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**Varied and Great Re-
rces of British Columbia.**

hould now like to say a little of
e of Mountains, as British Col-
has scornfully been called. Just
leaving the flat land round Cal-
a region seemingly given up to
ranching, but why ,save because
t would be difficult to say. The
e is splendid, the winter over in
nth, little snow and no severe
The reason is the warm winds
he Pacific, some 600 miles dis-
Already thousands of fat cattle
undreds of horses have been car-
ast over the railway which had
waiting the opening, and this will
arge and regular source of traffic.
istrict has immense beds of good
and no prophet is required to say
that will do. British Columbia
en an afterthought in the order
ation. Rules applicable to other
ries do not hold good here. Find
ropping out on the banks of a
r river, and one would naturally
it down, would sink to lower
to find how far it extended. Here
am quite as frequently runs up
ll, and sometimes it is neither up
own, but is what is called a
et," worth working at a moderate
may be, but still a pocket, not a
uous vein. Of course the country
en heaved up since the coal for-
n. The tides are equally confus-
nstead of the usual 45 minute
we have high water at noon and
ater at midnight for months at a
then suddenly this is reversed,
other times we have three tides
To believe growlers, one would
o credit more wonderful inter-
e with the ordinary laws of na-
The richest mineral lands in the
are well known to be in Mon-
The mountains of Montana cross
ritish Columbia by the Koota-
ake and pass up to Alaska. The
is rich in gold, silver, coal, &c.,
e country connecting these two
f the States has no minerals! A
al arrangement of Europe has
d the nature of the primeval
This sort of talk is common
the lazy of British Columbia,
t being well known that the
hay district is perhaps the rich-
mineral deposits in America, and
only a few miles of railway to
up. Gold-mining has been car-
in the Province, but at that
e cost of transport, and conse-
y of living, was so high, that un-
miner could make $10 a day he
o no good. Now he will be as
f with $2 to $3 a day. Gold and
mining are attractive, but some-
ey leave less behind than indus-
a slower kind. Gold mining is
eficial to a country than coal
n mining. Here coal and iron
abundance. At Nanaimo, about
s from the mainland, we have
exhaustible, and in the Gulf
the island Texada, a mountain
stone, yielding 75 per cent. of
hese elements, only a few miles
have to be brought together and
t out a result for the country
no gold mines can do. Lumber
not speak of in the space of
contribution. Suffice it to say,
men here are spoiled children;
ject, as too troublesome to cut,
which in any other part of the
would be reckoned first-class ma-
But the day is fast coming when
ill have to mend their ways.
present the cost of sea carriage
es with the development of this
The largest markets are China
stralia. Europe is almost shut
m us by the great distance
Cape Horn, but here there is a
the clouds. The Panama Canal
rten the voyage to New York,
l and Europe by 6,000 miles,
two crossings of the Atlantic.
ll let the west coast look into
as Peter the Great said of St.
rg, and no one can say what
pen then. Lesseps will then be
mercial Columbus of the west
the Americas, and I hope he
to see the day of his triumph,
trade wants cheaper carriage
s, the canned fish trade. This
carried on on the lower Fraser
and is so much money found to
try. The cost of salmon is gen-
5 cents per fish, the average
3lbs., so say ½ cent per pound,
y calculate in England what
per pound, and from that take
rice for the tins, ½ cent per
or the fish, then all the rest is
carriage, and interest on the
The railway was opened a few
o, and already it is telling on
ntry. Travellers from Europe,
Eastern Canada and from the
are coming daily and all are
d with the scenery, the climate
soil. Their visits will send tens
ndreds for every one coming
nd the country, once known,
up with people. The locomo-
unding over the prairies of Man-
Assiniboia and Athabasca,
the glens and over the passes
Rocky Mountains, sending up
of cloud by day and pillar of
ight, beckons the oppressed mil-
Europe to enlist and come
d, "armed no longer with the
e and the war chariot, but
steam-engine and the plough
to the peaceable conquest of
est of western lands.—*Corres-
of the Manchester Examiner.*

**EEDOM OF BISHOP
HANNINGTON.**

r, Oct. 28.—A diary of Bishop
on who was put to death by or-
ng Magna, of Uganda, Africa,
published, giving details of the
of his life. He describes the
his party at Lubiaras, where
at the head of a thousand troops,
ten guns and three barrels of
As the chief asked Bishop Han-
remain with him for the day,
complied. While taking a
bishop was attacked by about
tives. He struggled with his
but became weak and faint
ragged violently a long distance
s. When his persecutors cap-
they stripped, robbed, and im-
him in a noisome room in a hut
ermin and decaying bananas,
was lying there ill and helpless,
and his hundred wives came
iosity to feast their eyes on him.
he was allowed to return to his
where, though still ill, he felt
fortable. He was still guarded
. He remained in bed during
ring day; parties of the chief's
of idle curiosity, coming daily
. He was allowed to send mes-
his friends, but he believed they
cepted. On the seventh day,
the fever continued, and that
e place swarmed with vermin,
guards were drunk and noisy,
e was unable to sleep. At last
delirious on October 8th. On
he was conscious. His entries
day were: "No news; hyena
night, smelling a sick man; he
ave me yet." This is the final
s believed shortly after writing
aken out and put to death.
t the week there was frequent
ferring to the comfort he de-
reading the psalms.

