Weekly Colonist

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LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

Governor Dewdney.

It is reported that Governor Dewdney will be made a senator for the Northwest Territories and be appointed to a seat in the Ottawa cabinet.

Mr. C. E. Fiennes-Clinton Dead.

Mr. C. E. Fiennes-Clinton, a brother of the Rev. D. Fiennes-Clinton, died at Vancouver on Wednesday afternoon. The funeral took place on Thursday afternoon from St. James' Church.

Lecture.

Rev. Mr. Wadman will preach this evening in Blue Ribbon Hall on "The New Councillors and what is expected of them." The subject is a novel one, and no doubt will attract a large audience.

Police Court.

Que Ah Duch *alias* Ah Sam, on remand, was charged with stealing a quantity of jewelry, the property of Mr. Russell, on Esquimalt road. The evidence of Officer Levin, Officer Thomas, Geo. Jacques, A. Vanderline and Mrs. Russell was taken, after which the prisoner was remanded until the 20th instant.

Flag at Half Mast.

The steamer Daisy, with the remains of the late engineer Van Alstine, whose sad and untimely death was recorded a few days since, arrived from Chemainus yesterday. The flag of the steamer was flying at half mast. The remains will be buried in the Ross Bay cemetery. Mr. Thos. Storey has charge of the remains.

Dialogue at the "Times" Office.

Managing Editor—So you want to be a member of the press?

Applicant—Yes, sir.

M. E.—Your last employer gives you an excellent character for honesty and truth.

A.—I don't think I ever told a lie in my life.

M. E—Don't you—er—think you could learn?

Rock Creek Mines.

At a meeting of the directors of the Alice and Emma Consolidated Co. yesterday at Mr. E. C. Baker's office, several satisfactory reports were read, showing that the shaft which was being sunk had developed the fact that there was a very extensive vein of rich-looking ore. The directors decided to forward instructions to Mr. Nicholson to push the work of development as quickly as possible.

"Bull Dog" Kelly.

St. Paul *Pioneer Press*: "Bull Dog" Kelly is a name that is familiar to the people of St. Paul. It will be remembered that he was arrested in the northern part of the State for an alleged murder committed in British Columbia. The Canadian authorities made a desperate fight for his extradition, and the hearing was held in St. Paul. But Kelly was released and nothing has been heard of him until lately. The story of his having been lynched in Colorado is now in circulation in St. Paul. A reporter made enquiry as to the truthfulness of the statement and finds that there is "nothing in it." Somebody told him that somebody had said that "Bull Dog" had ceased to breathe. So it is a case of somebody having been "stuffed," as Kelly is leading a peaceful and Christian life in Massachusetts.

Masonic Lecture.

There was a full attendance at the Masonic Temple last evening of the Masons of the city to listen to the lecture of Bro. "Rob." Morris, poet-laureate of the Masonic fraternity of the United States, and P.G.M. of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky. W. Northcote, W. M. Victoria-Columbia Lodge, occupied the chair. The illustrious brother was introduced by H. Brown, P. G. M., who referred to the high qualities of the lecturer. Bro. Morris gave a highly interesting and instructive address on the origin of Freemasonry, amply delineating the progress of the craft from its earliest inception to the present time, and explaining the symbolical connection of the rites and ceremonies as now practiced with the customs of the ancients, and referring to the high moral tendency of Freemasonry in general. The lecture was listened to throughout with great appreciation by the company present, and at its close a vote of thanks was tendered Bro. Morris. Several of the brethren in a few remarks spoke of the excellent instruction which Bro. Morris had imparted, and stated that, should he again visit Victoria, he would always be heartily welcomed by the craft.

B. C. Benevolent Society.

The annual meeting of the British Columbia Benevolent Society was held at the city police court room yesterday afternoon, at which there was a fair attendance of members.

Mayor Fell, president, in his annual report, stated that 198 people were relieved from distress, 38 more than in 1886; and 43 destitute persons had been sent to their friends or their homes, at a total cost of $1,156.21. This amount exceeded that of the previous year by $85.57. The funds of the society had been well sustained through the noble efforts of the ladies who had managed the calico ball, organized by that good friend of the society, Mrs. Senator McDonald. From this source $439.60 were received. The balance of the total amount was received from members, and from special donations. The net balance now held by the society to 31st Dec., 1887, is $1,432.65. In concluding his report, the President expressed the warmest thanks of the committee to the ladies who were instrumental in getting up the calico ball, and to the O. R. & N. Co. and the P. C. S.S. Co. and their officers for their courtesy and assistance in forwarding destitute persons to their friends.

The report was adopted, and the following officers elected for the ensuing year: President, James Fell (re-elected); Vice-President, A. J. Langley (re-elected). Committee—T. J. Burnes, Joseph Wilson, H. Brown, G. Doughty, H. Mansell, L. Goodacre, W. Heathorn, H. Young, J. Grant. Secretary-Treas., J. H. Mason (re-elected).

