From THE DAILY COLONIST, October 10.

## LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

### Is He Here?

One of the Chinamen implicated in the Dalles, Oregon, bank robbery, is believed to be at the present time in Victoria. He is an elderly man, over 50 years of age, and has the appearance of a well-to-do merchant. The police are on the look-out for him, stimulated by the offer of $500 reward from Thiel's detective agency.

### The Hunters' Meeting.

At the meeting of the seal hunters, held on Wednesday night, a rate of $3 per skin was agreed upon for next season. This is much better than the $5 at first contemplated, and will probably be allowed by the owners. The hunters also arranged certain details in connection with signing of articles and discussed other points of interest to them.

### The Late Miss Howes.

The funeral of the late Miss Howes, who died a few days ago in the Jubilee hospital, was a very simple and impressive ceremony. The service took place in the hospital grounds, beath the shade of a large oak tree, and thence the remains were borne to the cemetery and consigned to the grave in the presence of a large number of sorrowing friends. Miss Howes was much loved by all with whom she came in contact.

### A Wrong Charge.

The charge against Richard Maynard for illegally shooting a hen pheasant, was before the Provincial police court again yesterday and further evidence taken for the defence. Mr. Maynard produced conclusive proof that he had not left the house on the day in question, and that there must have been some mistake made in bringing the charge. The court was satisfied with the testimony given in this connection and acquitted him in toto of the charge.

### In Touch with the Times.

Among other handsome looking private residences being added to the city's architectural wealth is that recently built and now being furnished by Mr. Wm. Dalby, off the Fernwood road. The style of architecture is a compromise between the Elizabethan and some undefined modern idea. This makes the structure seem original in a large respect from the exterior, but inside everything is arranged for convenience and comfort. The grounds are being very tastefully laid out, Mr. Dalby feeling that pleasant surroundings are as necessary to domestic comfort without as well as within the home.

### Death of Miss Frances Murray.

Frances Catherine, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Murray, died at the residence of her parents, North Park street, yesterday afternoon. The deceased young lady, who was on the threshold of womanhood, had been ill for many months, and her death, although a severe blow to her father and mother, was not unexpected. She herself knew that her recovery was hopeless, and with patient resignation she awaited the end. The late Miss Murray was a favorite with all her companions, and they sympathize keenly with the afflicted parents.

### Drowned.

Mr. A. Hodnett, proprietor of the Brunswick hotel, yesterday afternoon received intelligence of the drowning of his brother Alexander in Nitinat Sound. The deceased left here about one week ago with a survey party who were to locate and block out lands on the West Coast. Nitinat Sound was reached, and Alex. Hodnett climbed to the top of a commanding bluff to obtain a better view of the country. Either he ventured too near the edge, or the ground was not solid as he thought, for the edge broke and he was precipitated into the waters of the Sound. Despite the efforts made to save him his life was lost, and up till the hour the messenger left the sound his body had not been recovered.

### Not as Usual.

Usually the principal feature of an equine runaway is the series of wonderful escapes of a hairbreadth nature attending all that comes in the path of the flying animal. This was not so yesterday with a fugitive horse on Johnson street. He came across a man on turning up Store street, and knocked him down with all the force of a frightened beast. The poor man, who, by the way, had left the hospital only the previous day, was picked up in an unconscious state and taken into the California hotel, where every effort was made to restore him and alleviate any pain which he might be suffering. It is feared that he has received severe internal injuries. The horse's career was interrupted finally, shortly after he passed the corner.

### The U. S. Fall Elections.

The American colony resident in Victoria, like their fellow-countrymen both at home and abroad, are watching with keen interest the progress of the canvass in the various States for the fall elections. Naturally, the opinion of individuals at a distance is governed more or less by their personal or political predilections. This year, all the States elect members of Congress, and some of them State officials. There is everywhere likely to be a keen contest for the election of members of the House of Representatives. It is the opinion of some people that the Democrats have, on the whole, but little show of obtaining a victory. The Republicans have controlled the Senate almost continually for a number of years, and even should the Democrats capture the south by the suppression of the negro vote, it is scarcely thought to be possible that the existing position of affairs will be materially interfered with.

### The McKinley Tariff.

Since the passage of the new customs regulations of the United States—known as the McKinley Tariff, which came into effect on Monday last—numerous anxious enquiries have been addressed to U.S. Consul Meyers as to how its incidence may affect different interests. The official copy of the law has not yet been received, on which account it has so far been impossible to give any very direct or authoritative information. Among the interests so far heard from on the subject are meats, fruits, fish, bricks, lime, old iron, hay, etc. In these articles particularly, considerable trade has been done between this province and the adjoining states, and large shipments, which it had been intended to forward under the old arrangement, will be forced to bear the new imposts because of the rapidity with which the new law went into effect. The in on is that one or two institutions which ave been established here, and have done usiness with both countries, will either e compelled to establish themselves on the ther side the line or abandon their Americ trade.

