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st Opened on the body of Mrs. Eliza Roberts.

of Death Discussed Upon.

Mrs. Elizabeth Roberts... home of W. T. Collins... Plummer Pass, Mayne...

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Rev. Dr. Campbell, who had been a frequent visitor to the cell of the condemned murderer, Albert Stroebel, up to his declaration of his belief in the Roman Catholic faith...

The position in the forestry inspection branch of the Lands and Works department made vacant by the death recently of Deputy Inspector MacRae of the Vancouver office...

A COMPLETE outfit of men's clothing is awaiting arrival at the city lock-up. Shirt, collar, underwear, shoes and socks, cap—everything is included.

The officers for the present quarter of Eureka Council, No. 105, of the I. O. O. F., were installed last evening by Rev. G. H. Fraser, A. B. Fraser, members of the Grand Council...

CAPTAIN VOSS and Mate Svenson, late of the schooner Emerald, which has gained considerable notoriety lately, are the new proprietors of the Empire restaurant on Johnson street.

HON. SENATOR MACDONALD of this city will occupy the chair this evening at the Methodist school room, James Bay, when Rev. E. Robson will deliver his lecture on the life of the late Hon. Senator John Macdonald, of Toronto.

It is not everyone these hard times in whose welfare and comfort the police take such a personal interest as they do with regard to John Wilson.

THE CITY.

COUNTERFEIT silver dollars are reported in circulation in the city.

THE Council of the British Columbia Board of Trade will meet on Tuesday next at 11 o'clock.

TRAVELERS on the Saanich road will not long miss the Swan Lake hotel, as Mr. J. G. Hawks yesterday let the contract for the new building to contractor J. Giesse.

In the case of the Attorney-General for Canada v. Hughtitt & McIntyre, before the Divisional court yesterday, the court would make no direction on the appeal, except to order that the matter of the costs be dealt with by the judge at the trial.

A REPORT comes from Lost river to the effect that a dead body was seen being tossed among the surf Sunday morning. It could not be ascertained who it was had been drowned, as the water was too rough to permit of an attempt to recover the body.

MESSRS. Brayshaw & Dargarno have leased the premises at the corner of Broughton and Gordon streets, recently vacated by J. F. Essek & Co. and R. Ray.

THE Scotch collier, Metchley Flurry, C. K. C. S. B., 2842, has presented her owner with four heavy dog pups. Three are rich wavy in color, one is a golden, and all are marked with white.

Word has been received from the North that two Indians have been arrested by Officer Wolcott and James Collier, highly entertained the audience with a recitation. An instrumental duet by the Misses Spring and a comic song by Mr. Temple brought the evening's programme to a very satisfactory and happy end.

THE UNEMPLOYED. The committee of the B.C. Benevolent Society were to have interviewed the Mayor and Council yesterday relative to the starting of municipal employment, but owing to some misunderstanding the two organizations did not get together.

The contributions of food and clothing continued yesterday. Andrew Byrne sent in six beautiful loaves of prime Australian smoked mutton; Mr. Justice Cross sent a large bundle of warm clothing; H. E. Connon a quantity of underclothing; Mrs. Johnson a collection of clothing and boots and shoes, besides which there were many other contributions, so that the society were able to make a liberal distribution to those in need.

SINGLE TAX CLUB. There was a good attendance last evening at the regular weekly meeting of the Single Tax Club. President Howell having opened the proceedings, Mr. Berridge and Mr. Cameron reported as a special committee that they had placed before the Trades and Labor Council the resolution of the club in regard to acting conjointly in choosing a candidate for the Provincial elections, and the matter was left in their hands.

Mr. Cohen reported in regard to asking the Government if they would remove the \$200 deposit required from legislative candidates, that through some misunderstanding of the hour an interview had not taken place. As the President stated that Dr. Watt's motion on the subject would come up in the House the committee was discharged.

Mr. Nevin having moved that a register be opened for the names favorable to Single Tax, Rev. Mr. Arden suggested that a canvass of the city on the card system should be undertaken by the club. Mr. Soafie and others spoke favorably on the idea of a canvass, and after some discussion Messrs. Cameron, J. Cameron and A. H. Soafie were appointed a committee to draw up cards, divide the city into wards and report at next meeting.

Mr. Berridge then took up a letter signed by W. F. Macdonald in the COLONIST, differing from the single tax position. He calculated, roughly speaking, 50,000 lots in the city, at \$15,000,000 for the assessment gave an average lot value of \$300, and even with an assessment per lot of 5 per cent, or \$15 a lot, he held that small amount would cover all taxes direct or indirect. He went on to claim that the argument that capital gave employment to labor was the truth upside down.