A vote of thanks was extended to the retiring officers, and the meeting adjourned.

Caution.

A source of much ill health is neglected Constipation. The utmost caution should be observed to keep the bowels regular. The best regulator of the bowels to promote their natural action is Burdock Blood Bitters. Try it if troubled with Constipation. tu-th-sat-dw.

Jemima Gillespie, under 20, died in an alleged house of ill-fame at Toronto. Six months ago she left her home in Port Hope to conceal from her parents her betrayal by a young man with whom she kept company. There was a still birth, and the immediate cause of death was puerperal convulsions. She died without disclosing the name of her betrayer.

Presence of Mind.

Presence of mind is good in case of accidents and emergencies, and when coupled with Hagyard's Yellow Oil will often save life. Yellow Oil cures all painful injuries, burns, scalds, bruises, frost bites, rheumatic and neuralgic pains, and is in fact a handy and reliable surgical aid. tu-thu-sat-dw.

Steamers, Trains, and Mails.

The Yosemite arrived about midnight last night, but only brought a local mail. The train is delayed through an accident. The Yosemite tried to go to Westminster, but the presence of ice in the Fraser did not permit of it, so she headed for Vancouver. She brought down a large freight list.

Westminster Weather.

This morning about 9 o'clock a miniature blizzard set in which lasted for a couple of hours. During that time three inches of snow fell which was blown by the strong wind into drifts of considerable depth in some places. This afternoon the snow ceased falling and the wind went down and the weather is now seasonable again.—*Columbian.*

The Late C. E. Fiennes-Clinton.

The funeral of the late C. E. Fiennes-Clinton took place yesterday afternoon. The services were held in St. James' Church, and were conducted by His Lordship Bishop Sillitoe, of New Westminster. A large number were present, and in spite of the stormy weather accompanied the remains to their last resting place in the cemetery.—*News-Advertiser.*

Westminster and Ladner's Election.

The New Westminster municipal election on Thursday resulted in the return of supporters of the Sunday closing by-law. St. George's ward, B. W. Shiles, 64; A. M. Herring, 62; T. R. Pearson, 56; H. Elliott, 57. The first three were elected. St. Andrew's ward, John Reid and H. Hoy were elected.

W. J. Corbett was elected chief and H. Reid assistant chief engineer by a large majority.

John McKee, of Ladner's Landing, was elected reeve by a majority of 18 over John Kirkland. In Ward 1—T. C. Ladner for councillor, 21; L. Guichon, 6; balance elected by acclamation.

Provincial Appointments.

Edwin Johnson, Q. C., has been appointed a court of revision and appeal, in respect of the assessment of the property of the Canadian Pacific Railway in the districts of Westminster, Yale and Kootenay.

C. G. Johnson, Vancouver, has been appointed a registrar of births, marriages and deaths for Burrard Inlet district, and is also authorized to issue marriage licenses.

Fred. Hussey has been appointed government agent, etc., at Kamloops vice W. Dodd transferred to Lytton. Mr. Hussey is one of the best officers in the government service, and his appointment to so important a post as Kamloops is an excellent one.

Knights of Pythias.

The officers of Far West Lodge, No. 1, were installed last evening by W. C. Chambers, D. S. C., at the lodge room, Government street, as follows:

P. C. C.—R. Plummer.
C. C.—J. S. Fullerton.
V. C.—Stroud I. Redgrave.
P.—Geo. Ethridge.
M. of A.—H. B. Rendall.
M. of F.—D. F. Fee, Jr.
K. of R. & S.—B. H Johns.
M. of A.—J. Cohen.

The installation accomplished the company adjourned to the Poodle Dog rotisserie, where a splendid banquet was laid, such as mine host Marbouet well knows how to prepare. The evening was passed in a highly enjoyable manner, and the company separated about 1:30.

How a Customs Officer Was Hoodwinked.

A reporter was talking with a man the other day, who is known to have been engaged at various times in smuggling operations, and he gave away a good thing that had been played upon one of the "outest" customs house officers in the city. He had previously been engaged in business in Victoria, but had sold out at a good figure and engaged in smuggling with two boatmen, using a fishing smack for the purpose. He got into the confidence of the customs officer, and agreed to furnish him with the names of some parties who were going to bring in contraband goods, and the date of their arrival. He gave him a list of fictitious names, saying they were to receive the goods, which consisted of cigars, cigarettes and tobacco. The smuggler named the night and hour the boat was to arrive, and induced the officer to remain at a certain telephone, he guaranteeing to advise him of their arrival. The officer swallowed the whole thing, and at the advice of his young friend procured false whiskers, which he selected for him at a fashionable barber's. The night arrived, and the officer proceeded to his station, where he remained, but failed to receive the telephone message. The smugglers in the meantime had landed their contraband cargo and secured another in the shape of opium and Chinese, and sailed during the night for the Sound. The customs officer, as the evening wore away, came to the conclusion that he was badly "sold" and sadly wended his way homeward.