### To Close the Exhibition.

The City Council chamber resounded with merry music and rippling laughter last evening very different from the grave, deliberative proceedings of the night previous. The occasion was the invitation ball bringing to an end the first annual exhibition of the Art Association. There was a select number of guests present, and the floor of the council room was in splendid condition. Both ends of the chamber were prettily trimmed with flags, etc., and supper was served at midnight by Mr. Henry Clay. Mr. Pauline's orchestra of five pieces supplied the music, and the dancers enjoyed themselves thoroughly. The evening's entertainment was hurriedly arranged by a committee of two, who worked hard to make it a success.

### Mendelssohn Quintette.

Mr. Manassa Ailler, who last season played second violin with the Mendelssohn Quintette Club, now acts as business manager of that musical organization. He was in the city yesterday and arranged for an appearance at The Victoria on the evenings of November 6th and 7th. The club has seen several important changes since it delighted Victorians last year. Mr. Thomas Ryan, solo clarionette and viola, and director, is still with them in his old place; so is Mr. Paul Hennebery, solo flute and viola. Mr. Isidore Schnitzler, an old member of the club, in 1881-83, who has just returned from Europe, is now violin virtuoso and concert master; Mr. Samuel W. Jennison, a well known Boston musician, plays second violin, and Mr. Paul Jennison is the solo violincellist. Miss Marie Barnard, a native Californian mezzo-soprano, is prima donna this season, her voice being, it is said, much richer and more agreeable, than, while quite as powerful as Miss Hamlin's. It is expected that the Victoria engagement will be under the management of Mr. F. Adderly.

### A Pretty Sight.

Those who chanced to be in the neighborhood of the water front at about 5 o'clock last evening, were afforded an opportunity of witnessing a very pretty sight. For several weeks past Government scows have been making preparations for the blasting out of Beaver rock, in the inner harbor, and at the hour mentioned their labors were completed, and the long looked for explosion occurred. Unfortunately no notice had been given, and consequently only a few casual spectators were on hand. The force of the explosion shook the wharves and the buildings from the custom house to Turner, Beeton & Co.'s, and a column of water and heavy pieces of rock rose in the form of a thick column about ten feet in diameter, to a height of about sixty feet. It is thought that the blast was thoroughly successful—it was in one way. For the terrible concussion caused the death of a multitude of fish, some large and some small, which were to be seen floating on the surface as soon as the water had again become tranquil. The more tiresome work of picking out the rocks broken by the blast will now be commenced.

## W. C. T. U. MEETING.

### Yesterday's Deliberation of the Members—Mass Meeting in the Evening.

The meeting of the Women's Christian Temperance Union was continued yesterday in the Calvary Baptist church, morning and afternoon, the president, Mrs. Cunningham, in the chair. The sessions were devoted to the reception of the reports of departments and discussions on these reports. A committee was appointed to ascertain what could be done towards getting a bed in the Jubilee hospital. The committee on resolutions was called upon to take action with respect to the subject of teachers for provincial goals. A long discussion took place on the subject of the Refuge Home, a report with respect to which was submitted by Mrs. Spofford. The Home had had 15 inmates, and for it $1,400 had been raised.

Last night a mass meeting was held in Pandora street Methodist church, when forcible addresses were delivered by Hon. John Robson and Rev. M. L. Rugg, a thoughtful paper being read by Mrs. J. W. Young. The proceedings were enlivened by a very pleasing series of musical selections.

This morning the convention resumed business in Calvary church, there being several important items to dispose of.

## A BIG BLOCK.

### Mr. C. Bossi Will Add Materially to the Appearance of Three City Streets.

Not the least important of the many new buildings to be erected within the limits of Victoria will be a plain but substantial brick block to extend from Pandora street, along Blanchard to Johnson. The owner of the property is Mr. C. Bossi, and he intends the new building for use either as an hotel or for stores.

Already operations have been commenced at the corner of Pandora and Blanchard streets, where a building will be complete ere the middle of winter, with a frontage of 80 feet on the latter thoroughfare by a depth of 60 on the former. It will be three stories in height, of solid brick, and complete in all modern appointments. The erection of the block will be proceeded with in the spring, and its cost cannot be much less than $75,000 or $100,000. The building, for which excavation is now being done, will cost about $15,000.

## PERSONAL.

M. Baker returned from the Mainland last night.

E. G. Walker came back from Vancouver last evening.

H. E. Croasdaile returned from the Sound yesterday.

H. E. Loseby, late bandmaster of H.M.S. Swiftsure, intends making Victoria his home.

R. W. Tyrs, of Montreal, insurance agent, left on Friday night, having been here for several days on business.

Mrs. G. W. R. Lee of this city left for England a day or two since, where she proposes to spend a short time with her friends.

There are at present staying at the Clarence: W. P. Jaynes and wife, Quamichan; A. T. Ambrose, Seattle; J. Ward, Tacoma; J. W. Griffiths, Port Townsend.

