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## LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

### A Serious Assault.

A young man, charged with assaulting John Begg, of the Railroad Hotel, appeared in the dock at the city police court, yesterday, and was remanded for three days, Mr. Begg being confined to bed by his injuries.

### Married in Sacramento.

Mr. S. G. Fulton, of the Northern Pacific Railway, and Miss May Summerfield, were married in Sacramento, California, on August 28th. The bride is a sister of Mr. P. Summerfield, and a favorite of many friends in Victoria.

### Seattle's Labor Day.

Each of the trades organizations of the city having selected a delegate to represent them at Seattle's Labor Day, a number of accredited workers went over the Sound yesterday morning in an official capacity.

### Obituary.

Last evening Sergt. Levin received the sad news of the death of his mother, who died at Edgbaston, Birmingham, England, on the 20th of last month. The deceased lady was a sister of the Joseph brothers, who are two of the largest real estate owners in Victoria.

### Sons of St. George.

At the regular meeting of Milton Lodge, Sons of St. George, held last night, Bros. Dearburg and Penketh were presented with handsome Past President's jewels. A committee was appointed to prepare for an entertainment at an early day, to which lady friends will be invited.

### Torpedo Practice.

The two torpedo boats stationed at Esquimalt were out for practice, yesterday, and proved efficient in every particular. The operations were inspected by some of the naval officers now in port. The torpedoes have been in Chilian waters, but their services were not called into requisition.

### Again in Collision.

The steamer Mexico passed down from Alaska to the Sound, Sunday, having every cabin filled by tourists. The accident which detained her was another collision with bergs in Glacier Bay, the result of which was slight damage to the steamer's bow just above the water line. She will be beached and repaired at once.

### Over a Thousand Skins.

The sealing schooner Ariel returned home rejoicing on Sunday morning, with 1,082 skins below her decks, a very satisfactory total when it is remembered that she did not get out until late in the season, owing to an accident which necessitated extensive repairs. She was ordered out of the Behring's Sea by the U. S. steamer Rush on August 16th, and sailed for home four days later, in company with the Favorite, which stopped at Hesquoit to land the Indians.

### Ask the Postmaster.

Postmaster Shakespeare yesterday morning had three or four letters on his desk containing inquiries as to the whereabouts and well being of absent friends, it being a matter with some of them of mere speculation whether or not the parties were or had been resident here. Moreover, remarked the postmaster, many of the writers fail to enclose a postage stamp for a reply, none of them appearing to care to incur the expense of advertising for those they esteem so dearly. The P. M. is manifestly of the opinion of the old Southern Cross Roads schoolmaster, that this sort of thing is played out.

### Royal Jubilee Hospital.

A meeting of the directors of the Royal Jubilee Hospital was held in the institution yesterday, President Joshua Davies in the chair. The other directors present were: Messrs. Charles Hayward, V. C.; W. M. Chudley, treasurer; A. C. Flumerfelt, J. S. Yates and E. A. McQuade. The medical officer's report was read and referred to the visiting committee, with power to act. Accounts amounting to over $3,000 were approved and referred to the finance committee for payment. The proposal that private wards, which have been fitted up by generous friends, should be called after them, was laid over for further consideration. A decision was arrived at that a donation of $250 will entitle the donor to the right of nominating to a bed in the hospital.

### For the North.

Application has been made on behalf of the owners of the schooner Henrietta for clearance papers to the North Pacific ocean. She will have a crew of eleven men, and will be under command of Captain Morehouse. When the papers were demanded Collector Milne stated to the captain that he had been informed his destination was Behring's Sea, where if he went he would be punished, not the slightest mercy or consideration being extended to him. Even should he escape the cruisers and went sealing, he would be dealt with when he got back here. The crew will, it is expected, be shipped to-day.

Rumor had it, yesterday, that Captain Hansen was endeavoring to arrange for a sealing schooner to visit the North, the story being current that he was bound for the St. Paul islands and other points frequented by seal.

### The Kootenay Country.

Mr. T. S. Gore, Deputy Commissioner of Lands and Works, who, as already reported, has been visiting Nelson and the surrounding country, reports that the Silver King mine has a 600 feet tunnel, with cross cuts about 20 feet each way, rich in copper and silver. A smelter is, he says, much needed at this point, to enable the mine to be worked to advantage. A good wagon road has been constructed to the top of Toad Mountain by the Government and the Kootenay Bonanza Company, the former having expended the $8,000 voted last session. This road will enable supplies to be taken into all the mines and give facilities for bringing out the mineral. There is a great deal of traffic and travel up the Columbia River and across the Arrow Lake, the steamboats being very comfortable and well appointed. Mr. Gore was in Nelson three days. It is becoming a very lively place and will, he is of opinion, extend to considerable proportions and be of some importance.