MARINE.

Ship New York, from Nanaimo with coal, made the quickest trip on record to San Francisco, the time occupied being four days and ten hours.

The Port Townsend correspondent of the Seattle *Post-Intelligencer* says that the Chilian bark Margarita, Capt. J. N. Mahn, arrived at that port on Wednesday to load lumber at Port Gamble for Brisbane, Aus. He further says that Capt. Mahn informed a reporter that at an early hour that morning an official went aboard and attempted to collect five dollars for inspection of the bark, but being from a coastwise port the modest demand was refused, notwithstanding the intimation that the vessel would be libeled. Two members have notified the shipbrokers not to pay the health officer any fee that he may demand for the inspection of a coastwise vessel.

LOCAL BRIEFS.

Snow began to fall at midnight.

Washington Irving Bishop, the mind reader, is on his way north.

Don't fail to go to the matinee this afternoon. The delightful opera of "Nanon" will be presented.

A second charge was brought against Ah Sam in the police court yesterday, that of a receiving a stolen chain, the property of Mrs. F. W. Foster. He was remanded.

PERSONAL.

Capt. John Irving is in Portland.

F. G. Tuck, Vancover, has been gazetted a notary public.

Rev. Mr. Scoullar arrived down on the Yosemite last night.

A. J. Pinkstone, general traveling agent of the San Francisco *Call*, is in the city.

Mayor Oppenheimer came over from Vancouver yesterday morning and is at the Driard.

D. K. Mollison, representing Messrs. McMaster, Darling & Co., of Toronto, is in town and is staying at the Driard.

Do You Believe in Signs?

We do; for instance the signs of a torpid liver are yellow eyes, sallow complexion, pain under right shoulder, irregular bowels, headache, low spirits and weariness. All these signs may be removed by Burdock Blood Bitters which is a sure cure for all irregularities of the liver. tu-th-sat-dw

LOCAL BRIEFS.

See the advertisement in this morning's issue regarding the water supply.

Thursday night was the coldest night of the season at Nanaimo, the thermometer registering 10° above zero.

"The Bat" at The Victoria to-morrow night by request. The funniest of all funny operas. Secure seats early.

Good sleighing is reported on all the country roads in Westminster district. The farmers are busying getting out wood and performing other labor more easily accomplished on runners than on wheels.

By a peculiar coincidence while Messrs. Charlton and Kennedy were looking after railway matters here, Capt. Irving and D. E. Brown were in Portland on a similar mission. Both parties are stated to have been highly successful in their efforts.

PERSONAL.

S Leiser has returned from Vancouver.

Mrs. McColl and Mrs. Barlow, of Westminster, returned home this morning.

Miss Lawson, Miss E. Mouat and Miss Angus, who have been visiting friends at Vancouver, have returned to the city.

W. L. Cussack and T. C. Sorby were passengers from Vancouver last night on the Louise.

Frederick Gustav Schwatka, a well-known Oregon pioneer, is dead. He was the father of Lieut. Fred. Schwatka, of Arctic fame.

Mr. and Mrs. V. Jensen, of Esquimalt, sailed on the Umatilla for Southern California, whence they will go to Europe. Mr. and Mrs. Jensen have been long residents of Esquimalt, where they are universally respected.

Capt. John Irving, Capt. Webber and D. E. Brown returned from Portland yesterday morning. Mr. Brown and Capt. Webber left for Vancouver this morning.

Mike King and bride, of Burrard Inlet, who have been spending a few days in Seattle, left for Southern California, to remain during the winter.—Seattle *Post-Intelligencer.*

Mr. F. B. Tuck, a son of the Hon. W. H. Tuck, one of the judges of the supreme court of New Brunswick, has become associated with Mr. T. C. Atkinson's law firm. Mr. Tuck practiced his profession in St. John, N. B., for several years, and has had considerable experience in legal matters. Mr. Atkinson is fortunate in securing so experienced an associate, and the popularity of the firm will be by no means diminished by the introduction of the new blood.—*Columbian.*

A MISNOMER.

TO THE EDITOR:—An item yesterday directed attention to a meeting in "Blue Ribbon Hall." I have again to say that there is no such hall in the city. My object in correcting a mistake so often repeated is to thwart efforts constantly being made to fasten a name of a sectional character on "Temperance Hall" in violation of the legal rights of co-proprietors.

GEO. A. SARGISON,
Trustee Agent.

MARINE.

Collier Antonio will be due to-day from San Francisco.

Steamer Newbern has sailed from San Francisco for Nanaimo.

Ship America has almost completed her cargo of Wellington coal.

Steamer Umatilla left for San Francisco at 5:30 o'clock last evening.

Steamer Mexico will be due from San Francisco to-morrow morning.

Tug Pilot left for Chemainus yesterday morning with the bark California.

Bark Majestic, with 1,802 tons of Nanaimo coal, is still in the stream awaiting a tug.

Tug Alexander returned from the Cape early yesterday morning, having towed the bark Craigwhinnie to sea.