H. G. Lewis returned from Bouilla Point last night; having inspected the work going on there. The men report no wind in that locality on Monday last, but a terrific sea. Yesterday although a dead calm, there was much difficulty in landing, a heavy sea running.

Among the outgoing passengers by the Islander this morning were Ben Young; M. English of the English Canning Co., J. M. Spinks, Vancouver; Judge Crease, Mrs. Cox and Mrs. Chandler, and M. W. Waitt.

Among the guests at the Driard are Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Booth, England; Mrs. Simpson, Montreal; Mrs. Plummer, Toronto; J. F. Dismore, Winnipeg; John Sangster, London; A. Hart, New York; M. C. Mullarky, Hamilton; E. J. Palmer, Chemainus; F. D. Merriam and W. F. Sargent, Tacoma.

W. T. Kidd and wife, Vancouver; Mrs. J. R. Plaska, Nanaimo; Mrs. Grier, Chemainus; C. F. Allbright and G. W. Stanton, Chicago; C. M. Worsfold and J. W. Riske, New Westminster; J. M. Grant, Port Angeles, and W. S. James, Port Townsend, are at the Oriental.

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### To Start Work.

It is expected that the new flour mill of the Victoria Milling company will be ready to begin operations on or about the 15th instant. It is anticipated that the new mill will do a big business. Already considerable quantities of grain have been purchased.

### By the Umatilla.

The following is the list of outgoing passengers by the Umatilla for San Francisco: Mrs. Monckton and daughter, T. P. Hollcraft, C. L. Warrick, W. A. Dier, W. McColl, Mrs. L. Jones, Mrs. Nicholson, Mrs. Lewis, Miss Lewis, T. W. Lewis, Austin Lewis, S. Febald, Lung Gum.

### From Fort Resolution.

Yesterday Curator Fanning received for account of Mr. W. M. Pike from Fort Resolution, 7 prime musk ox skins, 3 heads, 1 wood buffalo skin and 3 reindeer, which left the North on the 16th June. One musk ox is to be set up in the Provincial Museum.

### St. James' Church.

A harvest festival will be held in St. James' church on Sunday, and extensive preparations are making to secure its unqualified success. The ladies of the congregation propose to hold their regular sale of work on Tuesday, November 4. Further particulars of which will appear hereafter.

### Will Be Docked.

It has been arranged that the steamer City of Kingston will be placed in the Esquimalt graving dock, on Sunday morning. The blocks have been already placed in position and her entrance into the dock will be directed by Mr. J. J. Robinson, in addition to the resident staff. It is said the steamer Premier will take the Kingston's place on the Victoria-Tacoma route while the latter is in the dock.

### Lost his Valise.

On Tuesday night Mr. Maitland, with his wife came over by the Islander from Vancouver, and, as he was preparing to land, laid two small valises by his side, but unperceived by him some evil disposed person took them away, since which time, although inquiries have been made by the Police and others in all directions, it has been impossible to discover any trace of them. They contained clothing worth more than $100

### Warships at Work.

H. M. S. Warspite returned from her cruise to Comox, on Thursday evening, but remained in the Straits all night practising with her search lights and guns. The sight of the big ship at work in the darkness was a very fine one. Both the Warspite and the Amphion were out for firing in the Straits yesterday.

### Looking After Registration.

No one who visits the U. S. Consulate and in any way acquaints himself with what is going on can fail to notice that a large number of American residents in Victoria are taking steps to have themselves and their families regularly enrolled as United States citizens. The object is to secure and safeguard all rights that appertain to themselves and their families on account of their allegiance to the American flag.

### Real Estate at Port Angeles.

Large deals in property at Port Angeles are being made by and on account of Victoria parties; recent arrivals from that city saying that the activity in real estate has been materially revived, the excellent prospects of the place appearing to be fully assured.

### P. T. Barnum as an Author.

P. T. Barnum is developing a strong taste for literary work; and he is busy nearly every day writing a series of articles to be published in the forthcoming number of The Ladies Home Journal. The great showman is said to write very easily and fluently, his manuscript showing but few corrections.

### "What shall they do with them?"

In city hall circles the question is going the rounds of what shall be done with the Sewerage commissioners, and where shall their offices be placed, so as to have them within easy reach of Engineer Mohun and his staff. The latter have been accommodated in commodious and well lighted rooms at the top of the building into which they are already moving. It is now suggested that the commissioners be placed in a room on the second story, to the left of the main stair-case.

### New Spice Mills.

Their business having increased very materially within the past few years, Messrs. Stemler & Earle have decided upon the erection of new business premises capable of accommodating their machinery and salesroom, now very much crowded in the one store occupied on Government street. The new spice mills will be situated on Pembroke street, not far from Douglas, and will be a combination of brick and frame. The specifications are for a building 70 feet long by 30 deep, and the plans are by Mr. John Teague.

### Getting Ready to Go.

Yesterday Captain Whitelaw obtained at the American Consulate the necessary papers in connection with the dispatch of the barge Alexandra to San Francisco. She has not changed her registry but continues under the British flag although now owned by an American citizen. She takes about 300 tons of old iron and will start just as soon as final arrangements can be completed. Captain Whitelaw does not go down with her but remains here in connection with other matters in which he is interested.