### A Big Mining Deal.

A big mining deal is going on at Illecillewaet. The Jumbo is said to be sold for $200,000. For some time past an English mining syndicate has been looking at the Jumbo mine at Illecillewaet, owned by Corbin and Kennedy. In the spring Mr. A. P. Wilson, of Walker, Peel & Wilson, of Whitehaven, Cumberland, England, inspected the mine in the interests of the company. He was highly pleased with the appearance of the property, and was not slow in making the possibilities of the camp known. As a result of his reports, Mr. John Grant and Mr. John B. Sanderson, of London, Eng., the latter representing a wealthy mining syndicate, accompanied by Mr. James Bennallack, of Grass Valley, Nevada County, Cal., paid a visit to this camp this week to examine the Jumbo, with a view to purchasing the property. The formation of rock is the best he has ever seen, and if the Illecillewaet mines were in California they would be producing millions of dollars to-day.—Kootenay Star.

### Said He Would "Fix" Him.

A young man named Graham Smith was before the police magistrate, yesterday, for threatening to "fix" R. McKenzie Munro. He was bound over to keep the peace in the sum of $200, the hearing of the charge being deferred until to-day.

### A Rumor Without Foundation.

The schooner Otto, which it was rumored on Sunday last had come to grief off the north-west coast of Vancouver Island, is reported to be all right by her owner, Mr. Walter Borns. He says he has every reason to believe that she is in Behring's Sea and doing well.

### Discredit His Story.

A resident of Toronto street, James Bay, complained to Officer Carter, yesterday, that he was "held up" at the point of a pistol, while on his way home, at about 9 o'clock Saturday night. He says that, as soon as he saw the revolver, he took to his heels, and got safely away. The police discredit his story.

### The Age of Excursions.

The free excursion to Steveston by the Yosemite, yesterday, was well patronized, and the sale is pronounced a great one.

There is now a prospect that the Victoria-Vancouver lacrosse match will be arranged for one of the days of the Bernhardt engagement, and a cheap excursion from this city is being arranged. In view of the double attraction it would no doubt draw well.

### The Zambesi Libelled.

The steamer Zambesi of the Upton line reached port on her outward voyage yesterday, and was libelled immediately upon her arrival for $20,000, by the owners of the Fanny Dutard, with which she came in collision two weeks ago. It is thought that an agreement will be effected to-day by which the steamer will be enabled to proceed to the Orient to-morrow.

### Passengers Per Umatilla.

The steamship Umatilla sailed, yesterday, from San Francisco with the following passengers for Victoria: E. J. Thain, Mrs. Spence, Miss S. Smith, J. G. Hydes, A. Raymor, J. H. Orange, J. W. Murray, Miss N. Avery, Mrs. D. Moltere, F. G. Richards, Mrs. M. Sweeney, J. A. Callaghan, Rev. Father VanNevel, Mrs. B. G. Walton, D. Nolan, F. Sehl, J. McCormick.

### Offered a Bribe.

James Sako, a young Japanese, was brought before the police magistrate, yesterday, charged with stealing a gold watch from A. Washby, one of the owners of the sealer Borealis. The evidence of Washby was that Sako rowed him out to the schooner, which lies at anchor in the upper harbor, and, having no company, he (Washby) invited him to turn in for the night. In the morning Washby awoke, and Sako, watch and the boat were gone. He called to people on shore, and they finally brought a boat to land him. The watch was found concealed on the prisoner's person by Sergt. Hawton and Officer Redgrave, both of whom swore that he offered them first $25 and then $65 to let him go. He was committed for trial.

### Seattle Will be Represented.

A hose team is being organized from the old volunteer firemen of Seattle to attend the meeting and tournament of the Northwestern Firemen's Association, to be held at Victoria, B.C., September 27, 28 and 29, and to contest for honors and prizes offered by the association. It is proposed to select the best men from the volunteers and send a crack team. Yesterday the firemen borrowed a lot of old hose from Chief Kellogg and will begin practicing and preparing themselves for the contest. Chief Kellogg will accompany the team in the capacity of a volunteer fireman. As the association is composed of only volunteer firemen, none of the paid fire departments throughout the territory included will be represented. The territory from which the association draws its membership embraces Washington, Oregon, Idaho and British Columbia. From the present indications this annual meeting of the association will be more largely attended than any since the organization was effected.—Seattle Telegraph.

