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Local and Provincial News.

From the Daily Colonist, September 12.

Drowned from the Amelia.

(Special to The Colonist.)

CHEMAINUS, B.C., Sept. 11.—A man named Charley Stewart fell off the Amelia just after leaving Salt Spring Island today and was drowned. The body has not been recovered.

Coal Harbor—An Arrangement Consummated.

The local syndicate have finally compromised their difficulties with the Canada Pacific railway syndicate on the basis laid down by the latter several months ago. By the terms of the agreement the local syndicate surrender to the railway syndicate one-third of all their land in lots 181, 182 and 196, together with the entire water frontage of those lots running back from the inlet 200 feet. A parcel of 85 acres next to Granville town is included in the arrangement, which would appear to be a very good one—for the railway company, who have played the game of "cinch" with marked success.

Personal.

Mr. Baillie-Grohman left for Ottawa and England yesterday. He will return in April.

Mr. Hector Toop and daughter from Sooke, are registered at the Occidental.

Sheriff McMillan has been suffering from a severe cold and confined to his room for several days.

Mr. Robert Dunsmuir, M.P.P., has been confined to his room for some days by illness; but is now better.

Burglary.

The house of Mr. R. E. Green, on Yates, above Cook street, was entered by a burglar at twelve o'clock on Thursday night, who gained admittance by lowering the upper sash of a bedroom in which children were sleeping. Mrs. Green, hearing the noise, arose from bed and slammed a door, the noise causing the fellow to decamp. Mr. Green, returning home shortly afterwards, searched the house and found the window and the back door wide open, but no property is missing.

The Squak Massacre.

One of the murderers who attacked the Chinese camp at Squak, W. T., has turned state's evidence and given away the whole affair, betraying his accomplices, and relating with horrid circumstantiality all the details of the affair. Five or six white men and the same number of Indians formed the party. All are in custody.

Distinguished Visitors.

Sir Charles Tupper, Sir A. Caron, Sir F. Middleton, Hon. Mr. Pope and Mr. Collingwood Schrieber will arrive at Victoria about the 28th of September. They will come via the Northern Pacific, and will return via the Canadian road. The Marquis of Lansdowne will arrive at Victoria about the first week of October, and will remain in the province only a few days. His route is not yet determined on.

THE GREAT INTERNATIONAL YACHT RACE.

A Good Start—The Genesta Ahead.

The Wind Fails and Puritan Leads.

The Time Limit Exceeded and Race Off.

(Exclusive to The Colonist.)

SANDY HOOK, 9:30 a.m., Sept. 11.—Wind moderate, from the east; weather cloudy, sea going down somewhat. Hope is expressed to-day that the first real contest may take place between the yachts Puritan and Genesta for the cup.

9:40 a.m.—The Puritan and Genesta are coming down the bay, both under sail. Wind is sixteen miles an hour, and from the east.

10:20 a.m.—The Genesta has dropped tug and is now passing out under sail.

HIGHLANDS, 11:30 a.m.—The Puritan and Genesta and judge's boat have reached the Scotland lightship. Yachts are making ready for the start.

11:30 a.m.—The preparatory signal to start has just been given.

SANDY HOOK, 11:36 a.m.—The yachts have started and both are on a port tack.

11:50 a.m.—An outward-bound bark got in the way of both yachts, compelling them to pay off. This placed the Genesta ahead.

11:52 a.m.—The Puritan is to the windward now.

Noon—The wind is now fifteen miles an hour, east northeast.

12:10 p.m.—The Genesta ahead, but to the leeward of the Puritan.

12:25 p.m.—The Puritan is out, pointing Genesta, and is well to the windward.

12:35 p.m.—The Genesta is ahead a little more than a minute. The yachts are both standing on the same tack, Puritan working to the windward all the time, and the Genesta is well in on Long Island shore.

12:42 p.m.—The Genesta has gone about and is now standing southeast.

12:45 p.m.—The Genesta has crossed to the windward of Puritan.

1 p.m.—The yachts have gone about 10 miles so far over the course. The Genesta leads by about three minutes. Wind light from east and weather clear.

2:10 p.m.—The Puritan has gained a minute and a half in the past half hour.

2:35 p.m.—The Genesta is ahead, the wind dying out.

2:40 p.m.—The Puritan is now ahead.

3 p.m.—The Genesta running ahead, but the Puritan is well to windward, about 15 miles of outward course has been covered.

3:12 p.m.—The Puritan has just gone about, standing northwest, and four minutes later the Genesta went about, standing in the same course. Wind light from the east.

HIGHLANDS, 5 p.m.—The yachts have not yet turned the stakeboat. There probably will be no result to-day.

NEW YORK, 6 p.m.—Latest advices from the contesting yachts are to the effect that the wind died out before they rounded the stakeboat. Probabilities are strongly that they will not be able to cover the course in the required seven hours.

HIGHLANDS, 6 p.m.—The Puritan set her spanker and turned at 5.40 p.m., the Genesta at 5.50 p.m.

