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LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

The Canada Western.

The plans of the new Canada Western Hotel are open to inspection at the office of the company, where contractors and others can view them for the purpose of making tenders for the various branches.

Herring is Coming.

Mayor Grant yesterday received a letter from Mr. Herring, of New York, saying that pressure of business prevented his being able to get here for a days yet. He was to have arrived yesterday.

Teachers' Examinations.

Yesterday the examinations of teachers were continued in the High School. The number who were engaged in the written examinations was 121, with some five or six college graduates, whose examination consists in their knowledge of the practice of teaching. There are about 20 candidates at Kamloops.

To be Returned.

A Seattle special to THE COLONIST, last evening, states that the Caffee boys are still in jail there, but Chief Thornsen will try to send them back to Victoria to-day. It is intended on their return to take proceedings against whoever aided them to escape from the province, and whom their evidence will be required to convict.

And it Stopped the Cars.

At about 5 o'clock, last evening, a pin in the engine operating the machinery of the National Electric Tramway Co. broke, stopping everything, including the four cars on the road. The damage was made good by 9 o'clock, but the cars were not again sent out. Everything will be in normal condition this morning, and traffic will proceed as usual.

Sons of England.

The usual monthly meeting of the Sons of England Benefit Society was held last night, when a large number of new members were admitted, the lodge getting fairly to work under highly favorable auspices. Rev. Mr. Hobson, of Vancouver, district deputy, was present and fully posted the newly elected officers in their respective duties.

Against the Company.

Although it was at first understood that the arbitrators in the case of Sinclair and Tappan vs. the C. P. R. had arrived at no conclusion, it is now semi-officially announced that they have made an award in favor of the plaintiffs, with costs. The amount Messrs. Sinclair and Tappan receive is in the neighborhood of $40,000.

A Victorian Abroad.

Capt. H. F. Behnsen, delegate to the Knights of Pythias' convention at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, who left here on the 1st inst., writes from St. Paul, July 6th, "this the city of St. Paul, Minn., is the cleanest he ever saw. Many of the streets are covered with asphaltum, the same as our Trounce avenue. The residences are the finest he ever saw—without any exception. The Dispatch Block is a monster building, 14 stories high, and four-story houses are common."

Ore From the Treadwell Mines.

Among the passengers who went north on the City of Topeka for Alaska Wednesday morning was a gentleman named Daly, who has been employed by the Treadwell Mining Company to be present at the sampling of 1,000 tons of gold-bearing ore at the Treadwell mines. This ore was contracted for by Manager Rust, of the Tacoma smelter, while in Alaska a few months ago. The City of Topeka will bring down 250 tons of the ore on her return trip, and each of the Alaskan steamers will bring 250 tons apiece until the entire amount has been shipped.

The Lulu Island and Vancouver Electric Railway.

The Lulu Island and Vancouver Electric Railway company are making application to the City Council at Vancouver for permission to build and operate their lines on certain streets in the city so as to secure a terminus at the City Market. They propose to enter on some street in 302, down which they will go to 7th Avenue, along that avenue to the Granville street bridge, across the bridge and along Beach avenue to Burrard street, thence by that street to Hastings, along Hastings to Granville, down Granville to Cordova, along Cordova and Water to Abbott, along Abbott, along Abbott to Hastings and thence to the market on Westminster Avenue.—World.

Improvements.

The old wooden verandah surrounding the Moody block, corner of Yates and Broad streets, and occupied by Mr. Arthur Holmes, batter and gent's furnisher, is being torn down, and the place is otherwise being subjected to great improvement. Mr. Holmes has leased the adjoining store upon Broad street, and will throw the two into one in order to accommodate a large stock of new furnishings and children's goods which is now arriving. The building will be painted from top to bottom, in the new ornamental shades, and when the work of renovation is completed the appearance of this portion of Yates street in which it stands will be materially improved.

Checkmated.

