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Weekly Colonist

FRIDAY, JUNE 17, 1887.

From the Daily Colonist, June 12, 1887.

LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

A Fair Exchange.

The R. P. Rithet on Friday carried about 130 tons of freight for New Westminster and yesterday returned with 110 tons for this city.

Marine Department.

The Dominion steamer Sir James Douglas leaves for Cape Beale on Monday next at noon, when a spot will be selected for the erection of a day beacon in Barclay Sound.

Outgoing Passengers.

The following persons left for San Francisco on the City of Chester yesterday: J. Munro and wife, C. D. Radcliffe and wife, W. Haywood, L. A. Eaden, E. A. Eaden and wife, E. McDougall, Henry Gray, Edwin Harper, and nine passengers in the steerage.

Appointment.

The following appears in the *Canada Gazette* of the 4th instant:—

British Columbia Brigade of Garrison Artillery, No. 1 Battery, New Westminster—To be 2nd lieutenant provisionally: Bombadier Thomas Mowat, *vice* James Edward Phillips, whose resignation is hereby accepted.

Completely Sold.

On Thursday night a bright flash of light illuminated the sky at intervals causing wonderment on the part of those who saw it. On Friday the mystery was solved when it was learned that the brilliant and powerful electric light of H.M.S. Triumph was in full operation. On Friday night the same light was burning and cast its rays far and wide.

Nanaimo Assizes.

Hezekiah Jones, a deaf and dumb mute, was found guilty of larceny with a strong recommendation to mercy.

Bill Namakow was found guilty of assaulting Chief Constable Stewart.

The case of Stewart McKelvey for perjury and false pretences was continued before the court yesterday.

She Made Up Time.

The steamer Geo. E. Starr was delayed at Tacoma yesterday morning for one hour and a half, the eastern train being late. After taking on two car-loads of cattle and four horses for this port she left Tacoma arriving here at the usual time, having made up the delay between Tacoma and Port Townsend. Forty passengers came over on the steamer, several of whom will go to Alaska on Tuesday.

A Gigantic Scheme.

An Ottawa dispatch of the 8th instant says: Mons. Kamper, representing an enormous wealthy syndicate, has made an offer to the government for the purchase of the entire system of the Intercolonial railway. The scheme proposed is next in magnitude to the Canadian Pacific. It is the intention of the syndicate to import one thousand skilled workmen for the development of the iron industry of Nova Scotia.

Lime on the Fraser.

An immense deposit of finest lime has been located on McDonald's farm, near Agassiz station. A company has been formed for the purpose of bringing it into market, and kilns are now being built for that purpose. It is most conveniently situated, for it can be loaded on steamer or scow direct from the kilns, and a tramway can readily be built to the railway line.

Congregational Missions.

Rev. Thomas Hall, superintendent of congregational missions, has returned to Kingston after an absence of eight months advocating the claims of the church in the Dominion. He was given assurance of help sufficient to open many new missions in the Northwest and British Columbia. He leaves at once for the west. Before leaving England the colonial missionary society presented Mr. Hall with £100 sterling.

To Visit B. C.

St. John *Sun*: Rev. A. J. Mowatt, of Paul's church, Fredericton, left to-day to attend the Presbyterian general assembly at Winnipeg. Previous to his departure, James Hodge, on behalf of St. Paul's congregation, presented the reverend gentleman with a cheque for two hundred dollars. He will be gone a month and will visit British Columbia.

The reverend gentleman is a brother-in-law of Mr. Craig, of Nanaimo.

The Jubilee Address.

The *Times* is again wrong in its information. *Carte blanche* was not given to Mr. Tiedeman. On the contrary, the price for the work was stipulated upon and it was only upon that gentleman absolutely refusing to deliver the address unless he was paid a sum far in excess of the price and of the value of the work, that Mr. Speaker Pooley, after offering a liberal sum in excess of the figure agreed upon, and it being refused, notified Mr. Tiedeman that he must place it in other hands. Mr. Tiedeman persisted in demanding an excessive figure, and as time was limited the present handsome address was arranged for.

Rhea.

A gentleman writing from Portland to a friend in this city says: "M'lle Rhea is not only a great actress, but she is a charming woman socially. She is supported by the best all-round dramatic company that has played here. I consider it much stronger than Fred. Ward's support and it is, by some, thought to be the finest now on the road. I trust that the company will meet with the success they deserve at the hands of Victoria theatre goers." M'lle Rhea will no doubt do an enormous business in this city as her success will bring such actors and actresses as Booth, Langtry, Modjeska and Barrett. The company will arrive to-morrow afternoon and play the entire week. "Pygmalion and Galatea" has been chosen for the opening night. Seats at Waitt's.