6.15 p.m.—The Puritan and Genesta sighted returning; Puritan is 10 minutes in lead; we are unable to tell if the yachts turned the stakeboat on account of darkness.

NEW YORK, 6.40 p.m.—The yacht race has been declared off for the day.

Bad Characters.

Victoria is becoming infested with a desperate lot of characters, which fact is evidenced by the number of robberies and petty thefts that have been committed, and it will require the utmost energy and vigilance of our police to rid the town of such unwelcome citizens and preserve peace. A number of ladies have been accosted on the street of late, and it is only the other evening that a lady resident of Blanchard street who was returning home at about eight o'clock was followed by several men, one of whom accosted her when she was near her home. She gave the scoundrel a slap with her hand, which knocked him from the sidewalk, after which he ran away down the street. Several residences in this neighborhood have also been tried for the purpose of gaining entrance to them. On Thursday night Mr. Roland Green's residence was entered, but the thieves were alarmed before they secured any booty. The constant occurrence of these depredations should make householders exert great care in having their windows and doors securely fastened and otherwise being on the alert for the thieves.

CLAIMS HE WAS ROBBED.—A stranger, lately from Victoria, an engineer by profession, was found roaming around the streets of Albina yesterday morning in an intoxicated condition. He said that he had been drugged in a saloon the evening before and robbed of $170 in Canadian bank notes and $37 in coin. His coat and vest were found on some stones under Montgomery's dock. In one of the pockets was a certificate on the Portland savings bank for $150. The lager of this country is evidently too strong for one who has been used to the bitter beer of British Columbia.—*Oregonian.*

WOUND UP.—A hoary-headed sinner, who had imbibed too much fire-water, held a large crowd on Johnson street last evening in front of the Colonial, while he descanted on the advantages of republican institutions. He had been talking all the previous night and all day, kept the boarders awake and disturbed the economy of a hotel, and would probably have talked another night if a policeman had not happened along and made him move on. His audience impeded the traffic of the street.

PORTRAIT PAINTING.—Mr. H. Duesbury, of Portland, has arrived in Victoria and has taken up his quarters at the Hastings photo studio, where he exhibits several portraits of a very high order of merit. The features and expression are faultless and show that a master hand has traced the lineaments on the canvas. Mr. Duesbury intends remaining in Victoria for some time, and doubtless his services will be engaged by many of our citizens who wish to secure a well finished and lifelike portrait.

BOARD OF TRADE.—At a meeting of the council of the B. C. Board of Trade yesterday a committee was appointed to inquire and report upon new rooms for the use of the board. It was also suggested that the board, which is flush of funds, may shortly proceed with the erection of an elegant structure in a central locality, to be called the Board of Trade Building.

VICTORIA THEATRE CO.—At a meeting of the shareholders last evening, Mayor Rithet presiding, it was resolved to call up the balance of the capital stock, some $25,000. The theatre will be ready for occupation about October 1st.

What Some People Say.

That Lord Coleridge is about to resign.

That Mr. Gladstone suffers from lumbago. He will not state his intentions as to the campaign.

That Lord R. Churchill's health has suddenly failed, and he will not take part in the political campaign.

That 5,000 or 6,000 workmen in Sir William Armstrong's mammoth ordnance and engineering works at Newcastle-on-Tyne have struck work because the superintendent and manager are obnoxious to them, and Sir William declines to discharge the officers.

That American and Canadian cheese is undermining English cheese in Cheshire.

That the royal English commission on the housing of the poor says that, with all the poverty and overcrowding, the standard of morality is high.

That the promoters of the Manchester ship canal are empowered to raise $25,000,000 for the purpose of the construction of about thirty-five miles.

That the circulation of the Paris Petit Journal is now put at 800,000.

That Lord Randolph Churchill says if England went to war with Russia on the Afghan question it would probably cost 250,000 lives and that the war would not be confined to Asia nor to the two nations originating it. He is in no hurry to start such a fight.

That light blue eyes are the oddity in a pure-blooded Louisville negress.

That Rhode Island retains the greatest density of population of all the states.

That Robert Browning again thinks of visiting this country, although he is 73.

That the first Hindoo lady who ever went into trade has opened a bookstore in Bombay.

That a Frenchman has made his suicide remarkable by dropping from the towers of Notre Dame.

That the legal business in London is almost in the hands of one-fourth of the members of the profession.

That an exchange has an article on "The Language of Vegetables." The language of onions, we should think, would be more remarkable for its strength than eloquent.

That Plimsoll, the sailor's friend, will stand for parliament in Sheffield.

That Wentworth Dilke, uncle of Sir Charles, and a Waterloo veteran, is dead at the age of 90.

That the famous Holladay case, wherein Ben Holladay sues his brother Joe for the recovery of about a million dollars worth of property has been set for trial at Portland on the 24th inst.

That Gerald Eyre, the well-known actor, died in Melbourne, Australia, August 6, of pneumonia. He was ill but one day. At the time he was a member of Dion Boucicault's troupe.

