From THE DAILY COLONIST, July 28.

LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

The Roche Harbor Lime Kilns.

At present the Roche Harbor lime kilns, on San Juan Island, are burning 1,000 barrels per day of the best lime manufactured on the Pacific coast. They employ 400 men and consume 350 cords of wood daily.

Port Crescent.

What nas been termed a Victoria addition has been made to Port Crescent. It is laid out into 384 lots, traversed by Victoria avenue, the intersecting streets being named Fort, Yates, Cook, Quadra and Johnson.

His First Appearance.

Mr. A. L. Belyea took his seat on the bench, at the city police court, yesterday morning, and, with his brother justice, Mr. W. Dalby, disposed of eight unimportant cases. Alex. Stevenson, charged with wounding Billy Waters, was dismissed.

Arrested For Till Tapping.

Provincial Police Officer Campbell, at Esquimalt, arrested a man named Sheppard, yesterday, on a charge of till tapping. He is accused of entering the Ship Inn, between the hours of 12 and 1 o'clock, yesterday morning, and abstracting $2 from the money drawer. He has resided at Esquimalt for several months and occupied a cabin there.

The Newcastle Mining Troubles.

Five union miners have been arrested at Newcastle, Wash., and are now held on a charge of attempt to commit murder. There are others supposed to have been implicated in the work yet at large. Additional arrests will probably follow. For some time past the sheriff's deputies have been working on the case, and, it is claimed, strong evidence against the accused is now in their possession.

Discovered in Time.

The back kitchen of the house numbered 118 Fort street took fire at about 11.30 p.m., Sunday, it is supposed from the cooking stove. Fortunately the blaze was discovered before it had reached large proportions, by two ladies living next door, Mrs. and Miss Pope, who without alarming the neighborhood or seeking assistance, went to work quietly and extinguished the fire. Very little damage was done.

At Death's Door.

The home of the Victoria campers at Shawnigan Lake is filled with sadness, for one of their number, it is feared, will not live to reach Victoria. Mrs. O'Neill was taken ill shortly after the holiday was entered upon, and grew rapidly worse, so that it soon became impossible to remove her to the city. Dr. Leitch was sent for on Sunday, but upon his arrival he said that medical skill could do nothing—pneumonia had destroyed all chances of recovery. The doctor returned home yesterday, saying that for the patient there was no hope.

The Salvation Army.

On Sunday, in addition to their ordinary services at the barracks, Captain and Mrs. Simco addressed large congregations in the Pandora street Methodist and St. Andrew's Presbyterian churches, their subject being the work of the Army among the French Canadians of the province of Quebec, and its claims upon the community. On Wednesday night a special meeting, at which the entire subject will be enlarged upon at length, will be held in the barracks, Pandora street, many of the leading ministers of the city having expressed their intention to be present.

The Blaine Cannery.

Drysdale's cannery at Blaine is at present a hive of industry. Besides 100 fishermen, there are employed in and about the cannery thirty whites and twenty-five Chinamen. The Chinamen are under bond of $40,000 to spoil no fish in the bath—a difficult process through which the canned fish go to preserve them, requiring skilled and experienced laborers. One day last week 10,000 sockeye salmon were caught by the fishermen, and the season promises to be a profitable one for the Blaine cannery, because the catch is small in Alaska and on the Columbia.

Union Mine Notes.

On Monday last 1,600 tons of coal were dumped into the hold of the SS. San Mateo, at the Union wharf. The cars used hold 25 tons of coal each and many were ready waiting the advent of the steamer. The San Benito arrived, yesterday, with a large quantity of iron on board for the construction of new railroad cars of the same dimensions as the ones in use at present. It is said to be the intention of the company to increase their rolling stock to the extent of 250 cars, having each a carrying capacity of 25 tons.

The electrical coal cutters are said to be doing grand work; more than fulfilling the owner's expectations.

The crops in the vicinity are reported in splendid condition.—Nanaimo Free Press.

From the Kootenay.

Dr. Hendricks arrived in town from the Kootenay country on Sunday night. Mining matters in that section are every day showing better results. As soon as proper facilities for getting in coke have been completed Dr. Hendrick's company will put in a smelter.

The sale of the Silver King mine on Toad Mountain has not yet been consummated. Negotiations to that end are understood to be progressing in a very satisfactory manner.

Developments at the Hot Springs camp are every day proving the immense richness of that country.

The Great Northern railway are said to have several thousand men at work on their line and expect to have communication with Kootenay Lake in June next.

The Steamer Victorian.