### The Gorge Road Methodists.

On Thursday a meeting of the Gorge Road Methodist church was held, at which it was decided to build a new church early next year. This determination on the part of the people of Victoria West is worthy of all praise. They are manifestly in the "swim" which began some time ago, and there might in this connection be commended to them the trite old saying: "What thou doest, do quickly." The spirit of liberality is said to be infectious; it is now abroad and ought to be turned to the best divantages.

### They Will Build.

The North and South Saanich Agricultural Society having purchased 100 acres of land immediately adjoining their present property, have invited tenders for clearing the same and laying out a first-class race-track. The land is fairly level and well adapted for the purpose. It is also the intention of the society to erect new and well appointed buildings upon the new grounds, the construction of which will probably be undertaken next year. It is understood to be the intention of the B. C. Agricultural Association to sell their property near Beacon Hill next spring, and apply the proceeds to the erection of the new buildings near the Driving Park.

### An Object of Charity.

According to the Police authorities one George Hughes, an old Englishman, is a very urgent object of charity, whatever may be his deserts looking at the matter from the point of view of strict morality. He has for years been almost a continual resident in the jail, but is now suffering from a suppurating disease, and is in want of immediate relief and attention. Something will have to be done with him or he may, Lazarus like, some day be found lying at the gates of our rich men, an illustration of what has been described as the rarity of Christian charity under the sun.

### Boring for Coal.

Mr. T. D. Jones of Nanaimo has taken his Diamond Drill boring machinery to Protection Island for the purpose of boring on behalf of the New Vancouver Coal company, who at present have all their own boring machinery engaged in other parts of their estate. The boring on Protection Island will be undertaken for the purpose of ascertaining the exact distance to the seam leading from the No. 1 shaft, which is extending too far from the present shaft to be economically worked. Protection Island is situated directly in front of Nanaimo distant about one mile, and lies contiguous to the Esplanade and Newcastle Island coal seams, both owned by the New V. C. Co.

### Life Too Long.

There are said to be living in Kanaka Row an old couple who, though not married, have been mated for the last twenty years or more. The woman, a squaw, is very feeble, and, it is said, that between them it has been agreed that it would be better for both should the old woman be put out of her misery, for that is said to be the condition of both of them. Accordingly the man has several times made an endeavor to obtain laudanum, with which his avowed intention has been to start her on her long sleep. Both parties to the understanding are said to be much disappointed that death has not stepped in to sever the ties which they are bound together. Neither of them appear to have the slightest moral compunctions on the subject.

### What Has Become of Him?

On Thursday morning Mr. Cowper discovered on the slip at Turner, Beeton & Co.'s wharf a marine's cap, as well as a walking stick, apparently the property of some one who had fallen into the water. He at once communicated with the naval authorities and discovered that Marine Flannery, of H.M.S. Champion, had been missing since Wednesday. The idea has been given utterance to that probably Flannery may have skipped over in the night-side and left his belongings in the way in which they were found, in order to deceive the authorities. On the other hand, it is pointed out that he has been for several years in the service and enjoys an excellent reputation, which he would scarcely be inclined to sully at this late day by an act of desertion.

### The Watch Recovered.

One week ago last Thursday a lady's gold watch was lost in the neighborhood of the fountain at the junction of Douglas and Government streets. On Sunday an advertisement was inserted in THE COLONIST giving the monogram on the case and the number of the watch, and asking for its return to this office. Thursday night one of the post office clerks found a little package roughly wrapped up and addressed in lead pencil to the "Editor Colonist" lying on the post office. On its being opened it was found to contain the missing watch; the number established its identity, but the monogram had been partially obliterated with a file. Whether the finder had intended to keep the timepiece, and feared detection by the number, or whether he repented of a desire to hold the watch, remains a mystery.

### The Saanich Road.

Many people who went to Saanich on Thursday and took the ordinary road were much annoyed by the roughness of the highway between this city and the Royal Oak, which for long stretches was nothing more, nor less than a journey over loose rocks some of them as big as, or bigger than one's fist, in no way macadamized or bound together with a coating of sand or gravel. Up and down, jolt! jolt! was the continuous process, and of course no reasonable amount of speed could be made. It would appear as if some more convenient line than just before the Fair might have been chosen to deal with the road. It should be remarked that what is known as the Carey road was in very good shape, the only trouble with it being that occasionally the narrow tires of some heavy loaded vehicles had had the effect of cutting it up and making it rather uneven. Better time was, however, made by those who drove over it than by those who went the other way.