### Coal at Chemainus.

For some time past an elderly gentleman has been residing near Chemainus, who has had considerable experience in mining in the United States, but who, being in receipt of a pension from the British Government, was obliged to live on British soil. Recently he and Rev. D. Holmes were discussing the subject of coal and the known and probable deposits of it on Vancouver Island. Mr. Holmes remarked that if there were coal thereabouts it was just as likely to be on his property as anywhere else. Accordingly some experimental boring was done with the result that coal, said to be of excellent quality, was discovered, at from 35 to 50 feet from the surface, and further investigation showed it to be in great quantity, the seam being a very thick one. The gentlemen who made the discovery offered, it is said, to secure all the capital necessary to develop and work the mine. Meantime, it is understood, that further prospecting will be done before any definite arrangements are entered into.

### Arrival of H.M.S. Garnet.

H.M.S. Garnet arrived at Esquimalt, on Sunday afternoon, and anchored in the harbor. She is a vessel of 2,100 tons register, registered 3rd class, and commanded by Capt. Hughes-Hallett. The crew, all told, numbers 230 men, and the vessel carries 14 5-in. bore guns, with four heavy pieces of ordnance. The Garnet has come from Chilian waters, but has no war news, not having seen any of the fighting. In fact, some of the officers were surprised to hear, on entering port, of the Balmaceda episode, and some other items which are now stale news. When they were at Coquimbo, the Congressionalists were reported as at Coldera, and there were quite a number of troops around, but no fighting. At San Diego, they heard that Balmaceda had skipped and was making inland for Buenos Ayres, but they had heard nothing of the English warship being the custodian of the defeated leader's boodle. The voyage of the Garnet was an uneventful one. She experienced some heavy fogs and pretty rough weather, but nothing very serious. The vessel is at present taking in coal, and looks her worst in a fog of coal dust, with every person and thing on deck as dirty-looking and black as can be. But the coaling will be over this morning, and, when cleaning up is over, she will well repay a visit. She is a fairly old vessel, this being her fourth commission as a cruiser. Her first was on the southeast coast of America, next in the West Indies, then in the East Indies, and now on the Pacific Coast. She is a good, sea-going boat, and can make twelve knots an hour without being overtaxed.

## B.C. AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

### Preparing for a Grand Display of Agriculture, Manufactures, and General Products.

### A Grand Programme of Amusements. Horse-racing, Athletic Sports—Firemen's Tournament, &c.

A meeting of the B. C. Agricultural Society was held in the City Hall, yesterday evening, President Ker in the chair. There were also present Messrs. C. Hayward, C. E. Renouf, Wm. Templeman, John Braden, W. J. Pendray, R. B. Seabrook, John Kirkland, N. Shakespeare, and Wm. Dalby. The business consisted chiefly of the arrangement of the programme, and, from the draft submitted, it is evident that the show will be one of the most attractive in the province. No trouble or expense is being spared to attain this object, and, judging from the unusually large number of applications for space and the variety of exhibits listed, the exhibition cannot fail to prove most attractive. The various railway and steamship companies are offering special facilities to visitors, the C. P. R. running from all points west of Calgary at a single fare. Not alone will those attending the Exposition be treated to an excellent programme of sports, including horse racing, but they will have an opportunity of inspecting the products and manufactures of our own and other countries. The buildings are spacious and well laid out, and as the Driving Park of the B. C. Jockey Club will be available to all ticket holders to the Agricultural Society's show, there will be ample accommodation for all-comers. The grounds are easy of access. The electric tram takes visitors to the show grounds, and special arrangements are made for refreshments and good substantial hot meals.

At last night's meeting the subject of the purchase and laying of water pipe from the main to the exhibition grounds was referred to the building committee, with power to act. The sports committee submitted their programme, which was approved of. A letter was received from the Jockey Club, offering to throw open their gates and give receipts to the society, on payment, as proposed, of $800, the society undertaking to pay any deficit there might be. The club retains the profits of the bar and grand stand, and estimate their expenditure at $1,500. The arrangements are that the one admission fee shall admit to all parts of the show and the horse races. This proposal was accepted. A letter was also read from the C.P.R. authorities offering round trips from points west of Calgary for single fare. There was but one tender received for the refreshment stall, and this not being considered satisfactory it was not accepted. Several tenders were received for the supply of music, all of which were referred to the music committee. The appointment of help on the grounds and in the sheds, was left in the hands of the chairman and secretary.