His Worship the Mayor and most of the Aldermen, together with the members of the Board of Trade, left this morning by the steamer Olympian for Port Townsend, where the flags purchased by the citizens of Victoria will be presented to the captain and officers of the new Union Pacific steamer, Victorian. The party will return by that vessel after the formal presentation has been made, and are expected to reach here at one o'clock. From that time until about ten p.m., all who desire to see the vessel will be welcomed aboard. Messrs. B. Campbell, traffic manager, and W. H. Hurlburt, of the Union Pacific Company, arrived here by the Olympian, this morning, to go over with the Victoria party, and will return with them to-day. To-morrow, the Victorian leaves here at seven a.m., for Roche Harbor, whence she goes to Vancouver, where she expects to arrive at two o'clock, sailing on her return to this point about five o'clock, getting in here in good time. Although a large number of people have signified their intention to take advantage of this trip, there will be no fear of overcrowding. Everyone will be made as comfortable as possible. Meals will be served as far as the capacity of the steamer will allow. Captain Troop will command the Victorian on this occasion, and is likely to continue in command for a few days. For the present the Olympian will make her trips as usual to the Sound.

Died From His Injuries.

William Griffith, one of the men injured in the accident at East Wellington, on Saturday morning, died from the wounds received, on Sunday morning. Barclay, another of those hurt, is also reported to be dying.

Gorge Road Church.

A very enjoyable, and at the same time, artistic, concert was given last night at the Gorge Road Methodist Church by the Emerald Duett, Messrs. Smith and Webb, assisted by local talent. The entertainment was for the church, and was well attended.

Unitarian Services.

Rev. W. E. Copeland of the Tacoma Unitarian Church, preached both morning and evening last Sunday, in Temperance Hall, explaining the doctrine of the church with which he is connected. Last evening he lectured in Harmony Hall on "Looking Backward," and next Sunday he will again preach in this city.

Many Witnessed It.

A crowd of 800 or more witnessed Prof. Woodhall's balloon ascension at Esquimalt, yesterday, and, though the trip of the aeronaut was not quite satisfactory, it pleased the audience immensely. The inflation of the big bag commenced at 5 o'clock, and half an hour later the balloon rose to a height of 1,000 or 1,200 feet, and then dropped on the rocky ground, near the canteen. There was no chance for a parachute descent, and this feature is reserved for a second exhibition, which will probably be given on Saturday next.

"Vacation Time."

"Vacation Time" is the title of a bright little book by H. S. Drayton, M.D., just issued from the press of Fowler & Wells Co., New York. It is seasonable, as it supplies a variety of useful information about summer living, and takes into the account the recreations and diversions that are supposed to belong to warm weather, and into which both old and young enter, according to their circumstances. The author talks of life at the seaside, in the mountains, of boating and bathing, games, excursions, etc., puts in some very practical hints on eating and dress, and the management of household economies, and has a word of advice to mothers and housekeepers that they cannot but value.

Opening an Old Shaft.

About 14 years ago Messrs. Dunsmuir, Diggle & Co., sank a shaft, about half-way between Wellington and Departure Bay. After getting down a considerable depth, the shaft was suddenly stopped, it being reported that it was drowned out with water, although there were many significant hints given at the time that that was not the true cause. However, the shaft, which is situated just at the big bend in the railway, has been full of water ever since. On Monday, however, the work of reopening this shaft will be commenced under the superintendence of Mr. J. Haggart, of Wellington, and continued down to the coal, which is believed to exist in the vicinity.—Nanaimo Free Press.

Smugglers at Sumas.

Word reached here, yesterday, of the seizure of a large quantity of opium from this city, which was destined to reach the State of Washington without paying duty. The capture was made at Sumas, by Customs Officers Beard and Buchanan, who, in the execution of their duty, had a desperate fight with the smugglers, in which one of the latter was killed and another wounded. The handlers of the opium included the Deputy Sheriff of King's County, George Pore, who was fatally shot; Terry, an ex-policeman of Seattle, who was wounded; and Holden, a United States customs officer, who is now a prisoner. Pore was for a long time a resident of this city, when he was employed as steward on one of the Sound steamers, and here he married. The opium transaction in which he met his death is said to be one of the biggest deals of recent years.

Drowned at Sea.

The steamer Mystery, which left here, Sunday, for the Nitinat, with Dr. Hall and a party of five, came back last evening, reporting the loss of the chief engineer, Ned. Hattersley, on the outward trip. How the veteran of the engine room met his death, can only be conjectured; no one saw him fall overboard. At about 11:30 p.m., when the steamer was off Sooke harbor, he was noticed sitting on the rail, which is only raised about 16 inches above the deck, near the engine-room door. Half an hour later, he was nowhere to be found, and the supposition is that he tumbled overboard with the lurching of the ship, as the sea was very rough all evening. No search was made for the body, as a search could not but be labor wasted. The deceased was one of the pioneers of steamboating on the coast, having been in the Hudson's Bay Co.'s service thirty years ago. He was unmarried, and he lived at the Pacific Telegraph hotel for years past.