### The Premier's Robber Captured.

Captain O'Brien, of the Premier, Wednesday evening, brought to Vancouver the wallet containing the ticket to Japan of which Mr. Cabaldu, who is to sail by the Batavia, was robbed so boldly at Seattle on Friday evening last. The thief, it will be remembered, opened Mr. Cabaldu's state room window, and pointing a revolver at the inmate demanded his pocket book, and having got it, jumped over the rail of the ship on to the wharf and escaped into the darkness. It was a few minutes before the robbery was reported to the nearest policeman, but the Seattle detectives were quick to act. The robbery occurred at 9 o'clock, but before 11 o'clock the same night the robber was in a cell at the police station. Mr. Cabaldu did not take the trouble to return to Seattle as a witness against the man, but the Seattle authorities took action under the vagrancy act, and now Mr. Robber is carrying around a ball and chain as he toils to beautify the streets of Seattle.—[World.

### The Cruise of the Rush.

The U. S. revenue cutter Richard Rush has returned to Port Townsend from the North after a cruise of several months. She left Port Townsend for Behring Sea on July 1, and proceeded direct to Onga islands. Arriving there, the sealing fleet was found anchored at Sand Point, near Onga. The Rush went from there to Ounalaska, and thence to Behring Sea. She cruised around, but saw very few vessels. Two American schooners, the Nellie Martin, of Juneau, and the Annie, from Portland, were seen close to the Seal islands. These vessels were boarded, but no skins found on board. The captains were warned away from the islands, and only three other vessels were seen during the cruise in the Sea. The Rush left Ounalaska Sept. 25. Steamer Rear had just arrived there. The captain of the Rush says he experienced very rough weather. The sun was not seen during the whole three months' cruise. The Rush will coal at Seattle and then proceed to San Francisco.

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### Leaving Esquimalt.

H.M.S. Amphion has orders to leave for Honolulu and Hong Kong, en route for the Mediterranean, next Saturday. The Champion will depart to-morrow for the South. All the fleet are to-day in port.

### In Port Crescent.

William Leigh, the missing clerk for R. P. Rithet & Co., who disappeared on Friday week leaving a note in which he hinted at suicide, has been sent in Port Crescent this week. He was in good health, and gave no explanation of his hurried departure from Victoria.

### Off to the East.

The C.P.R. steamship Batavia, which sailed on Friday for the east, had among her passengers 150 Chinese, including eight cabin and four second-class, all for Hong Kong, and two Japanese steerage for Yokohama. The Batavia passed out Friday night, about 10 o'clock.

### Expelled.

At the regular monthly meeting of the B. C. Marine Engineers' Association, held at their rooms last night, a member who had transgressed the rules by becoming intoxicated while in charge of a steamer's engine room, was summarily expelled.

### In Difficulty With a Chinawoman.

By the steamer Batavia, there arrived at Vancouver a Chinaman and his wife, between the latter of whom and the ship's carpenter there occurred, it is said, a difficulty on the voyage, which resulted in the latter being fined $40 on a summary hearing at Vancouver, as the aggrieved parties had to leave by the Mong Kut for Portland.

### Bound South.

The steamer Umatilla, bound for San Francisco, yesterday carried a large list of passengers, and the following passengers from this port: J. Law and wife, J. Owen, T. P. Hollcraft, C. L. Warrick, W. A. Dier, E. McCoy, M. McColl, W. S. Hamilton; Mrs. L. Jones, Mrs. Nicholson, Mrs. Lewis, the Misses Lewis, T. W. Lewis, Austin Lewis, H. D. Purvis, J. Arce, S. Febola, Lung Gum.

### Views of Northern Scenery.

The photographic views obtained by Mr. Charles Macmunn during the recent excursion trip of the Islander to the North, are now to be had at T. N. Hibben & Co.'s, who are the agents for Mr. Macmunn. The photographs embrace views of all the most interesting points visited during the trip, including Gardiner's Inlet, Granville Channel, Port Simpson, Massett, Alert Bay, etc., and several views of the Islander from various points, with capital groups of the excursionists. The views can be seen in the window of Hibben & Co.

### Bad Boys!

There are some bad boys living near the head of Kane Street, who ought to have the attention of the police. They are among the most impudent and impertinent youngsters imaginable, though they lay claim to respectable parentage. Gates and fences are no obstacles in their way, and one of their principal delights being to break into fruit gardens and steal apples and pears, not so much to eat them or to turn them to useful purpose as to employ them as missiles with which to fight one another. Remonstrances only provoke abuse and tend to an aggravation of their offences.

### A New Townsite.

George Riley returned to the Shuswap & Okanagon this morning, having had little to say in regard to progress of construction, other than that the line was advancing as rapidly as possible. Work will be continued all winter, and more men are wanted at $2 per day. Considerable interest is felt in the opening of a new townsite of Enderby, at the head of the lake. It has a fertile country behind it with vast and varied resources, a railway and flouring mill now in operation, and further great advantages to follow.

### The Money Was Returned.

Just after the races were over at the Driving Park yesterday, a lively fight occurred which originated from $150 being stolen from the pocket of one of the jockeys. A gentleman who was present accused one of the horsemen on the track of being the thief, and on his denying it, struck him in the face. A fight followed, the accuser having decidedly the best of the fracas. Seeing that he was getting badly punished his opponent finally admitted that he had taken the money, and consented to return it. This was done and the matter was allowed to drop.