## CITY COUNCIL.

### The Indian Reserve Question Referred to the Finance Committee—Tacoma's Exposition.

### Action as to the Crematory Deferred—The New Wards—A Civic Census.

A special meeting of the City Council took place last night under the presidency of the Mayor. There were present Ald. Smith, Holland, Robertson, McKillican, Munn and Coughlan.

The Council first took up the report of the Finance Committee favoring the purchase in fee simple of the Indian Reserve for $300,000, the balance, after providing for the Indians, to be devoted to the improvement of Victoria harbor.

On motion the subject was referred back to the Finance committee, together with the Mayor and City Barristers, with instructions to prepare a memorial to the Dominion Government, any proposition made to be subject to ratification by the vote of the rate-payers.

The Mayor and several members objected to the apparent desire of the Dominion Government to make money out of this property, which properly belonged to the city. It was further stated that a private individual was negotiating with the Indian Department for the purchase of the Reserve and the removal of the Indians.

After some discussion on the subject of the crematory and as to the best place for loading scows, supposing it should be decided to tow the garbage out to sea, the matter of selecting a crematory site was deferred for the present, and the Sanitary committee was requested to see that the Health by-law be rigidly enforced.

The question of the proposed new wards having come up, the report defining the five wards, previously published, was adopted, the wards to be numbered 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, commencing at James Bay and working round with the sun.

Ald. Munn, with reference to the proposed civic census, said that he had made numerous inquiries, and the city clerk had ascertained from Ottawa the official figures of the census taken by the Dominion authorities, which were for Victoria 16,841, an increase of 10,916. He had, he said, been informed by a number of persons in industrial establishments and private houses that many people who had been absent from home when the enumerator called, had not been taken. He had also made estimates, based on known facts, which indicated a much larger population than had been attributed to us; and, moreover, that the population of Victoria and Vancouver could not be so near each other as represented.

The Mayor said a new census could be taken for $400, and other members said it could be done for $250, or even less. Henderson would do it for $400. The basis of representation and subsidy being that of population, it was necessary that the census be made correctly.

Ald. McKillican stated that the enumerator had refused to take a member of his family, alleging that he was too young.

It was resolved to put up on the board for next meeting a notice of motion, setting forth that the city had been under-estimated in the official census of the Dominion, and that it was advisable to take a new census of the city.

It was resolved that 2,000 copies of the Northwestern review, containing a description and enumeration of the city, be forwarded to Mr. Gosnell for distribution at Toronto and at the East.

Attention having been drawn to the subject, it was stated that Mr. Macbean, the sewerage contractor, had no right to haul material through a portion of the park.

A letter was received from Mr. Percy Brown asking permission to remove the Pioneer saloon, on Douglas street, although it was under the valuation allowed by law.

Notice was given of a by-law to redistribute the city wards.

In connection with a communication from the Mayor of Vancouver, asking that the Mayor of Victoria join him in selecting the most suitable day to be celebrated at the Tacoma exhibition, and be known as British Columbia day, the city clerk was instructed to inform Mayor Oppenheimer that so soon as this Council received an invitation from the managers of the exhibition they would confer with him as to the best day to select between September 10th and October 10th, as suggested.

It was resolved that the Court of Revision should meet again on Thursday afternoon, at two o'clock.

## SPORTS AND PASTIMES.

### THE OAR.

C. E. Dutch and C. Stephenson, the Australian oarsmen who are to take part in the great regatta at Westminster during exhibition week, commence training for the event this morning. Both are six-footers, and both claim Sydney as their home. They arrived in San Francisco on August 6, and Dutch now has a race on with Petersen for $1,000 a side, to be rowed on the Oakland course. He and his friend and fellow countryman are little known on this side of the water, though both have figured in good races at home. About two months ago Dutch rowed and was defeated by Sullivan, who broke the world's record. Sullivan was given five seconds in the race, and won it by seven. Both Dutch and Stephenson will train from Jones' boat house; they are already in fairly good condition, and about ten days' work will put them in shape for racing. Petersen will not take part in the regatta, having at the last minute found it impossible to procure a fit shell to row in; he feels bad over the matter, as he had set his heart upon pulling an oar against O'Connor.