Not long ago a special agent of the U. S. revenue service visited Victoria, and discovered, he alleged, full particulars of a smugglers' cove situated on a small island about five miles from Victoria. On this island he reported a large quantity of opium was cached, and the steamer Grace was to run the contraband drug over into the United States under cover of darkness. The steamer was, in consequence, closely watched, the intention being to seize her red-handed. She made no effort to visit the island, however, and the American officers congratulated themselves that they had checkmated the smugglers. Yesterday the detective paid a second visit to the island, and found his cove empty and deserted. He now thinks that the smugglers have enjoyed the laugh this time, and the checkmating has been all on their side.

Natural History Society of B. C.

At the last meeting of this society, the Rev. Percival Jenns gave a most interesting address upon the structure and function of leaves.

After describing their cellular formation and showing under the microscope the circulation of sap in Vallisneria spiratis, Mr. Jenns explained at length the action of chlorophyll, the green coloring matter of plants, in separating carbon from carbon, dioxide in the atmosphere and setting free oxygen.

The lecture was illustrated by specimens of leaves and by many beautiful experiments, showing the spectrum of chlorophyll and its absorption of invisible solar rays.

The next field meeting of the society will be on Saturday, the 12th inst., at Shawnigan. The next evening meeting will be at the Provincial Museum on Monday, the 14th inst., at 8 p. m., when the Rev. A. Beanlands will read a paper on "Jade Implements."

ANOTHER OFFER.

This Time $250,000 is Bid for the James Bay Mud Flats.

Ald. Harrison it was who first suggested in the council this year the idea of selling or filling in James Bay mud flats. He asserted that they were worth $100,000 to the city, and could be sold for that sum, and the bridge relegated to the past. At the time his remarks were received with incredulous comment. Since then two informal offers of much more than the amount named have been made by local speculators. Neither was made in such form that it could be acted upon, and during the last few weeks the project of filling in the flats has apparently been forgotten.

To outside capitalists, however, the plan offers considerable inducements, and the enterprising men over the Sound have realized this. Yesterday Alderman Harrison received a letter, in which was contained a proposition to buy the flats for $250,000, the purchasers building a retaining wall and giving a roadway to the city, where now is the James Bay bridge. Two of the gentlemen interested also met and conferred with him personally in regard to the project, and, as he assured them this building can be done in the matter without the expressed approval of the ratepayers, it is expected that a formal offer for the flats will be made in time to receive consideration at the next meeting of the City Council.

SEWAGE COMMISSIONERS

Endorsement of Ald. Harrison's Motion for Their Appointment—Immediate Action Advised.

"Some days ago," remarked a gentleman to a member of THE COLONIST staff yesterday, "I threw out a hint, which you printed, in regard to the advisability of appointing a board of commissioners for the consideration and management of the sewage question. I then spoke of the necessity and importance of leaving this question in the hands of acknowledged experts who should be responsible to the city. I see that a step in this direction has been taken. Ald. Harrison, I notice by this morning's COLONIST moved his intention of introducing a by-law providing for the appointment of three sewage commissioners. I trust now that the step will be carried out fully and creditably, and that the council will not allow the matter to drop this time on any account. It has become quite a feature of the weekly council meetings now to receive a number of complaints regarding bad drainage, which, when reduced to actual fact, is complaint of no drainage at all. Of course this cannot last, and there is only one way of stopping it, and that is by taking a preventive course. As Mr. Palmer, the admiralty inspector, said to me on this subject: 'Make a beginning, if you only go up one street. It will then have to be carried on, in the future, as well as the present generation will see to that.' Of course there is the greatest importance attaching to the selection of a proper plan, but when that is done I agree with Mr. Palmer that an immediate commencement should be made.

OVERWHELMING EVIDENCE

Of a Klootchman's Intoxication—An Invitation to Attend His Honor's Levee Declined Without Thanks.

One magistrate, a clerk, a chief, a sergeant, four policemen, two reporters, a dog and three of the outside public assembled at the police court yesterday in great pomp and ceremony to convict a poor, miserable looking Klootchman of the awful sin of getting drunk. In face of such overwhelming evidence the pitiable little woman at once pleaded guilty in response to the chief's "mika potlam sit-kum." The law was satisfied and the abject creature, who had incurred its displeasure, retired to Topaz avenue, where she will have all the comforts and none of the luxuries of home for the space of one month.