### The Seattle Miners Win.

The threatened strike of the coal miners employed in the Cedar Mountain, Black Diamond, Newcastle and Gilman mines, at Seattle, has been averted. The men asked for an increase of 15 per cent in their wages, claiming they were not able to obtain a fair day's pay at the old rate. On Friday their demand was granted. In the four mines mentioned about eleven hundred men are employed. The Franklin mines have been closed for repairs for some time past, but will soon resume operations with a force of 400 men at the increased scale. No advance has yet been made in the price of coal to consumers, but it is in contemplation.

### The C. P. R. Entering Seattle.

The Seattle Post-Intelligencer has received the following dispatch from its Tacoma correspondent:

"Canadian Pacific officials in this city, last evening, report that the company, having failed to secure the Seattle, Lake Shore & Eastern, would purchase the Fairhaven & Southern in order to secure immediate connection with Seattle."

Referring to the above the Intelligencer says: As the Great Northern has already purchased the Fairhaven & Southern, it is quite probable that the Canadian Pacific will make a traffic arrangement by which they can enter Seattle.

### Death in Cariboo.

The news of the death of Samuel Walker, an old Cariboo pioneer, was received yesterday by a telegram to one of the many friends of the deceased in this city. The deceased came to British Columbia from Ontario in 1861, and moved into Cariboo in 1862. He engaged in business there for some time, and was largely instrumental in the development of the quartz and alluvial mines of the rich district which he made his home for the past 30 years. The deceased, though not as successful as many others, was distinguished for his enterprise and warm-hearted liberality. He was a prominent figure in the politics of his district, and was at one time a candidate for the local, and at another for the Dominion House, running well on both occasions. His wife died several years ago, and the only surviving member of his family is a son, now a young man.

### In The Nick of Time.

Last evening three men entered the King's Head saloon, Johnson street, and engaged in controversy which ended in a quarrel. The barkeeper endeavored to quiet the disputants, when one of them threw off his coat, disclosing a belt full of cartridges, and a large revolver sticking out of his hip pocket. Before he had time to draw it, however, night watchman Campbell, attracted by the voices of the men, entered in the nick of time, and seeing the situation at a glance, grappled with the man, and soon had him disarmed. The weapon was loaded and cocked, and but for Mr. Campbell's promptitude a serious crime might have resulted. The man, who gave his name as Richard Prior, and who is believed to be a sealer, was arrested, and the revolver is now in the hands of the police.

### The Presbyterian Church Concert.

Mr. J. K. Rae, the eminent Scotch humorist, is expected to arrive in Victoria this evening. He comes to fulfil an engagement with the literary society of the First Presbyterian Church, on Tuesday, as will be seen by advertisement in another column. This will be Mr. Rae's first appearance before a Victoria audience, and judging from the comments of the press in places where he has appeared in public, a rich treat awaits lovers of pure, genuine humor.

Mr. Rae will remain in the province but a week, only giving once chance to hear in this city his inimitable rendering of his countryman's humorous characteristics.

Although an entertainment in himself, the readings will be interspersed with vocal and and instrumental gems by well-known favorites in the musical profession. Miss Stephen, pianist; Mr. Kinpaird, a favorite tenor; Mr. Grant, a young rising tenor robusto; Mr. Firth, another popular tenor, and Mr. J. G. Brown, Victoria's favorite baritone, sings for the first time since the illness which caused his forced retirement from the public platform. COLONIST readers will also be pleased to know that at this concert will appear, for the first time, two professional musicians of London, England—Miss Berry, an accomplished pianist, whose touch the instrument speaks of wonderful ability, and Mrs. Clark, whose superb contralto voice was an attraction in the great city of London.

### Death of Col. Carleton.

Colonel George N. Carleton, a resident of Victoria, died suddenly, yesterday afternoon, at the residence of his son, Mr. G. A. Carleton, freight agent of the C.P.N. Co. The deceased was a native of Massachusetts and was in his 76th year. As an early age he left his native place and went to Boston, and after a few years, during which he acquired a thorough knowledge of mercantile matters, established himself in New York city, subsequently moving to Memphis, Tenn., where he was engaged in business until the war broke out. The changes caused by the opening of hostilities necessitated his retirement from commercial pursuits, and he accepted a position, under the United States Treasury Department, being appointed by Secretary Chase special agent of the Treasury Department and depository of public moneys for the district of which Memphis was the principal town. He served the Government faithfully until the close of the war, when he returned to New York city and re established himself in his former home. After several years—his health failing—he came to Victoria, where he has ever since resided, San Francisco being his headquarters for the greater part of the time. About two years ago, he accepted the invitation of his eldest son, and visited Victoria, where, finding the climate agreeable, he concluded to make his permanent home. The family which survives him consists of his eldest son, Mr. G. A. Carleton, of the city, Mr. N. W. Carleton, formerly agent of the C.P.N. Co., at Vancouver, and now engaged in business at Hamilton, Washington, with two sons and two daughters in New York State. Col. Carleton was highly esteemed by many persons who had made his acquaintance. He was remarkable for his affability and courtesy, and had formed some very warm attachments here. At times, during the past few years, he has been troubled with a heart difficulty, to which he finally succumbed. He went out on Friday, and was preparing for a walk when he was taken suddenly ill, yesterday. A physician was at once sent for, but before medical help could be obtained he had breathed his last.

