

Local News.

—The sealing schooner Jesse, as reported from Carmarthen on Saturday with 682 skins. This is the best Bohring seal catch known to date for the past season's operations.

—The Kilmaat Agricultural Society held its exhibition on Saturday, October 15th. There was a fine display of agricultural products and also one from the country adjacent. There were also baskets were likewise on exhibition.

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—The remains of the late Abraham Walter Lawson were laid to rest Friday afternoon. The funeral took place from Hayward's undertaking parlors, where services were conducted by Rev. H. J. Wood. There was a large attendance of friends and many floral tributes. The pallbearers follow: Archie Brown, A. Jack, J. J. Griffin, J. Dooley, P. Clearhine and M. Dowdall.

—H. N. Collier, of St. Catharines, solicitor for the Nicola Valley Coal & Railway Company, and P. W. Hara, are in the city. They have had an interview with the members of the provincial government at present in the city on some matters connected with the railway proposed to be built. The surveys for the line are now in progress from Spence's bridge into the Nicola valley under a subsidy granted by the Dominion government.

—Victorians will have the privilege of hearing Rev. G. K. B. Adams on the lecture platform for the first time next Tuesday, November 1st. The lecture is entitled "A Past Young Man," and will be delivered in the school room of the Metropolitan Methodist church, under the auspices of the Epworth League. A number of cartoons drawn by J. W. Benough will be presented, illustrating the different stages in the life of the young man, which should be instructive as well as entertaining. The lecture will begin at 8 o'clock.

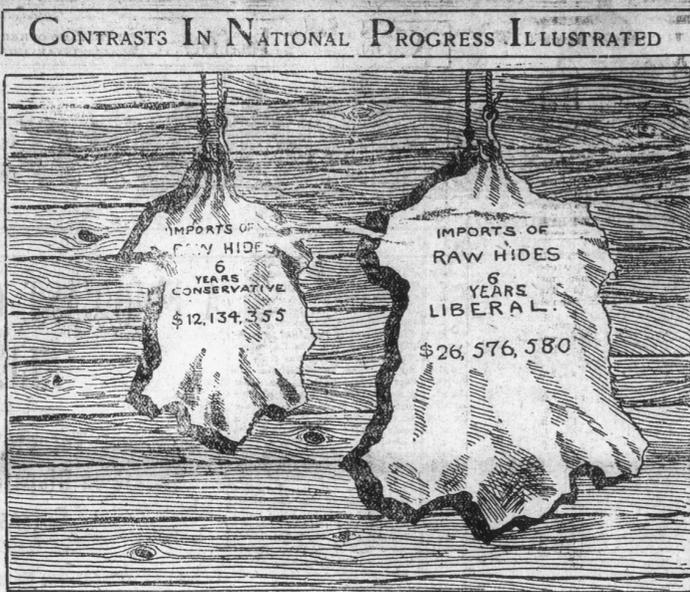
—Lieut. Col. Rendall, of Berwickshire, Scotland, in a communication to C. A. Harrison, proprietor of the Driad hotel, asks for information regarding the agricultural prospects of Vancouver Island. He spent some weeks in Victoria this summer, and was most favorably impressed. In his letter he explains that practically nothing is known of British Columbia among residents of the Old Country, and he is pointing out the possibilities of Western Canada, so as to direct prospective emigrants in this direction. Mr. Harrison will immediately forward Col. Rendall the required advertising matter.

—The evening classes in connection with the Y. M. C. A. will open on Monday evening. This year courses in arithmetic, book-keeping, penmanship, mechanical drawing and 20th Century shorthand have been arranged. Among those who have taken advantage of the opportunities thus offered are the following: A. Macdonald, Herbert Turner, W. Major, B. Rowe, Mr. Norman, L. N. Nelson, Guy L. Williams, A. Jeffs, C. A. Haynes, James Pettierew, Frank Kelly, Julius Asland, Clarence Proctor, J. Jones, G. W. Hines, W. B. Fisher, A. S. Denny and W. F. Denny. Leonard Tait, L. A. Campbell and Norton Prinz will act as instructors.

