The Colonist.

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LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

Can Get the Pipes.

A wharf street merchant states that 20, 22 and 24-inch vitrified sewer pipe may be obtained from Gladding, McBean & Co., manufacturers, San Francisco.

Badly Scalded.

On Wednesday afternoon, a little daughter of Mr. Lyalist, a carpenter living on the Work estate, was badly scalded by the upsetting of a large pan of grease. Both arms were badly injured, and the little girl's face and body were also severely scalded. Dr. F. W. Hall is attending her.

Caledonian Lottery Prizes.

In the ladies lottery at the Caledonian Society's picnic, the following prizes have been claimed: No. 2, Miss Reid, Esquimalt Road; No. 3, Miss Keown, Amelia street: No. 5, Miss Smith; No. 7, F. A. Brown; No. 9, Mrs. W. Thomson. Nos. 1—193, 4—100, 6—385, and 8—625 are still unclaimed.

Kicked Out of Bed.

Frank Derville took passage on the steamer North Pacific at Tacoma for Victoria. He went to bed with his boots on, and he claims that during the night some of the vessel's officers entered his stateroom, kicked him out of bed and ejected him from the boat. He has laid a complaint against the clerk and purser, and the warrant was to have been served upon the men last evening at Tacoma.

The Foresters' Picnic.

The programme of the Foresters' picnic, to be held at the Caledonian grounds on Saturday, August 3rd, appears in another column. Judging from the arrangements for the comfort and amusements of the public, and the list of sports, the members of the order are going to have a grand time. Archery, tombolas, quoits and a grand flower show are but a few of the attractions for the afternoon, while the evening will be devoted to dancing, fireworks, illuminations, etc.

The Strike at Vancouver.

The Vancouver News-Advertiser says: "The trouble between the journeymen carpenters and the contractors is practically settled by the concession on the part of the employers of all that the men demanded, viz: nine hours to constitute a day's work, and $3 per day as the standard rate of wages. There was a meeting yesterday afternoon of committees from the Union and the contractors, and it was decided that the nine-hour system should be at once instituted, except in the case of factories."

The Grasshopper Plague.

Mr. John Gilmore, of Nicola, passed east over the C. P. R. to his home a few days since. He reported the ravages of the grasshoppers as something unparalleled in the history of the interior. The crops of Mr. W. Pooley and Gayscoss are completely destroyed. Others, whilst not as great sufferers, would be heavy losers by the pests, which were devastating the country like a plague, destroying everything green which came in their way.

East Coast Route.

The steamer Isabel next week will begin running on a new time table, leaving Victoria on Tuesday morning at 7 o'clock instead of on Wednesday morning as at present. Reaching Comox at 6 p. m. on Wednesday a return will be made to Nanaimo on Thursday. The Isabel will sail from Nanaimo to Comox on Friday, returning to Nanaimo on Saturday and to Victoria on Sunday. The change is made for the purpose of communicating with Comox twice per week.

Arrival of the Michigan.

The steamer Michigan, Capt. H. C. Killman, under lease to the O. R. & N. Co., arrived on her initial trip to this port last evening. The Michigan is a substantial looking vessel of 468 tons, and was built on the Columbia River in 1888 for G. L. Colwell, of Detroit, Mich. The Michigan left Portland on Friday last with freight for Tacoma, Seattle, Whatcom and Victoria. After discharging her freight of about fifty tons for this port, the Michigan left this morning for Seattle, where she will take on a cargo of coal and shingles for Portland.

Indians Calling the Sockeyes.

The Columbian says: "Spring salmon put on an extra spurt last night and were caught in good numbers by all fishermen who were lucky enough to be using spring nets. The sockeyes have not increased above yesterday's catch. The river was dotted last night with fishing boats, and cries of Indian fishermen, calling the fish, as is their custom, were heard echoing back and forward all night long. The scientific angler is afraid to speak lest the noise drive the fish away, but the noble Siwash seems to think that the more row he kicks up the more fish will go into his net."

Twelfth of July.

The Orangemen of Victoria will celebrate the 12th of July to-day by a grand dinner at the Colonist Hotel, Beacon Hill. The members will meet at their lodge room on Government street at 11 o'clock this morning, and forming in procession will march to the park, after the banquet speeches will be delivered on the principles of the order. A large attendance is expected. The Orangemen of Vancouver arrived by the Islander last night, and headed by their pipes marched to their hotel. The Westminster Orangemen, accompanied by their fife and drum band, will arrive by the steamer Rainbow this morning in time to join in the procession and attend the banquet.

The C. P. Steamship Line.