New Westminster, Sept. 7.—Alex. McLean, the oarsman, got a letter, to-day, from Ten Eyck, challenging him to row a race in outrigged skiffs for $500 a side, the race to be rowed as soon as possible, at Seattle or Oakland, whichever place offered the best inducements. McLean telegraphed accepting the challenge and asking Ten Eyck to come out immediately, arrangements to be concluded and place of race fixed on his arrival. A despatch was received from Toronto, this morning, saying that Hanlan and O'Connor left for Westminster, to-day. Gaudaur will follow in a few days.

McLean and Murray, of New Westminster, and Martin and Dignan, of Nanaimo, have signed articles to row a double scull race on Nanaimo Bay, on the 19th inst., for $250 or $500 a side.

### THE GUN.

TACOMA VERSUS VICTORIA.

The shooting match between the Tacoma Rifle, Rod and Gun Club, and the Union Gun Club of Victoria—a team of eight on each side—came off at Tacoma, on Saturday. The match was shot under American Association rules, at Peoria blackbirds, 25 each, 16 yards rise, birds sprung from five traps at unknown angles. Out of a possible 400 birds, the score was 320, giving an average of 80 per cent. The individual totals are as follows:

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| A. Eberly | 22 | F. S. Maclure | 19 |
| Dr. Smith | 21 | G. Vaughan | 19 |
| F. Armstrong | 19 | B. H. John | 18 |
| T. A. Bringham | 19 | C. Todd | 18 |
| R. Palmer | 18 | N. H. Adams | 18 |
| Total | 167 | Total | 153 |

The Tacoma club winning the match by 14 birds. The scores on both sides are good, in fact, exceptionally so for team shooting, as an average of 80 per cent. would be no discredit to the skilled professional. When it is considered that the Union Club have been organized scarcely six months, and have had but little experience in trap shooting, they have made a splendid record at their first match; and matched, too, against a club who have had several years of experience, and have on their roll a number—four at least—of the crack shots of the Pacific coast, who took part in the contest, our home club may feel proud that their defeat was not greater. The Tacoma club modestly stated that they had not been beaten in any contest that they had for several years in their matches with Portland, Spokane and Seattle, and admitted that the Union Club pushed them more closely than in any former match they had shot, in fact they felt somewhat doubtful of the result of this match, as on the first 150 birds the Union's led the score six birds. The system of "rapid firing" being entirely new to the Victoria team, and shooting on strange ground, too, probably made some difference in the score.

The match, under the rapid firing system, was a fine exhibition; as the birds are sprung so quickly that they are almost constantly in the air, which necessitates more active movements on the part of the shooter.

The contest was a most enjoyable one, the Tacomas showing every desire to make their visitors at home. The sport was witnessed by several ladies, who occupied seats on the stand, each scoring the result of the shots, with apparently as much interest as the shooters. Refreshments were provided on the grounds, and in the evening a splendid supper was given at the Commercial Club rooms which would have done honor to a prince.

Everything that the Tacoma Club did was with a free hand, and with the utmost friendliness and liberality.

A return match has been arranged, to take place at the end of this month.

### HERE AND THERE.

The shells Dutch and Stephenson will race in at Westminster are each 31 ft. 6 in. in length, 10¾ inches beam, and weigh 30 lbs. They were made in Sydney, N. S. W.

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

Tacoma's exhibition is expected to be one of the best things that have occurred on Puget Sound for a long time past, and to enable the residents of Victoria to visit it, the members of Pride of the West Lodge C.O.O.F., M.U., have timed their excursion—a fact which is sure to be appreciated in a very practical manner. The committee of arrangements have provided an excursion to Tacoma on Saturday, the 19th instant, the steamer Olympian having been engaged for the occasion. She will leave Victoria at seven o'clock in the morning, sharp, and convey her precious freight from the Queen city to the city of Destiny, where five hours will be allowed to take in the town and its sights, including the exposition referred to. The fare for the round trip, with all special advantages provided, will be only $2, and it is confidently expected that this will be the best trip of the season. Every arrangement has been made for the comfort and convenience of the passengers, who will have the opportunity of passing a real red letter day.

## UNDER EXAMINATION.

### The Much-Talked-of Abduction Case Opened in the Police Court.

### August May Tells his Story—The Girl Has Again Disappeared.

"The abduction case" was the talk of almost every one, yesterday, and many and widely differing were the opinions expressed regarding it. The common impression seems to be that there is something behind the charge now being investigated, and hence the progress of the case is watched with unusual interest.

When Fried was called in the police court, yesterday morning, Mr. W. J. Taylor appeared by his side to conduct his defence. The Crown was represented by Mr. J. P. Walls. Occupying a chair at the righ of Mr. Walls, was August May, a sturdy, black whiskered German, the father of the girl over whom the trouble arises. Much to the disappointment of the court room audience, Hattie May herself was not present, and, stranger still, both prosecution and defence claim to be entirely ignorant of her whereabouts.

