of Vancouver to induce them to take the extraordinary action they have taken, and their example has no doubt been followed by the other Provincial and Sound cities. It is a well-known fact that smallpox has been prevalent in Vancouver, ever since the Empress of Japan arrived, and while Victoria did not discriminate against them they now want to make all possible capital out of the affliction of Victoria. The Vancouverites are a queer people; with the smallpox among them for weeks, they raise a great hue and cry against passengers from Victoria landing at their wharf, whether bound for Vancouver or points beyond. Hadn't they better eradicate the disease at home before they proceed to quarantining their neighbors. Don't the public remember that every Chinese steamer discharges large quantities of freight, right from the birthplace of smallpox and cholera, at the Vancouver docks. And they don't fumigate any of this freight; they have a beautiful and absolute disregard for the safety of the city and Province when Chinese freight from C. P. R. steamers is concerned. But let a pound of Victoria merchandise come within hailing distance! Oh, what a difference."

VANCOUVER HAS SIX.

VANCOUVER, July 16.—(Special.)—A colored man was taken to Deadman's Island to-day, suffering with smallpox. He makes the total six cases here. Passengers and baggage off the Comox from Nanaimo were examined by Health Officer Herald before the passengers were allowed to land.

HEALTH OFFICER SAYS OTHERWISE.

WESTMINSTER, July 16.—(Special.)—Frank Moreland, the only smallpox patient in the quarantine hospital here, was released to-day, completely cured.

THE GUIDE GOES A FISHING.

Just as we were discussing the advisability of returning homeward, we reached the grandest pool of all—long, silent, shadowy, with a dome of interlacing green o'erhead and a good six feet of ice-cold water below. The bottom at the centre of the pool was free from all encumberance, save one boulder of about a foot in diameter, and close against this boulder lay the boss fish of 'em all. On one side of the stream was piled debris and logs left by high water, and altogether it was an extremely awkward bit to cover noiselessly.

I could see the fish distinctly—could see his nose and tail projecting an honest inch from either side of the foot-broad boulder—he weighed a pound at least, and I yearned for him. No use trying to fly under the circumstances, so I looted an eye from a dead captive and placed it on the hook. Now, I should surely have got that fish, but just as I was ready to try, that accursed guide came clambering over the logs with the silent grace of a horse galloping over hot-bed-sashes, and he saw the monster.

"Begar! see zat beeg ——" and down went his baited hook as rapidly as my heart fell into my boot. In an instant the had the fish fast hooked, and as he hove on his pole his feet slipped and he went crashing among the treacherous brush and logs, his legs working well down between some boughs. He yelled and struggled, and the more he toiled the worse tangled up he got, but with one hand he still clung to his tackle. At last he managed to regain his feet and found the fish still on the hook, but the line fouled among some roots. The trout was only two feet below him, so he knelt down upon a small log and thrust his hand arm's length into the water. At this instant my eye fell upon a stout stick projecting from the rubbish below his log and I tampered with it—seized it and hove on it with the vindictiveness born of an evil mind. There was a howl of terror, a crash, a splash, and two men rolled on the ground and laughed till the very earth trembled, while a third pawed and clawed at floating rubbish, and bubbled merry lays of French profanity from the grandest trout pool you ever saw.—Ed. W. Sandys, Dominion Illustrated Monthly.

MANITOBA ELECTIONS.

Probable Candidates—Few Greenway Candidates Among the French.

WINNIPEG, July 16.—The nominations for the Manitoba elections take place throughout Manitoba to-day; there were three elections by acclamations, viz: Fisher, Independent, in Russel; Morton, Government, in West Bourne, and Armstrong, Opposition, in Woodlands. In three French constituencies there are no Greenway candidates, so that up to date the Opposition lead by three seats.

TO ORGANIZE.

The Newsboys to Form a Union Restricted to a Membership of Thirty.

Little Glover Explains How it Will be Done, and All About It.

THE world generally has come to a very thorough recognition of the old saw "In union there is strength." Men combine for the furthering of their various aims, and why should the younger generation not do the same?

This question had been, evidently, thoroughly settled by an urchin, with bold, brown eyes, who strolled into the business office of the COLONIST, yesterday.

"Say, you know me," said he to the clerk, "I'm Glover, and me and the boys is going to make a union to-night."

"Yes!" said the clerk, "and what for?"

"Why, a newsboys' union, of course," and a fine look of contempt overspread his face at the lack of penetration displayed.

"Me and Maxie have been talking about it and the boys is with us, and we are goin' to have 30 boys in the union and any other duffer what tries to sell papers will get it in the neck, see?"

"What's all this about a union," asked a reporter, who was passing, "what are you up to Glover?"