Sold at Auction.

The land sold at auction by Mr. George Byrnes, yesterday, brought fair average prices, and was only knocked down after animated bidding. The memo. of the day's work is given below: In one acre blocks, between Colquitz stream and Victoria Arm—Lot 11, M. Miller, $340 per acre; lot 10, J. A. Lawrence, $375 per acre; lot 9, H. Croft, $300 per acre; lot 8, H. Croft, $300 per acre; lot 7, H. Croft, $310 per acre; lot 6, H. Croft, $325 per acre; lot 5, H. Croft, $305 per acre; lot 2, J. A. Lawrence, $375 per acre; lot 3, H. Croft, $330 per acre; lot 4, H. Croft, $295 per acre.

Prospect Lake—Section 132, 95 acres, P. Hickey, $1725; section 133, 95 acres, Chas. Green, $6 per acre.

Comox District—Stenhouse farm, 103 acres, to G. F. Wake at $14.50 per acre. Section 6, G. F. Wake, $9 per acre. Section 79, G. E. Wake, $8.50 per acre. Section 119, J. N. Muir, $6.50 per acre.

COURT OF APPEALS.

Gray vs. McCallum.—After argument by Mr. Walker and Hon. Mr. Davie, the jury trial was fixed for August 11th.

The case of Davies vs. Macmillan comes up again, this morning, for further argument.

DIVISIONAL COURT.

(Before Judges Crease, McCreight and Walkem.)

Before Judges Crease, McCreight and Walkem, the case of Carmichael vs Kingham & Minor was begun, and after the argument had been proceeded with for some time was adjourned until to-day.

The Chilliwhack Agricultural Society has just issued its prize list for the Exhibition of 1891. The show takes place on Thursday and Friday, Sept. 17 and 18.

SCHOOL BOARD TRUSTEES.

McLeod-Pope Controversy Renewed and High School Principal Makes Additional Charges.

The Superintendent of Education, in a Dignified Letter, Ignores the Matter.

An interesting question arose at the meeting of the Board of School Trustees, last evening, regarding what under the new act constituted a legal quorum. There were present at the calling to order of the board, Chairman Hayward, Trustees Morrow, McConnan, Richards, Jessop, McLaughlin, and Secretary, *pro tem*, Erskine. Trustee Saunders was not on hand when the board was called to order. The question was raised as to what a quorum was, and Trustee Jessop was of opinion that, in the absence of any law to the contrary, a majority constituted a quorum, and was qualified to transact business.

Chairman Hayward said he had spoken to the Attorney-General on the subject, and that official had stated that it was a matter that required some thought, and that he would look into the subject. After some discussion, the board decided that a majority constituted a quorum, and Secretary Erskine read the minutes of last meeting, which were approved. The absent trustee, Mr. Saunders, appeared before the reading of the minutes was completed, and the fears of the board were allayed.

Trustee Richards submitted a code of rules and regulations for the government and control of the board. It contained a provision to carry on proceedings of the board in private as a committee of the whole.

On motion of Trustee McConnan several of the rules were taken up and discussed, *seriatim*.

Alderman Richard's proposal for Star Chamber sessions under guise of meetings of the commite of the whole, was passed and any matter that the board do not want to let the light of day in upon cannow be considered in private session.

Several applications for the position of teacher in the schools were read. Trustee Morrow moved to lay them on the table.

Trustee McLaughlin considered that such applications should be acted upon by a committee of the whole, and moved accordingly.

Trustee McConnan seconded the motion, but Chairman Hayward ruled it out of order, because all matters relating to schools should be in public, except charges against teachers.

COMMUNICATIONS.

Robertson & Co., of Vancouver offered to furnish schools with desks, and quoting prices for the same. It was laid on the table.

Secretary Erkine informed the board that he had, in accordance with instructions from the board, communicated with Superintendent Pope and requested him to be present last night at the meeting of the board to answer and refute Mr. McLeod's charges. The answer of Superintendent Pope was read; it was as follows:—

DEAR SIR,—I have to acknowledge receipt of yours of the 21st inst., asking me to attend a meeting of the Board of Trustees, to be held this day in the City Hall. Permit me respectfully to decline to discuss with trustees matters which under the statute are not included in their duties.

Yours truly,
S. D. POPE,
Supt. of Instruction.

R. Erskine, Esq., Secy. of Board of Trustees, City.

Principal McLeod, who was present, addressed the following letter to the board:

VICTORIA, JULY 27, 1891.

SIR,—The last examination for promo ion in the High School was conducted by the Department of Education, some three or four weeks before the end of the term. The papers were set by the Department, the returns of the examination were made out by the Department, and their correctness is certified to by the Superintendent of Education. The promotions were made by the Superintendent and were based on the marks obtained by the pupils at this examination.