## TWO ARRESTS.

### Renwick and Baldwin Charged With Drugging Joe Wynne.

As soon as it became generally known that Joe Wynne, the favorite in all the races in which he took part, had been drugged on Friday, the officers of the Jockey Club determined to lose no time or spare no expense in bringing the contemptible offenders to justice. Before the crowd left the race track yesterday the announcement was made from the judges' stand that $100 would be paid for the conviction of the guilty parties. Later in the evening information was brought to Mr. William Dalby, treasurer of the club, that led him to at once communicate with the city police, with the result that a jockey named Baldwin, and a sporting man named Renwick were arrested by officers Redgrave and Levin, upon suspicion. On being taken to the police station both proclaimed that they had nothing to do with doping the horse, although they knew who did. They were advised to tell, if they knew and save themselves, and they then changed their statement, and said that they could guess who had done the dirty work. Still later they were ready to swear that Joe Wynne had never been dosed, and declared that they could prove by the Seattle vet. who first attended him that the horse had simply been too hard worked.

The case is left in the hands of the Jockey Club, who will conduct the prosecution. It is said that the principal witness will be a local sport, who will swear that Baldwin told him how the drugging was done. Another witness will be a city boy, who saw a quantity of gum opium bought on Friday morning, and still another, a drug clerk, who sold the ingredients of a pill such as Joe Wynne is alleged to have received.

## ELECTRIC LIGHTING.

### The Tramway Company to Introduce a New System.

It was announced yesterday that the Tramway company have contracted with Mr. F. H. Osgood, who represents the Thomson-Houston company to instal an extensive incandescent plant for house and commercial lighting. The contractors hind themselves to furnish machinery of the latest and best type, and to complete the work of installation before Christmas. The current is what is known as the alternating, and dwellings and stores five miles away will be lighted as effectively as if they were situated next to, or near the power house. The company's officers say that they are arranging a schedule of rates which will be so low as to make their light by far the cheapest illuminant in the city.

## ENGLAND AND HER ENVIRONS.

THE Paris dinner hour is now at eight o'clock.

The milk bill of London exceeds £90,000 daily.

FRANCE claims to have seventy-six millionaires.

THE population of Ireland decreases by over 60,000 a year.

NO FEWER than 600,000 children are insured in Great Britain every year.

HELIGOLAND has a National debt of £10. The revenue is between £8,000 and £9,000.

THE famous Physick Garden in Chelsea, England, whose preservation is now a matter of discussion, has 20,000 different herbs and plants.

THE result of a large number of observations made in England tends to show that fair hair is rapidly disappearing in the British Isles, and that this darkening of hair is more marked in males than in females.

MARSEILLES, in France, is headquarters for the sale of false hair. Twenty bales of Chinese human hair recently arrived there and Yum Yum's and Fo Fou's headgear will be manufactured into curls, frizzes and crimps for American ladies.

GERMANY has adopted a uniform standard of time for the whole Empire. The fifteth degree of longitude east of Greenwich is near the center of the Empire, and when the sun is immediately over this meridian it is declared to be noon for the whole country.

THE accounts of a pill-maker who has just died in England show that he has been spending $300,000 a year for advertising. His heirs, however, are finding, no particular fault with this extravagance, as he leaves an estate valued at $25,000,000—all due to pills and advertising.

SUPPOSING that you wished to walk through all the streets and lanes and alleys of London, and were able to arrange your trip so that you never traversed the same one twice, you would have to take ten miles every day for nine years before your journey could be completed.

THE largest saw-mill in the world is at Christiana, in Norway, and is run by one man. It runs fifty ships' log saws. From forty to fifty ships lie at one time at its docks. The same man owns two large four mills. The lumber yard of this mill extends more than a mile.

SEVENTY-NINE persons in Great Britain pay tax on incomes exceeding £50,000 per annum. The total aggregate amount of incomes thus assessed exceeds £8,000,000 sterling. In Ireland there is only one taxpayer whose income exceeds £50,000. He is returned at the rate of £76,549, and he last year contributed to the Imperial revenue the sum of £1,908.

ENGLISH gentlemen are said to dress 50 per cent better than they used to. The honored traditions of patronizing our grandfather's tailor, or leaving one measure with the standing order to send home so many suits and so many pairs of trousers each quarter, have given place to common sense. Young dandies who once felt obliged to wear their clothes at old and aristocratic establishments now go to cheaper and more wide-awake tailors.