It then occurred to the court that as the only item on the programme had proved so uneventertaining, there could be supplied an "extra." After much mental struggle it was remembered that last Sunday Joseph Cartledge had been testing his horse in the Hill park with a view to establishing a record. The mayor and several other citizens endeavored to prevent this by stopping the horse, and the following day the press, in referring to the matter, unkindly made a puzzle out of it by asking where were the police at the time? Here the matter ended; no one having attempted to find a solution, till yesterday the court requested Mr. Cartledge's presence. He was telephoned for, but being busy he declined to come, although he had the day before received a written invitation. It is more than likely that he will be induced to attend to-day.

PERSONAL.

B. VanVolkenburgh returned from Puget Sound yesterday.

Mrs. Richard Wood, of Derricson, is visiting Victoria.

Capt. and Mrs. H. G. Sharpe, of Fort Vancouver, Wn., are in the city.

M. W. Challar, of Washington, D. C., is enjoying the hospitality of the Driard.

W. C. Ward, manager of the Bank of British Columbia, returned from the Sound last evening.

Mrs. and Miss Burton, New Zealand tourists on an extended American trip, are at the Driard.

Rev. Mr. Hobson, of Vancouver, with his daughter and son, left for the Mainland this morning, after a brief stay in Victoria.

Shaveley Hill, M. P., left this morning for New Westminster, his intention being to visit the district at the mouth of the Fraser before taking the transcontinental trip.

The Rev. D. H. Reid (son of the Rev. Dr. Reid) arrived by the Islander last evening, direct from England, on his way to California, after a few days rest in this city.

H. W. Sage, Miss C. A. Linn, Miss S. P. Linn, Miss Bessie Linn, of Ithaca, N. Y., and Dean Sage, jr., of Albany, N. Y., are registered at the Driard. The party came to Victoria intending to take the steamer Elder for Alaska, but were disappointed to find every berth taken, and unless some of those who have already engaged berths should fail to go, they will have to abandon the trip. Mr. Sage, who is a venerable, white-haired gentleman, is one of the trustees of the Cornell university, and a secondary object of his visit to the coast is to consult with Mr. A. H. Lane, an agent of Cornell, who has been in Seattle for the past year, in regard to loaning the funds of the university.

Little Quarrels Breed Big.

YOU just bring a couple of little quarrels into your family and they'll breed like spar-ows, and you just bring a bottle of Burdock Blood Bitters into your house and see how quickly health and strength follow its use. Nothing excels it for strengthening, regulating and purifying power. swt

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The Vancouver Election Contest.

The mainland papers report that the petitions against the election of the two Vancouver members, will be dropped.

To Be Held Here.

The Grand Lodge of the Ancient Order of United Workmen, which is now in session at Astoria, Ore., has decided to hold its next meeting at Victoria in July, 1891. Mr. F. G. Richards, jr., is the representative of the Victoria lodges at Astoria.

C. O. O. F., M. U.

The first quarterly meeting of Loyal Waverly Lodge, C. O. O. F., M. U., was held on Thursday evening. There was a good attendance of members, and much interest was taken in the proceedings. The balance sheet shows a creditable amount to the good in the bank. After the conclusion of business, the White Degree was conferred on about twenty members.

Almost Burned Down.

Yesterday morning about three o'clock, the Globe Hotel, Esquimalt, was almost burned down. About that time several sailors went to the outhouses, having a candle with them which they left burning. Presently the place was discovered by Mr. Holman, beatman, to be on fire, and with assistance, was fortunately able to put it out with comparatively slight damage.

The Highest Bidder Gets Them.

Ald. Harrison has returned a reply to the Seattle capitalists, who offer $250,000 for the James Bay mud flat, which cannot but satisfy them. It was that when the question of sewage is voted upon, in the course of the next few weeks, a by law will also be submitted to the ratepayers asking for their consent to the sale of the flats. In the event of the by law carrying, tenders will be invited and the flats disposed of to the highest bidder.

