Weekly Colonist

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From THE DAILY COLONIST, Sept. 23.

LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

Presentation.

Mr. Charles Braund, the courteous and popular chief clerk of the late firm of J. B. Ferguson & Co., has been made the recipient by the firm, of a handsome gold watch, suitably inscribed, in recognition of his services for several years past.

Cattle Arrivals.

The Rithet yesterday landed fifty head of cattle for Van Volkenburgh Bros. at Cadboro Bay from Causton & Ellis' ranche, Similkameen. Eighty-three head were landed at the outer wharf for L. Goodacre, from the ranche of C. Wilson, Thompson river.

Attempted Suicide.

A man named Alexander McFarlane, an inmate for some time of the Royal Columbian Hospital, Westminster, attempted suicide on the Vancouver road yesterday morning. When found he had severed the arteries on both wrists and stabbed himself near the right elbow and on the neck. Though he lost considerable blood he is expected to recover.

A School Teacher in Trouble.

The difficulties in connection with the appointment of a principal for the Vancouver central school, culminated yesterday morning in the arrest of Mr. H. Fotmeyer, the late principal. The cause was due to his refusal to give up his position. He was arraigned in the police court and the case remanded until Tuesday next. Mr. Law, the newly-appointed teacher from Three Rivers, Quebec, is in charge of the school.

Asiatic vs. American.

In the Westminster police court on Thursday, Lizzie, the half-breed wife of Ling Sing, a Chilliwhack Chinaman, was urged to return to the latter, from whom she had run away. Ling urged his claim with Oriental ardor, and, though the fair one at first gave little heed to her lord and master, his pleadings, backed up by the wisdom of the court and a trio of legal lights, at last won the day, and Lizzie left the court on Ling's arm.

Dinner Party at Government House.

A dinner party was given at Government House on Thursday evening by His Honor Lieutent Governor and Mrs. Nelson, the following guests being present: Lady Macdonald, Mrs. G. W. Allen, Toronto; Sir M. B. Begbie, Hon. Justice and Mrs. Gray, Miss Macdonald, Toronto; Sir William Wiseman, Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Pringle, Cobourg; Hon. Joseph and Mrs. Trutch, Mrs. Glenny Anderson, Hon. P. O'Reilly, Hon. W. W. Hamley, Lieutenant Sampson, R.N.; Mr. R. H. C. Pringle and Mr. Herbert Stanton.

A Bridge For the Fraser.

Columbian.—H. J. Cambie, C. E., and A. R. Green, C. E., returned to the city yesterday, having been down the river making a preliminary survey for a railway bridge across the Fraser river, somewhere in the neighborhood of Tilbury Island. It is said the municipalities of Richmond and Delta are anxious to obtain railroad communication with Vancouver and will give every possible assistance to a project leading towards that end. The numerous surveys being made in the vicinity of Ladner's and Richmond ought to result in something definite before long.

The National Electric Light and Motor Company, Limited.

Papers for the incorporation of a company bearing the above title have been prepared. The capital is $100,000. The objects of the company are stated to be the generation and sale of electricity for light and power, the construction and working of tramways, and the manufacture and sale of electrical goods of every description. The head office of the company will be at Victoria where workshops will be erected. The National company have an application before the Aldermen for a tramway franchise—in Capt. Warren's name.

Salmon Arrivals.

The Princess Louise arrived from the Fraser river on Thursday with 6,630 cases salmon from the following: Cowen & Co., 2,000 cases; Bon Accord, 2,000 cases; Phoenix, 2,630 cases. One thousand cases are being loaded into the Titania, the balance into the Norcross.

The steamer Nell arrived yesterday with 3,000 cases from Shotbolt's cannery, Rivers Inlet, to be transferred to the Titania.

The Cariboo Fly arrived yesterday morning from Skeena river with 2,000 cases from Cunningham's, and 1,500 cases from the Windsor, to be transferred to the Titania.

Cariboo Test Works.

The Barkerville *Columbian* correspondent writes as follows concerning the test works being erected in Cariboo: "The government test mill is making satisfactory progress in some respects, but the weather is so broken and rainy at this time of the year that it is doubtful if the bricks intended for the furnace can be got ready. There are two or three thousand dollars' worth now hanging in the balance, with the chances seemingly decidedly against their being a success, although all that can be done is being done to ensure the outcome; but a week or ten days of the benign countenance of Old Sol would be more effective than all the devices that can be used to dry the bricks ready for burning. The grading and cribbing of the site is about finished and the contract for the building is let to Johnny Knott for the sum of $4,700; so that if all goes well the works will be in operation under the direction of Mr. E. A. Martin, government assayer, before winter."

Underground Wires.