## NOTES ON THE NOBILITY.

EX-QUEEN ISABELLA of Spain has gone to Schlangenbad to take the waters which many women think preserve youth and beauty.

ON the occasion of her marriage with the son of King John of Abyssinia, the daughter of the King of Shoa wore the historical crown of the Queen of Sheba which has been treasured by the Christian Kings for twenty-five centuries.

THE Duchess de la Rochefoucauld-Piaccia, who is described as one of the last of the grandes dames of France, is a woman of forty-six years, with auburn hair, clear cut features and a fund of animal spirits. She has children.

EX-QUEEN NATALIE seems anxious to disappear from public mention. It is said to have lost her ambition, beauty and her high spirit, and is visited with an intention to dissipate fortune to the establishment of a monastery in Russia, of which she is to be abbess.

THE Duchess of Connaught, at the ladies of Japan by the address which she expressed of their dresses, she went so far as to purchase a few "no," an "obi tabi," and all the other items of a Japanese lady's attire at Kioto. The Emperor of Japan conferred on the Duke the Grand Cordon of the Chrysanthemum and on the Duchess the Grand Star of the Crown.

THE Nizem of Hyderabad recently bought in Madras a magnificent diamond for 105,000 rupees, which is known as the Gordon Orr diamond. The stone weighed before cutting 67½ carats, and after cutting 24¼ carats. It is described as being the best, purest and most brilliant stone known to connoisseurs, and will be worn by his highness in his puggaree or crown.

THE Czar of Russia is especially fond of his Finnish possessions, because life in Finland does he feel himself safe from assassination. At present, accompanied by the Czarina and their children, he is making his annual pleasure cruise among the Finnish lakes. Sometimes the royal party lands for five o'clock tea, when the Emperor gathers sticks for the fire and the Empress boils the kettle. They travel and live like any plain bourgeois couple. The Czar in tweeds, in which he looks famous, and the handsome Czarina in the simplest of yachting costumes.

THE Princess of Wales is responsible for the right and left positions in the saddle now obligatory to every equestrienne. Owing to a chronic lameness in her right limb she is forced to use a left-side saddle. To make the fact inconspicuous the Princesses have been trained to ride in both right and left saddle seats. A few horsewomen in New York while abroad caught the fashion last summer and have since introduced the fashion of two saddles. There is in consequence great rejoicing among the saddlers and riding teachers.

## EUROPEAN GOSSIP.

### Portugal's Hatred of England Increasing—A Revolution Feared at Any Moment.

### Kaiser William's Sympathy with Austria's Bereaved Ruler—The Recent Catholic Congress.

### The Traffic in Horse Meat Condemned—The Opening of Parliament—Next Month.

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KING CARLOS' PREDICAMENT.

LONDON, Oct. 11.—Advices from Portugal are of the utmost gravity. A revolution would overthrow the House of Braganza may break out at any moment. The chances would be very much in favor of its success. Young King Carlos is in a dilemma, from which a war with England might be a happy deliverance. The feeling in the nation is almost as intense against the reigning power as it is against the English, and the inexperienced young monarch is held up to obloquy as a facile tool of Lord Salisbury in robbing Portugal of her colonial possessions. To defy England, the one head means the loss of all its dominions to Portugal and complete humiliation to that country; to comply with England's demand means the probable, if not certain, overthrow of the monarchy. Later information shows that the situation in Lisbon was much more serious than at any time recently, and there is almost no doubt but that the Portuguese Government will be overthrown. The republican feeling in Portugal is very strong, especially since the treaty with Brazil, with which Portugal always been intimately associated, was signed as well as origin, and the Government of France is decidedly hostile to King Carlos, because of the fact that his wife is a daughter of the Comte De Paris, a pretender to the throne of France, and would not be at all averse to seeing the house of Orleans restored by the expulsion of the Bragansas and her husband from their kingdom. On the basis of all the agitation which gives the various forces their opportunity, the wounded pride of a nation which was a colonial power not surpassed in the world and is now reduced to such a position as hardly to be noticed by the great powers dividing Africa between them.

KISSLY SYMPATHY.

During the hunting this week at the Austrian Emperor had for his guests Emperor William, the King of Saxony, Prince Leopold of Bavaria. The Austrian monarch chose to occupy the two days the shooting box at Mursebery, which formerly always lived in by Prince Rudolph. A touching scene is said to have occurred there. On Tuesday morning the German Emperor started for Vienna, went hurriedly into the room of the Emperor, knelt down and found him kneeling, bathed in tears, uttering prayers for the dead son. The German Kaiser knelt beside the bereaved father, joining in the grief. The present Kaiser is of German descent, and the late Crown Prince and the two young men enjoyed the hunt together in Syra. When he arrived in Vienna his first visit was to the vault at the Capuchins, where the remains of the unfortunate prince reposed, a fact which evoked the deep appreciation of the Austrian sovereign. Francis Joseph feels the loss of his son, and the shock has in some to abate with time. He, however, is