The counsel for the Crown was proceeding to open his case, when the magistrate, Mr. Belyea, interrupted. He had, he said, a statement to make before he could proceed to the hearing of the questions involved. The matter first came before him on Friday; there was no intimation then of a crime such as charged in the information. The matter was of an entirely different character. Was the offence upon which the Crown was now proceeding alleged to have been committed before or after he was consulted by May?

Mr. Walls—The crime was committed before you were seen—the abduction took place on Monday week, from Seattle.

Mr. Belyea—At the time I was consulted, on Friday morning, the father had not seen Fried or his daughter. If the charge goes back before I was interviewed I will not hear it.

Mr. Taylor could see no objection to his honor remaining upon the bench.

Mr. Walls, proceeding to the issue, said that the evidence he would produce was that August May, a carpenter living in Seattle, had lost his daughter, a pretty girl of between 15 and 16 years. The details of her departure from home were related, as already published in the Colonist. The father came to look for her in Victoria, and found her wearing dresses and jewelry which she was not possessed of when she left Seattle, and which were not befitting her station in life. On Friday afternoon the girl accompanied her father to the post office, and consented to go home with him, asking only time to get her own clothes and pack up. She said she would rejoin him in an hour, and left his side, and he saw her go straight to Fried's barber shop. Finding that the girl did not come back, the father again made his way to Fried's house and asked if Hattie was there. Mrs. Fried told him "No." He went again, in company with a police officer, and saw the girl. Then—a most peculiar thing—on Saturday night Mrs. Fried produced the girl, the father not having been able to find her in the meantime. Hattie was with Mrs. Fried at the police station when Fried was arrested, and the last seen of her she disappeared up Broad street. All of which went to show that the Frieds had control of and were harboring the girl, contrary to law.

August May was the first witness called. He asked to be allowed an interpreter, as he knew but little English, and understood less. Mr. Walls said he had anticipated the difficulty by procuring an interpreter, but counsel for the defence objected. May could understand by trying a little, he said, and his honor, remarking that he had had no difficulty in making the prosecutor understand English, sustained the objection.

The evidence of Mr. May was commenced at 12 o'clock. He said that he came here Friday to take his daughter home. Reaching Victoria at 4 a.m., he went to the Angel Hotel until 8, and then called at the police station. There he was told to come again in an hour and a half and see the Chief, and was by him referred to the police magistrate, whom he saw in his room at the City Hall. His honor told him to call at his law office, and when he did so, told him that he would get out papers, and they would cost him $20. This he could not well afford. He went to Fried's house and found his daughter there. Fried was there too, it was about dinner time, and he said he would give her up and she could go home with witness. After a few minutes he heard Fried tell the girl to go along with him, and he (Fried) would see a lawyer at once and fix it to get her back. The daughter went with witness to the post office. She declared that she was willing to accompany him, and only wanted time to pack up her few things. She left him to do this and he saw her go straight to Fried's barber shop. After waiting a while witness went back to Fried's house, and Mrs. Fried said she had not been there. Then, in company with Officer McNeill, he paid the house a second call and saw the girl. She said she would not go. She had got a lawyer. Mrs. Fried also came to the door and called him bad names. This was the last time he saw the girl. She had always lived at home with the exception of about two months, when she was staying with Mrs. Fried's sister. As soon as he learned what kind of people they were he took her away. The girl left Seattle with Mrs. Fried's sister—she had no money of her own. Hattie was 15 years, six months and a few days' old—a pretty girl, and well developed for her age.

Cross-examined by Mr. Taylor, witness said that he had worked in various places, which he named, during the past two years. The other boys and girls worked, and brought in their money to the home. So did this girl when she was working. She gave her money to her mother who supplied her with what she needed. (Mr. Taylor was proceeding to a searching examination, when the witness flung his arms into the air, ejaculating, "You make me crazy! I tell all I know, but I can't tell what I do not understand. Get some German so I can spoke to him."

Counsel for the defence continued to press for information as to the places where witness had been working lately, and he said Portland, Seattle and Port Crescent. He was not a drinking man, though he had no objection to taking a few glasses of beer with friends. Had used no bad language to Mrs. Fried. Fried did not refuse to give up the girl, but told the girl to go along and he would get a lawyer to get her back.