That London Life complains because the amount asked for the Gordon statue, £4,000, is twice as large as was voted for the Beaconsfield monument.

That the largest street railroad company in London has refused to reduce the hours of its employes from sixteen a day, or to allow Sundays off.

That Chief Engineer Phillips will be a candidate for re-election by the fire department at the next election of officers.

That the amount of land in Scotland devoted to deer-raising is estimated at about two million acres. On this land about 4,000 stags and an equal number of hinds are shot each year.

That at a recent bull fight in Spain one of the goaded bulls leaped over the barrier into a dense throng of spectators, injuring many. A frightful panic ensued in which several persons were fatally injured.

That a Boston Courier reporter asked the superintendent of schools the other day: "How does it happen that there are so many old maids among the school teachers?" and he replied: "Because school teachers are, as a rule, women of sense, and no sensible women will give up a $60 position for a $40 man."

That the citizen who went to church last Sunday for the first time this year, and put a $5 gold piece in the collection plate thinking it was 25c, says that he will go further west before he becomes so unwittingly generous again.

That a collection of cents in first-class condition, not only including all dates, but all varieties, is worth a thousand dollars.

That there are fifteen million horses in the United States and it requires one million new ones each year to keep up with the demand.

That in Boston, Russia, there is a society of child murderers, who, acting as nurses, poison children, to spare them the troubles of life.

That the Turkoman horse, though not fleet, has wonderful staying powers, and will, with his loose canter, cover 100 miles a day for ten days.

That the consumption of starch for all purposes in the United States is 160,000,000 pounds per annum, or an average of three pounds for each person.

That baseball is now played in Siberia, the game having been introduced by the military authorities as a recreative reward for meritorious convicts off duty.

That a man in Livingston, N. Y., tried to fire off a bunch of red bananas to which he applied lucifers, under the impression that they were cannon crackers.

That a Dakota man has a contrivance so arranged that in the event of a storm at night he can pull a cord and let his bed sink through a trap door into a cyclone cellar.

That the consumption of rubber in this country is steadily on the increase, the imports last year having been 24,064,000 pounds, the greatest amount ever known.

That less than 50 years ago it cost for a single letter carried not over 30 miles, 6 cents; less than 80 miles, 10 cents; less than 150 miles, 12½ cents; 400 miles, 25 cents.

That the Scientific American says if a bottle of pennyroyal oil is left uncorked in a room at night, not a mosquito or other bloodsucker will be found there in the morning.

That in the manufacture of burial caskets alone at Oneida, N. Y. factory gives employment to over two hundred hands and consumes daily about twenty thousand feet of lumber.

That a bird's eye pineapple sold in New York the other day for $5. It differs from other pineapples in that it has no core, cuts like a cheese, and possesses an exquisite flavor.

That scientific men say that the curve is given to a pitched ball by making it revolve swiftly as it leaves the hand. If the axis is perpendicular it will curve in or out, according to the direction of the revolution; if horizontal it will curve up or down.

That in Boston the chief of the fire department rides in a red buggy when he hurries headlong to fires. The notion is that persons will break for the sidewalk and clear the track when they see a horse snorting along, so to say, and wildly dragging a red chariot toward them.

A FEW vivid flashes of lightning, accompanied by claps of thunder, were seen and heard yesterday afternoon.

AN AWFUL AFFAIR IN OHIO.

A Prosperous Town Swept from the Earth.

Loss of Life and Property.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Sept. 8.—A Leader special from Springfield says: "A terrible cyclone struck Washington C. H., a city of 4,000 inhabitants, twenty-five miles west of here, at 8 o'clock this evening, and almost totally swept it from the earth. It came from the northwest, and broke upon the town suddenly, carrying everything before it. The tornado whirled up Court street, the main business thoroughfare, and ruined almost every business block on it, at least forty in all. Hardly a private residence in the town escaped, fully 200 buildings going down. The Baptist, Presbyterian and Catholic churches all suffered the common fate. The Ohio Southern, Pan Handle, Narrow Gauge and Midland depots were blown to smithereens and every building in the vicinity was carried away, making ingress or egress almost impossible.

The panic stricken people were taken completely unawares, and fled from tumbling buildings in every direction through the murky darkness. Mad frenzy seemed to seize them, and they hurried hither and thither in their wild distraction, little knowing whither they were fleeing.

After the whirlwind, which lasted about ten minutes, a heavy rainfall set in, which still continues unabated at this writing. As soon as a few of the cooler heads recovered their senses, searching parties were organized and the sad work of looking for the dead began. So far fifteen bodies have been recovered from the debris, and the various ruined buildings, and the dreary work is just beginning to get under way. Probably as many more will be found before morning. The glimmer of lanterns procured from farm houses in the vicinity of the few houses left standing is the only light they have to work by. Two or three bodies have been stumbled on in the middle of the street, where they were stricken down by flying bricks or timbers. Cellars of houses and every sort of refuge were filled with shivering people, huddling together in a vain attempt to keep warm. One babe in arms had died from exposure. The morning trains will carry plenty of provisions, but strange to say nobody has yet thought of sending a special train to the scene to-night."