The city corporation of Montreal, having ordered that all electric wires shall be placed underground, requested their engineer to report upon the most feasible plan adopted in the United States and European cities, all of which were found to be more or less objectionable. The last invention examined was a quite recent patent of Mr. Gisborne's, and we quote the following notice of it in the Montreal Daily *Star* of 10th ult. As Mr. Gisborne is now in Victoria, we recommend our city authorities to interview him on this important matter, as it is quite time to dispense with the dangerous multiplicity of poles and wires which now disfigure our thoroughfares:—"A new underground conduit for the wires of the Telegraph and Telephone Companies has been invented and patented by Mr. F. N. Gisborne, Government electrician. It consists of a block of either spruce or pine wood with four divisions. This is thoroughly diluted in boiling tar. The divisions are of different depths, and a small passage runs from each to make connections. Each division has a capacity for holding one hundred wires, and four different companies can use the same conduit, each without having its wires interfered with by the other companies. The conduit is to go under the sidewalk next to the curbstone and is to have an iron lid. It is pronounced by the leading engineers and electricians in this city a thorough solution of the question of the nuisance of overhead wires. The new invention is on view at 1776 Notre Dame street.

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Inland Revenue Statement.

The Inland Revenue statement for July shows a total revenue of $646,777, of which $585,146 was excise revenue. The principal items are: spirits, $333,420; malt, $32,172; malt liquor, $6,237; tobacco, $152,463; cigars, $51,827.

Incoming Passengers.

The following Victoria passengers are on board the Umatilla, which sailed from San Francisco yesterday: Marquis of Queensbury, J. Macdonald Cameron, E. Goujon, J. Jessop, F. E. Gilmore, H. B. Reed, F. C. Cusk, J. D. Sproule, Mrs. J. B. Williams, Mrs. E. S. Field, W. D. Deihle, Miss B. Kerr.

Sealers Arrive.

The Black Diamond arrived Thursday night with about 1,000 skins.

The German schooner Adele arrived yesterday afternoon with about 800 skins.

The schooner Mountain Chief is reported with about 800 skins.

All schooners state that the weather in Behring's Sea was exceptionally stormy, and this, together with the fact that a wide berth was given the cutters, rendered catches light.

Buoy Adrift.

On Thursday last the steamer Cariboo Fly passed an iron can buoy painted red, in Malaspina Straits, at the southeast end of Texada Island, bearing southeast by south, about seven miles distant. The wind was blowing heavily at the time or the Cariboo Fly would have stopped and picked the buoy up. It is understood the marine department have a standing reward for the recovery of stray buoys, and any vessel picking this one up will be entitled to compensation.

Young People's Association.

The entertainment to be given next Friday evening promises to be an unqualified success. The programme is one which cannot fail to please and we learn a great many tickets have been disposed of already. Philharmonic Hall is being refitted for the occasion and we have no doubt that a large and appropriate audience will be present to help the Y.P.A. in their laudable effort to puta few stones in the new church which St. Andrew's congregation purpose building.

Shocking Spectacle.

Yesterday afternoon, people on Douglas street was shocked at the spectacle of an intoxicated woman wheeling a baby carriage containing an infant. When near Craft & Norris' new building, at the corner of Johnson street, the woman stumbled, upsetting the perambulator and throwing the poor little child on its face to the ground. The woman attempted to pick the infant up, but was so drunk that she herself fell prone in the mud. Some ladies who were witnesses of the accident to the baby picked the little one up, and entrusted it to a person who saw that it was conveyed home safely, the unfortunate mother being in no condition to take charge of her child.

For Lumbering Operations.

Application for incorporation is made in the last *Canada Gazette* by the Ross McLaren Lumber Company, with a capital of half a million dollars, for the purpose of manufacturing; shipping and dealing in lumber. The applicants are Hon James Ross, Quebec; James McLaren, Buckingham; Leonard Greenham, Little Montreal; William Henry Higgins, New Westminster, and Charles David Rand, of Vancouver. The latter gentleman, who has been here promoting this enterprise, says that the chief point of operations will be at New Westminster, and that it is proposed to ship to the Australian, Japanese and south American markets. In conversation with the *Empire* correspondent Mr. Rand stated that the threatened American retaliation would in no way interfere with their proposed operations, as the other markets which were now available were much more advantageous and satisfactory.

A Distinguished Visitor.

J. J. Maclaren, LL.D., Q.C., the senior member of one of Toronto's legal firms, arrived from the east last night and registered at the Clarence. Mr. Maclaren has been attending the annual meeting of the Methodist mission board at Winnipeg, and with others of the board has come to the coast on a visit. The questions concerning the Pacific coast missions, which were brought before the board, have been referred to Mr. Maclaren, who will make some enquiries here, and then report to the permanent board which meets at Toronto. It will then be decided whether a commission shall be appointed to investigate the matters.