"I was just telling him," said the boy, "that us boys think there is too many selling papers, and kids what don't need to sell papers, and we are going to make a union and have a band around our hats with 'Newsboys Union' on it, and we want a hall to meet in, and any paper what sells papers to any other boys what aint in the union gets left."

"What will you do," asked the reporter, "with non-union boys who try to sell papers?"

"Do to 'em," was the reply, "why like they done to me when I first went to Seattle. They took my papers away and divided them among the union kids and stuck my hat in the sewer. O, I tell you, they put me through, but I'm all right now, and I tell you us boys must stick together and not let any outsiders do us up, see? Say, you will give us a chance, won't you."

Being solemnly assured that every effort would be made to help the boys along, the young "walking delegate" walked out with a parting admonition to look out for the new union.

Little Glover is a well-known figure on the streets of Victoria, and his varied adventures as related by himself show that already into his short life there have been crowded experiences that have made him old before his time, and sharp, with that peculiar precocity which is often noticed in boys of his class.

The other boys are pledged to support him in his latest move, and the chances are good that in a short time the local papers will be handled by a regularly organized union, and organized labor will once more score a point against arrogant capital and "scab" workers. Glover will hold the responsible position of president, and Maxie of captain in the new venture.

GENERAL HARDINGE.

Lieut. General, the Hon. Sir Arthur Edward Hardinge, Equerry to Her Majesty, whose death is announced, by the cable, was the second son of the late Viscount Hardinge, and was born in 1828. He joined the army in 1844, soon after proceeding to India to join the personal staff of the Governor-General, taking part in important actions in the Punjab, being present at several important engagements, among them the great victory of Sobraon, for which he received special decorations. On his return to England he was appointed to the Coldstream Guards and in order to obtain eligibility for staff appointment passed through the senior department of Sandhurst with high honors. He took part in all the principal scenes of the Crimean war, including the Alma and the battle of Inkerman, riding also in the storied cavalry charge at Balaclava. He obtained numerous Turkish medals, and in 1859 was selected by the Prince Consort to join the Royal Household as Equerry, being made on the death of the Prince Equerry to Her Majesty. On his further promotion to Major-General his services in India in command of a division were willingly accepted. He commanded first the Allahabad and then the Meerut Division for five years, but suffered the mortification of having to return to England on the expiry of his command just at the outbreak of the war with Afganistan, not, however, without having accompanied unofficially and in a private capacity the force into the Khyber. In India General Hardinge proved himself an active commander, and the interest with which he worked up the questions of infantry attack, and the attention he gave to musketry, on which subjects he gave lectures at the United Service Institute on his return, have found excellent fruits in the proficiency which has been shown in a marked manner by the regiments then under his command. In February, 1881, he was appointed Commander-in-Chief of the Forces in Bombay.

LETTER FROM MR. BEAVEN.

TO THE EDITOR:—I observe a report in your paper from Dr. J. C Davie, in which he refers to me. Mr. Davie wished Dr. Crompton to reside at the hospital grounds, and that the city should provide an hotel to accommodate persons who had been exposed to the infection, and who had been in attendance on smallpox patients—I endeavor to attend to suggestions from all quarters. Mr. Joshua Davies handed me the letter and I immediately went with him to Dr. Milne the city health officer. The subjects were then fully discussed and we parted deeming them unnecessary and impracticable after hearing Dr. Milne's statements. Dr. Crompton's services are paid for by the city, he devotes all his time to smallpox patients. The larger number of those he attends are in the city proper; he has been able to pay proper attention to those at the hospital grounds as well—Dr. Fraser has visited the patients at Albert Head. I do not advance my own views upon questions of this kind, but am guided by the properly authorised medical authorities of the city.

The hotel proposition was explained to be then quite unnecessary, the practice being to remove the patient as soon as possible, without endangering their lives or health, to the hospital grounds, the premises occupied are then disinfected and the apartment the patient had left locked up, so as to prevent occupancy, and all persons suspected of exposure to infection quarantined in the building until all suspicion of infection had passed. It was suggested that if the injunction was removed from the Ross Bay building all "suspects" could be removed there, if thought then advisable. The injunction is now removed and that building is available. I may say that I have always favored sending the patients to the hospital grounds, the principal inducement which actuated my mind in deciding upon the erection of buildings at the hospital for smallpox patients was the assurance that patients would have ample attendance and careful nursing. Dr. Crompton was mentioned by me as the medical man in attendance on behalf of the city upon smallpox patients. The city is paying for all that its properly authorized officers order at the Jubilee Hospital, and in the city, and at the quarantine station at Albert Head. Dr. Milne is the health officer. Dr. Crompton devotes his whole time to attendance, and Dr. Fraser has visited at Albert Head. Every effort and inducement is offered to patients to go out to the hospital grounds; the city is now providing isolated cottages in addition to the building erected last Sunday.