—J. A. Turner, of the agent-general's office, writing from London under date of October 14th, says: "As you know, we have had Captain Voss, of Tillamook, with us for some weeks. He has arrived at rather an unfortunate time for his lecture, but I hope he will be successful. My father-in-law, the Hon. Sir Clements Markham, the president of the Royal Geographical Society, and he is to address a meeting there shortly. He is also to lecture before the Newcastle-on-Tyne Geographical Society in a few days. These lectures should prove a good advertisement for him. My father also introduced him to Lord Southampton and Admiral Markham, who are taking an interest in him."

—We have just received thirty-one cases of British Columbia fresh fruit sent by the government, and it is now being prepared for a special show at the Royal Horticultural Society's new hall at Westminster. A letter from the agent-general's office in London. "It will then be divided up and sent to the various Canadian offices, the Crystal Palace, and other public places, and specimens sent to various agricultural papers. In this way we shall make a fine advertisement of British Columbia's fruit growing capabilities; and it is sure to attract a good number of the right class of settlers to the province. Even at this time of the year quite a number of people with means are going out."

—There was a very pleasant gathering at the Victoria hotel on Friday, the occasion being the annual dinner of the Fifth Regiment bugle band. Lieut. Col. Hill presided, and among the guests were Major Hibben, Capt. McConnan, Capt. Currie, Sgt. Major Nesbitt and Gunner Prior. Proprietor Cave provided an excellent repast, which was accorded liberal justice. This was followed by the toast list. Lieut. Col. Hill proposed "The King," and in the course of his remarks congratulated the bugle band on the high state of efficiency to which it has attained, specially complimenting Trumpeter Sgt. Earle. A song was rendered by Trumpeter Crocker. The toast "Army and Navy" was responded to by Capt. Currie. Capt. McConnan responded to the toast "Our Guests." A violin solo was played by Trumpeter Davis. Trumpeter Sergeant Nesbitt responded to the toast "Our Commanders," while Major Hibben had well in hand the response to "The Ladies." Sergeant Nesbitt and Gunner Prior gave songs and the gathering was terminated by the National Anthem.



The figures of the annual imports of hides and pelts, which are the raw materials of many industries, from 1890 to 1903 inclusive, are given elsewhere in this issue. Like all other statistics of Canadian trade, they tell a striking story of industrial expansion under Liberal rule.

—On Thursday John Gilbert, a native of Australia, passed away at the Jubilee hospital. Deceased was 47 years of age.

—Rev. W. Baugh Allen has been appointed chaplain of Christ church cathedral. He will enter on his duty at once.

—A signalling class of the Fifth Regiment will meet on Tuesday evening. An instructor from the R.G.A. will be appointed for the class by Col. English.

—Steamer George E. Starr struck on Commercial Spit, formerly known as Dead Man's Point, and was last seen two hours on Thursday. The accident happened in a fog.

—New orders have arrived, it is stated, for the Griffon Saturday. The vessel, instead of sailing Tuesday, as originally planned, or of remaining in port for an indefinite time, will sail a week from Monday.

—Information comes from Aberdeen of a report that the steamer Albatross, United States lighthouse tender, is ashore on North Beach, somewhere between the Quetzal and Raft rivers. She is said to have broken her anchor and drifted high and dry on the sands.

—Fred C. Wade, K. C., has purchased from J. T. and J. J. Williams, of the farm of horses, Colville and Sea Bird. The team was raised by Wilkinson Bros. on their farm at Chilliwack, and was the admiration of all lovers of good drivers. The price paid for them is not announced.

—The little steamer Fern, which has been causing some anxiety to friends of the crew and passengers aboard, is reported by the steamer Tates, which arrived from the north Saturday. The Fern has been at Metlakatla for some time, and was not to leave for Victoria until Thursday or Friday last.

—A joint meeting of local A. O. U. W. lodges was held last evening for the purpose of celebrating the 36th anniversary of the order. There was a good attendance of members of appropriate addresses, refreshments were dispensed by a committee of ladies. All present voted the affair an unqualified success.

—The United States government has ordered an inspection of the hulls, bilges, life rafts, life-preservers and other paraphernalia on all steamers of the Pacific coast in order to determine whether or not the government regulations are being violated in any way. The disaster on the steamer General Hancock in the East river, New York, it is stated, is responsible for this action by the officials at Washington.