Mr. Maclaren is a graduate of the Victoria University, Cobourg, and was formerly a resident of Montreal, where he occupied an eminent position at the bar. Four years ago he removed to Toronto and has established there a leading practice. He has five partners, and they employ a large staff to attend to the business of the firm. Some of the first barristers of Canada have studied in his office.

Mr. Maclaren is an able advocate, and on several occasions has represented important cases before the privy council of England. In him the temperance cause possesses one of its strongest supporters, and the Methodist body an earnest and distinguished layman. He will remain several days in Victoria.

PERSONAL.

T. F. Sinclair arrived from Kootenay last night.

S. C. Burris returned from Seattle yesterday evening.

W. J. Goepel and wife returned on the Yosemite last evening.

Uriah Nelson and wife arrived down on the Rithet yesterday.

Geo. F. Kyle and J. W. McFarland arrived from Vancouver last night.

Forrest Angus and J. R. Anderson returned on the Yosemite last night.

Thos. Ladner, J. Laidlaw, and M. M. English arrived down on the Rithet yesterday.

Mrs. Rudlin, Mrs. Jagers, and Mrs. Adams were passengers by the Rithet yesterday.

Rev. J. E. Starr returned from Winnipeg last evening, where he had been attending the Methodist mission board.

H. O'Hara, managing director of the Temperance and General Life Assurance Co., and the Canada Accident Co., of Toronto, who has been attending the Methodist mission board at Winnipeg, arrived last night and is at the Clarence.

Lady Macdonald and party left for the East this morning. She was invited to lay the corner stone of the new Methodist Church, Vancouver, and expressed her regret at being unable to accept the honor, as it was necessary that she should be in Ottawa by the first of October.

Rev. Dr. Sutherland, president of the Methodist mission board, and Mrs. Sutherland; Rev. J. Strothard, Halifax, N. S.; Rev. Edwin Evans, Marysville, N. B.; Rev. J. G. Bond, St. Johns, N.F.; Rev. Dr. Young, Brantford, Ont.; R. J. Dawson, postmaster, London, Ont., and others who were attending the meetings of the Methodist mission board at Winnipeg, arrived last night on the Yosemite, and will spend a few days in Victoria.

Is Cholera Coming?

When symptoms of cholera appear, prompt remedies should be resorted to. Miss Mary E Davis, of Loakville, Ont., says—"My brother was had with cholera morbus and after using one bottle of Dr. Fowler's Extract of Wild Strawberry, it cured him entirely." tu-th-sat-dw

FROM THE NORTH.

Arrival of the Steamer Cariboo Fly—List of Passengers and Freight—News Notes.

The steamer Cariboo Fly, from Skeena River and way ports, arrived at 1:30 yesterday morning, bringing as passengers H. Brautlecht, E. E. Wootten, H. Grant, P. Irving, J. Lattimer, S. Walker, J. Hamilton, J. Swanson, W. Sullivan and thirty Chinese and Indians. Her freight consisted of 2,000 cases of salmon from the Skeena Packing Co. at Port Essington, for Welch, Rithet & Co., 1,500 cases from the Windsor Canning Co. at Aberdeen, for Henry Saunders, two bales furs and two sacks abalones for H. Hartnell, and miscellaneous freight.

The trip up was fine; but after the Fly left Skeena and until Victoria was reached, the weather was stormy and rainy.

All the cameries have closed down for the season, at Alert Bay the total pack being a little over 5,000 cases.

On the 14th inst., at Metlakahtla, the wife of Rev. W. H. Collinson was delivered of twins—a boy and girl—and mother and children were doing well when the steamer left.

At Aberdeen, W. Vermilyea, the young man who accidentally fell off the wharf, was recovering from the injuries he sustained by the fall.

On the down trip the Fly stopped at the camp of the forestry inspector, Mr. D. McRae, at Seymour Narrows, and transported Mr. McRae, two men, and their outfit, to McKay's camp, opposite Texada Island.

VICTORIA BUILDING SOCIETY.

A meeting of the Victoria Building Society was held last evening at Harmony Hall, View street, for the purpose of electing officers to act during the remainder of the present year.

The following directors were elected: Messrs. James Fell, John Boyd, W. D. McKillican, R. T. Williams, A. H. Maynard, Andrew Strachan and T. B. Pearson.

Mr. A. St. Geo. Flint was elected secretary.

Messrs. R. Erskine and B. Boggs were elected as auditors.

A vote of thanks to Mr. J. E. McMillan, acting chairman, was proposed by Mr. James Fell, and passed unanimously.

Mr. Fell then addressed the meeting on the benefits of the society, and was followed by Mr. John Boyd.

On motion of Mr. E. J. Salmon the meeting adjourned.

We understand from the secretary that 406 shares have already been taken up, a good showing, considering that the society has only been started about five weeks.

Already sufficient funds are in hand to permit of a drawing for the first appropriation, and a meeting of the new board of directors will be held this evening, when the date of the drawing will probably be decided upon.