After an adjournment for luncheon, the cross-examination proceeded. Mr. Walls first issued a couple of subpœnas, remarking that he thought they were at last on track of the girl, whom he proposed to call as a witness. She might give material testimony, and it was, therefore, not hard to see why she had been spirited away.

Mr. Taylor repudiated the insinuation. His client, he observed, had not the least knowledge of the girl's whereabouts.

August May's cross-examination continued—He had never whipped or punished his child or called her names. Last winter, the girl learned typewriting. Then she went to making paper boxes, and the proprietor of the factory wanted to marry her. This man was about 54 or more, and he (witness) told his wife she should have kicked him out. Had Hattie stayed home, it was her intention to go to work in a lithographing establishment, where her sister and brother were employed. The girl had always been a good girl at home.

Counsel here pressed for answers to some questions which witness apparently did not understand. He answered at random once or twice, and then, facing the lawyer, exclaimed savagely, "Don't banter me no more; I can't stand too much. All I want is to get my child, and do what's right." The cross-examination was very shortly afterwards closed.

In re-examination, Mr. Walls brought out that when witness consulted Mr. Belyea, that gentleman, after certain papers had been drawn up and signed, told him he would send for Fried, and also that his fee would be $20. Witness made no reply at the time and sent for the money. After seeing Hattie the second time he returned to Mr. Belyea, and told him that he would pay the $20 if he was first given a guarantee that he would recover his daughter. He thoroughly understood the information sworn to before Mr. Shotbolt; it was to get the girl back and punish Fried for taking her from him. He did not want the girl home to help support him in idleness; he wanted her home because it was her home.

To the Court—It was about noon when I left your office. I went to Fried's house, and saw the girl; I told her if she'd come home with me it would save me $20. She said she would come, and accompanied me to the post office. Then she went into the barber shop after leaving me. I waited about half an hour and then went to the house again.

John M. Langley, Supt. of Provincial Police, deposed—"On Friday morning I met defendant Fried at the corner of Bastion and Government streets. Fried stopped me and said, 'What would you do if you had a girl in your house and her father wanted to get her?' I asked him how old she was, and he said 'about sixteen.' I said 'If the father wants the girl, you'd better let him have her.' I said if he detained her it would be harboring the girl. We parted, and about 5.30 p.m. I sent Officer McNeill up to Fried's house with May. A little while after I met Fried again, and asked him 'What about that girl?' Fried said 'You sent Officer McNeil up to my house.' I replied 'I did.' 'Well,' he said, 'I don't want the girl, the police can have her.' Then he added, 'I don't know about it, though. I've got the advice of a lawyer; in fact, two.' I said, 'Fried, I don't understand you; you say first that you don't want the girl, and then that you have got lawyers' advice, and she can't be taken from you.' I then bade him good evening, and walked back to my office.

Mr. Walls said that he would reserve his other evidence until the next sitting of the court, and hoped before long to find the girl. The police would spare neither time, money nor labor in the search. He asked for an adjournment, which was granted until to-day. The bail remains as before.

### New Steamboat.

The new steamboat, which Mr. Stephens is building for Mr. Sinclair, near Janion's wharf, will be ready to launch in about ten days. The Albion Iron Works are to supply the machinery. It is probable that the steamer will be sent over to New Westminster to perform similar service to the Kildonan. She is 73 feet over all, has 15 feet beam and eight feet hold.

### The Thunder Hill Mine.

The Golden, B. C., Era, says:—"In our issue of the 15th August, we stated that negotiations were in hand for the sale of this property to Victoria capitalists. We are now pleased to state, on the authority of Mr. James Brady, C. E., who is here from Victoria, that the proposals made by him have been accepted in his city, and that this mine will be worked at once and throughout the winter. In the spring a large concentrating mill will be erected, and the mine's production properly treated. The output will be very considerable.

### The Janion Hotel.

This new hotel, on Store street, which has been put up near the Janion wharf by Mr. John Turner, will be completed by the 15th inst. If contains fifty bedrooms, dining room, ladies' ordinary, large office and all the required conveniences, special attention having been paid to the appointment of the culinary department. The rooms are airy and well lighted, every room having an independent window, no borrowed light being required. A beautiful view of the harbor and part of the Gorge is obtained from the rear and some of the side windows, Race Rocks being discernable in the distance. The hotel is handy to the E. & N. Rd. and is on the line of the tramway.