Dr. Davie says "he requested an immediate reply from me, but so far I have not seen fit to give him an answer." This statement from Dr. Davie is a sufficient answer in itself, I should suppose. But I must say, regarding his complaint, that I was more concerned at the time in attending to the suggestions he offered to prevent the spread of smallpox than the formal courtesy of replying to his letter. However, I now say that Dr. Davie's letter was not, in my opinion, couched in the language one ought to expect from a person in his position.

I have devoted my time to municipal work ever since I was elected to the municipal chair. I have now hardly a moment to spare. My anxiety is for the proper care of the sick, the prevention of the disease from spreading and the quieting of the public mind, which I feel has been unduly alarmed, to the great injury of the city. Mr. Davies, the President of the Hospital, heard Dr. Milne's views upon Dr. Davie's suggestions.

It has been suggested that Dr. Crompton, by visiting patients in the city, would spread the disease; the same argument would surely apply to other medical men who attend smallpox patients and afterwards attend patients who are not inflicted with that complaint. I think the care of smallpox patients should be undertaken by medical men who devote all their time to that duty. It was with that object in view that I engaged Dr. Crompton on behalf of the city and propose to retain his services. If Dr. Davie or any other official connected with the Jubilee hospital prevents him from attending upon patients sent there by the city officials, he will not be carrying out the agreement entered into with me as mayor of the city, and Mr. Davies as president of the hospital.

July 14, 1892. ROBERT BEAVEN.

BEFORE THE FULL COURT.

(Present Sir Matthew B. Begbie, C. J., Crease J, and Walkem, J.)

Queen v. Clark—Crown case reserved. A. G. Smith for the Crown, C. Wilson for the prisoner. John Clark and A. E. Howse were tried at Kamloops, on the 6th of June, last, upon an indictment charging them with obtaining money from Robert Ward & Co., by means of a false pretense, made to the Royal Insurance Co. of Liverpool Eng., for whom Ward & Co. were the agents in this Province.

Howse was the local agent of the Insurance Co Clark, at the instigation of Howse, preferred a fraudulent claim for losses under his policy held from the Insurance Co., and supported it by a statutory declaration, false to the knowledge of both himself and Howse, which was transmitted through the latter to Ward & Co., who, thereupon remitted the amount of the claim to Clark, through Howse.

At the trial Mr. Wilson objected that to constitute the crime the party from whom the money was obtained must have been deceived by the pretence, but that as Howse was here the agent of that party, his knowledge was the knowledge of his principal; and that the indictment should have been for a conspiracy on the part of Howse and Clark to defraud the Insurance Co. This point was reserved on behalf of Clark only.

Mr. Wilson now pressed this contention, citing Queen v. Mills, Dears & Bell, 205, which decided that where the prosecutor was aware of the falsity of the pretence at the time the money was obtained the crime is not proved.

The court however held, without calling on the crown, that this case did not apply, as here Ward & Co. did pay on the faith of the false pretence, and that Howse was a mere conduit pipe though *particeps criminis*, and that the knowledge of a commercial agent is not the knowledge of his principal for the purposes of the criminal law.

Conviction affirmed.

Kerr & Begg v. Cotton.—Motion to the court, sitting as a divisional court, for a new trial.

The action was for damages for breach by the defendant of a contract in writing, whereby the defendant covenanted as follows, viz.: "to print for the plaintiffs 400 volumes of a work called a Biographical Dictionary of well-known British Columbians," of 500 pages each, on 80 lb. No. 2 book paper, uncalendared, and to bind the same in full Russia leather, gilt edges, and equal in every respect to a sample volume submitted and approved by the plaintiffs, not later than 13th July, 1890;" charging that the defendant did not deliver in time, did not print and bind as agreed, nor equal to sample, but printed and bound in a negligent and unworkmanlike manner. The defendant counterclaimed for damages against the plaintiff, that they, by breach on their part of the terms of the contract, prevented the defendant from executing his contract as provided, whereby he suffered loss in providing means for doing so, etc. The evidence at the trial did not show that any sample copy whatever had been produced and agreed on as a standard, but that two books of materially differing styles of binding and makeup had been produced, and that it was agreed that the book to be printed was to be a compromise between them.

The jury found a verdict for plaintiff on the claim and on the counterclaim.

Mr. A. E. McPhillips showed cause to the motion.

The Court held that the verdict could not stand, and that the trial judge ought to have withdrawn the case on both the claim and counter-claim from the jury, on the ground that the sample copy which was to be the basis of the contract was never produced or agreed upon, or the parties ever *ad idem* as to the character of the work to be done, and, therefore, neither action lay—and that a jud