LOCAL BRIEFS.

Several lads will appear in the police court this morning on a charge of stone throwing.

The schooner Ariel arrived down yesterday afternoon with 162 tons of Wellington coal for the naval yard.

The only case in the police court yesterday was a charge against a property owner for allowing thistles to grow on his property.

A. N. Johnson, one of the best seal hunters on the schooner Mary Ellen, left for Sweden this morning. In four years he has killed 2,865 seals.

A survey party, under Mr. McKay, C. E., left yesterday morning to locate a line from Saanich to Victoria for the Victoria, Saanich and Westminster Railway.

A Donald teamster, named James Reardon, jumped from an engine at Hecillewaet on the 19th inst., and fell on his face on the ties. He was so seriously injured about the head that his recovery is doubtful.

News-Advertiser: The Vancouver Lacrosse club held a meeting last evening and decided to challenge the Victoria club to play a match on October 5th at the exhibition in that city. The members are determined to get even for the give away they got at Kamloops during the C.P.R. picnic, and the strongest possible team is to be put in the field. The club will have daily practices, Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings, and Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday evenings, and a special practice on Thursday afternoon. It is hoped that every member of the club will attend the practices as often as he can.

MARINE.

Steamship Mexico will sail for San Francisco at 1 o'clock this afternoon.

Steamship Antonia left San Francisco yesterday afternoon at 5 o'clock for Departure Bay for a cargo of coal.

Bark Hesper sailed yesterday from Croft & Angus' mill at Chemainus with a large load of lumber for Sydney, in tow of the tug Holyoke. The cargo consisted of 728,000 feet of rough lumber, 15,000 feet of dressed lumber, 20,000 pickets, and 116,000 laths.

FOREIGN PORTS.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 21.—Cleared—Steamer Antonia, Nanaimo; bark Wm. Lelacheur, Port Townsend. Sailed—Steamers Geo. W. Elder, Portland; Umatilla, Victoria.

THE WOODS ARE FULL OF THEM.

(CONTRIBUTED.)

Dave, one of our dandy B. B.'s, was out shooting yesterday, and this is the story he tells: "I was told to look out for panthers as they were prowling around after *calves*. After tramping five or six hours I got turned round and didn't know which way to go, so I took a rest. Presently I heard a noise up a tree. Says I, "that's a panther sharpening its claws," so I cocked both barrels and got ready. I might have felt scared, but I was game. Then I looked up and saw a squirrel. He looked at me and said "bu-chur-r-r-r-r-r-r: sheep, sheep, sheep, sheep, sheep"; says I, "sheep yourself," and was just going to fire when I heard an awful racket in the bushes. Says I, "that's a panther sure, this time," (for I could hear the pants.) I might have felt scared, but I was game. So I stuck my knife behind my ear—it's a good sized ear—and drew a bead on where I could see the bushes shaking. *It* and the pants came nearer and nearer, and then a big negro crawled out and saw me. Then he yelled out, "hole on boss; don't shoot. You wouldn't kill a poah moke for ten cents." Says I, "I don't want your blamed ten cents. I thought you was a panther." Says he, "and I thought you was a murderer; suah you look like one. Say, boss, you seen any salmon bellies 'round yere?" "No," says I, "have you lost any"—I thought he might have been throwing them up and shouting at them like the dudes do at clay saucers. Says he, "no; I was tole de woods was full of dem and that I could pick all I wanted." "Oh," says I, "I haven't seen any around here, but you can pick all you want on Fraser River." Just then I heard the supper hora, so I crawled out of the woods and left him. Dave says "game is scarce."

A Double Recommendation.

"We have used Dr. Fowler's Extract of Wild Strawberry, and find that for diarrhœa it cannot be squalled. We cannot speak too highly of it." Ernest Clare Cross and Roy Neil Cross, Jasper, Ont., April 29th, 1888. tu-th-sat-dw

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The Mexico's Passengers.

The following passengers left for San Francisco yesterday afternoon per steamship Mexico: Miss Jennie M. Anderson, C. W. Filking, R. A. Johnson and wife, Mrs. F. Appleton, W. J. Readshaw, C. W. Pomeroy, Mrs. H. King, J. H. Douglas, D. F. Douglas, A. P. Sawyer, Mrs. G. Y. Bollinger, Mrs. E. P. Miner, Charles Boyle and wife, and five steerage passengers.

The Newcastle Mine.

With reference to a rumor that the Newcastle coal mine was to be started up at once, T. J. Milner has informed the *Post-Intelligencer* that before the mine start up it will be necessary to run gangways some distance from the bottom of the slope, and that the work will be done next. It is impossible to say when the mine will start up. It may be a month and it may be six months.

Cariboo District.