American ship Joseph S. Spinney, Captain Curling, loaded with railroad iron for the Sound, is now out 257 days from England.

Spratt's Ark, which was to have left Seattle for this port on Thursday, was detained owing to the bad weather. Her captain concluding that discretion was the better part of valor tied the Ark up to the wharf to wait till the clouds rolled by before attempting to venture outside.

MORE FIRES.

One of Them Supposed to Have Been Incendiary.

Just before noon yesterday smoke was observed to be issuing from the two storey house, until lately occupied by the St. Joseph Literary and Social Society on Yates street. Mr. Couves caused an alarm to be sounded from the Deluge engine house, and the firemen turning out promptly soon reached the scene. The Hook and Ladder company followed closely, and with buckets of water and the aid of several parties soon suppressed the flames, which bade fair to consume the entire building. A stream from the Deluge house did good service. After the fire was out an entrance was made to the house, and no little excitement was caused by the discovery of a can of coal oil in the corner of a room, and this fact indicated that the incendiary had been at work once more. If he desired to see a big blaze, a better place could not have been selected, for the building is a very old one, as are those surrounding it, with the exception of St. Andrew's Pro-Cathedral, which would surely have been buried to the ground but for the strenuous exertions put forth by the firemen and citizens. The authorities are endeavoring to unearth the scoundrel, who, if caught, will suffer the full penalty of the law.

STILL ANOTHER.

About 5 o'clock p. m., the department were again called out to attend a fire at Hon. A. N. Richard's residence, Fort street. Fire had been discovered in the roof, caused, no doubt, from sparks from the chimney, but the flames were soon suppressed.

ACCIDENTS.

On Saturday afternoon at Swan Lake, Mr. R. H. Benedict met with a rather serious accident. A party of young men had started a game of hockey, and Mr. Benedict joined in and was chasing the ball. In doing so he fell and another skater coming with great force struck Mr. Benedict in the face, injuring one of the cords of his right eye and inflicting a nasty gash. Dr. Hannington relieved his sufferings somewhat, although he will be laid up for some time. Other but less serious accidents ocurred during the game.

ANOTHER ACCIDENT.

Mr. John Wenger, who but recently left the Royal Hospital, fell the other evening and displaced the knee cap of one of his legs. He was taken to a hack by friends who were near and carried to the hospital, where at last accounts he was resting easily.

STILL ANOTHER.

G. Barry, a driver of one of the Victoria Transfer hacks, ran his vehicle into a waggon while crossing Rock Bay bridge late Saturday night. The shock threw him off his seat on to his head, inflicting serious injuries which will necessitate his remaining in bed for some time.

Look Out For It.

If you are troubled with a cold or cough, however light the attack, look out for it, do not allow it to settle on the lungs; break up the cough by loosening the tough phlegm with Hagyard's Pectoral Balsam. tu-th-sat-dw

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LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

For Vancouver.

The steamer Yosemite will leave for Vancouver at 9 o'clock this morning and will return to-morrow night with the passengers and mails. No attempts will be made to penetrate the river to New Westminster till the weather moderates.

Surrey Elections.

The contest in No. 1, Surrey, resulted in the election of George Cann. All the others were elected by acclamation. The council for the year is as follows: Reeve, James Punch; councillors, George Cann, James Johnston, J. Stevenson, Thomas Shannon and Watson.

Nanaimo's Council.

Following is the *personel* of the new council for the city of Nanaimo:

Mayor—Mr. M. Bate.

Middle Ward—Councillors John Hilbert, W. E. Webb and Jos. Randle, jr.

South Ward—Councillors R. Aitken and Geo. Baker.

North Ward—Councillors J. Mahrer and R. Nightinglale.

Police Court.

D. Spencer appeared in answer to a summons charging him with allowing his chimney to burn on Thursday night. He was fined $20.

Loy One was charged with the same offence and received a fine of $20 and two dollars costs.

Maggie Wheeler was again before the court for vagrancy, and was this time ordered to pay a fine of $20 or three months imprisonment with hard labor.

Prize Fight Arranged.

Articles of agreement were signed in this city the other day by which young Mitchell, of San Francisco, and a man by the euphonious name of Smith, a local pugilist, are to fight to a finish for a purse of $1,000. It is understood the fight is to be with bare knuckles and to take place on the banks of a certain river in British Columbia within the next thirty days. For some reason or other the local sporting fraternity are keeping the affair remarkably quiet.—*Seattle Post-Intelligencer.*

"Rob" Morris' Lecture.

In our reference to the lecture of Bro. Rob Morris, P. G. M., in yesterday's issue, we were in error in stating that he was introduced by Bro. H. Brown, P. G. M. The veteran Mason's visit to the province was arranged for by Bro. A. R. Milne, G. M. of British Columbia, who introduced him to the W. M.'s of Victoria-Columbia and Vancouver-Quadra Lodges, under whose joint charge the lecture was delivered. Bro. Morris will lecture in Nanaimo and Westminster also.