### Blasting Reports.

Of recent date the peace of the community has been considerably disturbed, at night, by reports resembling the booming of cannon. The reports invariably follow in rapid succession, and are heard after the hour when a superstition hath it that "churchyards yawn and graves give up their dead." The dreaded sounds, it may be stated for the peace of mind of those disturbed, are not from the cannon's mouth, but are simply the result of dynamite cartridges, used in the blasting of rock encountered in the sewage works now in course of construction. The holes are drilled during daytime, and for safety's sake the fuse is not applied until traffic on the streets is suspended.

### H. M. S. Warspite.

The repairs to H.M.S. Warspite, now in the graving dock at Esquimalt, are progressing favorably. A large gang of men are employed at the work, seventeen of whom are from England, and, to hasten to completion the necessary repairs, the men are working overtime. In another couple of weeks it is expected she will be floated out of the dock. A rumor is current that the Admiralty are disposed to purchase the graving dock for its exclusive use, and that another will be constructed for general marine purposes. New coal sheds have been erected, and these having been filled to their utmost capacity, the black diamond is being piled along the wharf in vast quantities. The Queen Victoria, from Cardiff, is at present discharging a cargo of 2,500 tons of coal, while two other vessels, of 2,400 and 1,500 tons respectively, have just cleared out. It is estimated that there is at present stored at the station about 10,000 tons of coal. Three other cargoes of coal are expected.

### A Narrow Escape.

"I WOULD probably have been in my grave to-day had it not been for Dr. Fowler's Extract of Wild Strawberry. For two years I suffered from bowel complaint and became very weak and thin, but after using half a bottle of the Extract I was completely cured, and have since had no return of the complaint."—Miss Hilton, 34 Huntley St., Toronto.

## DEFINITION OF WEALTH.

### Something New for Political Economists to Consider.

### A Critical Analysis of the Word Which Defines Its True Meaning and Limitations—An Interesting Study.

The term "wealth" seems to have been formed by combination of the two old Saxon words, "weal" and "things;" and the process may have been like this: Weal things, weal-things, wealth (pronounced as two syllables, with "ings" dropped), and finally wealth as we now have it. But, however formed, that the term wealth is identical in meaning with weal-things there can be no doubt. By examining these two words, therefore ascertaining their meanings and combining them, if the work be well done, the exact and complete meaning of the word wealth will appear.

The word "thing," says the Chicago Journal, springs from an old Saxon root which signifies "to be heavy." But what is heavy is of material substance and is an object of sense. A thing, then, is any material object cognizable by the senses. But it is especially used of what is without life, though in common speech all living beings below man are spoken of as things, and even man himself when thought of as belonging to the animal kingdom, as in the phrase, "all animals and inanimate things." But strictly speaking, man is not accounted a thing, because he is a moral person, and this higher element of personality raises him above the sphere of things.

Weal has the same root as well. To be well—that is to be in a state that is weal—is to be in health, and that is to be in the state of fullest, most active and most unimpaired life. This is the keynote word of the whole matter—life. To be well is to be in a state that is weal—is to be in the fullest degree alive.

The things that make for weal are the things which make for to-be-well; that is to be alive, that is again, for life. The things which make for weal, that is for life, came in human speech to be called weal-things, and this compound word was contracted into wealth. By these steps the correct and complete definition of our term is brought plainly into view.

Wealth is one, or more, of the sum of things which make for life.

And here, in passing, it may be said that life, and especially life as found in man, is the keynote word of all that is contained in what men have been wont to call "political economy."

Now take this definition as a measuring staff in the hand and go abroad through the world and measure off the array of things therein. All things which make for life are weal things—wealth. Wheat, corn, grain, fruits, root crops, food things of every sort, are wealth. So are all implements to provide them. So are clothing, fuel and all implements to provide these. So are all things to help about them, as in transportation and exchange.

But human life has grades, and those things which feed it in its higher grades are also wealth—as works of art, to illustrate the higher, spiritual side of human life, or hospitals, to illustrate it again.

But are muskets and cannon, and all the munitions of war, wealth? In so far as they are needful to help some life preserve itself against destruction by other life, they are wealth to the lives they preserve; but they are death, which is "illth" to those whom they kill in preserving alive those whom they defend. But to the whole sum of human life on the earth, they are a monstrous evil, to be swept off from the earth as the heart of human kind is healed of its impulses to rob and kill. In a true economic sense nothing that is made for killing men is wealth; but only what is made to make for life for all.

But, finally, are not human faculties, powers, actions, activities and the like wealth? No: they come not under this word. There must be another word for them, if one would escape confusion of mind and utter clear thought in accurate speech.