—Hon. Edgar Dewdney confirms the report that the Hayes mine on the West Coast is to be opened up by responsible people who, if they find the ore bodies of sufficient size, will develop the property. Messrs. Dewdney & Springett made a trial shipment last week of some 100 tons of ore from their mine at Sidney and the Indian Chief group, to the Ladysmith smelter, which netted \$31 per ton.

—In the last regimental order issued by Lieut. Col. Hill, commanding the Fifth Regiment, Capt. W. H. Langley is placed in charge of No. 3 Company. Lieut. Booth returns to duty with No. 1 Company. Those wishing to take up signalling are asked to parade at 8 o'clock on the evening of Tuesday, November 1st, at the drill hall. Lieut. Booth will have charge. Through the kindness of Lieut. Col. English an instructor will be furnished from the R.G.A.

—The body of an Indian named Thomas, belonging to the Sanich reserve, was exhumed on Friday and brought into the city on the recommendation of Indian Agent Robertson of Duncan. Thomas was supposed to have lost his life by falling out of his canoe off San Juan Island. The body was re-interred and duly buried. Later some suspicions were aroused that Thomas might have been the victim of foul play. Accordingly Mr. Robertson took steps to have the body exhumed. An inquest was held this morning by Coroner Hart and a jury. Dr. Carter, of this city,

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INSULTING ATTACK BY MR. WOLLEY

UNWORTHY TACTICS OF TORY POLITICIAN

Provoked an Unseemly Disturbance at Meeting on Saturday Night—Liberal Speaker Cheered.

Mr. Wolley's meeting at North Saanich on Saturday evening was the occasion of an exhibition of brutality by the Conservative candidate to which the history of British Columbia politics happily affords no parallel. Mr. Ralph Smith had arranged with Mr. Wolley that some one representing him should have half an hour in which to address the meeting, and Mr. Lugin went out of the city for that purpose. The brutality of Mr. Wolley and the ungentlemanly temper of the chairman led to a scene, without precedent in this part of the country, culminating in prolonged cheers for Mr. Lugin.

Previous to the meeting, which was held in the school house, Mr. Lugin spoke to Mr. Wolley about the time he was to speak, saying that he had brought Mrs. Lugin and one of her daughters with him, and as they wished to go back to town he would be glad if he could get away early. He said he would speak first if Mr. Wolley was willing and then leave. Mr. Wolley said he would consult with the others before deciding.

The meeting, which was a fairly large one, a number of ladies being present, was opened by Mr. Wolley, who spoke for an hour, delivering his usual speech, with the exception that in his attack on Mr. Sifton he dragged in Mrs. Sifton's name. Mr. Lugin arose to reply at precisely 9.15, and after thanking Mr. Wolley on Mr. Smith's behalf for the opportunity of speaking, took up the several points touched upon by Mr. Wolley. At 9.45 he said, turning to the chairman, "My time is now about up." The chairman said "It's up." Mr. Lugin then said: "I will only say in conclusion that I cannot stoop to hear my friend, Mr. Bogie, who is an interesting speaker, but my wife and daughter are with me and it is a long drive into the city. I therefore thank you all and bid you good-night."

He then left the platform and prolonged applause, and taking up his hat and overcoat started to leave the room. Whereupon Mr. Wolley sprang to the platform, his face livid with rage, and roared "Sit down; sit down. Go back to your seat and sit down." To which Mr. Lugin, who was close to the platform, replied that he preferred to stay where he was. Then Mr. Wolley launched

out into a tirade of abuse. Mr. Lugin interrupted him once by telling him that what he said was untrue, to which Mr. Wolley replied by a threat to put him on the "hot" platters, his vituperations not closing by saying that there was not a drop of British blood in Mr. Lugin's veins, that he was a traitor to his sovereign and a hater of British institutions.

Mr. Lugin at once took the platform. He said that he did not care to talk about himself, but since Mr. Wolley had charged him with not having a drop of British blood in his veins he would tell the audience that he was a patriot to his sovereign and a hater of British institutions.