University of British Columbia.

His Worship, the Mayor, has called, for Tuesday next at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, a meeting of those interested in the establishment of a university in this province. The business to be transacted is of a very important and consideration, of the report of the committee appointed last year, and to take any further steps necessary to establish a university in this province as early as possible.

The Fly Nuisance.

Owing to the recent warm weather flies have become very troublesome and a pest to housekeepers. To obtain relief from them is an article to which the vulgarism "there are no flies on it" cannot be applied. On the contrary, they light upon and stick to it tenaciously and lingeringly. Try the sticky fly paper sold by Drummond, Munn, druggists, corner of Yates and Douglas streets.

Off for Westminster.

Last evening the Orangemen of Victoria opened their celebration of the 200th anniversary of the battle fought by Boyne Water. To the music of their fife and drum band they paraded the principal streets before embarking on the R. P. Rithet—specially chartered by them—which left with about one hundred and fifty members at 2 o'clock this morning, for New Westminster. At the Royal City to-day all the L. O. L., O. Y. B., and T. B. lodges of British Columbia will celebrate.

$650 in an Old Cigar Box.

In turning over the effects of the late Barney Goulding yesterday, a sum of money amounting to $650 was found stowed away in a cigar box, in which also was a gold watch. As the deceased is not known to have had any relations, it is not certain to whom this money will revert or whether it will not go to the Crown. Some say that if the old man had relations in Dublin and that his clergy will see that it goes safely to the proper quarters, but the correctness of this supposition has not been definitely ascertained.

The Hospital Entertainment.

Mr. Adderley and Mr. John Teague accompanied Mr. T. R. Smith and Mr. Wm. Chudley to the Jubilee hospital yesterday for the purpose of inspecting the accommodation available for the approaching entertainment. A definite programme will be arranged to-day by Mr. Adderley and submitted. It is likely the entertainment will take the form of both an entertainment and ball. As regards the distance from town, a suggestion will probably be made to the street car company that it would be advisable to run a special service up to the hospital on that evening.

Mokeying With the Truth.

An American newspaper correspondent has arrived in town the other day. He sent two columns of sensational rot about the war vessels and Behring's Sea to the Seattle Times, which was printed under a scare heading, among which are the following choice quotations: "Ready to fight." "Eight first class men of war ready for action." "Steam is being kept up day and night." "Excitement at a high pitch in Victoria and Vancouver." "Being afraid of war, British seamen are deserting by wholesale." The body of the dispatch is of the highest sensational order, and would make amusing reading if reproduced.

The Vancouver Sugar Refinery.

Work has been commenced on the Vancouver sugar refinery building. The structure will be 94x107 feet, divided into four departments. At the south-easturn corner will be the building for the refining and packing process. This building will be six storeys high, and in it will be conducted the final process through which the sugar will have to pass. The foundations for this large building will be of granite masonry four feet in thickness. The walls will be of Port Moody brick, faced with Manitoba brick, of which there are now ten carloads awaiting the workmen. The supply of raw sugar will be obtained from Manilla and Java. The company expect to give employment to about fifty men when the works are in full blast.

Of Unsound Mind.

A Vancouver Chinaman, answering to the name of Ah Wing, is an occupant of the police station at present, the charge registered being insanity. Wing arr ved here by the Islander, Thursday night, and at once informed all who were brought in contact with him that his father was trying to kill him, and had poured boiling water down his throat because he would not leave home. This tragic tale failed to interest anyone, and so yesterday morning Wing determined to kill himself and save his father the trouble of an execution. He first tried hanging, but friends cut him down. Then he made a brave attempt to throw himself over the rocks in the rear of the custom house. Two Chinamen and a white man were on hand, however, and Wing was marched off to the dungeon cell.

She Will Be Built Here.

There is talk still going the rounds of shipping circles regarding the government steamer that is to replace the Sir James Douglas, but nothing definite is known of the intentions of the Federal authorities in this direction. Shipbuilders are of the opinion that she will be built altogether here, and that, consequently, the intention of going to England has been abandoned. It is reported, on good authority, that in less than a month all preliminaries will be arranged and the contract given for the work.