Gathering of the Aborigines.

Nearly two thousand Indians have gathered at the Mission on the Fraser river, and are camped on either side of the railway track and along the ridge. Great preparations have been made for the celebration to-day. An altar has been erected on the hill, and a canopy for Bishop Durien. The Indians, with their wives and families, dressed in many colored garments with their white tents, form a bright picture. Nearly all are well dressed, and under the care of the reverend fathers are behaving in a most exemplary manner. A number of white people have visited the point to witness the ceremonies, and yesterday the band of the Brothers' college at New Westminster, accompanied by a goodly number, left for the point.

Attack and Defence.

The manœuvres of attack and defence by the naval brigade and city volunteers at Macauley's point yesterday afternoon were viewed by a large number of spectators. The volunteers, commanded by Lieut.-Col. Wolfenden, were conveyed to the point in boats kindly furnished by Admiral Sir Michael Culme-Seymour, and arrived on the field just as the naval brigade, under command of Capt. Simpson, marched in. The brigade, including the volunteers, were formed up in line, and after the general salute formed quarter columns and marched past, after which line was again formed and a *feu de joie* fired. The force was then divided into parties of attack and of defence. The manœuvres were gone through a first time for the benefit of the colonial troops, and a second time with the latter on the left of the fighting line. The evolutions were performed by the naval brigade with that machine-like precision so characteristic of all their drills. The volunteers did very well considering their limited chances for gaining experience, and although unfortunate blunders were made they were not the fault of the men.

Boycotted.

The Hamilton *Spectator* announces that it has been boycotted by the Irish league for strictures on O'Brien.

Death of a Pioneer.

Mr. Harry Marriner, a pioneer resident of Cowichan, died yesterday after a short illness. He was one of the first settlers in Cowichan district and was generally respected.

A Desirable Resort.

The Bluejacket's picnic, which was conducted so successfully on Friday last, was held in the beautiful grounds of the Victoria Gardens, which form a specially attractive and convenient place wherein to hold gatherings of a like nature.

Business Transfer.

Wm. Croft, formerly of the Union Truck & Dray Co., has disposed of his entire dray business to the Victoria Truck & Dray Co. The amount paid for the stock is said to be a good figure. The V. T. D. Co. will now be able to extend its business, and will carry any and all kinds of freight at the lowest possible rates.

The Colonial.

Since Mr. Luke Pither assumed the proprietorship of the Colonial hotel, New Westminster, he has been constantly working to improve it. The whole interior of the establishment has been entirely renovated, and the hotel is now bright, clean and home-like, and is conducted on a first-class principle. Mr. Pither's enterprise is being appreciated, as it deserves to be.

Presentation.

Last night a deputation, says the Hamilton *Times*, from the managers of St. Paul's church, waited on Miss Kemp, who has for several years been a valued member of the choir, and presented her with a purse of gold, at the same time expressing the high appreciation of her services and wishing her every happiness in the new relation of life upon which she is about to enter. Miss Kemp's future home will be Victoria, B. C. She leaves for the west in a few days.

Undergoing Repairs.

The steamer Skidegate, which was damaged by fire some time ago, is being repaired. A new deck house will be erected, new tubes put in, and the boiler and engines thoroughly overhauled. A new propellor is also being made for this little steamer which is in every way a staunch craft. She will look well when painted up. It is the intention of Capt. Morris to run her as an excursion boat during the Queen's jubilee celebration.

Warde & Rhea.

The following telegram was received from our Portland correspondent last night:

Fred. Warde closes a highly successful engagement at the Newmarket theatre to-night, and owing to eastern engagement he will not be able to visit Victoria this season.

Mille Rhea, the great French actress, has been creating a great impression on the Sound. She is undoubtedly the most eminent actress ever visiting the North-west. She plays a return engagement at the Newmarket the week of June 20th."

Sir Charles Entertains.