In this the Superintendent violated two of his own rules, viz:

1. That a Principal of a school must prepare the questions for the promotion examinations.

2. That promotions are made by the Principal with the approval of the Superintendent of Education.

The Superintendent has the right to hold any examination he may think proper to hold in any school in British Columbia, but I maintain that, if he sees fit to deprive me of the power of promoting, he has no authority to confer that power on other teachers in Victoria, be they in or out of the High School.

The examination above referred to was not an examination at all. To explain:—The pupils of the third division received instruction in fifteen (15) subjects. Although they had been attending the school for only five months, yet in eleven out of the fifteen subjects they were examined on precisely same the questions as were pupils of the first division who had been attending the school for years.

The Latin papers given in by the pupils of the third division could not have been examined. No manipulation of marks could have produced such extraordinary results.

As my action in bringing these, and other matters, to the notice of the Board of Trustees has been criticized, I wish to state that I am not aware of the existence of any other Board, or body of men, that has been specially constituted to look after the schools of the city of Victoria.

I am, sir,
Your obedient servant,
J. P. McLEOD.

R. Erskine, Esq., Sec'y Bd. Trustees.

TRUSTEE RICHARDS moved that both communications be laid on table.

TRUSTEE MCLAUGHLAN urged that it was impossible for a gentleman to conduct the business of principal of the high school unless he had full control of the promotions of his pupils.

TRUSTEE MCCONNAN thought that the board was only stultifying itself in trying to impeach the Superintendent of Education, and moved as an amendment that the matter be dropped.

TRUSTEE MORROW thought that the superintendent was wrong, and should have attended the meeting, as requested by the board.

Trustees Richards, Jessop and others participated in a short discussion, and the matter was finally laid on table.

Superintendent Pope, in a letter in reply to the resolution of the board at last meeting, asking for money, $6,500, to conduct the schools, informed the board that the Council, under sections 30 and 32 of the School Act, must provide the funds for "incidental expenses of the schools, as well as other expenses mentioned in said sections."

Trustee RICHARD's motion that the letter be received and the Municipal Council be furnished with a copy, was seconded by Trustee MCLAUGHLIN and prevailed.

Ex-Trustee Mallandaine submitted plans for an addition to the Victoria West school. Received and filed.

A protest received from a dissatisfied parent regarding the award of the provincial roll of honor in the fifth girls' class at the Central school, Miss Carmichael teacher, was referred to that lady. The complainant was dissatisfied because her child had not received one of the awards.

The reports of enrolment and attendance at the different shools was submitted. There were enrolled 1,531 pupils during the term just closed, and the average attendance was 1,510.

TRUSTEE RICHARDS introduced the following resolution: That, inasmuch as the Public Schools Act of 1891 makes no provision for what shall constitute a quorum of a Trustee Board, be it resolved that the secretary communicate with the Attorney-General, and inforni him that this Board has adopted rules of order providing that a majority of the Board shall constitute a quorum, and ask his opinion if the same be in keeping with the provision of the Public School Act of 1891.

It was seconded by TRUSTEE JESSOP and adopted by unanimous vote.

The Board then adjourned.

IN CHAMBERS.

(Before Mr. Justice Drake.)

Solley vs. Devereux.—Motion to add G. A. Carleton as defendant.—Granted. Walker, Pemberton & Dumbleton for plaintiff; Yates & Jay for defendant.

Harper vs. Cameron.—Application for the examination of the defendant.—Granted. Mr. L. Crease for plaintiff; Wilson & Wootton for defendant.

Rowling vs. Nelson et al.—Judgment against all but Clarke.—Eberts & Taylor for plaintiff; Yates & Jay for defendants.

Rowling vs. Richardson, Heathorn et al.—Judgment against all but Clarke.—Eberts & Taylor for plaintiff; Yates & Jay for defendants.

Shintaffer vs. the West Bay Saw Mill Co. (Peter Frank Richardson, Arthur Heathorne, M. C. Heathorne and Charles Nelson).—Final judgment against Richardson and Heathorne.

A WOMAN SCORNED

Places Chin Ha Mot Behind the Bars—The Story of an Old Crime.

Was Isaac Cloak Robbed and Murdered, and Fire Used to Conceal the Crime?

Occupying two seats in the smoker attached to yesterday's down train on the E. & N., was a little party of three that attracted no attention, and the members of which seemed happy in the contemplation of the scenery through the car windows. Officer James Hunter, of the Provincial Police, was one of the trio; his companion was Indian Officer Thomas James; and the third man was a Cowichan, known to the whites as "Seymour," who to-day is a prisoner at the Provincial jail, awaiting his trial upon a charge of wilful murder.