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Naval Gossip.

H.M.S. Warspite is expected to arrive tomorrow at Esquimalt, and all preparations have been completed for the admiral's reception. It is semi-officially announced that, contrary to common expectation, H. M.S. Espiegle has received orders to return next week to Honolulu.

The Treasury Addition.

Tenders having been asked for for an extension to the treasury building in James Bay, a COLONIST reporter ascertained that the object was to place an additional storey above the bay window in the treasury office, facing on James Bay. This will give so much extra accommodation in the office of the provincial secretary, and will be surmounted by a tower.

Public Library.

In connection with an announcement that the Library had, during the last six months, exceeded its allowance by $70, the librarian, Dr. McGregor, states that during that time some 460 volumes have been added to the catalogue, which is a most satisfactory showing. Moreover, during the fourteen months the institution has been open the list has been increased by 1,180 volumes or more than 2½ per cent.

A New Convenience.

The management of the street railway have kindly provided accommodation for those who may have to wait for their cars at certain points on their lines. In addition to this Messrs. Cochrane & Munn have placed a heat seat for the same purpose in their drug store at the corner of Yates and Douglas streets, and are pleased to see the way in which the public have already made use of it, that the convenience is appreciated.

Uncle Sam on the "Alert."

Steamer Alert has rain her bow into a moose on the other side, from which she is not likely soon to get away. She arrived in Port Townsend, Friday morning, from which her owner, Stewart, tried to clear on the same day. Her appearance aroused the suspicions of Collector Bradshaw, who, with Inspector Bowers, seized and dismantled her. Collector Bradshaw, it is said, has absolute proof of the traffic in which Stewart and his sloop have been engaged, and as sure as any thing can bring into court Chinamen who were secretly conveyed below her decks.

A Week's Events.

The following list of events will come off during the course of the coming week:

Monday—Flora Batson concert at the Y. M.C.A. rooms; B.C.B.G.A. drill. The flagship Warspite is expected to arrive.

Tuesday—Baseball, Tacoma vs. Amities; Arlington company plays at the Victoria; Good Templars' meeting; University meeting, City Hall, 3 o'clock.

Wednesday—Knights of Pythias drill meeting; militia regimental drill; shed to B. C. B. G. A. by Master Gunner Cornish; Victoria West lodge Good Templars' meeting.

Thursday—Church prayer meetings.

Friday—Knights of Pythias regular lodge meeting.

Saturday—Mr. Adderley's debating class, 8 o'clock.

Long Needed.

Mr. Baynes Reed of the Dominion Meteorological Service is completing his arrangements for a signal station at Esquimalt, that will be of great service not only to Victoria but to the entire Pacific coast. The station will be equipped with all modern appliances, is to be situated on Table Rock, near the entrance to Esquimalt harbor, and connected by telegraph and telephone with Victoria. From his snug little home on the sea, the scientist in charge will be able to command a wide view of the Straits and report the first glimpse of approaching sail or steam craft. He will also issue the weather bulletin for the twenty-four hours in the same manner as is now the rogue in all eastern cities, something that has long been needed in Victoria.

A Pleasurable Change.

There was an altogether different spirit prevailing on the hill yesterday; there was some life apparent. More people were present, more inducements were held out to them to be present. The cricket matches drew their eleven to a similar number of gathering to witness the match between the new club and an eleven of the Champion crew. It was in reality the better contested game of the two taking place on the hill. There was excellent cricket displayed by a portion of the local boys, who fielded and bowled in championship style. There were admirable hits made on both sides, there was an entire absence of any loose play, and there was a lively interest manifested throughout. The match of the older club with the tennis players was another good game on the whole, and elicited a deal of interest. A by no means small gathering of ardent spirits watched the bicycle boys whirl along the track, and a considerable deal of pleasure was manifested in the result. If this were only kept up, the hill would each Saturday be what it was created for—a public recreation ground.

Not a Desirable Friend.