Prof. C. Michie-Smith, of the Madras College, India, was a passenger by the Port Fairy from the Orient. Referring to the trip he said he considered the accommodation of the boats very imperfect and was of the opinion that unless the C. P. Steamship Co. put on really first-class vessels in every sense of the term, they would lose what patronage was being accorded the route. Had he known of the want of accommodation and proper facilities for comfort, he would have taken his ticket via San Francisco. He expressed his regret that he should be obliged to come to such a decision regarding this line of steamers. He knew of many who would prefer to come by the Canadian route provided really A1 steamers were put on. The management, he considered, was imperfect. Mr. Michie-Smith purposes staying over to take note of points of interest and then will proceed en route to Scotland, intending to stop over at the Glacier and possibly Banff on the way.

Military Funeral.

The remains of the late Adolphe Marcoux were interred in Ross Bay Cemetery yesterday morning. The deceased, who was a member of "C" battery, was accorded a military funeral. At nine o'clock the procession formed at the barracks, a number of the rank and file leading with reversed arms. Then came the battery band, playing the dead march, and then followed a gun carriage and gun, upon which rested the coffin, covered by an English ensign, the carriage being drawn by the comrades of the deceased, while six of his most intimate friends officiated as pallbearers. The officers of the battery immediately followed, the general public bringing up the rear. The procession proceeded to St. Andrew's Cathedral on View street, where mass for the dead was celebrated, and the church services having been concluded the procession reformed, and proceeded to the cemetery. The remains were then consigned to the grave, Rev. Father Mandart reading the burial service. Three volleys were fired over the grave by a firing party, and then the soldiers returned to barracks.

Vancouver Island Building Society.

The semi-annual general meeting of the Vancouver Island Building Society will be held in Harmony Hall, View street, this evening at 8 o'clock. The business will include the reading of the secretary's and treasurer's reports, and the 37th drawing for an appropriation.

Dominion Lodge No. 4, I. O. O. F.

The officers elect of Dominion Lodge, No. 4, I. O. O. F., were duly installed last evening in the following order by Grand Master Meldram and the officers of the Grand Lodge: N. G., J. W. Arnold; V. G., J. A. Auld; secretary, T. Bamford; treasurer, W. Walker; warden, J. T. Martin; conductor, Geo. Glover; O. G., Wm. Huxtable; I. G., S. C. Stratford; R. S. N. G., J. Holland; L. S. N. G., G. Fowlie; R. S. V. G., W. Auld; L. S. F. G., P. A. Babington; R. S. S., G. Jeeves; L. S. S., F. H. Tovey.

The SS. Port Fairy.

The ss. Port Fairy, which arrived at Vancouver on Wednesday morning, made the trip in 14 days and 9 hours from land to land. Her passengers were:

Saloon passengers—Mr. Hitchcock, from Calcutta; Dr. and Mrs. Edwards and child, Mr. Duff, from Shanghai; Prof. C. Michie Smith, Madras; Mr. Forder, Dr. and Mrs. Whitney and children, Mr. and Mrs. Guinand, Miss Whitman, Capt. Nye, and Mr. Garanger, Yokohama.

Steerage—53 Chinese.

The Port Fairy's cargo consists of rice, tea and other Oriental products, made up of 4,830 packages for the Pacific coast, equal to 438 tons; for Eastern Canada, 2,564 packages, equal to 270 tons; for the United States, 7,159 packages, equal to 527 tons, making a total tonnage of 1,235.

The Fairy is a new boat, strongly built, and has a large carrying capacity.

SPORTS AND PASTIMES.

THE HOSE REEL BLUSTER.

On Tuesday THE COLONIST published the challenge from Victoria to the Vancouver hose teams, and, it will be remembered, that the $200 forfeit was despatched to Nanaimo next day. The Vancouver team, however, on receipt of the challenge instead of accepting or refusing it in a sportsmanlike manner, answered it with the reply we printed yesterday, which, under the cover of an answer, is really a new challenge. This is the second time the Vancouver hose team has attempted to evade a match since their disgraceful treatment of the visiting teams on Dominion Day, and it is painfully apparent that their conduct on that occasion was only a truthful index to the general manner in which the body conducts itself. Last night again the Victoria team made still another proposition: "We will run three races at Nanaimo for $500 or $1,000 a side. The race to consist of a "wet test," a "dry test" and a "trial race." The Victoria team asked for a speed race to decide the contest should each team win one of the other races. A trial race was on the Vancouver programme on Dominion day and there is no loophole for the Vancouver team to crawl out of in asking for three races which appeared on their programme. In our challenge we asked for a speed race; they asked for a hose coupling contest. The trial race is one of their races and we are willing to make it the deciding contest."

L. G. BURNS,
Secretary.

What will Vancouver do now? Judging by the way in which the Victoria yachtsmen and boasmen were treated on the 4th by our mainland cousins they will no doubt find still another way of evading a contest in which they are most certainly afraid to trust themselves.

THAT BOAT-RACE OF OURS.

THE COLONIST men are evidently anxious to bud and blossom forth as pullers of high degree. They talk glibly of two-mile races and big stakes. Wait a bit.—Standard.