Chin-Ha-Mot is the name by which Seymour is known to his tribe. He is a powerfully built Cowichan Indian, with coal black eyes, moustache and chin whiskers, and dresses in the fashion of the white men, with whom he has spent the greater part of the last quarter of a century. The crime of which he is accused is the killing of one Isaac Cloak, at North Saanich, in September, 1876.

Cloak's death will, no doubt, be remembered by many old Victorians, whose memories will supply additional details to those given in THE COLONIST at the time.

In the issue of this paper of Wednesday, Sept. 20, 1876, is found the following:

BURNED TO DEATH.

On Sunday night last, neighbors of Mr. Cloak, who resided at North Saanich, observed an unusual light in the vicinity of his dwelling, and on visiting the premises on Monday morning, it was found that the building had been burned, and the body of Mr. Cloak had been entirely consumed by the fire. The flesh was burned from the bones, which were almost in a charred condition. An inquest was held on the remains, and an open verdict rendered, but it is understood that further investigation will take place. It is supposed he retired for the night, leaving a fire in the stove; that the cloth and paper ceiling took fire; and that he became unconscious, and was burned to death. His bones showed no signs of a struggle. The lock that was on the door shows that he had locked it, and hung the key in its accustomed place, and retired in peace with himself and all the world, to wake no more."

Two days later, another and fuller item appears, on September 22nd, 1876.

THE SAANICH BURNING.

There are strong suspicions entertained at Saanich that the fire at Isaac Cloak's house, whereby he lost his life, was not accidental. The light from the burning house was seen at 3 o'clock in the evening; the key of the front door was not found. A loaf of bread, burned to a crisp, was found in the oven. Supt. Police Todd met the funeral on Wednesday, and opened the coffin. He came to the conclusion that the skull and one arm of the deceased were fractured, and another inquest will be held at Wain's to-day.

Additional—The following gentlemen were empannelled as a jury in the inquest on the remains of Isaac Cloak: Messrs. Donald Macdonald, Daniel Moses, Wm. Clark, David Coulter, Jas. W. Brethour and William H. Williams. Mr. Charles Todd, deputy coroner, having assembled the jury, viewed the body and opened the enquiry, which lasted from mid-day on Wednesday until mid-day on Thursday. A great deal of evidence was taken, and the jury at length rendered the following verdict: "Deceased was found dead amongst the remains of his house, which was burned down."

With this open verdict the Coroner had to rest content, but public curiosity was by no means satisfied. Several of the jurors suspected that the burning of his ricketty residence had been designed to cover the murder of the old man, who lived alone, hermit fashion, and was reported to have considerable sums of money in the house. Nothing definite was known in the matter, however, and no one was accused of complicity in the crime—if a crime was committed—until quite recently. Then the charge was laid in so indirect a fashion that the informant's story must be taken with a grain of salt. Just before Cloak's death, there had been a grand potlach in the neighborhood, among the Indians attending being Chin-Ha-Mot and his klootchman Fannie. The latter it is that lays the information against her former lord and master, who cast her off some few months ago for a younger beauty. She says Chin-Ha-Mot told her Cloak had just come back from selling his hops, and had hiyou chickimin, which he meant to get possession of. He went to Cloak's house, killed the old man, took everything of value he could find, and set fire to the place. Then he returned to Fannie, related his adventure, and divided the spoils with her—a few silver coins and the old man's blankets and sheets, a portion of which are now in the possession of the police.

Supt. Hussey, acting on Fannie's story, gave the case to Officer Hunter, who arrested Chin Ha Mot at Cowichan, where he was living with his new love. He denied all knowledge of the crime, and came along quietly. Fannie is now living in North Saanich, and will be on hand to give her evidence at the proper time. She also promises to secure other witnesses, who will corroborate her statements, and strengthen the web of evidence that is being cast about Chin Ha Mot.

The pickpocket arrested at Esquimalt on Monday was yesterday sentenced to one month's imprisonment.

TEACHERS' EXAMINATIONS.

Highly Successful Results of the Examinations of Candidates for Certificates as School Teachers.

List of Additions to the Staff and of Those who Have Obtained Renewals.

The Board of Examiners of candidates for certificates of qualification as school teachers have completed their arduous labors, the following being the results:

FIRST CLASS GRADE A.

Chambers, Mary M., B. A., University of Queen's College, Kingston, 1891.
Kerr, John H., B. A., University of Toronto, 1891.
McInnes, William W. B., B. A., University of Toronto, 1891.
McMillan, John, B. A., University of New Brunswick, 1891.
Russell, Ernest H., B.A., University of Queen's College, Kingston, 1891.
Secord, John H., B.A., University of Acadia College, N.S., 1891.
Young, Frederick McB., B.A., University of Queen's College, Kingston, 1891.
Gordon, Robert G., renewal, 1891.

FIRST CLASS—GRADE B.