An animal, which even the strongest nerved individual would not care to make a close personal friend of, was brought to town by Mr. Wales yesterday. It was the carcase of a huge panther which his son Alfred had shot, and which had been as much a terror to the stock of the district as the Indian man eater is to the inhabitants of the jungle. This animal, before young Wales' rifle brought his career to a close, had been wreaking destruction among the sheep of that locality, having taken seventy-five head within the past month. Thinking that mutton was a dish that might become monotonous, he took a fancy to veal and ate two calves. When the young fellow did come across the beast he put four bullets in the destroyer's head, but even then he got away a distance of about two miles. It looks a fierce brute even in death.

"The Wicked World."

The "Wicked World" will not be one of those hackneyed "musical treats," but it will be a dramatic treat of a high class type. This forecast is taken from several rehearsals, in the course of which the members of the combination have developed powers which it was not thought they possessed. Yesterday's rehearsal was exceptionally good; indeed it needed but little toning to approach perfection (as near as it is possible to attain that high state). The last two pieces were eminently successful in their performance and financial outcome, the latter having been generously applied to charitable purposes. The last play, Pygmalion and Galatea, was devoted to a good object in a double sense, one performance for the Benevolent and another for the orphans of St. Ann's; in each case Mr. Adderley had the pleasure of handing over a cheque to the management of the institutions in question. Appreciation of a good deed is a pleasant manifestation at all times, and Mr. Adderley's pupils intend to show their appreciation of his unselfishness by giving this performance for his special benefit. With this end in view they are working earnestly to ensure its success.

Discharged.

Ah Wong, the Chinaman who was arrested on Friday morning for suspected insanity, was, last night, discharged by order of Dr. Milne, who certified that he did not find sufficient evidence or symptoms of insanity to warrant his longer detension.

The Mutual Life's Investments in Canada.

In Canada, where the Co.'s business has increased with enormous rapidity, we find the following investments have been made:

$140,000.00 Dom. of Canada 4½ Bonds	$ 137,375
400,000.00 Prov. of Nova Scotia 4½ Bonds	810,972
300,000.00 Montreal 4½ Bonds	316,726
40,000.00 Ottawa 5½ Bonds	42,020
124,333.33 Guelph, Ont., 5½ Bonds	126,073
	$1,032,940

Under the Dominion laws Foreign Co's. are compelled to deposit the full amount of the "Reserve," thus guaranteeing Canadian members absolute security irrespective of the Co.'s other large resources.

Plante-Lawrence.

At Nanaimo, on Thursday last, Mr. Jeffrey E. Plante was united in Marriage to Miss Mary Lawrence, third daughter of the late G. R. Lawrence of this city. The bride was attended by her bridesmaids, Miss Lilly Plante, and her sister, Miss Sarah Lawrence. Jack Good was best man, and the ceremony was performed by Rev. J. B. Good. After signing the register, the happy couple drove to the residence of J. P. Plante, Esq., S.M., where supper had been provided for all assembled, and afterwards they left for their pretty new cottage home, lately built on the estate of Mr. H. Rosewall, Comox Road, leaving on the Cutch next morning for Vancouver, where they will spend their honeymoon.

Victim of a Strange Accident.

Just one week ago last evening Willie Butler, the son of Robert Butler of James Bay, was the victim of an accident peculiar in character, and serious in result, which still confines him to his bed. The little fellow was playing with several companions, one of whom had possession of a quantity of fire works. All the party were interested in the operation of firing the dangerous toys, and young Butler approached too near to a rocket that was lying on the ground, the fire apparently having died in fuse. While he was examining it, the rocket exploded, tearing a horrid wound deep in the stony ground, and throwing two small stones with such force against the boy's leg that they penetrated the skin. Dr. Helmcken was called in and probed for the stones, supposed to be in the boy's leg, but without finding them.

A Quarter of a Century.