WASHINGTON COURT HOUSE, O., Sept. 9.—The cyclone which came upon this town last evening at 5 o'clock almost completely demolished it. Not a single store facing the centre square, out of forty, is left intact, and a majority of them are levelled. About 200 residences were destroyed, and the streets are so filled with debris that it is almost impossible to pass. Sheriff Rankin ordered out the militia, which took charge and helped to get order out of chaos. All the gas went out when the storm came, and, as the works were destroyed, bonfires had to be built in the streets to give light for the searchers. The total known to be dead is five and about fifty injured. One of the latter of these was the manager of the Telephone Exchange, who was hurled across the street and had one arm and one leg and his collar bone broken. Some houses were lifted bodily and carried several hundred feet and then dashed to the ground with terrific force.

A relief committee is at work, and all the houses not destroyed have been thrown open to the homeless. Farmers are coming in by dozens, bringing food and bedding. Every hotel, bank, church and business house in the town is ruined. The utmost desolation prevails. People coming in report finding debris ten miles from town. The loss will exceed a million dollars.

CINCINNATI, Sept. 9.—Washington Court House, the scene of the most disastrous visitation by the elements last night, is the county seat of Fayette county. It has had a most extraordinary business growth within the past fifteen years, and, being the centre of a rich agricultural district with excellent railway facilities, it had grown to be a business place of considerable importance. Its residents had beautified the town with stately dwellings, and its recently completed court-house was one of the best in the state. To-day this prosperous place is a mass of ruins. Last night's experience of its inhabitants has no parallel in the experience of any town in Ohio. A heavy rainfall began about 8 o'clock last night. That and the darkness drove everybody into shelter, so that while there are some who say they saw funnel-shaped clouds, it does not seem possible that there could have been much observation of the heavens.

Shortly after the rain began the wind came with terrifying clouds. Its work was almost instantaneous. The people say it was over in two minutes, but nobody could take note of time in such a fearful experience. The fierce roaring of the terrible tornado, the crashing of broken and falling buildings, the sharp flashes of lightning, the rolling thunder and pitiless rain combined to produce a sensation of a most horrifying character.

Two minutes of this startling experience was followed by a new feeling among the scattered and terrified survivors, more sickening than that through which they had passed. It was the uncertainty of the fate of friends and relatives. All who escaped alive felt sure that many lives were certainly lost. When the fierceness of the storm had passed and men could communicate with each other, it was found that all were in darkness. The gas works were destroyed, and all the street lights were out. Only by the lightning flashes were the frightened people enabled to catch glimpses of the desolation which had wrecked their little city. The number of deaths was miraculously small. Bonfires were lighted and torches improvised, and wherever cries were heard ready aid was given. With cheerful welcome the doors of such houses as were not destroyed were opened for the houseless ones driven into the rain. In many cases they were utterly bereft of all their household goods. The night was a fearful one, but it was full of helping work. The sheriff called upon the militia to set a guard over the exposed stocks of all business houses, wherever they were broken open and destroyed.

With daylight came a most disheartening spectacle. The fair town of yesterday lay wrecked in disordered heaps. The streets were well nigh impassable from the trees and parts of houses cast into them. Worst of all was the sight of the poor people who had lost all and who had no place to lay their heads. They wandered hopelessly about as if they were strangers. Of course the people whose houses were not ruined began at once to care for their fellow sufferers; but farmers soon began to pour into town, drawn by curiosity, but at the same time bringing with them substantial aid for the destitute.

In the Odd Fellows hall members were gathered at a meeting in the second story when the storm came. The building was literally blown down, yet not one was injured. Thirty-one went down with the ruins and escaped, while nine clung to the walls of an adjoining block and were rescued by ladders.

A Scared Citizen.

Shortly after midnight Friday a worthy citizen of James Bay got as far as the bridge on his way home, when he noticed a man come from the side and walk briskly to about the middle. He had rubbers or moccasins on his feet. When he reached the middle he loitered at the side, pulled his coat collar up and his hat down, and acted generally in so suspicious a manner that the resident of the bay concluded he had evil designs. He had by this time almost come up with the stranger, and, thinking discretion the better part, he turned and ran, and the man put after him. However, he had the start, and made for Campbell's corner, where he met a policeman reading the bulletins. Telling him his experience, he induced the officer to accompany him home, and has since been keeping good respectable hours, and the next time he is out late he is going to patronize a hack.

Robbery at Esquimalt.

Several days ago a robbery was committed a Esquimalt. H. C. Heath was working on Mr. Innes' new residence at the dockyard, and hung his vest and watch on a nail in the house. While he was absent a short time, some one stole the watch from his pocket. At the hotel that night another man's pockets were gone through and several dollars stolen. A man named McGowan, an American, was suspected and constable Campbell has been on the lookout for him since. Yesterday officer Lindsay came across him on Government street and arrested him, taking him to the police barracks. The watch was not in his possession, and his total finances amounted to but fifty cents.