(Maximum Marks, 3750)	Marks Obtained.
McDougall, Katharine	3718
Tom, Gregory A.	3640
Sparling, Robert	3249
Purdy, Raffles A. R.	2331
Hawkey, Robert J.	2308
Jamieson, George W.	2297
Fraser, Robert	2260

FIRST CLASS—GRADE B (Renewals.)

Halliday, James A.	1880
Offerhaus, E.	1880
Murray, Paul	1882
Cameron, Agnes D.	1883
Horton, Lucretia	1883
Sluggett, George H.	1884
Phelps, William H.	1884
Jones, David	1884
Wood, William M.	1884
Gardiner, Abbie F.	1885
Gilchrist, Alexander	1885
McLeod, John A.	1885
Kinney, William T.	1885
Foster, Mrs Maria	1885
Coatham, William C.	1886
Armstrong, Frances E.	1886
Plaxton, Robert J.	1886
Offerhaus, Mrs Mary A.	1887
Irvine, Joseph	1887
Pope, Jennie M. H.	1887
Rogers, Ellen	1887
Nicholson, Thomas	1887
Watson, Frederick J.	1887
McRae, George W.	1887
Campbell, Eli J.	1887

SECOND CLASS—GRADE A.

(Maximum Marks, 3150.)	Marks Obtained.
Norcross, James E.	2156
Hall, Robert J.	1995
Shepherd, Samuel	1993
Dockrill, Nettie	1990
Lawson, Maria	1984
Duncan, Christina A.	1910
King, Eliza Jane	1899
Williams, Ada Jane	1896
Hopkins, Nicholas R.	1895
Robinson, Edith E.	1894
Fraser, John A.	1893
Baxter, Truman S.	1892
Fletcher, Marie L.	1891

SECOND CLASS—GRADE B.

(Maximum Marks 2550.)	Marks Obtained.
McPherson, Osborne	1613
King, John W. H.	1560
Robinson, Sarah A.	1525
Cox, Frances E.	1524
Callaway, Jos. F.	1509
Keast, Ada	1495
McLennan, Arch. D.	1465
Calhoun, Lucy M.	1459
Gordon, Marion	1459
Hoy, James A.	1409
Wintemute, Hannah A.	1408
Patterson, Mrs. Klaie N.	1406
Cairns, Kate	1405
Carscadden, Robt. H.	1401
Robbins, Fenwick W.	1401
Palmer, James W.	1400
Dunkerley, Ethel	1399
Morrison, Frank E.	1373
Hartt, Flora E.	1372
Elliott, Dawson H.	1372
Welsh, Duncan J.	1364
Howitt, John	1359
Wintemute, Mary A.	1355
McLennan, Mrs. Ella B.	1350
Preston, Sara	1349
Mathers, Isaac N.	1348
Lawson, Ellen G.	1348
Brown, Isabel	1340
Templer, Mrs. Jennie	1335
Dougherty, Josephine A. L.	1308
Irvine, Robt. D.	1307
Miller, Janet I.	1301
Carmichael, Ida M.	1297
Matthews, Deborah E.	1295
Allan, Robt. H.	1290
Pope, S. C. Ruth	1289
Murray, Elizabeth	1287
King, Sara O.	1284
Haldon, Alice Maude	1282
Coghlan, Ella S.	1281
McLellan, Caroline M.	1278

THIRD CLASS GRADE A.

(Maximum Marks 1950.)	Marks Obtained.
Stewart, A. C.	1187
Speirs, Mary E.	1165
Graham, William A.	1122
Robotham, Annie	1115
Freeman, Lena B.	1101
Kermode, Sarah	1029
Carmichael, Elinor	1024
Way, Asenath A.	1019
Ketcheson, Annie	1010
Isaac, Harriet	997
Williams, Sarah A.	997
Monro, Annie J.	996
Halliday, Grace	983
King, Edith A.	984
Dixon, Belle	984
Shortreed, Christina	984

THIRD CLASS GRADE B.

(Maximum Marks 1950.)	Marks Obtained.
Morrison, Florence E.	1061
Tait, Ella	1034
McKinnon, Catherine M.	1030
Homer, Mary S.	1028
McKay, Minna G.	1027
Johnston, Samuel G.	1014
Blake, Alice E.	1009
Blake, Mary	1004
McDowell, Margaret	992
Stewart, Anna L.	986
Lang, Sarah I.	983
Rath, Sarah J.	953
McLennan, David	951
Frank, Pauline	938
Murton, Sarah J.	936
Stephenson, John J.	935
Cathcart, Isabella	934
Carmichael, Annie E.	930
Johnstone, Marion B.	921
Wilson, Nellie G.	916
Thomas, Catherine J.	915
Harding, Lizzie	913
Lettice, Edith M. N.	910
Black, Jessie A.	907
Haarer, Mary P.	906
Norris, Martha J.	902
McGregor, Margaret	901
McMartin, Jennie S.	898
Halliday, Mary F.	893
Sivewright, William	887
Jesse, Edith M.	872
Lawson, Fanny	871
Goodridge, Florence M.	871
Ravey, Martin J.	870
Edwards, Ethel	869
Hilbert, Kate	869
McDonald, Mrs. Annie C.	867
Walker, E. Francis G.	867
Clyde, Thomas	864
Pool, Christina	839
Ramsay, Sarah	833
Lister, Ellen	829
Martin, George H.	828
Harrison, Alice V.	821
Barron, Isabella M. F.	820
Dixon, Edith S.	815
Heisterman, Laura A.	792
Miller, Martha S.	783