Advices from Cariboo state that Mr. Frank S. Barnard, of Victoria, has formally announced that in the event of the retirement of Mr. Reid, M.P., he will be a candidate for the representation of that constituency in the house of commons in the conservative interest. From the long association of Mr. Barnard and his family with the province, and especially with that district, he will undoubtedly make a strong race against any other possible candidate.

A Malicious Outrage.

The handsome window erected in Christ Church Cathedral in memory of the late Mrs. Marvin has been shamefully damaged within the last few days. Large stones have apparently been hurled at the wire protection outside with sufficient force to bend it and in three places to break the glass itself. It is greatly to be deplored that no consideration for the sacredness of the place, or the feelings of the donor have force to restrain the vicious impulses of our street hoodlums.

Suing the C. R. & N. Co. for Damages.

A rather novel suit is now being tried at Seattle. Action is brought by T. P. Spitts, a San Francisco drummer, against the O. R. & Co. to recover the sum of $260 damages alleged to have been sustained by plaintiff through the negligence of the company's servants. Spitts bought a ticket at Port Townsend for Victoria, but instead of being forwarded to his destination was sent on to Seattle by another boat, by which he claims his business was injured to the extent of the sum named.

Football.

The first game of the season was played on Beacon Hill yesterday afternoon between teams captained by B. H. T. Drake and L. Crease, and after a warm game resulted in a victory for L. Crease's team by 2 goals and 2 tries to 1 goal and 3 tries. The tries for the winners were obtained by Ward (2), Allison (1) and Langley (1), while Drake obtained 3 tries and Drummond one for the losers. Besides those mentioned, Crease, Clarke and Pemberton showed fine form for their respective sides.

Union Mine Railway.

Mr. R. Gibson arrived at Nanaimo from Comox on Friday, and reports that the work there is progressing favorably, and unless the weather is extremely bad will be completed by the beginning of October. This will complete the contract entered into by the late W. E. Blackett, and which his representatives have continued. The work of grading is also being pushed forward, and it was expected the entire line will be ready for the rails as soon as they arrive in November. The work of exploration is still being continued at the several seams of the Union Colliery.

Gospel Temperance Meetings.

A Gospel Temperance meeting will be held in The Victoria Theatre this afternoon at 4 o'clock, when addresses will be delivered by Rev. Dr. Sutherland and J. J. Maclaren, Esq., Q. C., Toronto. Both are men of high standing and prominent religious workers. The public are cordially invited.

To-morrow evening addresses will be delivered by Rev. Dr. Sutherland and J. J. Maclaren, Esq., Q. C., on the "Political and Economic Aspects of the Temperance Question," in the hall of the Y. M. C. A., Broad street. The chair will be taken at 8 o'clock. The public are cordially invited.

A Chinaman's Foolish Jump.

Friday morning, just as the Atlantic express was leaving Vancouver, a Chinaman with his arms full of parcels attempted to jump on the train while it was in motion, but fell between the platform and the cars. Fortunately for himself he did not attempt to rise, but lay quite still until the train had passed. He was then assisted to the platform where it was found that he had received a severe cut on the head and had had three of his toes cut off by the wheels. In spite of his fall and his injuries he pluckily held on to his parcels until picked up. Some of his own countrymen took charge of him and removed him to Chinatown.—*Vancouver News.*

Cowichan Agricultural Society.

The work on the show grounds—five acres in extent—at Duncan's station, Quamichan, is being pushed forward energetically. A hall 80 feet long and 30 feet in width is almost completed, and the clearing of the grounds and the erection of fencing are well in hand. The facilities offered by the Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway for the conveyance of passengers at reduced rates, and of exhibits free, the presence of "G" Battery band, and the promise of a more than usually attractive show, only require the addition of the bright sunshine of our climate to make the inauguration of the society's exhibition on their new grounds on Saturday next, 29th instant, a deserved success.

Funeral of the Late Mr. Alexander McLean.

The last sad rites in connection with the death of the late Mr. Alex. McLean took place yesterday afternoon, the funeral services being of a most impressive character. The services for the dead were conducted by Rev. P. McF. Macleod at the family residence, Cadboro Bay road, where a host of friends of the deceased gentleman had assembled. At the conclusion of the services, the procession was formed and proceeded to Ross Bay cemetery. Messrs. Thos. Earle, Jos. Hunter and W. McLean were chief mourners, and the following gentlemen officiated as pall-bearers: Messrs. W. C. Ward, Robt. Ward, A. B. Gray, Forrest Angus, Hon. Jno. Robson, D. W. Higgins, W. M. Chudley, Jas. Stewart, A. J. Langley and Hon. R. Dunsmuir. The procession was headed by Mayor Grant and the Board of Aldermen, the Pioneer Society and the St. Andrew's and Caledonian Society, and following the hearse and the carriages containing the chief mourners, came a large concourse of citizens, in carriages and on foot, who had assembled to pay the last outward mark of respect to one who in life was so universally esteemed by all classes in the community, the *cortege* being one of the largest witnessed in Victoria for some time. The casket, which was covered with a profusion of the choicest flowers, was of highly polished rosewood, with solid silver mountings. During the afternoon the flags on the city hall and on other public buildings were at half-mast.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

Victoria Building Society.