Marine.

Norwegian bark Forto has been chartered by Robert Ward & Co. to load lumber at Port Blakely for Adelaide, South Australia.

British iron new ship Allerton, 2028 tons; British wooden bark Caonabo, 666 tons, and British iron bark Compadre, 900 tons, are en route to Portland.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 10.—Arrived—Steamer Geo. W. Elder, from Victoria; bktn C. C. Funk, Port Townsend; ship Harvester, Nanaimo; schr Wm. Renton, Port Townsend.

HELD UP.

A Swede Robbed on Yates Street of $50.

At about 2 o'clock yesterday morning M. Sandborne, a Swede, lately down from the railway works, was stopped on the corner of Broad and Yates streets by James Smith, a stranger, who put a revolver to the Swede's breast, told him to throw up his hands and went through his pockets to the extent of $50, all that he possessed. The Swede then made tracks for the police and informed them of the occurrence.

About noon yesterday officer McLaren saw a man answering the description given by the Swede and arrested him, the fellow looking very guilty. At the barracks when searched the prisoner had only $[illegible] and no revolver. After the robbery Smith went to the Vancouver house, put up his revolver with the bar keeper and went to bed, paying his bill in the morning, and taking the revolver again. Both robber and victim came down together from the railway works, and Smith was known to be broke.

Municipal Police Court.

[Before Mr. Edwin Johnson, P. M.]

FRIDAY, Sept. 11.

John Rule, charged with being a vagrant, was sentenced to fourteen days' hard labor. John is slightly demented, and has been loitering in the streets night and day.

Easter, a Fort Rupert Indian, was fined $5 for being drunk.

Wm. Thompson, charged with assaulting Easter, was fined $10 or fourteen days.

Geo. Blackwell, charged on remand with assaulting Kohl, was fined $20 or one month.

The two men, Dickson and Hampton, charged with robbery from the person of Kirkwood, were committed for trial.

MESSRS. TUCKET & SON are often asked to sell their "Myrtle Navy" tobacco to retail dealers. They never in any case do so, and for the best of reasons. The wholesale trade of the country have a distributing machinery which handles the "Myrtle Navy" without any addition to its permanent expenses. If the manufacturers were to undertake that work, as they would by selling to the retail trade, it would require an independent machinery, the whole cost of which would have to be borne by the proceeds of the tobacco sales, and of course it would fall upon the consumer. Selling to the wholesale trade alone, is, therefore, for the consumer's benefit and is a convenience to the retail trade, because every traveler who calls—in the grocery line—can take orders for "Myrtle Navy."

DUCKS v. DRAKES.—An amusing cricket match was played at Market Rasen on Wednesday, between two elevens composed of the families of Messrs. Duckering, of Kirton and Northope, and Messrs. Drake, of Market Rasen district. The Drakes overcame their opponents by three runs. In their score we find that two of the Drakes laid eggs, while the Ducks had a sitting of five or six between them.—*Greenock Telegraph.*

SENTENCED.—Three blue jackets were yesterday sent from Esquimalt, to the police barracks, two for ninety days, and one for 42 days for breaking leave.

FIGHTING ON THE STREET.—Officer Walker, yesterday afternoon arrested a man named Morrison for fighting on Yates street, in front of the Pritchard house. The man whom he was pummelling was within the door, and Morrison was hitting him in a cowardly fashion.

OBITUARY.—Captain Joseph Middleton, an old resident of this province, died at St. Joseph's hospital, yesterday morning, at the age of 47 years. He was a native of Marsden, Lancashire, Eng., and was for some years in command of the government lightship at Fraser river. His funeral will take place to-morrow afternoon.

A BIG FAMILY.—Mine Host Hutcheson, of the police barracks, had 78 boarders in his cleanly quarters last night, with a prospect of more before morning.

FROM THE INLET.—The steamer Western Slope arrived at noon yesterday from Burrard Inlet via Departure Bay. At the latter point she took on 100 tons of coal for the C. P. N. Co., and took 300 cases of powder from the steamship Empire, consigned to the Cadboro Bay powder works.

REMANDED.—W. D. Morgan, the Montana murderer, had a hearing in the supreme court before Judge Creight yesterday, and was remanded for eight days, by which time United States officers are expected to be here to apply for his extradition.

The Marriage Outlook.

(Toronto Mail.)