On Tuesday next Mr. Charles Rattray, who for 25 years has been connected with express business, steps out of the office of the Dominion Express Co., on Government street, to give place to a successor from the east. Mr. Rattray some time ago decided to resign his position, which he has filled with abundant satisfaction to his company and the public, in order to embark in business for himself. Three weeks ago his resignation was sent in, and he will to-morrow bid farewell to the service to which he has been a credit. It is his intention to take charge of the Victoria and Sidney wharf, and the testimonial to his care and ability furnished by the fact that in a quarter of a century he has never lost a package or one dollar passing through his hands, speaks for itself as a guarantee in new business. He will have the best wishes of many in Victoria for his success.

Jubilee Hospital Notes.

To-day, 13th July, has been fixed as Hospital Sunday at Christ Church Cathedral and St. John's Church. The notice having been rather short, nearly all the other churches of various denominations have been unable, owing to previous arrangements, to fall in with this date, but it is understood they approve of the same, and will fix later cases to suit their congregations. This course will be equally acceptable to the directors of the hospital, and probably in another year a simultaneous date may be arrived at.

The ladies will start on to distribute a number of collecting boxes amongst the various large works in the city for the employees, and there is no doubt they will be glad to do their share, however small, in fostering the charity that exists amongst the great body of workmen in the city.

The honorary treasurer begs to acknowledge with thanks a registered letter bearing the Ashcroft postmark enclosing a $5 note from "A Friend" to help to pay off the debt.

The new resident medical officer, Dr. Richardson, is expected to-morrow or Tuesday; the matron and nurses are already at their posts, and everything is being rapidly put into good working order.

A Murderous Chinaman.

About half-past eight o'clock last night as Officer Carter was patrolling Government street, his attention was directed to a lot of jabbering and a crowd of Chinese on Fisguard street. He at once went in the direction indicated, and found a knot of Chinamen in a state of great excitement, a burly individual appearing to terrorize the rest. The officer learned that a number of them had been playing dominoes, when all at once Ah Loy, who conceived that he had been cheated, produced a piece of thick round bar iron 16 inches long, and threatened to clean out his companions. They at once scattered and, the disturber of the peace being pointed out, Carter arrested him. He had, however, got rid of his weapon, which was recovered by Chin Fai, who, with others, will identify the prisoner and testify to the facts. The iron bar has at one end been provided with a handle made of rope and twine, and has a loop for the one who wields it to secure it by. It is an instrument whose possession proves its owner to be a deliberate desperado.

Waste not Precious Time.

BE quick. You can use a minute but once—make the most of it. Especially time when suffering from dyspepsia, biliousness, constipation, bad blood or any disease of the stomach, liver or bowels. You can't take Burdock Blood Bitters too soon, every moment wasted delays the longed for cure. swf

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? If so send 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. my21-eod-w

MEMORIAL DAY

To be Observed in Becoming Manner by Victoria Oddfellows.

One of the most pleasing characteristics of secret fraternal societies is the remembrance of their dead. When a brother passes into the unknown land, he is not forgotten; his wife and children, if they are left behind, are cared for with brotherly affection, and as each year goes round, a day is set apart on which the graves of those gone before are visited, and memories of their virtues are revived.

In the "Oddfellows," particularly is this pleasing custom observed, and to-day is the one selected as Decoration Day by that order. The members will assemble at their hall on Douglas street at 10.30 o'clock this morning and proceed to St. John's Church, where a special sermon will be preached by the rector, Rev. Percival Jenns.

Again at 2.30 the lodges will meet at their hall, and thence proceed to the various cemeteries to decorate with flowers the graves of the not-forgotten dead. The following is the list of deceased members of the craft whose graves will be visited:

Block 2—R. Jenkinson, P. Calvert, Thos. Craigie, Wm. Bowden, Wm. Spring, R. Foster, J. Stevens, Chas. Moss, A. Rutherford, R. Lewis, A. Nelson, A. Rogers, G. J. Clark, James S. Drummend, S. Glover, I. Ragazzoni, C. Pollock, C. Giesselman.

Block G—C. Ragazzoni, T. Lee, C. Watkins, W. J. Jeffrey, J. Barriboux, A. Henry, W. Timson, G. A. Petzschler, H. Hemmings, E. Willby, C. Taylor, C. Lee, Lafonier, Geo. Reynolds, R. Jeffry, J. Stafford, R. Lippett, J. Dwyer, P. Fittere, A. H. Guild.

