

THE CITY.

ALBERNI MINES.

Mr. Henry Saunders Back From a Week's Visit to That District.

Quartz and Placer Claims Show the Yellow Metal is Abundant.

Yesterday Mr. Henry Saunders returned from Alberni, where for the last week he has been visiting that promising gold mining district.

Next summer the whole creek will be flumed and the present work will be finished. Mr. Saunders brought some of the richest gold, proving conclusively that the quartz will run high and cannot fail to make splendid returns when hydraulic.

The next move was back again to the head of Alberni creek, where the olden Eagle claim, with its splendid lead ore ledge going right over the top of the mountain and down the other side.

New finds have just been made on the Yellowstone creek, across the summit at the head of Alberni creek.

NORTH AND SOUTH SAANICH.

Farmers of the Saanich peninsula are congratulating themselves on the excellent harvest weather with which they have been favored during the past month.

THAT ASSAULT CASE.

To THE EDITOR:—Will you be kind enough to insert in your valuable paper for the information of the Times (re excessive punishment of John Clausen).

Ald. McLellan leaves for Los Angeles by the direct steamer to day. He will be away from the city several weeks.

THE CITY.

THE case of John Hemmings, charged with vagrancy, was dismissed in the city police court yesterday.

UNIFORM Rank, K of P., celebrated their anniversary with a largely attended social dance last night, which was as usual thoroughly enjoyed.

AFTER several days' detention H.M.S. Hyacinth, Capt. May, sails for England on Sunday morning, in all probability to go permanently out of commission.

COURT Vancouver, A.O.F., will pay a fraternal visit to Court Robin Hood, Victoria, this evening.

At the meeting on Monday afternoon in Government House Lady Aberdeen spoke of the Society of the Treasury of God.

MR H. M. GRABAME, acting consul for France, received intimation yesterday from M. A. de Kleczkowski, consul-general of France for Canada, would be in Victoria about the 10th or 12th inst.

FIRE on Tuesday evening menaced the freestone carrying the water main a short distance this side of Beaver lake, but was discovered by caretaker Lohman before it had got beyond control.

H. W. MOUTON and bride were passengers from Seattle by the Sehome on Tuesday and are spending a few days in this city, visiting the bride's parents.

In spite of the cool weather last night the attendance at the band concert under the auspices of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Jubilee hospital was very well attended.

OFFICER CLAYARDS, the new member of the city police force, was thoroughly initiated in his new work last night when he and officer Carter were somewhat rough handed in a battle with two husky sailors.

ACTING upon telegraphic instructions to Chief Sheppard from Inspector S. T. Wood of the N.W.M.P. at Calgary, officer R. H. Walker, of the city police, yesterday morning arrested Christopher Moody at his home here, charging him with theft.

BOARD OF TRADE TOUR.

Letters have been received by Mr. Elliott, secretary of the Board of Trade, from Kasilu, Nelson, Rossland and other points, showing that great interest is being taken in the approaching visit of the members of the B.C. Board of Trade to the Kootenay country.

One interesting feature of the woman's exhibit at the Atlanta Exposition will be a collection of musical compositions, photographs and autographs of all women composers, singers and pianists of present or past distinction at home or abroad.

LITTLE CHOY WAN.

A Chinese Merchant and the Refugee Home Dispute as to Her Possession.

Mong Kow Denies He Bought the Girl and Claims He Is Her Guardian.

Yesterday Lee Mong Kow, the well known Chinese interpreter for the customs, applied in chambers to be made guardian of little Choy Wan, a Chinese girl twelve years old.

At the Refuge Home it was stated that on Tuesday afternoon the girl came to the door crying and asked for shelter, saying she was a slave in China and had been brought by Mong Kow's friend from his mistress, and that since she had been with Mong Kow's family his mother had ill-used her, and she did not want to go back there.

The Refuge Home people have taken legal advice to express themselves as intending to fight the matter in the courts, and Mong Kow if he cannot get the girl otherwise will take out habeas corpus proceedings to gain possession of her.

THE CITY MARKETS.

Since the beginning of the present month there has been some improvement in local business, the change being common in most sections of the province.

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LACROSSE.

IF Victoria does not defeat Vancouver on Saturday it will be because Vancouver has the best team in the province of British Columbia, for Victoria will be represented by a strong team as has this year entered the lacrosse field with the Western championship.

THE WORLD OF SPORT.

Promise of Good Sport on Saturday at the James Bays' Regatta.

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CLOSING IN.

The Officers of the Law Hot on the Trail of J. C. Prevost.

Superintendent Hussey stated last night that up to the present he had not intended to disclose what had been done to capture Prevost, but so much was now known from outside sources that there was nothing now to be gained by withholding certain information.

ALBERNI AGLOW.

Free Gold Developed in Abundance in the Alberni Claim—Glorious News From Elsewhere.

General Starlight to the Hills—Offers for the Starlight Claim—The Rich Yellowstone.

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