

FOR THE DRAP AND BLIND.

To-day the British Columbia school for deaf mutes and the blind is open for the admission of those thus afflicted.

BY ACCLAMATION.

The election of the Hon. Edgar Dewdney, Minister of the Interior, by acclamation is in keeping with the long list of brilliant successes which the present Government has gained since the last general election.

GIVE THEM REST.

The fact has been observed that a large proportion of the accidents to ocean steamships occur either at the time of night or early in the morning.

CIGARETTE SMOKING.

The cigarette controversy has broken out again, this time in the columns of the London Times.

BRIDGING THE CHANNEL.

The Brooklyn bridge will have to hide its diminished head if the scheme for bridging the English channel between Oran-sur-Mer and Folkestone is carried out.

LOCAL BRIEFS.

A man named Polkbarth died at the Nanaimo hospital of apoplexy on Saturday.

THE MINISTERS SPEAK.

The Conservative paper at Beaverton, Ontario, on Thursday last was attended

EDITORIAL COMMENTS.

If the death of Richard A. Proctor the world loses one of its greatest scientists. As an astronomer he had no peer, and his works will live after him to immortalize his name.

AMONG THE MANY GOOD AND GOOD-LOOKING.

Mr. Foster devoted a great deal of time to returning Laurier's blue-ribbon speech which were late delivered in the Province.

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A MODEL DRUG STORE.

The handsome premises of Pimby & Co., Nanaimo, described.

USING DATA OF TORONTO.

Mr. D. W. Higgins, M.P.P., writes as follows to the editor of the Toronto Mail.

PRESS COMMENTS.

Our esteemed contemporary the Victoria Times, has been greatly imposed upon, in respect to a pretended Christmas sermon of the Bishop of London.

MARINE.

Ship W. H. May completed her cargo of Nanaimo coal yesterday.

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