It was also decided to request the City Council to have the assessment roll for 1894 printed and published. The meeting adjourned after congratulating the City Council for reducing the assessment of improvements from 50 per cent. to 25 per cent.

THE City Engineer has commenced the work of the water works survey promised a short time since, Mr. Ralph, C. S., being in charge.

PROTESTANT ORPHANS' HOME.

The Twenty-First Annual Meeting of This Useful Institution—Election of Officers.

Last Year the Most Successful and Eventful in the History of the Home.

Very interesting and gratifying were the proceedings at the twenty-first annual meeting of the B. C. Protestant Orphans' Home, last evening, in the committee room of the City Hall.

The meeting was short but effected a great deal of work, the crowning source of satisfaction elicited being that the Home was in a highly satisfactory condition. In reviewing the events of the past year the president's report referred to the memorable character of the period just closed, principally in the opening of the new and handsome home provided by the princely beneficence of one man, the late J. G. Taylor, who would be remembered as the greatest benefactor of the Home.

This was the first occasion on which the secretary, Mr. Chas. Hayward, presented a report, this duty being rendered necessary by the new rules. He said that the closing year had been an eventful, but without doubt the most successful in the history of the institution, witnessing as it did the inauguration of the new home, a creditable feature in connection with which was that the transition was made without incurring any serious liabilities, or at all impairing the usefulness of the Home.

An analysis of the treasurer's (Mr. Hutchison) report showed a gratifying state of things, extra subscriptions and donations for the year (irrespective of Taylor legacy) being the largest yet, and amounting to the sum of \$3,700 in round figures; the expenditure, on the other hand, was \$5,500. This gave the cost per child for the year at \$77, an economical result that had been attained mainly by the capable management of the ladies, assisted by the contributions of a benevolent public. Allowing for everything in the way of the assets, it might fairly be stated that the new building is fully equipped without any encumbrances whatever.

The three reports were received and adopted, and a cordial vote of thanks passed to the ladies in recognition of their self-denying work, after which the meeting resolved itself into a committee of the whole for the election of officers, the following being the result. Ladies committee: Representing the Methodist churches—Mrs. G. A. Sargison, Mrs. Mary Williams, Mrs. Thomas Earle, Mrs. Frank Adams.

Representing the Presbyterian churches—Mrs. James Hutchison, Mrs. G. M. Milne, Mrs. Sarah Mack, Mrs. E. M. Gillespie. Representing the Episcopalian churches—Mrs. Edward Cridge, Mrs. D. W. Higgins, Mrs. Charles Kent, Mrs. Charles Hayward. At a meeting of the Committee of Management, held after the annual meeting, the following were elected officers for the ensuing year: Mr. F. H. Worlock, president. Mr. Charles Hayward, honorary secretary. Mr. James Hutchison, honorary treasurer.

PROVINCIAL RIFLEMEN. The annual meeting of the British Columbia Rifle Association was held last evening in the orderly room at the drill hall, the president, Lt. Col. Wolfenden, in the chair. The annual reports presented by the secretary and treasurer showed the affairs of the association to be in a most satisfactory condition. These with the report of the captain of the Ottawa team were received and adopted.

The long services of the officers of the association were recognized by the meeting conferring the honor of life membership on Lt. Col. E. Wolfenden, president; Capt. E. Fletcher, secretary; and Capt. W. H. Dorman, treasurer. The subject of the rifles and ammunition to be used during the coming season was discussed at length, and it was recommended to the council that in all the matches it shall be optional to use either Martini or Snider rifles, and that preference be given to the use of Canadian make, this having given very general satisfaction wherever used. It was also recommended that a skirmishing match be included in the programme.

The council for the ensuing year was elected by ballot, as follows: Lt. Col. E. Wolfenden, Lt. Col. E. G. Prior, M.P., Capt. E. H. Fletcher, Capt. W. H. Dorman.

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No FURTHER information has been received as to the body washed up by the waves at Lost river and which has not yet been identified.

THE noticeable feature of the vital statistics for the month of January is the low death rate, the mortality being considerably below the average. Following are the returns: Births, 30; marriages, 33; deaths, 18.

THE Nanaimo Rangers will play the Victoria Association team on the 10th proximo in Nanaimo. The return match will be played at Victoria on March 1. A junior Rangers' team has been organized at Nanaimo and is now open for engagements.

REV. E. ROBSON lectured last evening on "Lessons from the life of Canada's Merchant Prince—the late Senator Macdonald, of Toronto." His address was an eloquent and interesting one; an extended report, commensurate with the merit of the address, it is impossible to give owing to lack of space.

