

BAPTIST CONVENTION.

Sixth Annual Gathering Opens With a Large Attendance of Delegates.

Officers Chosen For the Year—Addresses on Mission Work and Other Topics.

Yesterday morning at 10 o'clock the Northwest Baptist convention opened its proceedings at Calvary Baptist church with over 175 delegates in presence.

At the noon hour the delegates were hospitably entertained at lunch and at 1:30 devotional exercises opened the afternoon sitting.

Then followed some interesting five minute addresses by the Danish, Norwegian and Swedish missionaries of the convention.

The missionary superintendent, Rev. H. C. Woods, spoke on the home mission work. The amount given by the Eastern Home Society to the fields west of the Rockies was \$90,000.

DEVELOPMENT OF KOOTENAY.

(From the Spokane Spokesman Review, Oct. 6.) J. A. Manley, of Grand Forks, B.C., is in the city.

A 30 day option has been given on the Athabasca, Alberta and Manitoba to Spokane parties.

SHIPS AND SHIPPING.

The Lorne left for the Fraser yesterday with the salmon bark Sardhana in tow.

The N.P. steamship Tacoma arrived safely at Yokohama from here on the 6th inst.

The steamer Danube finished discharging her salmon cargo into the bark Lada at the outer wharf yesterday morning.

THE WORLD OF SPORT.

WESTMINSTER, Oct. 10. (Special)—Though the track was rather heavy, the bicycle races were off to-day as advertised.

One mile novice—A. Lester, Vancouver, 1; C. J. Marshall, 2. Time—2:44.

Two miles (class A)—E. P. Gaffney, Seattle, 1; J. D. Eary, 2. Time—2:49.

Three miles (class A)—D. W. Seattie, 1; A. Deeming, 2. Time—5:53.

Five miles (class A)—W. W. Winesett, 1; J. Deeming, 2. Time—5:45.

Ten miles (class A)—W. W. Winesett, 1; J. Deeming, 2. Time—5:45.

THE CITY.

THE contract for putting in the electric wiring of the new parliament buildings has been awarded to Cunningham and Hinton, of this city.

THE Comox Brewing Company and the Evening Star Mining Company, the latter of Spokane, have been incorporated to do business in British Columbia.

A CORONER'S inquest on the body of H. J. Sheedy yesterday resulted in the verdict of death from natural causes.

YESTERDAY Capt. Salmond, of the steam collier Wellington, was fined \$25 in the provincial police court for shooting robins, which can only be shot between June and September 1, and only then by farmers in their gardens.

LAST night there was Harvest Home festival services at Christ Church cathedral, which for the occasion was decorated with beautiful flowers and autumn fruits.

THERE was a private meeting of the city council last night, at which Mr. W. J. Taylor, the city barrister, and Mr. Raymer, mayor commissioner, were present.

MR. ALEX. BEGO, in response to the notice in the COLONIST, has handed over to the library of the Legislative Assembly a number of pamphlets, old official reports, etc.

ON THE conclusion of the regular business at the last meeting of the Sons of Erin, a much appreciated and really excellent programme was presented.

THE board of licensing commissioners for the city had an interesting point of law under discussion yesterday, which had come up at a previous session and had been tabled to be made the subject of a preliminary inquiry.

THE old passenger steamer Cariboo Fly, which has long been idle, is being repaired and is again going into the cannery business.

WESTMINSTER'S FAIR.

The Best Ever Held Upon the Main Land of the Province of British Columbia.

A Splendid List of Entries and Keen Competition For the Prizes.

Close Contest in Every Department—The Fortunate Prize Winners are Announced.

WESTMINSTER, Oct. 10.—The weather cleared about noon to-day and some fifteen hundred school children attended the fair.

They sang several patriotic songs, which was an excellent feature of the day's proceedings.

This afternoon His Excellency the Governor General and Lady Aberdeen arrived. Company No. 4, B. C. B. G. A. acted as a guard of honor at the station.

His Excellency and the Countess received an address of welcome from the citizens and one from the exhibition committee.

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THE PRIZE LIST.

so far as completed, is as follows: CATTLE. Short Horn Durham—Bull, 3 years old and upwards.

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DAIRY PRODUCE.

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FLORAL.

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