RENEWAL CERTIFICATES FOR LENGTH OF SERVICE.

Caldwell, Mrs. L. M.
McDougall, Archena J.
Bailey, Adelaide S.

CERTIFICATES OF STANDING.

Brown, William C.	1,520
Moore, Margaret May	1,107
Moore, John Nicola	910
Furness, Katie	804

Signed, S. D. POPE, LL.D.
JNO. ANDERSON, B.A.
AUSTIN SCRIVEN, M.A. (Oxon.)

It is announced that the number of candidates was largely in excess of that of the previous year, and the results compare most favorably as to the proportion of those who were successful. It is particularly noticeable that those who qualified for first or second class certificates is in excess of previous years.

SPORTS AND PASTIMES.

BASEBALL.

THE JAMES BAYS HEARD FROM.

TO THE EDITOR:—The gentleman who furnished you with the account of the V.A.Cs. defeat at baseball by the James Bays on Saturday last was just about correct when he said it was a good game; but after that he lost his grip. According to the report the James Bays are only allowed four hits when they made six, and have a reliable scorer to prove it. Leaving that and another little side shot out of the question, an effort is made to lead people into the belief that the V.A.Cs. lost the game on an alleged faulty decision of the umpire in the 12th innings with James Bay at the bat, which very few of their players understood, as will be seen by the fact that Manager Baker, who had nothing whatever to do with the game, walked into the diamond to speak to the umpire. In the twelfth innings if there were two men out when the man at bat for James Bay missed the third strike, when first base was full, he was not out as the catcher failed to hold the ball nor did he throw it to first base. If there was only one out he should have been declared out, (which would only make two) but the base-runner coming in from third base scores his run nevertheless. The game was no doubt stubbornly contested and won by James Bay fairly and squarely and not by any fluke. Take my advice, V.A.C., try to keep a little good feeling between the two clubs and acknowledge a defeat instead of laying the result to an unpire's misjudgment without any reason.

F. JACKSON, James Bay.

THE GUN.

The first competition for Messrs. Curtiss and Harvey's prize of $50, between the members of the Union and Victoria gun clubs, will take place at the Victoria Driving Park, to-morrow, at 1.30 p.m. It has been decided to divide the prize into first, second and third. In order to classify the competitors, the first three contests will be for classification, and those who obtain 60 per cent, and over, are eligible to compete for the first prize. Those who obtain 50 per cent, and under 60 per cent, compete for second prize; and all those under 50 per cent compete for third.

POLO.

As the majority of the Warapite's officers have invested in ponies since their arrival, they are now in a position to put up a good game of polo. A test of their strength will be made to-morrow afternoon when they meet a team of gentlemen of Victoria in a game at Beacon Hill, commencing at 4 o'clock. It is expected to be close and exciting.

The following are the teams:—

Navy—Dr. Pearson, Sir Robert Arbuthnot, Lt. Ethelston and Mr. C. S. A. Pearse.

Victoria—Mr. H. E. Newton, Mr. H. A. Barton, Mr. N. P. Snowden and Mr. C. W. Ward.

HERE AND THERE.

L. G. Weatherly and H. B. Blackgrave, of San Francisco, are here to make arrangements for the visit of the California cricketers in August.

Muirhead, Petersen's backer, went ever to Westminster, this morning, to complete arrangements for the race with McLean.

KOOTENAY.

The Smelter Running Successfully—Anthracite Coal Likely to be Shipped to Spokane Falls.

(From the Kootenay Star.)

The mercury got above 95 in the shade at Revelstoke this week.

The water in the Columbia is rapidly falling.

The people of Donald are working up a scheme for a new hospital to cost $3,000. The C.P.R Company have promised $1,000, site and salary of physician. Another $1,000 will be asked from Sir Donald Smith, and a like amount from the government.

Mr. J. M. Kellie, M.P.P., who has been at Illicillewaet, says MacRae and Woolseys new strike at Fish Creek is the best looking prospect he has seen in the country outside of the Silver King. The ledge has been traced for miles and the croppings assay from $75 to over a $100 in silver to the ton. Five or six claims have been staked off on the ledge.

