

A GREAT CELEBRATION.

The Victoria Trades Unions Entertain Their Guests in Royal Style.

Sports at Caledonia Grounds a Grand Success—The Threatening Clouds.

The annual celebration of Labor Day in Victoria was threatened at an early hour yesterday morning with the displeasure of Jupiter Pluvius. The forenoon, too, witnessed many gloomy glimpses from the god who is said to be responsible for the destruction of so many pleasure-seekers' happiness.

The boat from the Mainland Sunday evening had brought over quite a respectable number of intending celebrants of the day who were happy to be looked for from Nanaimo, and true to their record as believers in the celebration of Labor Day, our neighbors from the Black Diamond City did not disappoint.

Shortly after 1 o'clock the crowd began to make its way out to the Caledonia grounds, and for upwards of an hour a steady procession of arrivals was recorded at the gates. They came afoot, they came by car and they came a wheel, but they came so fast that the receivers at the gates of custom were hard set to keep track of their takings-in and issue the needful tickets to the clamoring crowd.

That it was a happy crowd no one can deny. The organizers were happy because it was fine for the ladies, because it is a courtesy to which they are not accustomed to enjoy such a day without having to put up, (or get some one else to put up), an admission fee, and the men were happy because the ladies were. The children were absurdly happy, their enjoyment being complete except for one thing. There was no need to sneak over the fence to get surreptitious and neck-crawling peeps through the boards, because they took it for nothing.

The speeches did not occupy long. Somehow one felt glad they didn't. Not because the eloquence was below the average, nor because the speakers were not acceptable; but there was a feeling that the rain might take a notion to come again, and it seemed a pity to waste the minutes of precious sunlight listening to a sermon.

Mr. J. C. Brown, ex-M.P., and Mr. H. Helmecken were the speakers of the day, and each gentleman dealt with labor questions as they are generally dealt with on such occasions, generally and pleasantly.

The programme of sports was a long one. Indeed it is questionable whether any other than men who are accustomed to labor could have got through so long a programme in the time occupied, and it is equally problematical whether any other man than "Bob" Foster could have managed to keep so many events in order and pulled them off so successfully.

Of the events themselves very little remains to be said when the list of prize-winners is gone through. The mile amateur proved another opportunity for the new champion to show his superiority as a long-distance runner, and he availed himself of it in good style, winning in 4:58. No other competitor had a chance of winning victory from Mr. Daniels.

Three-legged race—W. Coleman and F. Bruno, won; J. H. Penketh and Hill, 2. One mile, amateur—F. J. Daniels, won; W. Bland, 2; W. A. Anderson, 3. Fat men's race—J. Tagg, won; A. Blyde, 2; T. J. E. Jones, 3.

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