Sir Charles Tupper recently entertained the following gentlemen to dinner in the Commons restaurant: Hon. J. A. Chapleau, Hon. J. S. D. Thompson, Sir A. P. Caron, Messrs. Davin, Davis, McDowall, Perley, Daly, Scarth, Ross, Royal, Mara, Gordon, Shakespeare, Baker, Chisholm, McKeen, Hall, Girouard, C. H. Tupper, Moffat, McDonald, Grandbois, Ward, M. P.'s; and J. S. Willison, Toronto *Globe*, L.P. Kribbs, Toronto *World*, Geo. H. Ham, the *Call*, Winnipeg, and A. F. Wallis, Toronto *Mail*.

An Even Career.

In the year 1856, says the Nanaimo *Free Press*, the Rev. W. I. Shaw, L.L.D., of Kingston, Ontario, and Rev. E. Robson, Methodist minister of this city, entered the Victoria college as students. They were classmates and room-mates during the years they were together at college. In due time both gentlemen entered the Methodist ministry, and, strange to say, during last month both gentlemen were elected presidents of their respective conferences. It is not often that two young men starting college life together make such an even race as to be elected presidents of conferences within a few days of each other, after an interval of 31 years.

Blue Ribbon Club.

The weekly meeting of the above club attracted a large and appreciative audience. President S. Gray opened the meeting with prayer. Two appropriate odes, "Hold the Fort," and "Rescue the Perishing," were sung by the audience. The president gave some sensible advice which was listened to with marked attention. The following programme was carried out during the evening: Instrumental selections, Blue Ribbon band; recitation, Mr. Tucker; solo, Miss Dobbs; Gordon's March, Blue Ribbon band; phrenological lecture, Mr. Sutton; solo, Mr. H. Rudge. God Save the Queen.

A "Salvation Army" Romance.

Quite a romantic episode has come to light in connection with the salvation army at Quebec. One of the salvation lassies, a rather pretty Swiss girl, who went there last year to convert the Quebecers, has now been converted herself. It appears that a young French-Canadian, who was a diligent attendant at the army's sevices, fell in love with her and his passion was soon returned. The girl's superior officers thought to break up the attachment by sending her away from Quebec to Montreal and afterwards to Toronto, but it seems that she escaped from their vigilance not long since and returned to Quebec and her lover. She has been baptized into the Roman Catholic church, made her first communion, and the wedding will take place next week.

Nanaimo Relief Fund.

Mr. Samuel Robins, hon. treasurer reports that the amount received up to date for the Nanaimo relief fund was $40,932-95, and that he had received word that the lord mayor of London's fund had reached over $2000 a few days after it was opened. Messrs. Harvey and Pimbury reported that they have been promised in cash and merchandise from the business men of Nanaimo the sum of $1350.

Mr. Robert Scott said the list from Wellington and Departure Bay would reach over $1000.

The president, Mayor Gibson, stated he had received a telegram from Mr. Pendergast stating that $1000 had been forwarded from Virginia City, Nevada, in aid of the fund.

Building in the Royal City.

New Westminster is at present experiencing a building boom, and arrangements have been made for the erection of a number of substantial business buildings, among which are the following:

Three-storey brick hotel on the site of the old Arlington, for — Duncan, with frontage of 60 feet on Columbia street and depth of 70 feet.

E. S. Scoullar & Co.—Two-storey brick, with basement; size, 44x66 feet, on Columbia street.

W. J. Armstrong—Two-storey brick, with basement, adjoining the former; size, 54x62 feet.

Masons and Oddfellows—Society hall, four-storey brick, with tower, on Columbia street; size, 66x120 feet.

Bank of British Columbia—Two-storey brick, corner Columbia and Mary street.

J. A. Webster—Two-story brick, on Front street.

H. V. Edmonds—Three-storey frame hotel, fronting on Columbia and siding on two streets; size, 66x100 feet.

Chas. McDonough—Two-storey brick with basement; size, 33x66 feet.

Besides these extensive business buildings improvements, numerous dwellings have been and are being erected in all quarters of the city. It proves that the people of New Westminster have confidence in the future of their thriving city on the banks of the lordly Fraser, and are determined to make every effort to increase their facilities for doing trade.

The Harrison Springs.

The wonderful cures that are being effected by the mineral waters of Harrison Lake Hot Springs are attracting considerable attention. Several residents of Victoria who are now at the St. Alice hotel have benefitted greatly. F. J. Barnard, ex-M.P., when he left the other day tied up his cane with his fishing rod and said he did not need it any more. Dr. Trevan, of H. M. S. Triumph, who has been at the springs for some time, is in splendid health. Rheumatics who have secured relief in no other way, have entirely recovered their former nimbleness, and those suffering from many other complaints have been cured. Everything points to the fact that the springs must soon become largely patronized not only by invalids but by pleasure seekers for there is no more delightful spot on the continent wherein to spend an agreeable time.