MR. RICHARD BRAY and Miss Mary Black were united in matrimony at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon by Rev. P. MoF. Macleod. After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Bray were driven to the house of Mr. John Durr, father of the bride, in Lake district, where they were welcomed by a large circle of friends. They will reside on Chatham street.

THERE were only two Chambers cases for consideration in the courts yesterday. In Monteith v. Williams, an application was made on behalf of the defendant to set aside the judgment entered on Wednesday the 24th January, 1894, the grounds alleged being default in pleading. The order was made accordingly. The action of Goon v. Nicholson was dismissed for want of prosecution.

THE Diocesan Literary and Scientific Society will hold their sixth meeting at the Cathedral schoolroom this evening, the Temperance hall, Pandora street, not being available. The entertainment will consist of a debate to be followed by a smoking concert. The subject selected for discussion is "Whether the nationalization of land in this Province would tend to the general prosperity of the community." Mr. Soafie, honorary secretary of the society, will open the debate in the affirmative.

THE depth of degradation to which it is possible for a person of good education to be reduced by Phineas Manson, a well illustrated case, was the subject of a lecture delivered on Monday week, according to a report received by Chief of Police Sheppard yesterday. Manson is alleged to have secured a gift from a lady on Pandora street, for the respectable clothing of the body of his wife for burial, instead of using the charitable given white ware, he pawned or sold the articles, that he might indulge his appetite for liquor. The body was confined in rags for interment.

THE sixth general annual meeting of the Victoria Building Society was held yesterday evening, when the old board was re-elected, with the single exception of Mr. Joshua Holland, who, declining office, was succeeded by Mr. M. McGregor. The present officers and directors are: W. D. McClelland, president; R. Erskine, vice-president; A. S. G. Philson, secretary; treasurer; Messrs. J. F. Bell, W. W. Northcote, G. Kent and M. McGregor, directors. The secretary and directors' reports were read and adopted, and the balance sheet presented by the former declared satisfactory.

THE case of Thomas Harman, charged under sub-section 207 of the Criminal Code, relating to vagrancy, with having obstructed foot passengers, by loitering and standing across the footpath, was dismissed in the Police court yesterday. Magistrate Macrae, in thus disposing of the case, said that he was convinced that Harman was parading up and down after being told to move on, for the purpose of annoying Constable Smith, and in this the defendant had been successful. Had the charge been under another sub-section, loitering and using insulting language, he would have felt bound to convict.

THE officers dealt with by the city police during the month of January were 98 in number, 72 being arrested and 26 daily summoned to explain their actions in the Police Court. The entries are thus classified: Drunks 28, supplying intoxicants to Indians 2, Indians in possession of intoxicants 2, cutting and wounding 1, for safe keeping 4, for lodgings 7, of unsound mind 1, using obscene language 1, in possession of stolen property 7, housebreaking 2, larceny 4, burglary 2, malicious injury to property 3, carrying a concealed weapon 1, disturbing public worship 1, manslaughter 1, and violation of city-by-laws 22.

A most interesting and instructive lecture on "Village Life in England" was given to a large and appreciative audience in St. John's school, Herald street, last evening, the lecturer being Rev. W. D. Barber, rector of St. Saviour's, Victoria West. In addition to the lecture the following programme was admirably presented: Piano solo, Mr. Bridgman; song, Miss Marie Twiss; song, Mr. Ross Mounro; song, Mr. Perceot, and song, Mr. Porter. On the conclusion of the lecture Rev. Mr. Barber was accorded a hearty vote of thanks, on the motion of Mr. Hall. Rev. Percival Jenns occupied the chair during the evening.

GEORGE J. COOK made his appearance in the Police court yesterday, being charged with having, under false pretences, obtained a lamp and a bedstead from R. B. Esnoaf's establishment. The evidence went to show that having selected a bedstead and a lamp to his liking, he ordered them sent to his home, with the information that he had seen Mr. Esnoaf and the latter had promised to "take it out at his (Cook's) store." This arrangement Mr. Esnoaf repudiated, though the defendant insisted that it had been agreed upon. The charge was dismissed, the magistrate holding that there was no false pretence when the goods were obtained, being really purchased on credit, and the false pretence, if as alleged, being upon the completion of the transaction.