[Seeing that the Standard was the first to moot a challenge and asking for a match in three weeks "the COLONIST men" would like to know for what reason they are to "wait a bit." Our boys are anxious neither to "bud" nor "blossom." They are all at a perpetual full bloom and quite fit and ready at any time to obliterate the staff of our evening contemporary at cricket, rowing, sprinting, lacrosse, or baseball. There is a dark rumor that the "wait a bit" of the Standard means an attempted importation onto its staff of Searle, O'Connor, Beach, Hanlan, Kemp, and Gaudaur. In that event our boys are numm. Till then they live happy and confident. Come on Standard.]

WELCOMED HOME.

The Kamloops baseball team were welcomed home in grand style. Signal torpedoes on the track grave the usual warning of their coming. The engine was decorated with evergreens, flowers, flags, brooms, etc., and a brass band of twelve pieces was at the station to greet them. "See the Conquering Hero Comes" and "Home, Sweet Home" were sweetly played, and much enthusiasm was manifested. Everybody then went up to the Grand Pacific Hotel "for a constitutional to renovate tissue," and a jolly time was subsequently had.

THE FULL COURT

Sat yesterday and adjourned till Monday.

The following cases will come on on their respective dates:—

Jones vs. Guardian Insurance Company, on Monday.

Eholt vs. Clark, on Monday.

Robson vs. Suter, on Monday.

Dumbleton vs. Gray, on Tuesday.

Ellard vs. Ellard, on Wednesday.

DIVISIONAL COURT.

Taylor vs. Little, on Monday.

Lewis & Strouss vs. Hotz, on Monday.

SUPREME COURT FROM COUNTY COURT.

McGuire vs. Kwong On Wo, on Monday.

CONDENSED DESPATCHES.

Dr. Willoughby, M. P. P., for East Northumberland, Ont., is very ill and growing worse daily.

President Adams, of the Union Pacific, passed Winnipeg on Friday, en route to Alaska via Victoria.

Dispatches from various parts of Canada state that Orange day was appropriately celebrated without any unpleasant incident. At Toronto the demonstration was the largest ever known.

The Corean, with 500 Icelanders on board, arrived at Quebec on Tuesday night. The immigrants are as healthy a lot as ever arrived in Quebec. Four hundred and twenty of them will settle around Winnipeg.

M. Beausoliel, M. P., has decided to take criminal action against Lemonde, a Montreal newspaper, for its statements in connection with $30,000 paid to him by the Quebec government for services rendered under the commercial tax act.

Mr. Robt. Jaffray, one of the principal directors of the Toronto Globe, denies the annexation sentiments attributed to him by a St. Paul paper. The publication of Mr. Jaffray's alleged sentiments has created a sensation in Toronto.

Mrs. Carbon, proprietress of the Carbon cottage, Chicago, where Dr. Cronin was murdered, has arrived at Winnipeg and identified Burke as the man she rented the cottage from.

LITTLE LOCALS.

St. Paul's school, Esquimalt, broke up for the mid-summer holidays yesterday.

The park menagerie received another donation last night, in the form of a pretty little doe, from Lulu Island.

One of the new twenty-ton boilers was successfully placed in position in the tug Lorne, yesterday.

Flags were flying at half-mast all along the water front yesterday in token of respect to the memory of the late Mr. F. J. Barnard.

Mr. Edward Costello and Mrs. Mamie Rowe, were united in marriage on Wednesday evening at the residence of the bride, Pisgard street.

Mr. W. R. Higgins, of the firm of Bourchier & Higgins, has been appointed a notary public in and for the Province of British Columbia.

An ancient and melancholy representative of the great Smith family, was fined $5 in the City Police Court yesterday, for being drunk.

A large number of Victoria young men and women attended a pleasant dance given at Chemainus on Wednesday evening, by Mr. Samuel Gray.

The C. P. N. Co.'s old steamer Otter, which has been "in soak" in James Bay for several week, was yesterday pumped out and once more floated.

The contract for the court house at Vancouver has been awarded to R. S. Scoullar & Co., of New Westminster. The plans were prepared by Mr. T. C. Sorby, architect, of Victoria.

Mr. John Weiler's men are busy laying carpets and making other needed improvements on board the steamer Princess Louise, in preparation for her two northern excursions in August.

Very rapid progress is being made in the construction of the new Rock Bay bridge. The structure will be open for traffic prior to the end of August; and will have a roadway 25 feet in width, and two sidewalks for pedestrians, each 6 feet wide.

A car-load of galvanized iron cornice and roofing material was shipped to Nanaimo yesterday morning, by McMcLennan & McFeely, for the new tree-storey theatre building being erected there.

Miss Mabel Haynes, who for the past two years has ably filled the position of organist of the Gorge Road Methodist church, was on Wednesday evening presented with a complimentary address, and a handsome gold pen and pencil.

A smouldering brush fire near Springridge was attended to by a portion of the fire department yesterday. The chief engineer, in response to a telephone message, took some of his men to the scene and prevented the fire spreading.