An almost unanimous indisposition on the part of the men of Georgia to assume the mixed pleasures and crying evils of wedded life has resulted in a tremendous falling off in the marriage returns. In order to promote matrimony, and to equalise the supply and demand for maidens, a state legislator proposes that an annual fine of $2.50 per head be levied from this out upon all bachelors. The theory is that a light excise duty collected after the manner of a dog tax will coerce the men into marriage, and cause the unmarried ladies now at a discount to be quoted at a premium. Another state trouble with an epidemic of unmarried young men and women proposes to lead where Georgia drives. Instead of taxing the unmarried it offers an inducement to wed in the shape of a free trip to the seaside for the couples who will come to time while the state fair is in progress. The promotion of matrimony is no new idea. In Ontario we neither coerce nor bonus; but in order that there may be no great financial impediment to marriage we have within recent years reduced the retail price of licenses to $2. This reduction, be it said to his everlasting credit, was the work of Hon. Oliver Mowat, and is justly regarded as one of that gentleman's most statesmanlike measures.

It is to be regretted, though, that this great policy has not been so successful as its benevolent promoter hoped it would be. According to the last census we had in the province 472,411 males, and 452,383 females over the age of twenty-one. Of these 309,500 of each sort were married. This left us 162,911 bachelors and 142,000 spinsters. But then there were 22,188 widowers and 49,076 widows. Adding these, for widows and widowers frequently try again, the marriageable population in 1881 was 185,099 men and 191,859 women. Since that year 109,301 males and 112,593 females then under age have reached the age of twenty-one. With these the marriageable population at the end of 1884 would be 294,450 males and 304,452 females. But then there have been both marriages and deaths during the period. If the deaths have been ten per cent. the marriageable population at the end of 1884 would be—males, 265,000; females, 274,052. The marriages have averaged 14,000 per annum. Three years of marriages at that rate would further reduce the number of the eligible to 223,000 males and 232,052 females. It was with this stock on hand that we commenced the year 1885. Our provincial population is 1,900,000; the population over twenty-one years of age is 900,000. Half of the eligible people are therefore unmarried. One favorable feature of the figures was, however, the circumstance that the unmarried women exceed the unmarried men in number by only nine thousand. The notion has hitherto prevailed that ladies were at a very great discount in Ontario. But this is an error. They are almost at par.

The number of the unmarried, it will be observed, is large. It is too large, as many of the unmarried ladies will testify. Moreover, the army of the single is growing, for the fourteen thousand marriages which take place annually are more than counterbalanced by the arrival during the same period of forty or fifty thousand persons at the eligible age. It is clear, then, that the matrimonial market is not sufficiently active. This indicates that the cheap license policy, benevolent though it was in its design, has not been a success. Some other incitement to marriage must therefore be offered. Shall it be a bonus or a tax? Neither. Let parents cultivate among the children a love for home life and a high regard for virtue.

Robbing the Revenue.

A pedestrian making a tour in Italy was about to enter a small town, carrying in his knapsack his luncheon and a bottle of wine, without being aware that at all town gates a tariff of about twenty per cent. is laid on such commodities. An officer stopped him and demanded seven cents tax. "Tax for what?" "On those provisions." "But I am merely passing through this town. I do not intend to eat within your walls." "Can't help it, sir—seven cent." "I will see about that," and going to a grassy plot a few yards without the gate he unbuckled his knapsack and disposed of the edibles then and there. The lunch in its new situation was not taxable, and he passed through without challenge, while the customs officer grumbled at the stinginess of a man unwilling to pay a seven cent tax on a twenty cent lunch.

The Laughing Plant.

It is called the laughing plant, because its seeds produce effects like those produced by laughing gas. The flowers are of a bright yellow, and the seed pods are soft and wooly, while the seeds resemble small black beans, and only two or three grow in a pod. The natives dry and pulverize them, and the powder, if taken in small doses, makes the soberest person behave like a circus clown or a madman, for he will dance, sing and laugh most boisterously, and cut the most fantastic capers, and be in an uproariously ridiculous condition for about an hour. When the excitement ceases the exhausted exhibitor of these antics falls asleep, and when he awakes he has not the slightest remembrance of his frisky doings.—*Shanghai Celestial Empire.*

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ISLAND RAILWAY.—Mr. Chas. Crocker, jr., Mr. A. Dunsmuir and other gentlemen visited the McLellan contract yesterday and inspected the work going on there. They returned to town in the evening.

ORDINATION.—Rev. Mr. Gregory, of North Saanich, will be ordained at Christ Church Cathedral, in this city, on the 21st inst.

COMMITTED.—In the Chinese murder case Ah Ling was committed to stand his trial at the coming assizes, on Thursday, by Mr. Johnson, S. M.

RACE.—The Seattle champion roller skater and the Victoria champion are training at the roller rink for a race, to take place on Monday evening next.

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BY ELECTRIC TELEGRAPH.

EXCLUSIVE DISPATCHES TO THE COLONIST.

THE CAROLINES DISPUTE.

LONDON, Sept. 11.—The Standard's Madrid dispatch says the Spanish note to Germany concludes with an expression of hope that Germany will recognize the prior rights of Spain even in the islands which German cruisers have occupied. If Germany admits the Spanish rights, Spain will insert in the official Gazette an official apology in the name of the king, government and country for the insults at the German embassy.