MARINE.

Schooner Alfred Adams left for Behring's sea yesterday morning.

Steamship Geo. W. Elder will be due from San Francisco to-morrow.

Steamship City of Chester left San Francisco at 10 o'clock p.m. yesterday.

Ship Thos. M. Reed will complete her cargo of Wellington coal about Tuesday.

Steamer Olympian will probably arrive at the outer wharf on Monday night and will leave for the north on Tuesday morning.

Steamship Wellington is taking on Wellington coal at Departure bay and will leave again for San Francisco about Tuesday.

Steamship Abyssinian is hourly expected from China. It is said she will not land at the outer wharf, and will send her freight in on a lighter.

Br. bark Husequina, having discharged her cargo, was taking in ballast yesterday preparatory to being hauled out into the stream, where she will lie until a charter is secured.

PERSONAL.

G. A. Keefer came down on the Yosemite last evening.

J. H. Todd, Uriah Nelson and Geo. Hargreaves arrived down on the Rithet.

Gen. G. Twigg was a passenger by the Rithet yesterday from New Westminster.

Dr. Eberts, who has been spending a few days in the city, will leave for Wellington to-day.

R. Brodrick went to Vancouver this morning to superintend the coaling of the steamship Abyssinia.

Rear-Admiral Sir M. Culme Seymour will visit the Sound towns to-morrow, probably in a ship-of-war.

Lieut.-Governor Nelson continues in an unsatisfactory state of health and will go to the Harrison river Hot Springs next week.

Later advices received from Harrison in regard to Mr. Jos. Spratt are to the effect that it is impossible for him to recover. This news will be greatly regretted by every resident of this city.

Hon. Justice Gray returned from the Harrison Hot Springs much improved in health, and speaks in the highest terms of the healing properties of the waters and the lively character of the scenery.

SCHOOL TRUSTEE MEETING.

The regular meeting of the school board met last evening at the city hall.

Present: Chairman Higgins, Secretary Hayward, Trustees Heisterman, Milne, McMicking and Walker.

The minutes of the two previous meetings were read and adopted.

Trustee Higgins in retiring as chairman of the board made the following address to the board:

GENTLEMEN,—As this is the last meeting of the present Board of Trustees, and the last over which I shall be privileged to preside, I regard it as much a duty as a pleasure to congratulate you upon the harmony that has marked all our sittings, upon the improved condition of the schools under our care, and the increased attendance of scholars. I must also compliment the trustees individually and collectively, upon the zeal they have exhibited in the discharge of their onerous task, which has no regnifal other than that which is found in the approval of all lovers of free education and the self-consciousness of having done their duty.

The *morale* of the schools is good during the past twelve months, (I think I am correct in the statement). There has not been a single well-grounded charge of insubordination or misconduct against a pupil. The teaching staff has but minimised its footing and fell beneath the train, the wheels passing over his ankles cut off both feet and broke his right leg in two places. The man was instantly picked up and all the assistance possibly rendered him, but the loss of blood had been too great and he died at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. The train was proceeding at a moderate rate of speed at the time and the fatal accident is the result of his own recklessness.

(Inland Sentinel.)

Alexander Vance, a resident of Peace Valley for nearly 30 years, went riding on horseback last Tuesday; and his body was found soon afterwards about two miles from his home. It is supposed that heart disease was the cause of death; but, when his body was found, the neck was broken. This may have happened, however, whether Mr. Vance was dead when he fell from his horse, or whether the fall was by accident.

The Thompson river has been very high during the past week; some days receding about a foot, and then rising higher than before on the following day. With such an immense volume of water pouring into the Fraser from the Thompson, it is no wonder that the former river is in flood; and the only surprise is that the recent inundations reported on the banks of the Fraser are not greater than they are. The Thompson, at present, carries more water than the Fraser does in ordinary seasons.

Three small bridges on the C.P.R. line immediately east of the Twin Butte were burnt on Sunday, in which neighborhood forest fires were raging. Trains were delayed for some hours and transfers had to be effected until the structures were replaced.

ANNUAL SCHOOL MEETING.

The annual school meeting was held at the city hall yesterday.