The Cold Snap.

The weather, which moderated somewhat during the week, has again become cold and skating was enjoyed by many yesterday. The coat of snow on the ground tends to give everything a wintry appearance, although there is not enough of the "beautiful" to permit of sleighing. Householders are complaining bitterly of burst pipes, and water is at a premium in consequence. Steam is kept up constantly in the idle steamers in the harbor, and this in a measure has prevented much damage.

A Busy Trip.

The steamer Umatilla is having a regular excursion this trip. Since her arrival here on Monday, she has been to Seattle, from there to Vancouver, B. C., and back to this city; from here she went to Utsalady for grain, thence to Seattle, where she takes in freight and passengers for the down trip, then to this city this afternoon to take the balance of the oil on Union wharf, then to Irondale this evening for two hundred tons of iron, thence to Victoria, direct.—*Port Townsend Call.*

The Drowned Man.

On Wednesday, Coroner Walkem held an inquest on the remains of the man found in the harbor near the millstream. Dr. Preger made an examination of the body and found that the neck had been dislocated, but no external marks of violence could be discovered. Capt. Gibson recognized the remains as those of Charles Martin, a seaman of the ship America, and who had been missing since the latter end of November. The jury brought in a verdict of "found drowned," but that there was no evidence to show how he came by his death.—*Free Press.*

For San Francisco.

Among the passengers who are on the steamer Umatilla for San Francisco are: Adam Weir, wife and three children, Mrs. A. P. Briggs and child, H. Lihman, Victor Jensen and wife, J. Musgrove, E. Kelly, Mrs. W. B. Townsend and child, R. C. Lyons, Mrs. Krone and child, J. W. Byrnes, Jno. J. Wilson, Reuben Albertstone and eleven in the steerage.

The steamer did not arrive from the Sound until 4 o'clock p. m., and then came direct from Irondale, not touching at Port Townsend. Among the 1,000 tons of freight which she carries the Umatilla has 10,000 sacks of oats from Utsalady, 200 tons of iron from Irondale, and 800 barrels of oil from Sitka.

Severe Storms.

The storms on the Sound during the past few days have been particularly severe, and many accidents have resulted. The Seattle *Post-Intelligencer* says:

The George E. Starr arrived from Whatcom Thursday night, but had her wheel-house knocked in while making a landing.

The Washington came to an anchor in a little cove at Whidby Island, where she expects to ride out the storm.

The Umatilla, in making a landing, was blown against the coal bunkers and shook them up considerably.

The steamer Emma Hayward was four and a half hours in making the run between Tacoma and Seattle, and had to land her passengers at Yesler's wharf, after two unsuccessful attempts to get in alongside the Olympian. Captain Parker states that during his fifteen years' experience on Puget Sound he never experienced such a blizzard as that of Thursday night.

At 11 o'clock Thursday night the thermometer registered 16 degrees above zero, and the wind was just howling.

Dissolution of Partnership.

The visit of Messrs. Pinchbeck and Lyne, joint owners of the Williams Lake farm, Cariboo district, to Victoria, was for the purpose of dissolving partnership, Mr. Pinchbeck purchasing his partner's interest. It is not known how much money changed hands in the transaction, but it must have been considerable, for the property is one of the finest ranches in British Columbia, five hundred acres being in wheat alone some years. The farm is supplied with the latest improved agricultural machinery, including a steam thresher, and has on its broad acres a large flouring mill, and saw mill. It is one of the most important suppliers of Barkerville and other points in Cariboo, and is managed on a scale which is generally a surprise to strangers. Mr. Pinchbeck has recently completed a handsome residence facing the lake, and commanding a magnificent prospect. It is his intention to continue the extensive cultivation of the ranch. Mr. Lyne will probably embark in trading at Quesnelle-mouth. Both gentlemen are old pioneers of the country, Mr. Pinchbeck having been in the imperial service in the early days of Cariboo gold mining. They returned by this morning's steamer to the Mainland.

Sacred Concerts.

It is proposed to give a series of sacred concerts in The Victoria on Sunday afternoons for the purpose of raising funds for the Benevolent Society. A large number of local amateurs have promised to render every assistance.

Mining Institute.

We understand, says the Nanaimo *Free Press*, that the certificated managers of mines in this district will hold a meeting on Wednesday evening next in the court house for the purpose of forming a Mining Institute. The objects of the institute will be to meet periodically and discuss matters appertaining to coal mining.

Slight Fire.

When the steamer Princess Louise left Vancouver yesterday afternoon it was announced that the C. P. R. freight sheds were on fire. Inquiries through the telegraph office last night elicited the information that a slight fire took place in the *depot*, but was put out before damage to any extent was done.

No Train—No Mails.

