

SPORTS AND PASTIMES.

Programme of the Bicycle Events at the Fair—Tug-of-War Conditions Changed.

Rugby Football Meeting This Evening—Opening Game of the Association Season.

The Victoria Rugby Football Club organized for the season last evening. The meeting which was held in the Clarence hotel...

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ed goes without saying. There will be some changes in the Vancouver team, Spain having now joined the Westminsters. The match will decide whether Westminsters and Victoria will play a tie, for if Victoria wins on Saturday that will put an even score in the credit of each, and Vancouver will close the season with not a single win to their credit.

The James Bays and Nicoletts of Vancouver, intermediate champions of the Island and Mainland respectively, decide next Saturday which team is to be entitled to the intermediate championship of the province and to the gold lockets presented by the Victoria Lacrosse Club.

After the home games at Nanaimo on Saturday the statements were made that by an error of the scores Victoria had been given 5 runs instead of 4 in the fourth inning, and that the correct figures gave Nanaimo the match by one run in the nine innings.

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THE MINING COUNTRY.

Verdict in an Important Suit—The Dry Ore Belt Attracting Attention.

Progress of the Railways—Hill Mines Plans—Good Returns From Hydraulic.

In the case of Hendryx vs. Hennessy, the result of which has already been announced, the following is the formal verdict: 1. That there was no prospecting agreement entered into on 5th May, 1891, between William Hennessy and the plaintiff.

2. That there was no prospecting agreement between John Hennessy and the plaintiff. 3. That the plaintiff is entitled to one half of all William's interests acquired in 1891.

This gives the plaintiff a tenth interest in a group said to be worth from \$500,000 to \$1,000,000. The Lordship ruled to reserve judgment and extend time for the party to move for a new trial for sixteen days after the date of the hearing of the motion for judgment.

McNaght & MacKenzie have made a further substantial payment on the bond of the Alpha and Black Bear claims on Four Mile creek, by the terms of the bond authorized to ship ore. There are now 800 tons of ore in the ore house in Silverton the price of the claims will soon be returned to the purchasers.

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JAPAN IS MILITARY MAD.

Hostility to Great Britain Developing and Complications Between European Powers Possible.

Chinese Forces Placed Under English Advice—Foreigners in Need of Protection.

There are always two sides to a question and it is amply evidenced by perusal of the Chinese and Japanese reports of the war. While the press of Mikado rings with the triumphs of the Japanese arms, the Chinese journals are filled with overflowing glowing accounts of the repeated victories of the Chinese, and he who would secure reliable information concerning the war must look elsewhere for it than in the newspapers of the belligerent nations.

An interesting scrap of news brought by the Empress is to the effect that "it" which is not at all probable—the occasion arises for arbitration of the differences between China and Japan, the latter country will accept a tribunal composed of Belgium, Switzerland and the United States.

Where Russia goes in the present campaign France will assuredly follow, as the representatives of the French republic and the Czar have been in the habit of meeting together recently at Tokyo and seem to thoroughly understand and sympathize with each other—and with Japan.

During the Japanese war, the British and American governments have been placed entirely under English advice. Their difference of opinion in regard to the management of the campaign is generally regarded as the result of the fact that the British and American governments are mainly responsible for the recent reverses experienced by the Chinese—the one urging the withdrawal of the Chinese forces from the island, while the other has urged them to hold on.

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