At a meeting of the board of directors of the Victoria Building Society, held last evening, Mr. Jas. Fell was elected president and Mr. W. D. McKillican, vice-president. The affairs of the new society are in a flourishing condition, and the date of the first drawing for an appropriation of $2,000 was fixed for the first Thursday in October.

Obituary.

News has been received of the death of Mrs. Louisa Ellen Josling, wife of the late Captain Josling, R.N., at Murree, Punjab, India, on the 6th ult. The deceased lady, who was aged 56, was the eldest daughter of Edward E. Langford, Esq., and sister of Mrs. H. G. Lewis of this city. She resided in Victoria during the early days of the settlement of the island, having arrived here in May, 1851.

An Odd Couple Married.

One of those freaks which so frequently occur in the matrimonial line was brought to the attention of Judge Rearden yesterday, when he united Samuel Morris in marriage to Clarissa J. Boland, both of Oakland. Morris said he was 22 years of age, though he looked anything but it, on account of his boyish countenance and very small stature; while the bride overtowered him, acknowledged the age of 30 and confessed to being a divorced woman. —*S. F. Call.*

The China Flour Trade.

The Canadian Pacific steamer Danube is expected here to-day. A full cargo of flour is ready for her. The matter of freight on flour from here to China has been settled by the Canadian steamers agreeing to withdraw from the San Francisco trade and being allowed to take flour from this port at the same rate as the Pacific Mail charge from San Francisco. Now, if Portland cannot hold her own in the China flour trade, she deserves to lose it.—*Oregonian.*

B. C. Agricultural Society's Show.

Preparations for this event are progressing. The grounds have been enlarged, and a building for bulky goods is in course of construction. Space is being rapidly taken by intending exhibitors, and it is confidently expected that the show will be the largest and best held in the province. The public of Victoria should advance this most worthy institution by every means in their power. The producers of the province stand in need of all the encouragement that can be extended them.

Close Season for Trout.

Inspector Mowat has recommended for trout on Vancouver Island a close season from the 15th October to the 15th March, and on the mainland from the 1st February to the 1st May. He says the existing regulations are not suitable for the country. The British Columbian lakes covering such a large extent of territory, and the climate and temperature being so different, the breeding seasons are to a certain extent governed by these circumstances, and fish are found spawning in one or another locality nearly every month in the year.

The C. P. R. and Pacific Mail Agreement.

A Canadian Pacific representative now in San Francisco, sums up the substance of the new agreement between that company and the Pacific Mail in this language: "We agree to keep out of their territory if they will keep out of ours. In other words, we leave them entirely alone in San Francisco, and they are not to interfere with us in Portland and other northern ports. We are handling a percentage of the mill products of California for Chinese export trade, but will now confine our attention to the northwestern trade, of which we are free to handle as much as we choose."

Porcupine Creek.

Things are moving along slowly, but surely, on Porcupine. The Discovery Co. have taken out between $600 and $700 for their five weeks' work, which includes the time engaged in building cabins, whipsawing lumber, making sluice-boxes, turning creek and doing other preparatory work. They are now sluicing from the middle of the creek bed with good results. The Spragge company struck bedrock at a depth of five feet, and had a very satisfactory clean-up. The Horseshoe, Donald, Placer, Michigan and French companies, after making surface clean-ups, are sinking shafts, hoping to strike bedrock within 25 feet. Twenty men are at work.—Donald *Trith.*

Narrow Escape and Strange Coincidence.

S. H. Brown, first officer of the ship Ivanhoe, had a narrow escape from death at Seattle on Thursday last, being accidentally buried beneath several tons of coal in the ship's hold. He is still in a critical condition, and is so stiff and sore he cannot move. A few months ago, a former first officer of the same ship met with a similar accident, but was unobserved, as he went down the chute with a carload of coal. The next day, when he was missed from his post of duty, it was thought he had fallen overboard, but not until the vessel was discharged at San Francisco was the mysterious disappearance of the man explained. His body was found near the keel of the ship, which proved that he went down with the first carload of coal dumped into the vessel.

Frank Leslie's Sunday Magazine.