The Louise arrived early last evening, but brought no through mails or passengers, the trains not having arrived. No information could be learned as to when a train was expected, nor what was the cause of the detention. In the interests of the public, and the company also, it would be better if a bulletin were furnished the papers, informing them whether the train was snowed up, wiped out of existence by a snowslide, or had stopped to allow passengers to thaw themselves out at Banff hot springs. Parties having friends *en route* are anxious to learn of their welfare.

Our Best Wishes.

Mr. D. L. Chalmers, who for a short time filled a temporary vacancy on the reportorial staff of THE COLONIST, is now engaged in teaching German and French. Knowing what the advantages are in acquiring these two languages, several leading families in Victoria are having their children instructed by Mr. Chalmers, whose able services have also been retained by the Angela College, Miss Dupont's, and by the Victoria Business College. During his short stay with us he has shown himself to be a thorough gentleman, and we have not the slightest doubt but that he will prosper in Victoria. He carries with him our very best wishes.

Obituary.

Charles Edward McLean, for thirty years a well-known and popular resident of Puget Sound, was called suddenly from life at his home on Whidby Island, Thursday, January 8t. He was born at St. Stephen, New Brunswick, December, 13, 1823, and was married there about thirty-nine years ago to the estimable lady who now mourns her sudden loss. Shortly after marriage he moved into the state of Maine, in 1858 went to California, and soon after removed to Puget Sound. He followed the business of logging until the last three years, when he secured a nice piece of farming land between Deception Pass and Oak Harbor, and determined that thenceforth his energies and time should be devoted to the creation of a home. Mr. McLean came of sturdy Scotch stock—a numerous family—and leaves still at the east a venerable mother of eighty-eight years, and a sister at Lowell, Mass., two sisters and a brother at Stillwater, Minn., one sister at Baring, Me., and two brothers at Woodstock, New Brunswick. He also leaves two brothers on this coast, Alexander, who has made his home in Seattle for the past year, and Stephen, whose home is on the Snohomish. His immediate family who survive him are his widow, their daughters, Mrs. Hiram J. Olney and Mrs. Thomas E. Davis, and a son, Charles E. McLean, jr.

Blue Ribbon Club.

The meeting opened last night in Temperance hall, President Gray in the chair. After singing "To the Work," Mr. Stark followed with prayer. Mr. Richard Roper then gave a short address. President Gray then made a few remarks. Song, "In Happy Moments Day by Day," by Mr. W. H. Shaw, accompanied by Prof. Sharpe. He than sang as *encore* "An Hundred Fathoms Deep."

Rev. Wadman was then called; subject: "What ought We to Expect from our new council?" "I am not personally acquainted," said he, "with the mayor or councillors-elect. A stranger reading the reports in our papers of the council meetings would think the only thing they have been doing concerned this great water question. Well, have they done anything else? Yes, they have built some sidewalks and granted liquor licenses, but of 365 days have they spent one week or even one hour on the morals of the people? They have done nothing regarding the petition sent in by the ladies. What are the temperance and church people doing? If they were to bring out a popular temperance man, I believe they would wipe the socks off Grant or Higgins. Now there are those gambling dens on our principal streets. I should be afraid to bring up a boy here in this city. Those of you who have families ought to turn your attention to these gambling dens. We want to educate public opinion up to this point. Our newspapers ought to back up the public in this direction. Just see what the press of the United States is doing in this line to-day. The police no doubt do their duty as far as it goes, but we want the people to back them up, then the laws would be carried out better than they are at present. I believe the best thing we could do would be to call public meetings to discuss the shortcomings of the mayor, chief of police and magistrate—it would make them keep their eyes open. It was advertised that I would preach on "Civic Elections" on Monday last, and during the week I had no less than six letters from politicians asking me to say this, or not say that, but I believe in preaching on party politics."

A trio by Messrs. Hynman, Ray and Hill, from "O" battery, followed, which received a hearty *encore.*

"God Save the Queen" brought the meeting to a close.

POLICE COURT.

[Before His Worship Mayor Fell and Robt. Ward, J. P.]

John W. Walker, charged with being drunk, did not appear, and his bail of $5 was estreated.

SUSPICION OF MURDER.

Chin Fun and Wong Song, arrested on suspicion, and charged with the murder of a Chinese woman, Ling Gum.

Mr. Thornton Fell appeared for the prosecution and Mr. Chas. Wilson for the defence.

Counsel of the defense asked their honors to clear the court of all Chinamen, with the exception of two interpreters.

Mr. Fell said there was no need of that as it was the intention of the prosecution to ask for a remand until Wednesday.

Supt. Bloomfield informed the court that a *post mortem* examination was being held, an that an inquest would be had at 3 o'clock.

The prisoners were then remanded into custody until Wednesday morning.

Remarkable Restoration.

Mathew Sullivan, of Westover, Ont., was ill with dyspepsia for four years. Finding doctors did little good he tried Burdock Blood Bitters; six bottles cured him, and he gained in weight to 178 pounds. B. B. B. cures the worst known cases of chronic dyspepsia after all else fails. tu-thu-sat-dw.