BERLIN, Sept. 11.—The Crown Prince Frederick William has replied to a note from King Alfonso. The Crown Prince assures Alfonzo of the friendly desire of Emperor William not to encroach on Spanish rights. The definite settlement pending, he says, can only be settled by a full agreement between the great powers.

MADRID, Sept. 11.—The agitation over the Carolines affair to St. Sebastian and throughout the country is subsiding.

It is stated the Spanish commander at Manila telegraphs that when it was found that the German flag had been hoisted at Yap the governor of the Carolines, Senor Babrilles, visited the commander of the German gunboat Iltis and accused him of [illegible] and breach of international law. The German commander replied that he simply obeyed orders. A hot argument ensued, ending in a scuffle, when the German commander retired to his ship. The governor then boarded the Spanish man-of-war, San Quentin, and requested the captain to fire on the Iltis. The captain refused, the governor of the Philippines having ordered him to avoid conflict. Babrilles ordered the crew to fire, whereupon the captain drew a revolver and threatened to shoot the first man who obeyed or repeated the order. Babrilles again ordered the men to fire, when the captain shot him in the shoulder. Babrilles was afterwards taken as a prisoner to Manila, where his trial is proceeding. The government formally deny there was an altercation on shore, but are silent in regard to what occurred on the Iltis. The action of Premier Canovas has alienated the navy, thus adding to the danger of the situation.

MADRID, Sept. 11.—Admiral Topeti, under secretary of marine, has resigned his office on account of the friendly terms embodied in the Spanish reply to Germany respecting the Carolines affair.

PARIS, Sept. 11.—Le Matin to-day publishes a special telegram Madrid via Troubies, stating that a military uprising has taken place in that city.

LONDON, Sept. 11.—Advices from Madrid say that the military uprising in that city is limited to one of the largest barracks. The soldiers seized their arms and shouted: "Deaths to our chiefs." The authorities, who had feared an outbreak, prepared for the rising, and vigorously suppressed it before it had time to assume formidable proportions, every precaution being taken to prevent a recurrence.

BERLIN, Sept. 11.—It is officially announced that there has been no personal correspondence between the Emperor William and King Alfonso regarding the Carolines affair.

PARIS, Sept. 11.—Spanish news to-day is of a less peaceful character. A bellicose manifestation has been placarded in many towns. Le Paris states it has received information from an authentic source that the German fleet has been ordered to be in readiness in case of emergency.

BERLIN, Sept. 11.—Count Benomar, Spanish ambassador at Berlin, has been notified that a courier has crossed the frontier bearing a note of apology from the Spanish government for the affront to the German embassy at Madrid. Members of the German foreign office will be summoned for consultation immediately on arrival of the Spanish note in the city.

LONDON, Sept. 11.—It seems the object of Germany in annexing the Carolines was to obtain a port of call for ships bound to New Guinea. She also expects an increase of trade with the Pacific on completion of the Panama canal.

CABLE NEWS.

INDIA.

LONDON, Sept. 11.—Floods have destroyed the crops in Bengal. The fated district is submerged. Several land slides have occured, causing much damage to railroads.

AFGHANISTAN.

PARIS, Sept. 11.—It is stated here that a protocol defining the Russo-Afghan frontier and giving Zulfikar and Meruchak to Afghanistan was signed in London yesterday.

IRELAND.

LONDON, Sept. 11.—Two men last night approached the sentry on duty at the powder magazine at Woolwich and before he could give alarm seized and beat him in a brutal manner, leaving him lying half dead at his post. They then attempted to enter the magazine, but, becoming alarmed at some noise in the vicinity, decamped.

The press of this city has as yet had nothing to say in regard to Vice-President Hendricks' speech at Indianapolis.

Lord Randolph Churchill is suffering from nervous prostration. A few weeks' rest will restore him to good health.

A number of prominent tories are urging the government to postpone the elections to January. Lord Salisbury has consulted with his colleagues on the subject, and it has been decided to appoint November 14th as election day.

Mr. Chamberlain, in the preface to his work on the radical programme, says that radicalism, which has hitherto been a member section of the liberal party outside the house of commons, will henceforth be the powerful faction inside. The radical aims, he says, are constructive, not destructive.

Letters from China represent that France lost 15,000 men in the Tonquin campaign, and that her losses in money, including cost of building forts, hospitals and frontier defenses, were $43,000,000, while China's losses were 10,000 men and $38,000,000.

LONDON, Sept. 11.—James Bowman, gamekeeper, so frequently mentioned in the Queen's "Life in the Highlands," was found hanging head downward in a wire fence yesterday. The position of the dead man forbids the idea that he committed suicide. He had evidently gotten entangled in the wire accidentally and must have hung there for 19 hours before he was cut down. Bowman was one of the Queen's highlanders who were painted by Maclise. Her Majesty is much affected by his death, and was on her way to his cottage when he expired.

The report that Russia and England had signed the protocol limiting the Russo-Afghan frontier is confirmed. The Afghan frontier commission will meet in November and complete the details. M. Lessar, special Russian commissioner, will return to St Petersburg on Sunday, his mission having been completed.