Coun. Styles was called to the chair and Mr. Hayward acted as secretary.

Present—Trustees Heisterman, Milne, McMicken, Walker, Hayward, and Higgins, and Messrs. Lorimer, Kaye, and Coun. Braden.

The minutes of the last meeting having been read and adopted, Secretary Hayward read the following report of the out going board:

To the Electors of the Victoria City School District:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,—In presenting their annual report, the Trustees have pleasure in stating that the schools under their charge continue to make gratifying progress.

The number of pupils enrolled is 1780, showing an increase over last year of 353. The daily attendance has averaged 883. The returns for May last show a daily attendance of 920.36. This is the largest average daily attendance recorded in the history of the schools, and is considerably more than one-third of the combined average attendance at all of the other public schools of the province. The number of teachers now employed is 23, with an aggregate monthly salary of $1,375. The results from this large expenditure of public money have been, so far as the trustees are competent to judge, satisfactory. The Superintendent of Education, in his report to the government, speaks of the schools in the highest praise. During the year the following changes have been made in the teaching staff:

Retired or Resigned—Mrs. J. M. Reid, Mr. A. Dods, Mr. E. S. Wood, Mr. G. F. Wright, Miss H. Jackson, Miss S. A. Robinson, Mr. J. H. Thain.

Appointed—Mr. E. S. Wood, Miss Pollard, Mr. Jas. Kaye, Miss Ada Keast, Mr. E. F. Duncan, Miss Katie Todd, Miss Nellie Wolfenden, Mr. D. E. Kerr.

The responsibility of making selection of teachers and retaining them or otherwise, rests as you are aware entirely with the Trustees, and is one of their most unpleasant and arduous duties. It was hoped that the appropriation made for an inspector of schools would have assisted the Trustees by providing them with an experienced and reliable adviser in these matters, but the appointment has not been made, notwithstanding the necessity for a daily inspection of the schools has more than ever become an imperative duty. Early in the year it was resolved in the interests of the schools, to make all teachers' appointments terminable annually.

The question of the establishment of a Provincial University, to which your attention was drawn last year, has again been brought to the notice of the government, who we have reason to hope will at the next session of parliament, ask for authority to devote tracts of land in various portions of the province to form the nucleus of a fund for this purpose.

It will be necessary during the coming year to have some repairs made to the school buildings, and also to provide additional seats and desks. The ventilation in some of the rooms is also very defective and requires immediate attention. It is hoped before the season passes that the defective arrangements connected with the closets will be remedied and the suggestion for their improvement, made some time ago, carried out.

The necessity of a large hall at the Central School, in which the semi-annual examinations and other exercises of the pupils can be held, has long been felt. A large cheap frame building that could be used during the winter months for a girls' play and recreation room, would answer the purpose, and we strongly recommend it to the favorable notice of the educational authorities.

The following moneys have been received and expended during the year, viz.:—

Balance in hand at last report	$ 8 79
Net proceeds given by teachers & pupils	212 62
Total	$221 41
Expended—	
By amt. paid T. N. Hibben & Co.	$17 00
By amt. paid M. W. Waitt & Co.	15 00
By amt. paid J. R. Ferguson & Co.	15 00
By amt. paid W. Millington	2 50
By amt. paid G. Lambeth	1 25
	$ 50 75
Balance in hand	$170 66

NOTE—Ninety dollars of this amount has been appropriated for prizes at the approaching examinations.

The retiring trustees are: Mr. D. W. Higgins, Johnson Street Ward; Mr. R. B. McMicking, James Bay Ward; Mr. Chas. Hayward, Yates Street Ward; whose successors are to be elected by you in accordance with the Act on Monday next. In conclusion, the Board express the hope that their efforts during the past year will meet with your approval.

D. W. HIGGINS,
Chairman;
CHAS. HAYWARD,
Secretary.

R. B. MCMICKING,
H. F. HEISTERMAN,
G. L. MILNE, M.D.,
W. WALKER.

Mr. Lorimer, in moving the adoption of the report, referred to the retirement of Mr. Thain, and asked if he had resigned.

Sec. Hayward explained that Mr. Lorimer had no doubt seen in the report that at the end of each year every school teacher's term expired.

Mr. Lorimer asked if the teachers dismissed got any notice.

Trustee Hayward—They will certainly get a month's notice.

Coun. Braden said he did not believe in putting strangers above the heads of those who had been long employed. He thought that teachers should be moved up as vacancies occurred.