The candidates now writing the examination for teachers' certificates were were photographed on the steps of the Treasury Building, James Bay, yesterday morning, by Jones Bros., of Douglas street. There are upwards of one hundred in the group.

MARINE.

The steamer Ancon is due to-night—bound for Alaska.

Schooner C. H. Tupper sailed for Honolulu last night.

Tug Mastick returned to Port Townsend this morning.

Spratt's Ark has been chartered to load brick for Port Townsend.

Steamer R. P. Rithet yesterday took on board 200 boxes of tin for Fraser river canneries, ex-barque Doris Brodersen.

Steamer Maude went up to Nanaimo for coal this morning, and on her return will leave for Alberni should sufficient inducement offer.

Steamer Sardonyx is taking on freight at Spratt's wharf, and will leave for Queen Charlotte Sound, Naas River and intermediate points, on Monday, 15th inst., at 5 p. m.

Steamer Empire arrived at Nanaimo on Wednesday, 10½ days from San Francisco. She was detained by rough weather and was obliged to seek shelter along the coast.

The Alaskan steamer Karluk was docked at Esquimalt yesterday. The full extent of her injuries was not known yesterday, as the dock has not yet been emptied.

Tug Pilot left Royal Roads last night for the Caps, with the ship Glory of the Seas in tow, coal laden from Departure Bay, for San Francisco, but owing to a heavy gale that was blowing outside she put back into harbor.

The steamship Umatilla, which is due at San Francisco to-day from Honolulu, is to go into service for the P. C. SS. Co., on the northern route as soon as possible, when the Mexico will be laid up.

Ship Wilna cleared from San Francisco yesterday for Nanaimo.

PERSONAL.

Wm. Prentice, of Vancouver, is at the Oriental.

Stephen Nairn, of Winnipeg, is at the Driard.

Frank C. and Mrs. Young, of Seattle, are in town.

Dr. Walter L. Barber, of Moberly, Ct., is at the Driard.

B. E. and C. E. Buell, of Seattle are spending the holidays in Victoria.

L. Buttress-Trimmens and A. Gilmore, returned from Vancouver last evening.

Thos. R. Smith, of the H. B. Co., returned from Vancouver by the Islander.

E. M. W. Woods and F. O. Townley, of New Westminster, came over last night.

F. H. Macklin, M. D., of Portage La Prairie, is the guest of Thomas Collins, Work Estate.

Arthur D. Bevan, M. D., of Portland, and Miss Bevan, of Chicago, are visiting Victoria.

Mayor Hendry and J. C. Clute, of Westminster, arrived down last night, and are at the Driard.

Mrs. J. Grant and child, Mrs. and Miss Storey, and Miss Heathorn, are spending a few days at Harrison Hot Springs.

J. Lenz, one of Victoria's successful and respected citizens, leaves for California by to-morrow's boat to take a well-earned holiday.

J. Keith Wilson, of the Bank of British Columbia, has left for St. Paul on a month's holiday. He will return by way of Winnipeg and the C. P. R.

B. Norman and Henry Merrill, capitalists of Spokane Falls, are at the Driard, awaiting the arrival of the Ancon, on which steamer they will be passengers for Alaska.

J. M. Courtney, Deputy Minister of Finance, is spending a few days in Victoria. This is Mr. Courtney's first trip to the coast, and his visit is more for pleasure than business.

Hon. Logan Roots, wife and daughter, Jefferson, and Mrs. Chandler, St. Louis; R. W. Jones, Portland; J. A. Jones, New York; and H. H. Warner and wife, St. Louis, who arrived by the Olympian last night, left for the East this morning via the C. P. R.

Miss F. M. P. Fell, daughter of Mr. James Fell, of this city, who had been on a three months' visit to her father, returned to Liverpool, via the C. P. R., yesterday morning. She was accompanied by her two cousins, Thomas and William Thornton, of that city, who have been in Victoria for several weeks.

D. S. Kerr, the second master of the Boys Central School, left for the east by the Islander this morning. He goes with the intention of entering the medical profession in Eastern Canada, and leaves here to the regret of hosts of friends that he has made during his two years preceptorship.

W. H. Holloway, business manager for Mattie Vickers Comedy Co., was in the city yesterday, arranging for an appearance here of the talented brunette and her company. Mr. Holloway reports the company to shine in his profession, presentation the audience will reward them for their appreciation by frequent and hearty applause.

[illegible] will be repeated at a [illegible] to be given this afternoon, when the prices of admission will be but 25 and 50 cents to all parts of the house. This evening the bill will be "The New Karl," a sequel to "Karl the Peddler," and a play in which Mr. Gardner has won a name for himself in every city of the coast.

SPORTS AND PASTIMES.

BASEBALL.