The Belgian steamer Neiderland at Antwerp from Philadelphia has eight feet of water in her engine rooms. The feed-pipe is supposed to be broken. Her pumps keep the water fram extending. It is believed her cargo sustained no damage.

FRANCE.

TOULON, Sept. 11.—Seven deaths from cholera were reported in this city to-day; two patients were admitted to the hospital, 5 discharged and 87 remain under treatment.

PARIS, Sept. 11.—General DeCourcy, French commander in Annam, having asked authority to dispose of the youthful king of Annam if he thinks necessary to do so, has been granted the fullest liberty of action.

Robert Hart resigned the British ambassadorship at Pekin because he feared that Germany would be appointed inspector of Chinese customs, and would combine with France to oppose English customs.

ITALY.

NAPLES, Sept. 10.—There was more rioting here to-day. Leaders of the mob demanded that quarantine be established against the whole of Sicily.

TURKEY.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Sept. 11.—The United States man-of-war Quinnebaug will sail for Smyrna on the 14th instant. The vessel was detained at the arsenal at Pera, making the necessary repairs. The Sultan declined to allow payment for repairs, and Mr. Cox, United States minister, thanked his majesty for the courtesy extended his countrymen. Mr. Cox had the first interview with Said Pasha, grand vizier, to-day, concerning tariff laws which affect the trade of the United States.

SPAIN.

MADRID, Sept. 11.—It is reported the boiler of the Spanish cruiser Castella, at Cadiz, has exploded. The Castella is the largest cruiser in the Spanish navy.

The Cholera epidemic is sensibly decreasing in Aragon and Navarre.

AMERICAN NEWS.

ARIZONA.

TOMBSTONE, Sept. 11.—The city was thrown into a great state of excitement last night by the discovery of a sack containing thirty sticks of giant powder under the residence of J. S. Clark. A partly burned fuse was connected with the powder. The discovery was made by a Chinese domestic by mere accident just before the occupants of the house retired.

EASTERN STATES.

TROY, N. Y., Sept. 11.—Two cases of small-pox were detected at the depot in this city this morning.

PITTSBURG, Sept. 11.—At a large meeting of coal miners at Webster, Pennsylvania, to-day it was unanimously resolved to stand out for a district price. Report from pools to-day state that all the miners are idle in the fourth pool, but about 25 in the third pool are working. All others are out. No change is expected till after the convention on Tuesday at Monongahela City.

CALIFORNIA.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 11.—The shoaling of the Sacramento river is attracting such serious attention that an examination of it will be made by Senator Stanford and the other members of the California congressional representation.

SOUTH AMERICA.

LIMA, via Galveston, Sept. 11.—The steamer arrived here yesterday from the south. She touched at Pisco, but on learning of the closing of that port she left immediately, although ordered by Caceres' authorities to unload her cargo or pay a fine of 10,000 soles. She brings news that Ica, which is occupied by the government forces and volunteers, still holds out. Caceres' forces have been obliged to abandon their advanced positions at Costa owing to the want of provisions.

CHARLESTON, Sept. 11.—A report just received here from Bisbee, this county, states that a Mexican became involved in a dispute with an American at a faro game there last night, because of the too great familiarity of the former, who was finally put out of the saloon. He, however, returned in a few minutes with a rifle, and, stopping at the door, fired into the crowd surrounding the table, causing great confusion and wounding two men, and before the people could hardly realize what had happened, he had crossed the street and fired into another saloon, wounding two more men, and then fled to the Mexican part of the town. An infuriated crowd soon gathered, and, finding his place of concealment, dragged him out, and, upon his being identified as the man that did the shooting, procured a rope and hung him to a tree. The condition of the wounded men is not known at this hour, and no names are given in the report.

THE WEATHER.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 11.—Weather indications for the next 32 hours: North Pacific—Partly cloudy weather; light local rains; variable winds, generally light westerly. Middle Pacific—Fair weather; variable winds, generally westerly. South Pacific—Fair weather; variable winds, generally westerly.

CANADIAN NEWS.

TORONTO, Sept. 11.—The report of the Ontario bureau of industries, based on inquiries made under date of June 30th, has just been issued. The yield of fall wheat is 24.3 bushels per acre, against the estimate of 23.3 in the last report. In spring wheat, ravages from rust have turned out to be much more serious than was supposed; the yield will be only 11½ bushels per acre, as against the estimate of 18. The yield of barley, in consequence of damage, will average 27.4 instead of 28.5. The outlook for oats is less favorable than it was earlier in the season. The yield will average 37.5, instead of 38.3, as estimated. The yield of rye will be about 16 and that of peas about 22.2.

MONTREAL, Sept. 11.—There were five deaths from small-pox in this city yesterday. Ten authenticated new cases were reported.

WINNIPEG, Sept. 11.—Big Bear was tried at Regina to-day on the charge of treason-felony, and found guilty. Sentence is deferred.

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