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LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

The Yosemite.

The steamer Yosemite had not arrived from Burrard Inlet up to the time of going to press.

Rapid Transit.

The *Oregonian* of the 11th inst. reached here yesterday. The Sound mail service could not possibly be in a more unsatisfactory state.

Death.

An infant child of Mr. and Mrs. William Allen died at sea on the steamer Mexico on the way to this port, and was buried yesterday afternoon in Ross Bay Cemetery.

Police Magistrate, Pro Tem.

Judge Harrison has been requested by the mayor and council to temporarily assume the position of police magistrate, and has signified his acquiescence in the request.

Postponed.

Owing to the absence of the officers of the militia, the annual meeting of the B. C. Rifle Association which was advertised for last evening, was postponed until Monday evening next at 8 o'clock.

The Weather.

Yesterday the thermometer registered as follows: At Clinton, 30; Donald, 25; Glacier House, 20; Sicamous, 20; Spence's Bridge, 20; Ashcroft, 19, all below zero. Revelstoke at zero. Westminster, 14 above; Nanaimo, 18 above zero.

A Sealers' Conference.

A San Francisco dispatch says: It is announced that local private sealers and representatives from British Columbia firms will meet in this city soon to discuss the situation and decide whether to send out any vessels in Behring' ases this year.

Sad Loss.

On Thursday last the infant son of Mr. E. Marsden, who had been suffering from measles, died. The funeral took place on Sunday, the remains being interred in Ross Bay cemetery. The baby was only six weeks and two days old. Other members of Mr. Marsden's family are afflicted with measles, but, with the exception of Mrs. Marsden, who is quite ill, all are progressing favorably.

Dr. Montague's Impression.

Dr. Montague was interviewed by an *Empire* representative on his return from this coast and is thus reported: "Victoria, the doctor, as everyone else, regards as a beautiful city. The people are genial and hospitable, its homes beautiful, its drives enchanting, and its business men apparently solid. The climate just now at the coast is mild. Rain fell plentifully on Christmas day, and daisies were blooming cheerfully in the gardens.

The Late Mr. M. Muir, J. P.

Mr. Michael Muir, J. P., of Sooke, one of British Columbia's pioneers, died at Sooke on Sunday night at 10 o'clock. The deceased, in company with his brother, carried on a saw mill and trading business at Sooke, and owned the steamer Woodside, which runs between Victoria and that settlement. He was an honorable man, highly respected in this city and in the district in which he lived, was a justice of the peace, and his death has removed another of the Province's earliest pioneers.

The Delayed Train.

The party on the train which arrived from Vancouver on Sunday had a rough experience on the prairie. They remained at a station a hundred miles west of Medicine Hat for a night, fearing to to venture out in the frightful blizzard which was blowing. They at last pulled out and stuck in a snow drift, where they remained for eighteen hours, when the train with two engines at its head was again enabled to proceed, and at last arrived on the coast, where, although balmy breezes are not now prevailing, there is at least half decent weather.

Hot Springs at Field.

Two hot springs have broken out about fifty yards west of the tunnel, which is three miles east of Field. The springs are directly under Jimmy Kaufman's mine, within a few yards of the railway track and directly over the Kicking Horse river. There is no apparent flow of water, but great volumes of hot steam are ascending from two circular openings about eight inches in diameter, which lead down to a cavern the depth of which has not yet been ascertained. These openings are about three feet apart, and the steam rushes up through about three feet of snow. The stones and gravel in the vicinity of the openings are quite warm.

The Restaurant Debating Club.

A stranger dropping into the New England restaurant between 12:30 and 2 o'clock p. m., and listening to the various matters discussed, would imagine that he had trespassed on a debating club's grounds,—but he would be mistaken. It is only a few choice "spirits" who meet there daily to have their lunch, and discuss all matters—historical, political, religious, moral (and immoral), financial, social, civic, etc. The conversation is rather spicy at times and sparkling repartee is abundant, in which an ex-mayor is particularly prominent. However, it is all quite harmless; in fact it aids the digestion, though mine host Young generally attributes the good condition of the digestive organs of his patrons to the food furnished.

Jos. Greenafelder Sues.

Theatre-goers will remember that J. S. Greenafelder, the basso of the Pyke Opera Company, ran into a small fir tree which was carelessly suspended in front of No. 32 Washington street, early last month. One of the needles pierced his eye, which became so inflamed that he was incapacitated from duty for nearly a week. Yesterday Mr. Greenafelder, through his attorneys Silvestone & Murphy, began suit against Ernest House, who tenants the premises, for $1,105 damages. He claims $60 for five days' salary which he lost through defendant's carelessness, $45 medical attendance, etc., and $1,000 for mental and physical suffering.—*Oregonian.*

Admiral Heneage to Return North at an Early Day.