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Block B—J. Spelde, A. Finney, Thos. Price.

AND STILL ANOTHER.

Capt. T. P. H. Whitelaw Takes Possession of the Steam Tug Alexander.

Yesterday morning a squad of six men—employes of Capt. T. P. H. Whitelaw—took possession of the old side-wheel tug Alexander, which has for the past year occupied a prominent position in the centre of the upper harbor, and commenced work upon her woodwork with the axes, intention being to strip her of her machinery. The Alexander passed from the possession of the Dunsmuirs on Friday; and, after taking out her engines and steering gear, Capt. Whitelaw will load the wreckage that he has secured from the Barnard, Otter and Mary Taylor, upon the hull and take it, in tow of the wrecking steamer, to San Francisco. The captain has his eye on several lots of old iron, but expects to complete his operations in British Columbia and leave for home in about three weeks.

The old Alexander, his last purchase, was built on Skeena River in 1876, by John and Angus McAllister, who utilized exclusively the yellow cypress growing thick upon the river bank in the construction of the hull. After the launch the Alexander was towed to Victoria, and here received her Glasgow-made machinery. From the first, she failed to meet expectation, her strength and sea-worthiness being in no way equal to her running expenses. She was an enormous coal burner, and so it was found more profitable to the her up during the greater part of her existence.

LITTLE LOCALS.

The Marine Engineers met and disposed of a large amount of business last evening.

Steamer Rithet returned at one o'clock this morning with the celebrating Orangemen.

Over 100 ladies and gentlemen spent yesterday afternoon most happily at the pleasant picnic ground at Sailor Bay.

Nanaimo has decided to follow the example of Victoria, Vancouver and Westminster, and pay its share of the school teachers salaries.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Fanny Lee, of Lulu Island, took place yesterday at Ross Bay cemetery. The Rev. John Reid, D.D., officiating at the funeral services.

Mr. Bradshaw, U.S. Customs collector at Port Townsend, came over yesterday to be present at the hearing of the case in re Lee How vs. Geo. F. Young, which takes place to-morrow.

A. Toller, while out driving the other day on the Esquimalt road, was thrown from his buggy and sustained such severe injuries that it is very probable he will be confined to his bed for some weeks.

The Nanaimo Free Press says that owing to the incessant rains of late the farmers throughout the district are beginning to look upon their crops with a gloomy aspect and are somewhat afraid, unless sunshine shortly prevails, that the crops will all be spoiled.

A drunken man at Comox celebrated the Fourth by arming himself with an axe and demolishing everything breakable in the new hotel, winding up by hacking the bar and breaking bottles of liquor to the value of $150. He cleared the hotel of guests and proprietor, and held the fort till he grew weary, when he was locked up.

PERSONAL.

B. J. Perry, of the Los Angeles Times is in the city.

Theo. Lubbe came home from Port Crescent last night.

H. A. Munn leaves on an extended visit to the East this evening.

Mrs. Gray and daughters arrived home by the Walla Walla yesterday morning.

T. R. Smith, assistant commissioner of the H. B. Co., returned from the Mainland last night.

Pacific Coast agent of the Associated Press, C. S. Diehl, returns to San Francisco this evening.

Dr. Newcombe and daughter were among the returning passengers from San Francisco yesterday.

H. S. Mason, T. C. Sorby and F. S. Barnard, M.P., were passengers from Vancouver last night.

F. C. Roberts, secretary to the United States consul in Victoria, leaves on Thursday for the Harrison Hot Springs for the benefit of his health.

Trampled to Death.

During the Orange procession at Winnipeg yesterday, Mrs. J. B. Ferguson, formerly of Victoria, was viewing the parade with her two little daughters when a team took fright at a flying flag and dashed down upon them. One of the girls was crushed to death instantly and the other was so badly injured that she is not expected to recover. Mrs. Ferguson was also knocked down, and was still unconscious when help reached her. Much sympathy is expressed for Mr. Ferguson who is one of Winnipeg's most respected citizens.