

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. Elton E. Ainsworth, of Seattle, and Miss Helen Grube, only daughter of Mrs. Shroeder, of 268 Yates street, were married, Wednesday evening, by the Rev. W. L. Clay, of St. Andrew's Church. Mr. and Mrs. Ainsworth were the recipients of a large number of handsome and useful presents from their numerous friends. After a journey to the east, they will reside in Seattle.

Mr., Mrs. and Miss White and Mr. Jacobs and family, of Portland, who have been visiting Harrison Hot Springs are at the Driard, where they will spend a few days before proceeding home.

The yacht Pilgrim, of Blaine, with a party of seven persons, has been in Victoria harbour for the past week, the visitors having been the guests of the Victoria Yacht Club.

Mr. and Mrs. Ian Coltart and Mr. E. F. Matthews and family have returned from Boundary Bay, where they have been camping with Mr. G. F. Floyd, of New Westminster.

Lord and Lady Randolph, Churchill, will probably return to Victoria to-day by the Umatilla. They will take passage for Japan by the Empress sailing next Tuesday.

Consul-General Baron von Hesse-War-tegg and his wife, formerly Madame Minnie Hauk, the celebrated prima donna, were registered at the Driard this week.

Baroness Macdonald and Miss Sanford are enjoying a driving tour through the Island of Skye, on the northwest coast of Scotland.

Miss Dickinson returned by the Walla Walla, from a six month visit to San Francisco and Red Bluff, Colifornia.

Rev. Canon Kingham has returned to his home in Wisconsin, after a pleasant holiday with old friends here.

Mr. J. W. Church, principal of Victoria College, has returned from a week's visit to Koksilah and Cowichan Lake.

Mr. E. D. Carmichael has returned from Chicago, where he has spent the last fourteen months at college.

Hon. W. P. Robers, the recently appointed U. S. Consul for Victoria, arrived Thursday evening.

Mrs. Nora Briggs, of Liverpool, England, is spending a few days in Victoria with Mrs. Janion.

Mr. E. P. Davis, the well-known Vancouver baraister has gone down to San Francisco.

Col. the Hon. James Baker returned home from the Mainland on Tuesday evening.

Thos. Connolly, Dominion immigration agent, and Mrs. Connolly are at the Oriental.

Mr. R. P. Rithet will return to San Francisco by the steamer sailing to-morrow.

Miss Bowness has returned from a seven weeks' visit to friends in Seattle.

The Misses Pooley have been visiting I. B. Fisher at New Westminster.

The Right Hon. Sir John E. Gorst, M. P., will shortly visit the Province.

Percy Jenna, teller in the Bank of B. C., Kamloops, has left for home.

Mrs. D. W. Morrow has returned from a pleasant trip to the Mainland.

Miss Beaven came over from the Mainland last Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Sillitoe is over from Westminster on a visit to friends.

Mrs. A. E. Macnaughton is ill at St. Joseph's hospital.

Mr. P. S. Lampman has gone east on a trip.

Miss Devereaux has returned from a visit to Agassiz.

Miss F. Garasche is in San Francisco.

A meeting will be held in the Y. M. C. A. Hall, Friday evening, August 31st, for the purpose of organizing the Chautauqua Circle Home Reading Course for the coming winter, which is known as the English year. The subjects covered will be English history, English literature, the renaissance and modern art, modern history, geology and religious literature. The time required for the reading is about one hour daily for nine months. The Chautauqua Literary and Scientific Circle aims to promote habits of reading and study in history, literature, science and art; to give college graduates a review of the college course; to secure for those whose educational privileges have been limited the college students' general outlook upon the world and life; and to encourage close, connected, persistent thinking.

SPORTING GOSSIP.

LACROSSE.

THE match to-day between Westminster and Vancouver promises to be a most exciting game. The Vancouver boys have been putting up great lacrosse in their last couple of games. The team will be greatly strengthened by Mac Peard on the defence and Ed. Coyle on the home, this being Coyle's first match in B. C.

The Vancouver seniors have forwarded a proposition to the Victoria club to play the game of July 2 (declared off) here on Saturday, September 1. As several of the Victoria men are unable to play, it is probable that the game will be postponed until a later date.

The match between the Bays and the Nanaimo team this afternoon at the Caledonia Park promises excitement for all who attend. The Nanaimo team has been practising hard and hopes to win. Greenfield, formerly of the Stars, will play with the Bays.

YACHTING.

The cruise of the Yacht Club last Saturday afternoon was a grand success in every particular. The following yachts loaded with their guests made a pretty sight as they slipped their moorings: Annie, Vice-Com. Capt. Warren; Volage, Capt. Jas. Seeley; Irene, Capt. C. A. Godson; Ariel, Capt. Wm. Croft; Star, Capt. Finlaison; and Daisy Bell, Capt. D. Anderson. There was a steady breeze blowing from the southwest, and the fleet carried all spare canvas. The Vice-Commodore was in charge of the cruise, and led the other yachts to Albert Head, where the Volage and Daisy Bell had several smart brushes, at times running side by side for several minutes. At 5:20 p.m., the fleet, which was considerably scattered, made for home, the Irene being first to break out her spinnaker, the rest quickly following suit. Again the Daisy Bell and Volage came together, each with every spare inch of canvas, rushed before the wind, the Volage reaching the Outer Wharf first, closely followed by the Irene and Daisy Bell, the others standing out again to sea. At the club house, several neat speeches were made by Col. Prior, Jas. Seeley and others, ending in cheers for the V. Y. C. As the Vice-Commodore's yacht came in, the yachtsmen gave him a rouser. The club will shortly repeat the cruise, and endeavor to make room for more guests.

The following is a list of the yachts which took part in the cruise with names of their crews and invited guests.

Annie—Capt. J. D. Warren, Vice Commodore, J. W. Spring—Major Quinlan,