Rear Admiral Heneage, who has gone down to Valparaiso in the flag ship Triumph, where he will meet the new flag ship Swiftsure, will at once transfer his flag and return north. Before sailing for the south he received orders from the Imperial Government, instructing him to run north and cruise about Behring's Sea during the coming season, and to report to his Government on the operations of American cruisers. How far beyond this his instructions go cannot be learned, but it is believed that his instructions are not to interfere beyond watching events and reporting to the Secretary of the Navy, pending a settlement of the right of jurisdiction over those waters.

Coast and Prairie Weather.

There have been many complaints by householders lately about the severe weather in Victoria, and it is true enough that in numerous houses the cold is very unpleasant, owing to the slender protection afforded from the howling winds. Yet what a contrast there is between the weather of Victoria and that east of the Rockies! Our telegrams convey the intelligence that in various portions of the American northwestern prairies the total loss of life from the recent blizzard is 135, with fifty people unaccounted for. Verily, our lot is cast in pleasant places, and though sometimes the spent force of a blizzard may reach us, yet there is an immunity from death from the chilling storm, such as has prevailed on the plains. Even if the coal bill is greater there is little cause for grumbling; though some people would grumble if they got to heaven and had a good time all the way.

Death.

The funeral of the late Mr. Michael Muir, J. P., of Sooke, took place on Sunday afternoon from his residence to Ross Bay cemetery. The deceased was a native of Ireland, and came to Victoria in 1858. He was married in 1860 to Miss Margaret Muir, who survives him with a family of four sons and three daughters—Mrs. Muir, jr., Mrs. Muir, Mrs. Thomas Muir, Mrs. Muir, Mr. Thomas Muir, Mr. Michael Muir, Mr. Alexander Muir, Mr. John Muir, Mr. Muir, and Mr. Muir. The deceased was a member of the Masonic fraternity, and was a man of great energy and perseverance, and was one of the pioneers who have done much to develop the resources of this province. The deceased was 65 years of age.

Farewell.

The Pyke-Winston opera company made their farewell bow last evening at The Victoria in that bright and sparkling opera "Nanon." The attendance was large and the audience as enthusiastic as on the initial night. Never since the opening of the theatre has a company played such a lengthy and prosperous engagement, and this fact speaks well for the judgment and enterprise of the amiable and popular manager, Mr. Pyke.

The "American Bookmaker."

The last number of the *American Bookmaker* is replete with a great deal of information pertaining to the printing, stationery and bookmaking trades. It contains a number of illustrations and descriptive matter valuable to the bookmaker, giving him the newest ideas in his line. One of the most interesting articles to the printer is one on the McMillan type-setting machine, with illustrations. This machine is somewhat in the form of a large type-writer, at which the operator sits before a key-board furnished with white-capped keys, marked with a letter, figure, space or punctuation sign, which, being pressed, causes the corresponding type to fall and take its place in a line of type moving toward him. When this has reached a certain point, another operator, the justifier, cuts off a line the width of a column with a rule and rapidly spaces it to the correct width, and with the aid of a lever depressed by his foot the line is pushed onto an ordinary galley, after which he proceeds with another line. The distributor is a separate machine, and the type is distributed very rapidly. A McMillan type-setting machine in the printing department of an Albany journal is said to average 43,907 ems per day. There is an abundance of other information interesting to the various trades connected with printing. The *American Bookmaker* should be in the possession of every employer and employee who desires to keep posted on the advances made in their various lines. Published by Howard, Lockwood & Co., 126 Duane street, New York.

The Steamer Subsidy.

The first announcement of the withdrawal of the steamship subsidy was made at the quarterly meeting of the Board of Trade, and that body has been actively working on the question since. Their first act was to request Mr. Baker's co-operation, who has been energetic in his solicitation of the subject. The council of the Board of Trade prepared a telegram at its meeting on Thursday last, and a minute of the meeting was furnished the Provincial Government, who have also vigorously protested against any provision of the terms of union being interfered with. The following is a copy of the dispatch forwarded the Postmaster-General by the Board of Trade, and the reply thereto:

VICTORIA, 12th January, 1888.

To the Hon. the Postmaster-General:

British Columbia Board of Trade strongly protests against withdrawal of subsidy Victoria-San Francisco steamships. Board considers withdrawal a breach of Terms of Union calculated to jeopardize commercial interests of the Province. ROBERT WARD, President.

REPLY.

OTTAWA, January 16th, 1888.

To Robert Ward, Esq., Victoria:

Mail service by steamers had ceased and contract expired. Commercial service is subject for communication, government recognizing Terms of Union.

(Signed) A. W. MCLELAN.

The board of trade have always shown a lively interest in matters pertaining to Victoria's welfare, in improving its present and promoting new channels of trade. Their prompt action in the present instance is highly commendable.

MAYOR GRANT AND THE COUNCIL FOR 1888.

They are Sworn in Yesterday—Advised Not to "Fall Out by the Way."

At noon yesterday the Mayor and Council-elect assembled at the Supreme Court, and were sworn in by Sir M. B. Begbie, C.J., Justices Crease and Walkem also occupying seats on