Trustee Hayward said he would like to hear the chairman of the board or some of the trustees. He had taken that position during the year.

Chairman Higgins had taken the same position as Mr. Hayward.

Trustee Milne was of the opinion that the appointment of teachers should be left in the hands of the board of trustees. He did not think it a wise thing to appoint teachers for life, as such a course would be to the detriment of the service.

Mr. Lorimer asked what certificate Mr. Kerr had held?

Trustee Hayward—The same as Mr. Thain.

Coun. Braden here said that it had always been the practice when a teacher was dropped out the teacher below him or her took the position.

Chairman Higgins said that the promotion idea was a very fallacious one. He defended the action of the board in not promoting the lower grade teachers. In no case has the standard of a teacher been taken for promotion. He would always be in favor if a better teacher could be secured of placing him in the position vacated. He knew of two cases where teachers had written letters to the trustees in which were mispelled words, and if a vacancy were to take place to-day the friends of those same teachers would ask that they be promoted.

Trustee Walker said he was perfectly satisfied with the actions of the board. He did not believe in voting by ballot, and thought that the voting should be done openly. Complaints had been made that Mr. Thain compelled the pupils to write 1000 words over several times. When resolutions passed by the trustees were ignored by the teachers, it was time for the board of trustees to show the teachers that they had authority. He thought it advisable to appoint an inspector of schools.

Trustee Heisterman said that two years ago he had moved that the trustees be appointed annually. The resolution had been voted down. Last year he moved the same resolution, which was carried unanimously, it being thought by all to be an excellent idea. He understood that the teacher who had been put in Mr. Thain's place was a competent man, and he was of the opinion that the change would be beneficial to all the scholars.

Mr. Lorimer said that the retiring trustees should have left the appointment of teachers to the incoming trustees.

Trustee McMicking then said that it was only after long deliberation that the trustees had done as they did. They were of the opinion that teachers should be placed in a position to retire without dismissal so that they would be able to secure other appointments. The matter was fully gone into by the retiring board and he thought that the course pursued was to the interest of the teachers. Some teachers had come to him and said, "if we are not re-appointed we will have time to look about us for something else to do if the elections take place some time before the closing of the schools." He did not think that one teacher who had been left out should grumble. He stood his chances with the rest and was one that had failed in the election of teachers.

Mr. Alex. Wilson made a few remarks in which he said that the annual reports, written in a bad hand, was not very creditable to the retiring school board. He was of the opinion that the trustees had done wrong in dismissing a teacher without cause. If the trustees had any cause to show it should be given to the teacher dismissed, in writing. He referred to the appointment a man to an important position in the schools who did not pay his debts. Was it a worse thing to appoint a man who was seen drunk upon the street and who was so helpless that he had to crawl on all fours. This he considered a grave charge against the trustees. In closing Mr. Wilson gave as his opinion that the retiring trustees should have left the appointment of teachers to the incoming board. He also objected to secret sessions. Chairman Higgins said in reply to Mr. Wilson that it had been decided to hold private meetings two years ago, the object being that if complaints against the teachers were made to the trustees and if found frivolous they would not go abroad to the public. Wr. Wilson in his remarks had objected to an inspector being appointed. He would inform that gentleman that a salary had been appropriated for that purpose two years ago. The work was growing and an inspector was needed to take some of the arduous labors now invested on the superintendent. With regard to the gentleman who had been appointed in Mr. Thain's place, he was there, and there he would stay unless removed by the next board.

Mr. Lorimer's motion that the report be adopted was seconded by Mr. E. Kaye, and after a vote of thanks to the chairman (Coun. Styles) had been carried unanimously, the meeting adjourned.

B. C. M. & M. CO.

A well-attended meeting of the shareholders of the B. C. M. & M. Co., was held yesterday at the office of the secretary, in the absence of President Heywood, Hon. Justice Gray presiding. After a general discussion of the business of the company, the following resolution was adopted:

Moved by C. E. Redfern, seconded by B. W. Pearse: That this meeting having taken into consideration the present position of the company and its financial status; and believing it to be of the greatest importance to the company that advantage should be taken of the Act lately passed by the legislature of British Columbia, entitled "An Act to aid the development of quartz mines," No. 60, passed on the fifth day of April last, and to give to the directors of the company full and complete powers on behalf of the company to take all necessary steps therefor; and to remove all doubt that may arise relative thereto out of the 13th or any other section of the Act of incorporation, or out of article 44 of the Articles of Association, or of any other article thereof; hereby resolves: That all such sections and articles, and all parts thereof if any such there be, be and the same are altered and amended hereby, and that full and ample power be given to the directors, and they are hereby authorized, to take all necessary steps to comply with the requirements of the "Act to aid the development of quartz mines" above mentioned, and to give all such securities on the property of the company as may be necessary therefor; and in accordance with the requirements of the said Act; and this meeting of the shareholders hereby ratifies and confirms all such steps as may be necessary therefor and shall be taken by the directors to that end, the powers hereby given and the acts confirmed being limited to that end only and none other; and that no personal liability of any kind be attached to the directors in carrying out these steps other than attaches to all the other shareholders of the company.

CABLE NEWS.

Further Discussion of the Coercion Bill in the Commons.

Michael Davitt Outwits the Authorities and Delivers an Address.

Cessation of fighting in Afghanistan—The Russian Frontier Railway—A Trial of Alsatians for Treason.

Attacked by Natives.

LONDON, Jun 13.—Dispatches say that a slave dhow attacked a launch of a British man-of-war and wounded an officer and five men at Amaritisar. The dhow was sunk by the force of the launch and slaves upon her, 43 in number, were rescued.

Russian Outfit.

Advices from Merve says the Russians are fitting out two steamers and a number of iron lighters to transport material for the trans-Caspian railway and to reconnoitre on the Amu Daria river. The British are equipping two light draught steamers with steel guns for use upon the Amu Daria.

Manchester Ship Canal.

The Manchester ship canal bill passed its second reading in the commons this afternoon with the proviso that it be referred to a select committee.

The Russian Frontier Railway.

Sir James Furguson, parliamentary secretary of the foreign office, stated that the Russian railway toward Afghanistan was completed to within 125 miles of the frontier.

No Fighting in Afghanistan.

In the house of lords this afternoon Viscount Cross, secretary of state for India, announced that Lord Dufferin, viceroy of India, had telegraphed on June 9th that there was no fighting going on in Afghanistan.

The Coercion Bill.

The House of Commons this evening resumed the debate on the coercion bill, taking up the fifth clause which deals with the proclaiming of districts. Henry Fowler, liberal, proposed as an amendment that proclamations be made by order of the privy council instead of by the viceroy. He urged that a change of such importance as proclaiming districts should be made by the imperial instead of the Irish executive. Mr. Balfour, chief secretary for Ireland, declined to accept the amendment. He reminded the house that the government collectively were responsible for every act of the Irish executive. Healey moved, Clancy and Dillon, nationalists, successively supported the amendment. Gladstone suggested that members should not spend any more shot at their command in futile discussion. It would be better, he said, to employ the remaining time in discussing weighty points. Smith said he was anxious to allow sufficient time for discussion of substantial questions and hoped the opposition would assist the government in this direction.

The German Emperor's Condition.

BERLIN, June 13.—This morning the official bulletin says the Emperor continues to make good progress toward recovery. The Crown Prince Frederick William left Berlin for London to take part in the Queen's Jubilee celebration. Before departing he called at the Emperor's palace and took leave of his majesty.

Trial for Treason.

LEIPSIG, June 13.—The trial members of the Alsatian patriot league charge high treason for supporting the attempt to separate Alsace-Lorraine from Germany begun to-day.

Davitt Outwits the Authorities.

DUBLIN, June 13.—When it was found yesterday that Michael Davitt had outwitted the authorities and was holding a meeting at Feakle, a force of police was sent from Bodyke to disperse it. They did not reach Feakle, however, until after Davitt had finished speaking and left the place. A severe fracas occurred between the police and crowd, which had attended the meeting and several persons were injured.

CANADIAN NEWS.

For Free Trade.

RENFREW, Ont. June 13.—The Farmer's institute of South Renfrew has passed a resolution in favor of free trade with the United States and pledging the institute to its utmost to carry such a policy to a successful issue.

Unfounded Rumors.

OTTAWA, June 13.—Northwest officials and settlers are reported as believing there is no foundation for the rumors of uneasiness among the half-breeds and Indians. Lieutenant-Governor Dewdney has sent a long dispatch concerning the recent murders, denying that there is any cause for the sensational reports they have given rise to.

The Canadian Wheat Market.