The October number contains many interesting and valuable articles, all freshly written and brightly illustrated. The continued story, "Genevive," opens the number. It is a story of the Huguenot troubles in France. Mrs. Alexander contributes a very touching story, "Faithful in Duty," and "Rabens," by C. B. Todd, is a story about an intelligent and faithful dog. The illustrated articles are, "Pioneer Missions in Central Africa," by Emma Raymand Pittman, with portraits of celebrated African explorers; "Marseilles," by L. R. C., "Cave Homes and Shrines," by Marc F. Vallette; "Dolls and Dollmakers;" "Francis Scott Key," by Walter Edgar M'Cann; and "Mme. Dieulafoy and her Travels." A vigorous sermon by Dr. Talmage, entitled, "The Age of Swindle," will provoke thought and comment. The poems and short articles are numerous and good, and there are a number of full-page engravings of much beauty. It is a specially good number of this favorite family magazine.

A Trio of Stowaways.

Two days after the schooner Teaser left Juneau in tow of the Ancon for Seattle, one of the sailors came on deck and reported to Captain Quinn that there were three stowaways down in the hold of the vessel. The captain ordered them sent on deck, and when they appeared they were in a sorry plight. The captain asked them how long they had been on board, and one of them replied two days. "Then you must be hungry," remarked the captain. One of them replied that they were almost starved. Captain Quinn gave them some refreshments and installed one of them as cook. He proved to be an artist in that line. One of the men was a first-class moulder and got a job as soon as he reached Port Townsend. The other was a mechanic, and also found a job at the port of entry. The cook had a large sum of money due him in Victoria, and they all assured Captain Quinn that they would pay their passage out of the first money they received. They had gone to Alaska on a mining expedition, and dame fortune had frowned, instead of smiling on them, and rather than spend the winter in the north, they embraced the first opportunity to stow-away.

GAMBLING IN VICTORIA.

Is it On the Increase—Young Boys Being Educated in the Vice at the Cigar Stands.

Gambling is being extensively indulged in at the present time in Victoria. The rattle of chips, the clink of money, and the rattle of the dice can frequently be heard by the passers-by on Government street. Many young men holding good positions in society and business while away the hours far beyond midnight in tempting pastime at cards. If the risk of loss and gain on the turn of a card were confined to the professional gambler there might be less reason to object, but the "tenderfoot" is frequently pitted against the skilled gambler, and the latter, of course, generally takes the pile. The police seem to ignore the whole matter, and are probably awaiting further instructions from their superiors. Another form of gambling is perhaps the most objectionable of the lot. Since the starting of the first box cigar stand, they have become numerous on our streets. Many are attended by mere lads, and it is not an unusual sight to see boys of tender years throwing dice at these stands for cigarettes. The system is simply the rudimentary education in the vice of gambling. Such acts are unlawful and the police should see that the law is enforced. It is sad to see young boys injuring their constitutions by an inordinate use of cigarettes, but it is shocking to the moral sense of every intelligent man to continually witness their frequent use of the dice at these cigar stands. The evil should no longer be allowed to continue, but should be put down with a strong hand. Why is it that our police require to be goaded into carrying out their imperative duty? They would win the respect of the majority of the community if they would grapple with this glaring abuse, and endeavor to raise the moral standard of our city, and they cannot do better than begin by suppressing all gambling that comes within the reach of the law.

LOCAL BRIEFS.

The appearance of the Pemberton block on Fort street is very pleasing. The windows are handsomely finished.

In consequence of the gospel temperance meeting in The Victoria this afternoon the usual service in the Y. M. C. A. will not be held.

Gill, the H. B. Co. employee who skipped from New Westminster, is reported to be on the Sound passing himself off as J. Richardson, agent of the company.

It is stated that summonses have been issued against owners of powder magazines for storing explosives within two miles of the city limits. The charges will be heard in the Provincial Court on Wednesday next.

A man who had imbibed too much poor liquor made an endeavor last evening to demolish a portion of the furniture in a Johnson street sample room. The police were sent for and the belligerent was locked up. He was quietly sleeping on the upper bunk of a cell at 9 o'clock last evening.

POLICE COURT.

(Before Judge Richards.)

Two lads were charged with stone throwing.

The superintendent said he had been a witness of the offence, and the boys did not appear to care whether they struck others or not.

The magistrate severely reprimanded the boys, and told them they were liable to a fine of $50 or imprisonment. The next boy brought up on the same charge would be punished.

Frank Holt, on remand, charged with obtaining meals without paying for the same, failed to appear, and a warrant was issued for his arrest.

Johnny, an Indian, pleaded guilty to a charge of being drunk, and was fined $5.

MARINE.

Steamship Mexico sailed for San Francisco yesterday afternoon.

Steamer Cariboo Fly will leave for the north on Tuesday evening.

Ship Titania will leave Esquimalt for England on Wednesday next with 33,000 cases of salmon.

Steamship Alki is at Departure Bay, taking on a cargo of Wellington coal for San Francisco.

Bark Bundaleer arrived in the Roads on Friday evening and was towed to Moodyville yesterday by the Alexander.

Steamship Wellington, which left Departure Bay on Friday morning, had 2,600 tons of Wellington coal.