The ninth game in the local baseball series will be played at Caledonia Park to-day, by the Mayflowers and the Maple Leafs. The following are the teams in position:—

Mayflowers.	*Positions.*	*Maple Leafs*
Baker	p	Mills
Borthwick	c	Till
Partridge	1st b	Geo. Gowen
Gus. Gowen	2d b	Geo. Clyde
Hamley	3d b	Smith
Williams	s s	F. Clyde
Gold	l f	Duck
Askew	c f	Burnes
Wrigleworth	r f	Beckingham

Game called at 2:45 p. m.

The following table shows the present position of the rival clubs in the race for the championship pennant. Should the Maple Leafs win to-day, the three teams will be again on an equal footing:—

	Played	Won	Lost	Average
Mayflowers	5	3	2	60 p. c.
James Bays	6	3	3	50 p. c.
Maple Leafs	5	2	3	40 p. c.

THE TURF.

The Nanaimo papers report that A. Cassell, owner of the race horse "Royal," has returned from Victoria, having been unable to arrange a race between his horse and one of the Victoria flyers. The owners of "Mayflower" and "Telephone" wished Mr. Cassell to concede 40 pounds weight, that is to say, ride his horse at 140 pounds and the Victoria horse would only carry an even hundred pounds before they would agree to make a race.

HERE AND THERE.

The yacht Hebe, which was awarded first prize in the Vancouver sailing race, has been purchased by Capt. Moffatt and will be taken by him on the ship Gitana to Valparaiso.

LITTLE LOCALS.

Steen, the would-be suicide at Vancouver, is recovering.

Young men should not forget the meeting to-night in Association Hall.

The candidates for Third A and B certificates finished their examination yesterday.

Two drunks paid $5 each for the fun they had been having, in the city police court yesterday.

Several Wharfstreet merchants say that they will be happy to supply the sewer contractor with all the pipe he requires.

It is reported that a smelting furnace is very shortly to be erected by the owners of the iron mine on Texada Island.

Two new postoffices have been opened in Comox district, one at Grantham, of which Henry Grieves is postmaster, and one at Sandwick with Erick Duncan postmaster.

J. Steinberg, the missing Vancouver contractor, has been heard from. He is in Seattle, and has written to his wife in Vancouver asking her to send him his tools.

Karl Gardner's picturesque comedy drama of "Fatherland" will be presented at the matinee performance in The Victoria this afternoon. Prices reduced to 25c. and 50c.

The funeral of the late Donald McKenzie took place yesterday afternoon from the Royal Hospital to Ross Bay cemetery, Mr. Knowles, of Manitoba College, officiating. The Sir William Wallace Society attended the funeral in a body.

On Thursday evening, Ald. McConnell of Vancouver, while temporarily deranged, seized a Winchester rifle and commenced firing from the balcony of his residence in all directions. Several persons narrowly escaped being shot before McConnell was arrested and disarmed.

"The Search for Basil Lyndhurst," an interesting novel by Rosa Nouchette Carey, author of "Wee Wifee," "Only the Governess," etc., etc., has been received from the well known Canadian publishing house of John B. Lovell & Co., Montreal, at Price 30c., at T. N. Hibben & Co's.

Several eastern physicians, at present guests at the Driard, have been analyzing the city water, which they find to contain an immense amount of common tar, the presence of which they were unable to account for until they were informed that it was only the wash still adhering to the new main.

Bishop Durieu and Bishop Grandin of Westminster have left for Winnipeg to attend the synod to be held at St. Boniface next week. One of the important objects of the synod is the appointment of a coadjutor to Archbishop Tache, whose strength is fast failing.

The passengers on the North Pacific had a rough trip yesterday, and almost all commmed with the deep. The large number of sheep on board did not add to the pleasure of the trip, especially when they made a break for one or the other side of the lower deck. It was a case of the passengers making a counter move to "trim ship."

PERSONAL

H. Bell, of Winnipeg, is at the Driard.

Joshua Davies returned from the Sound yesterday evening.

W. R. and Mrs. Higgins left this morning on a week's visit to the cities of the Sound.

Miss Kate Holmes, of Winnipeg, is staying with Mrs. J. H. Lawson, Simcoe street.

F. H. Maxwell and Thomas Pierce, of London, Ont., are summering with friends here.

Rev. E. K. Douglas returned from San Francisco yesterday, and is again a guest at the Driard.

Henry Payot, wholesale stationer of San Francisco, accompanied by Miss Payot, is spending a few days in town.

Col. J. G. C. Lee, of the U. S. A., accompanied by Mrs. and Miss Lee, and Miss Kershaw, of Tacoma, are at the Driard.

John J. Zile, a well known druggist of St. Louis, Mo., who has been spending several days in Victoria, left for the east by the Islander this morning.

J. M. Courtney, deputy minister of finance, who with Mrs. Courtney has been spending several days in Victoria, left this morning for California, via the Sound.