MONTREAL, June 13.—The big break in the wheat market in Chicago caused great excitement on the streets here. Losses are very heavy. It is estimated that speculators in grain at this point have lost nearly $100,000.

A Prisoner's Release.

Robert Grau, who has been in hot water, has been released after an imprisonment of 120 days. Grau was first arrested in Quebec on March 3rd at the instance of one Baxter, who took a *capias* against him. He was brought to Montreal and remained in jail until yesterday, when the whole case was thrown out of court. Grau says he was treated with great cruelty while in gaol and will begin heavy actions against Baxter and others. His brother, Maurice Grau, the famous manager, is now in Toronto.

AMERICAN NEWS.

Dr. McGlynn's Theories.

NEW YORK, June 13.—Dr. McGlynn, in the anti-poverty society to-night, said that he had been violently attacked by the press for the remarks he recently made about anarchists and nihilists. "By what means," he asks, "could the nihilists obtain any redress of their grievances than by the method which they pursued. How otherwise can they do when they are not permitted to agitate constitutionally." Dr. McGlynn said the anti-poverty society was spreading all over the country and its principles were taking root all over the civilized world.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

Wm. E. Sheridan, the tragedian, is dead.

President Cleveland is back in Washington.

Three hundred and fifty bricklayers are on strike at St. Paul, Minn.

Havemeyer's sugar refinery at New York was destroyed by fire yesterday.

The Alexandria cotton association states that the condition of the Egyptian crop is favorable.

A pipe maker in Metz has been fined for selling pipes bearing the carved head of Gen. Boulanger.

The Indian budget amounts to £100,000. The army consists of 17,000 Europeans and 147,000 natives.

Lalanze, member of the Reichstag from Mahlhausen circle, has been ordered to leave Alsace within 24 hours.

The Russian government has issued orders forbibbing Coreans or Chinese to settle within Russian territory bordering on Cores or China.

M. Waddington, the French ambassador, has resumed negotiations with Lord Salisbury on the Suez Canal and New Hebrides neutrality questions.

The departure of the Crown Prince Frederick William for London, to participate in the jubilee of Queen Victoria, has been postponed until Monday.

A collision occurred yesterday at Denbigh, Wales, between a mob and the police, who were protecting an auctioneer engaged in selling property for tithes.

The first annual convention of the machinery constructors at Pittsburg adjourned yesterday afternoon, to meet in Chicago on the first Monday in June, 1888.

The attorney-general of the German Empire proposes to exclude the public from the treason trials involving M. Shansabelis which will begin on next Monday.

The *Moniteur* says that although Dr. McGlynn refuses to submit to the authority of the church, the pope's intervention has had its effect, as Dr. McGlynn is now isolated.

Earthquake shocks have occurred in Turkistan. The Kaskelensk settlement, twenty-five versts west of Vernome, was visited by a severe shock and the settlement destroyed.

Several shocks of earthquake have occurred at Varnome, in Turkestan. The town is almost entirely destroyed. One hundred and twenty persons were killed and 125 were injured.

Famine is imminent in the city of Meshed and throughout the whole province of Khorassan. The Russians are trying to prevent the people from emigrating to the Trans-Ca plan territories.

A number of dismissals will be made in the quartermaster-general's office of the war department, beginning with the next fiscal year, in accordance with the provisions of the legislative appropriation bill, passed at the last session of congress.

The Russian government has imposed a duty of 15½ gold copeks per pound on the foreign leaf, roll and stalk tobacco, and has increased the duty on manufactured tobacco and snuff 30 per cent and on cigars and cigarettes 33⅓ per cent.

The Pope's gift to Queen Victoria, on the occasion of her jubilee, consists of a mosaic reproduction of Raphael's fresco representing the allegorical figure of poetry. The work was executed in the Vatican.

Lord Tenuyson is suffering from a severe attack of gout, and has been ordered away on a yacht cruise for the benefit of his health. The Prince of Wales has, therefore, asked Lewis Morris to write the inaugural ode for the Imperial Institute.

The death is announced of Signor Favretto, the Venetian painter.

The prospect for an early termination of the yellow fever at Key West is good.

The proposed boat race between crews from Cambridge and Harvard has been abandoned.

A large military force has left London for the purpose of quelling the riots in North Wales.

The art gallery, connected with the hotel Richelieu, in Chicago, was destroyed by fire Sunday.

In a collision on the railway near Windsor, Ontario, on