Ship C. F. Sargent has completed her cargo of 2,720 tons of Vancouver coal, and was expected to sail for San Francisco last night.

Ships Highland Light and Harry Morse sailed from San Francisco on the 16th inst. for cargoes of Vancouver coal.

American ship W. A. Campbell, in tow of the tug Pioneer of Port Discovery, has arrived at Burrard Inlet to load lumber at the Moodyville mill.

Yacht Ariel, which left San Francisco last week for Alaska, stuck on Fish rock. A tug was sent up to haul her off, but it was found that she was wedged in too firmly. The yacht was recently bought by the owners of the Restless, and had been overhauled and repaired and provisioned for a long voyage. She will probably be a total wreck.

PERSONAL.

J. M. O'Brien, of the Vancouver *World*, left this morning for the terminal city.

John C. Greene, of Washington, D. C., who has been in the city several days, returned east this morning via the C. P. R.

Rev. Samuel Greene arrived yesterday, on his way to Port Angeles, where the Congregationalists are about to erect a new church.—*Port Townsend Argus.*

Andrew J. Randall, who is virtually leader of the house of representatives, Washington, who has been seriously ill for some time past, has recovered. Col. Stevens yesterday received an autograph letter from him which would indicate that Mr. Randall was again in good health.

David Ferguson, a wealthy Philadelphian, has been in this city for several days. He came west with his two sons for the purpose of investment and probable settlement in some portion of the northwest coast. His sons are at present in Seattle.

Rev. Dr. Reid returned last evening from Seattle, where he attended the Young Men's Christian Association convention—the largest and most enthusiastic representative assembly ever held on this northwest coast, in the interest of that important and growing institution.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.—Are you disturbed at night and broken of your rest by a sick child suffering and crying with pain of Cutting Teeth? Go at once and get a bottle of "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup" for Children Teething. Its value is incalculable. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Depend upon it, mothers, there is no mistake about it. It cures Dysentery and Diarrhœa, regulates the Stomach and Bowels, cures Wind Colic, softens the Gums, reduces Inflammation, and gives tone and energy to the whole system. "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup" for children teething is pleasant to the taste and is the prescription of one of the oldest and best female physicians and nurses in the United States, and is for sale by all druggists throughout the world. Price twenty-five cents a bottle. Be sure and ask for "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup," and take no other kind. mw3i-eod-dw

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

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LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

The Sealing Fleet.

The steam schooner Rosa Olsen arrived in the harbor from the north on Sunday morning with 500 seal skins. The schooners Penelope, Maggie, Mac, Favorite and Walter Rich are yet to be heard from.

Accepted the Challenge.

The Victoria Lacrosse Club has received a formal challenge from the Vancouver team for the championship. The Victorians have accepted, and the game will be played at Beacon Hill on Friday, October 5th.

Choral Society.

A meeting will be held in Messrs. W. M. Watt & Co.'s music store, Government street, on Wednesday evening next, the 27th inst., at 8 o'clock, when all lovers of music are asked to be present. The object of the meeting is to form a choral society.

The Signal Service.

The government steamer Douglas left yesterday morning for Port San Juan, Cape Beale and Alberni, having on board Mr. Gisborne, government superintendent of telegraphs. He will examine the coast in the interest of the proposed signal service. Capt. Devereaux and Capt. Lewis, agent of marine and fisheries, accompanied Mr. Gisborne.

McCallum-Hawthornthwaite.

At St. James' Church at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon, Arthur Campbell McCallum, son of Capt. A. E. McCallum, of Riverside, Quamichan, was united by marriage to Miss C. K. Hawthornthwaite, daughter of W. H. Hawthornthwaite, J. P., of Cowichan. Venerable Archdeacon Scriven officiated. The bride was dressed in a traveling costume of velvet, trimmed with old Limerick lace. Miss E. Hawthornthwaite was bridesmaid and Mr. J. H. Hawthornthwaite was best man. Only the immediate friends of the high contracting parties were present.

Seal Skin Shipment.

Carne & Munsie have rented premises adjoining Findlay, Durham & Brodie's, on Wharf street, for storing and packing their sealskins, and for other storage purposes. The firm are busy at the present time packing three thousand skins in casks holding nearly seven hundred pounds each. These will shortly be shipped to London direct. Though small catches have prevailed this season Carne & Munsie have been among the fortunate ones, both their schooners bringing in a fair cargo. The Viva secured a total catch from coast and Behring's sea of 2,875 skins, the Pathfinder bringing in 1,470.

Our Ottawa Team.

John Newbury, of the Customs department, arrived home by Sunday evening's boat. Mr. Newbury was one of the rifle team which represented British Columbia at Ottawa this year, and states that the failure of the team on three successive years to make a proper showing is entirely owing to the antiquated prejudice in favor of the short rifle. In conversation with Col. Bacon, secretary of the Dominion Rifle