G. R. Dedman and wife, of Portland, Ore., are spending the holidays in Victoria, guests at the Douglas House. Mr. Dedman is a prominent broker of Oregon's chief city.

Dr. Walter L. Barber, of Waterbury, Ct., and the party of friends who with him have been spending the past week at the Driard, leave to-day for Alaska by the Ancon.

G. H. Hees, a well known contractor and sash and door manufacturer of Toronto who is on his way to California accompanied by Mrs. Hees, is at present a guest at the Driard. Mr. and Mrs. Hees came westward over the C. P. R.

Rabbi M. S. Levy, of Oakland, editor and proprietor of the Jewish Times and Observer, of San Francisco, was a passenger on the ss. Walla Walla. The rev. gentleman left for Tacoma, but is expected to return to this city, when he will most likely occupy the pulpit of the Jewish synagogue. As a speaker of great force, he will be again welcomed by the Victoria Israelites, who were delighted with his public lectures in this city three years ago.

A Confirmed Grumbler

Is generally so because of confirmed dyspepsia or indigestion, caused by eating too rapidly, bolting food without chewing it sufficiently, overloading the stomach, etc. Burdock Blood Bitters cures dyspepsia and all kindred diseases.

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LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

Government Contracts.

The Provincial Government have awarded the contract for the addition to the Asylum to Mr. Hugh F. Keefer. Wm. Turnbull & Co. are the successful contractors for the Vancouver courthouse and Central School building.

V. I. B. S.

The regular monthly meeting of the Vancouver Island Building Society was held at Harmony Hall last evening for the purpose of drawing the thirty-seventh appropriation. No. 101 was the successful number, held by Geo. Phillips and Mrs. Ann. Davey.

May Burned.

During the past few days the Benny Brothers, who own a farm about nine miles from Nanaimo, in Cedar district, have suffered a severe loss by from fifteen to twenty acres of hay being burned. At last reports the fire had not been extinguished, and fears were entertained for neighboring property.

Small-Pox at Westminster.

Three cases of small-pox have been discovered at Westminster, the patients being "Happy Jack," a member of the Salvation Army, a Mrs. Nickerson and her child. The houses of the afflicted people and the Salvation Army barracks have been quarantined, and the patients have been removed to a temporary pest-house on Poplar Island.

The Mexico Going to Alaska.

The steamer Mexico, which has been running north in place of the Umatilla, now that the latter is due at San Francisco from Honolulu and will resume her old route, will leave San Francisco for Victoria and Puget Sound ports on Sunday, connecting at Port Townsend for Sitka, Wrangel and Juneau, Alaska, with the steamer Corona.

The Funeral of Charles Davis.

At nine o'clock yesterday morning the funeral of the late Charles Davis left the family residence, Douglas street, proceeding thence to St. Andrew's pro-Cathedral, where mass was celebrated by Rev. Father Van Nevel. Rev. Father Leterme officiated at Ross Bay cemetery, where the interment took place. The pallbearers were E. North, J. Leroy, T. Farrell, W. Short, W. Deasy and D. McDougall.

The East Coast Route.

By the new time-table of the steamer Isabel, the vessel will until further notice leave Nanaimo for Comox every Wednesday morning at 6 o'clock, so as to reach Comox with the mails early in the afternoon. Returning, will leave Comox for Nanaimo on Thursday at 7 a. m.; Nanaimo for Comox again at 6 a. m. on Friday; from Comox for Nanaimo on Saturday at 7 a. m., and from Nanaimo for Victoria on Sunday, at 7 a. m., thus affording much better mail and passenger facilities for the east-coast settlements.

Early Peaches.

The handsomest and the most finely flavored peaches that we have seen this year were raised in the garden of the Hon. John Robson. The tree on which they were grown is an espalier and is only two years old. If it had not been supported it could not have borne the weight of the fruit. Such splendid peaches ripening so early show what British Columbia's capabilities are as a fruit growing country. The excellence and the variety of the fruit grown in this province are only beginning to be known to Eastern Canadians.

It Was a Big Mistake.

Last evening a stranger was noticed prowling about the warehouse, on Turner, Beeton & Co.'s wharf. Officer Haughton was summoned and the man was arrested on suspicion of having entered the premises with burglarious intent. He was taken to the police station, but before the charge was made out the unfortunate stranger explained to satisfactorily how he had only recently arrived in the city, his baggage still being at the C. P. N. Co.'s wharf. He was looking for his trunks, and made a mistake in the wharves. Everything being explained, he was allowed to depart.

The Midsummer Night Festival.

Caledonia grounds will this evening be the scene of a pleasant gathering, the occasion being the midsummer night festival, concert and dance. The gentlemen who have the affair in hand have labored to perfect arrangements, and everything is now in readiness for the public to enjoy a few very pleasant hours. The music will be under the conductorship of Prof. Pferdner. Prof. Oliver will act as floor manager and prompter on the dancing platform. There will be a display of fireworks in addition to the balloon ascension, and a small boy has been secured to make the ascent with the latter.