At this stage the chairman roared out "stop." Mr. Lugin paused and said, "The chairman says for me to stop and I will stop." He was standing near the edge of the platform when the chairman exclaimed "If you don't stop I will push you off the platform," and, sulking the action to the word, he pushed Mr. Lugin violently to the floor. The crowd of the platform instantly arose to their feet. Three cheers and a tiger were given for Mr. Lugin. The loudest cheering, with perhaps half a dozen exceptions, joined. The audience then started for the door, stopping on the way to give a second round of cheers for Mr. Lugin. The utmost confusion ensued, during which Mr. Mrs. and Miss Lugin left the school room. At this time there were only Mr. Wolley and three who came with him from the city, a few ladies from the neighborhood, the chairman and one or two persons who were condemning his course, left in the room.

Mr. Lugin was seen by a Times reporter in regard to the incident said: "The statement in the Colonist that there was a preconcerted plan to break up the meeting and that my leaving was to be a signal for others to leave, is absolutely untrue. I did not know there was a political friend in the room until I arose to speak, when the volume of applause showed that the majority of the men who knew that I intended to leave as soon as I had finished speaking were Mr. Wolley and the driver who came with me from the city. Up to the time of Mr. Wolley's violent and insulting attack upon me, not one word had been said by anyone at which the slightest offense could be taken. The other misstatements in the Colonist in regard to what occurred are unworthy of notice. They are simply repetitions of the tactics which that paper has seen fit to employ against me during this whole campaign."

BORN.

ADAM—On the 30th inst., at Head street, the wife of Thomas Adam, of a son, SCHULTZ—At Vancouver, on Oct. 28th, the wife of S. D. Schultz, of a son.

MARRIED.

LITTLE HILL—On Oct. 30th, at St. Michael's church, LaSalle District, by the Rev. Robert Connell, Hugh Little, fourth son of Dr. Fred Little, The Orchard, Ayrshire, Norfolk, Scotland, to Nellie Louise, third daughter of W. H. Hill, Esq., Sea St. Marie, Ont. Canada.

COOTE-HARRISON—At St. James' church, London, Ont., on the 29th October inst., by the Very Rev. the Dean of Huron, J. Colborne Coote, of London, only son of the late J. B. Coote, Esq., of Huron, to Harriette, eldest daughter of His Honor Judge Harrison and Mrs. Harrison.

BULLOWS-SMITH-NUNN—At St. Saviour's church, Victoria West, on the 29th inst., by Rev. C. Eason Sharp, Mr. George Bullows-Smith, of Birmingham, England, to Miss Ellen Nunn, youngest daughter of Mr. R. H. Nunn, of Constance avenue, Beaumont, B. C.

BRAITHWAITE-MCCORMACK—At Rossland, on Oct. 28th, by Rev. Canon Smith, John Braithwaite and Miss Emma McCormack.

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—The Conservative meeting at Metochon Thursday was a frigid affair. There were only nine Metochon electors present, but this number was swelled by a convergence load of Tories from the city. As an indication of the impression Capt. Wolley has made on the electorate it might be mentioned that the resolution of confidence in the candidate was moved by H. D. Helmcken, one of the gentlemen who enjoyed a pleasant ride from the city.

—Monkey Brand Soap removes all stains, rust, dirt or tarnish—but won't wash clothes.

—The Aberdeen Association acknowledges with thanks donations of magazines from Mrs. Gore, Mrs. Loat, Mrs. Bithet, Mrs. Holmes, Mrs. Richardson, Mrs. McMicking, Mrs. Stiles, Mrs. Ryker, Mrs. Van Tassel, Mrs. J. W. Jewell, Mrs. P. A. E. Irving, Miss Lawson, Mrs. McTavish and the Badminton Club. Children's books and magazines are much needed by the readers of the Aberdeen Association, and would be very acceptable for making up Christmas presents. Books may be sent to the Aberdeen Association room, market building.

—Thursday afternoon the remains of the late Mrs. Jessie Stephen were laid to rest. The funeral took place from the residence, 152 Michigan street, at 2.30 o'clock. Rev. W. L. Clay, assisted by Rev. H. A. Carson, conducted interment. Members of the choir of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church also gathered at the house, and sang a number of appropriate selections, one of which was "Nearer My God, to Thee." Mrs. Currie rendered a solo, "Lead Kindly Light." There was a large attendance of sympathizing friends.

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