Mr. Wm. Pearse, of Calgary, superintendent of mines, paid a visit to Revelstoke this week. He reports active mining operations being carried on at the Anthracite coal mines. Messrs. McNeil and Pugh, assisted by some San Francisco capitalists, have leased the mines for ten years, with the option of buying or disposing of it to others in that time. Mr. McNeil has done considerable prospecting on the mines, locating three more seams, one of which shows eight feet of solid coal. Six gangs will be employed by October 1st, and will be able to mine 300 tons per day. Two months later the output can be increased to 1000 tons per day. The company hope soon to ship coal to Spokane Falls via Revelstoke. Mr. Pearse was pleased with the appearance of the croppings from the new strike at Illecillewaet, and is confident that the mines there are rich enough to warrant the expenditure of plenty of capital in their development.

The Kootenay (B. C.) Smelting and Trading Syndicate smelter here was the scene of considerable excitement this week. On Monday fires were started in the furnace, and for two days following the fire continued. Then the furnace was closed below, it being heated, and tons of bar lead thrown into it, and soon after the ore, charcoal, coke, limestone, sand, etc., were shovelled into the cauldron of fire. Since that time this shovelling process has been continued day and night. The air from the bellows helped the fierce fire, and on Thursday the first bullion was drawn from the big crucible. The "slag" also flowed freely, and Dr. Campbell was covered with smiles, soot and perspiration, when he told a Star representative, with evident satisfaction, that there was the first slag drawn from a smelter in British Columbia, an evidence that all was going well. As was stated in the Star last week the ore being treated carries a high percentage of zinc, 15 per cent., more than can be safely counted on to run. Friday was looked upon as the critical time, when if the ores were not going to run freely, they would "freeze" and the fires would be blown out. The ore continued to run, however, and at the time of writing smoke ascended from the smelter stack and nearly a dozen men were kept busy feeding and attending to the furnace. The smelter was thronged with visitors and numerous pieces of bullion and slag were taken away as souvenirs of the first output of the Kootenay smelter.

E. Vine, of Metchosin, left on a visit to England last evening after an absence from the Old Country of forty years.

PRESBYTERY OF COLUMBIA.

Special Meeting to Induct Rev. J. M. McLeod to the Charge of Zion Church, Vancouver.

Regret at the Death of Rev. D. Fraser—Providing for the Occupancy of His Pulpit.

A special meeting of the Presbytery of Columbia was held on Tuesday evening last, for the induction of the Rev. J. M. McLeod to the pastoral charge of Zion Church, Vancouver, and other business.

Revs. J. A. Jaffray, E. D. McLaren, Thomas Scouller, W. G. Mills, J. M. McLeod, Alexander Tait, P. F. Longills, D. A. MacRae (Nanaimo), T. G. Glassford, W. R. Ross, G. R. Maxwell, and Alexander Shoer, elder, were present. Rev. Mr. Jaffray presided, Rev. Mr. Maxwell preached the sermon, Rev. W. G. Mills addressed the congregation, and Rev. Mr. Ross the ministers, on their respective duties.

The call from St. Andrew's Church, Nanaimo, addressed to the Rev. D. A. MacRae, was then considered. It was found to be signed by 80 members and 45 adherents, and reported to be hearty and unanimous, and was accompanied by a guaranteed stipend of $2,000 a year, with free manse and six weeks holidays. Mr. MacRae was then formally received as a member of the Presbytery, and intimated his acceptance of the call. The following arrangements were made for Mr. MacRae's induction on Tuesday evening, 4th August, Rev. J. A. Jaffray to preside, Rev. J. M. McLeod to preach the sermon, Rev. E. D. McLaren to address the people, and Rev. P. McF. McLeod to address the minister.

Revs. P. McF. McLeod, D. MacRae and E. D. McLaren were appointed to prepare a suitable minute in reference to the death of the Rev. D. Fraser, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Victoria, and Rev. D. MacRae, Victoria, was appointed to declare the pulpit vacant, on Sabbath, 19th inst., and at the request of the Session, to be Moderator of Session during the vacancy. The Moderator, Committee of Session and Rev P. Mc. McLeod, were appointed a committee to secure a supply for the pulpit of the church while vacant.

An application to the church and manse building fund, for a loan towards church erection, at Vernon, was approved. Rev. D. MacRae, Victoria, was appointed to take charge of Home Mission business until next meeting.

BACK FROM THE WILDERNESS.

Mr. W. E. Devereux Returns From a Long Exploring and Surveying Tour.

Mr. W. E. Devereux, of this city, who has been out of civilization for some time on a surveying and exploring tour, has at last returned to Vancouver with his parties