The Late F. J. Barnard.

The funeral of the late Mr. F. J. Barnard took place yesterday morning, and was attended by a large number of sympathizing friends, who had known the deceased and admired him for his many good qualities of head and heart. At the family residence, Duval Cottage, Belcher street, and at the grave, the services were conducted by Rev. P. McF. Macleod, pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church. The following were the pall-bearers: His Honor Lieut.-Governor Nelson, Hon. John Robson, M. P. P.; Mr. Speaker Pooley, Q. C., M.P.P.; Thomas Earle, W. C. Ward, Edgar Marvin, D. W. Higgins, M. P. P., and Forest Angus.

Election of Officers, A. O. F.

The semi-annual election of officers to serve for the coming term in Court Northern Light No. 5,935, A. O. F., took place Thursday evening in Foresters' Hall. The following were the brethren elected: Chief ranger, Bro. L. G. Burns; sub-chief ranger, Bro. H. A. Levin; treasurer, Bro. H. Hughes, P. C. R.; secretary, Bro. J. H. L. Salmon; senior woodward, Bro. F. Hinds, junior woodward, Bro. R. A. Bittancourt; senior beadle, Bro. J. Elliott; junior beadle, Bro. R. Rennie. Bro. Hy Smith, P. D. C. R., resigned from the position of treasurer, after filling that position for several years to the satisfaction of the brethren. The installation of officers will take place at the next regular meeting, Thursday, July 25th, when the district officers will officiate.

"FATHERLAND."

Last Night's Success at The Victoria—Matinee this Afternoon.

It was half past nine o'clock last night when the curtain was rung up at the Victoria, and Karl Gardner, the popular German comedian, in his new and romantic play, "Fatherland," was greeted by a fairly good house, whose patience had become well nigh exhausted by the non-arrival of the steamer. They were well rewarded for waiting, however, as "Fatherland" proved a comedy-drama well worth listening to, and Mr. Gardner showed himself an actor and vocalist capable of pleasing any audience—even one heartily weary of an hour's view of the picture on the drop curtain. He is one of the best expounents of eccentric German character now on the stage, and is in addition an excellent dancer and pleasing vocalist. He is surrounded by a number of clever people, whose singing, dancing and mimicking materially aid in producing an altogether pleasing performance.

The play itself is a romantic comedy, with a good plot and abundant opportunity not only for the star, but every [illegible] the company to shine in. [illegible] sentation the audience [illegible] reciation by frequent [illegible] applause.

[illegible] will be repeated at a [illegible] to be given this afternoon, when the prices of admission will be but 25 and 50 cents to all parts of the house. This evening the bill will be "The New Karl," a sequel to "Karl the Peddler," and a play in which Mr. Gardner has won a name for himself in every city of the coast.

SPORTS AND PASTIMES.

BASEBALL.

The ninth game in the local baseball series will be played at Caledonia Park to-day, by the Mayflowers and the Maple Leafs. The following are the teams in position:—

Mayflowers.	*Positions.*	*Maple Leafs*
Baker	p	Mills
Borthwick	c	Till
Partridge	1st b	Geo. Gowen
Gus. Gowen	2d b	Geo. Clyde
Hamley	3d b	Smith
Williams	s s	F. Clyde
Gold	l f	Duck
Askew	c f	Burnes
Wrigleworth	r f	Beckingham

Game called at 2:45 p. m.

The following table shows the present position of the rival clubs in the race for the championship pennant. Should the Maple Leafs win to-day, the three teams will be again on an equal footing:—

	Played	Won	Lost	Average
Mayflowers	5	3	2	60 p. c.
James Bays	6	3	3	50 p. c.
Maple Leafs	5	2	3	40 p. c.

THE TURF.

The Nanaimo papers report that A. Cassell, owner of the race horse "Royal," has returned from Victoria, having been unable to arrange a race between his horse and one of the Victoria flyers. The owners of "Mayflower" and "Telephone" wished Mr. Cassell to concede 40 pounds weight, that is to say, ride his horse at 140 pounds and the Victoria horse would only carry an even hundred pounds before they would agree to make a race.

HERE AND THERE.

The yacht Hebe, which was awarded first prize in the Vancouver sailing race, has been purchased by Capt. Moffatt and will be taken by him on the ship Gitana to Valparaiso.

LITTLE LOCALS.

Steen, the would-be suicide at Vancouver, is recovering.

Young men should not forget the meeting to-night in Association Hall.

The candidates for Third A and B certificates finished their examination yesterday.

Two drunks paid $5 each for the fun they had been having, in the city police court yesterday.

Several Wharfstreet merchants say that they will be happy to supply the sewer contractor with all the pipe he requires.

It is reported that a smelting furnace is very shortly to be erected by the owners of the iron mine on Texada Island.