THE St. Barnabas church building and furnishing fund received a substantial contribution last evening in the receipts of the musical and dramatic entertainment given in the Temperance hall, Pandora street. Not only was the entertainment successful in point of attendance but it possessed all the other qualities which combined to make up a pleasant evening's amusement. The programme, including a number of very fine solos, both instrumental and vocal, and the farce "Paddle Your Own Canoe," given by the Victoria West Amateur Dramatic Society, and which furnished plenty of fun, was as below: Piano duet, the Misses Christie; recitation, Mr. Semple; song, Miss Christie; duet, the Messrs. Cave; violin solo, Prof. Wickens; song, Miss Christie; farce, "Paddle Your Own Canoe," Victoria West Amateur Dramatic Society; song, Mr.

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A SOCIAL of the ladies of the First Presbyterian church was held yesterday at the home of Mrs. Gill.

THE ladies of the Missionary Society of the Pandora avenue Methodist church paid a surprise visit on Tuesday afternoon to the matron and inmates of the Chinese Home. The visitors took with them a good supply of refreshments and had a social cup of tea with Mrs. Morrow.

M. RENE QUENTIN has just completed another masterly painting, the subject of his latest production being a brush being being a ship in distress being assisted to harbor. The conception is dramatic, as are all M. Quentin's works, and the drawing and coloring excellent accurate.

CHIEF DEASY of the Victoria Fire department, reports the following fires and alarms for the month of January just closed: Jan. 5—Still alarm, chimney fire. Jan. 6, 1 a.m.—Telephone alarm, Swan Lake hotel destroyed, outside city limits. Jan. 12, 5 p.m.—Box 31; fire at B. C. Dye Works would warrant issue of tank containing benzine; two employees were killed; loss, \$100. Jan. 14, 2:30 a.m.—Box 31; fire at two-story building No. 72 Fort street; cause, supposed incendiary loss, \$175. Jan. 15, 8:35 p.m.—Box 5; fire at three-story frame residence, Lake district; cause, unknown; loss estimated at \$18,000. Jan. 15, 8:35 p.m.—Box 5; fire at one-story frame residence; Yates street; cause, defective chimney; loss, \$10. Jan. 19, 6 p.m.—Box 2; chimney fire; part street. Fires and alarms, 7; estimated loss, \$18,575.

FOR some time past the police have kept a watchful eye on a house located on the Foul Bay road, but until Tuesday evening there occurred nothing which warranted their interference. On the evening in question, about 8 o'clock, a well known gentleman residing in Oak Bay district was wending his way homeward, when his attention was attracted to the house by sounds of women's voices evidently in altercation. This impression was enhanced by the discharge of either a rifle or a revolver of large calibre. Thinking something must be wrong, he went towards the building, on his reaching which the lights were extinguished. He knocked at the door and was answered by a man who spoke rather impatiently in reply to the gentleman's question as to what was wrong. The latter telephoned for a police officer, with the result that Constable Conlin appeared on the scene, and thus reinforced another visit was paid to the house. As soon, however, as the car stopped the lights in the building were again put out and nothing could be learned further. It seems, however, that a couple of young females who have earned for themselves an unenviable reputation on more than one occasion, have made Oak Bay district a new base of operations, but careful watch is being kept on them, as well as a number of young men who are frequently in their company.

BIRTHS. GREEN—On January 22, at 22 Michigan street, James Bay, the wife of Ashton Green, C.E. of a son. HARRISON—At Victoria, B.C., on January 23, 1894, the wife of Horace Ridgway Harrison of a son. DIED. COLSON—At the Jubilee Hospital, on Wednesday, January 31, George Colson, a native of Guelp, Ont., aged 46 years. State papers copy. McLEAY—At the residence, St. John street, January 26, John McLeay, a native of Manchester, England, aged 52 years.

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Gilmore & McCandless ANNUAL CLEARING SALE

In order to clear out the balance of our Winter Stock we offer the following lines at prices that speak for themselves: 15 doz. Men's Braces at 15c a pair. Men's Union Socks, 12 pairs for \$1.00. 10 doz. Men's Wool Mitts, 15c. a pair. 100 Gum Coats, all sizes, at \$1.50, worth \$2.50. 20 doz. White Shirts, 60c., worth \$1.00 per doz. 50 doz. Linen Collars, men's sizes, \$1.00 per doz. Boys' Suits and Overcoats from \$1.50 up. Rigby and Melissa, \$11, \$12 and \$13, worth \$14, \$16 and \$18. 20 doz. Handkerchiefs at 5c. each, 19x20. Men's Farnatta Waterproofs, with capes, in blue and black, \$6.50, regular price \$9.00. We have about 50 first-class McIntoshes, Wool lined, all reduced from \$3.00 to \$5.00 each. They all go at clearing prices. This is Cash Prices Only.

Orders by mail, accompanied by the cash, will be filled with the greatest care possible. We will give you just as good value in this way as if you were here to see for yourself.

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