Two new postoffices have been opened in Comox district, one at Grantham, of which Henry Grieves is postmaster, and one at Sandwick with Erick Duncan postmaster.

J. Steinberg, the missing Vancouver contractor, has been heard from. He is in Seattle, and has written to his wife in Vancouver asking her to send him his tools.

Karl Gardner's picturesque comedy drama of "Fatherland" will be presented at the matinee performance in The Victoria this afternoon. Prices reduced to 25c. and 50c.

The funeral of the late Donald McKenzie took place yesterday afternoon from the Royal Hospital to Ross Bay cemetery, Mr. Knowles, of Manitoba College, officiating. The Sir William Wallace Society attended the funeral in a body.

On Thursday evening, Ald. McConnell of Vancouver, while temporarily deranged, seized a Winchester rifle and commenced firing from the balcony of his residence in all directions. Several persons narrowly escaped being shot before McConnell was arrested and disarmed.

"The Search for Basil Lyndhurst," an interesting novel by Rosa Nouchette Carey, author of "Wee Wifee," "Only the Governess," etc., etc., has been received from the well known Canadian publishing house of John B. Lovell & Co., Montreal, at Price 30c., at T. N. Hibben & Co's.

Several eastern physicians, at present guests at the Driard, have been analyzing the city water, which they find to contain an immense amount of common tar, the presence of which they were unable to account for until they were informed that it was only the wash still adhering to the new main.

Bishop Durieu and Bishop Grandin of Westminster have left for Winnipeg to attend the synod to be held at St. Boniface next week. One of the important objects of the synod is the appointment of a coadjutor to Archbishop Tache, whose strength is fast failing.

The passengers on the North Pacific had a rough trip yesterday, and almost all commmed with the deep. The large number of sheep on board did not add to the pleasure of the trip, especially when they made a break for one or the other side of the lower deck. It was a case of the passengers making a counter move to "trim ship."

PERSONAL

H. Bell, of Winnipeg, is at the Driard.

Joshua Davies returned from the Sound yesterday evening.

W. R. and Mrs. Higgins left this morning on a week's visit to the cities of the Sound.

Miss Kate Holmes, of Winnipeg, is staying with Mrs. J. H. Lawson, Simcoe street.

F. H. Maxwell and Thomas Pierce, of London, Ont., are summering with friends here.

Rev. E. K. Douglas returned from San Francisco yesterday, and is again a guest at the Driard.

Henry Payot, wholesale stationer of San Francisco, accompanied by Miss Payot, is spending a few days in town.

Col. J. G. C. Lee, of the U. S. A., accompanied by Mrs. and Miss Lee, and Miss Kershaw, of Tacoma, are at the Driard.

John J. Zile, a well known druggist of St. Louis, Mo., who has been spending several days in Victoria, left for the east by the Islander this morning.

J. M. Courtney, deputy minister of finance, who with Mrs. Courtney has been spending several days in Victoria, left this morning for California, via the Sound.

G. R. Dedman and wife, of Portland, Ore., are spending the holidays in Victoria, guests at the Douglas House. Mr. Dedman is a prominent broker of Oregon's chief city.

Dr. Walter L. Barber, of Waterbury, Ct., and the party of friends who with him have been spending the past week at the Driard, leave to-day for Alaska by the Ancon.

G. H. Hees, a well known contractor and sash and door manufacturer of Toronto who is on his way to California accompanied by Mrs. Hees, is at present a guest at the Driard. Mr. and Mrs. Hees came westward over the C. P. R.

Rabbi M. S. Levy, of Oakland, editor and proprietor of the Jewish Times and Observer, of San Francisco, was a passenger on the ss. Walla Walla. The rev. gentleman left for Tacoma, but is expected to return to this city, when he will most likely occupy the pulpit of the Jewish synagogue. As a speaker of great force, he will be again welcomed by the Victoria Israelites, who were delighted with his public lectures in this city three years ago.

A Confirmed Grumbler

Is generally so because of confirmed dyspepsia or indigestion, caused by eating too rapidly, bolting food without chewing it sufficiently, overloading the stomach, etc. Burdock Blood Bitters cures dyspepsia and all kindred diseases.

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LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

A Ridiculous Pageant.

The Salvation Army masqueraded through the streets last night in ridiculous costumes of scarlet, preceded by a very poor cornet player, and carrying Japanese lanterns and banners, making a mockery of religion.

A Midnight Alarm.

Shortly before 12 o'clock last night the fire department was called out to extinguish the usual grass fire at Beacon Hill. Several acres were swept by the flames, the blaze being plainly seen from almost every part of the city.

Increased Steamer Accommodation.

It is stated that the O. R. & N. Co. have decided to place the steamer Alki on the Portland, Victoria and Puget Sound route in connection with the Idaho and Michigan, and that if those three vessels do not prove enough for the trade, a fourth vessel will be placed on the route.

Excursion Party.

A party consisting of Mr. and Mr