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THE WEEKLY COLONIST.

NOTICE.

SPECIAL EDITION FOR SOUTH SAANICH, LAKE, METCHOSIN, SOOKE, COMOX AND OTHER DISTRICTS NOT REACHED BY FRIDAY'S MAIL IS PRINTED EVERY TUESDAY MORNING AND DISPATCHED THROUGH THE OUTOFFICE.

Local and Provincial News.

From the Daily Colonist, Nov. 6.

THE COMPLETION.

The E. & N. Railway Accepted by the Dominion Government.

Yesterday, Mr. Robt. Dunsmuir, M. P. P., president of the Island railway, received notice from the Dominion government that the Esquimalt and Nanaimo railway had been accepted by them, it having been finished in accordance with all agreements and contracts. Accompanying the official notification was a check for $250,000, a refund of the deposit put up by Mr. Dunsmuir as a guarantee for the completion of the railway and telegraph line.

Local Observations.

General manager Van Horne of the C. P.R. Company is expected in Victoria next week.

If the gas company cuts rates the electric light company assert that they are prepared to meet it.

A lively demand for building material is reported by mill proprietors in the city.

Mr. J. Haughton, the newly elected police officer, was sworn in by the magistrate yesterday.

The bark Arica, from Liverpool, is docked at Welch, Rithet & Co.'s inner wharf and unloading cargo.

There is an unusually large number of vessels in the harbor, and one is impressed with the increasing importance of this port.

A large run of seals is reported from points along the coast toward San Francisco, and active preparations are being made for a good winter's catch.

Guy Fawkes' day passed off very quietly; it is evident that old Guy is becoming less popular each year, and is destined soon to be laid on the shelf.

The new block on Government street, corner of Broughton, is about completed. Nearly all the stores are engaged and this portion of the city will soon assume increased activity.

The foliage of the trees at Beacon hill park is very beautiful at the present time with the variegated tints of autumn. Excursions to the woods for autumn leaves are now popular with the young people.

The C.P.R. offices are receiving many enquiries from the east relative to British Columbia lands, and from indications a large immigration may be expected this coming spring.

Mayor Fell interviewed Mr. Thompson, minister of justice at Ottawa, relative to the hanging of Sproule, and the minister said he would be responsible for ordering that the prisoner be hanged.

Personal.

Sir A. Musgrave was a passenger from the mainland last night.

Mr. E. B. Giltnea, attorney of Portland, is at the Driard.

At the Driard: Frank H. Pease, M. A. Rothschild, Nanaimo; Frank Taylor, U.S.A.

Mr. W. A. Bedloe, New York, and G. A. Clarke, jr., Newark, N. J., are at the Driard.

Mr. J. P. Howe, theatrical manager of Portland, and his brother, Mr. N. P. Howe, are registered at the Driard.

At the Occidental: J. McKamon, Comox; H. J. Brown, San Francisco; James Brown, Nanaimo; Fred. Larkon, Vancouver.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. McLellan and Miss McKinnon leave on the Queen to-day for Southern California, where they will spend the winter months.

At the Clarence: T. A. Limson, Oakland, Cal.; J. C. Haines and wife, Seattle; H. O. M. Ridley and wife, Kamloops; P. M Partridge, Miss A. Partridge, Quebec; S. M. Dennis, Toronto.

Mr. Chas. E King, late of the Bell, Larkin & Patterson contract, leaves for the east to-day via San Francisco. Mr. King will take the Southern railway route to New York and other eastern cities. His many friends in Victoria bid him *bon voyage*. He hopes to return in the spring, when the Okanagan & Shuswap railway will be commenced.

What Some People Say.

That Col. John S. Mosby is going on the platform this winter with a lecture detailing his experiences during the war. He receives $500 per night and all expenses.

That the other day a white dove perched on the cab of Engineer Stagger's locomotive on an Ohio railroad, and afterwards flew back and forth in front of the window several times. A few minutes later the locomotive was thrown from the track, and Staggers was killed. The fireman, who was slightly hurt, tells the tale.

That Charles Coughlin, of Philadelphia, had $3,200 stolen from him. A neighboring woman dreamed that it was hidden away in a hayloft, and she climbed up and found all but $1,000 in a handkerchief. She was at once arrested for not dreaming where the balance was, and a search of her house brought the missing sum to light.

That at the Hudson River railroad shops in a toothless steel circular saw, 38 inches in diameter and three-eighths of an inch thick at the edge, which will cut off a bar of iron in a short time. A stream of water is kept pouring over it to prevent cracking. The ends of a rail wear out first; and when cut off the rest can be used on side tracks.

That a junk dealer of Lewiston, Me., found a ball of shoe thread in an old boot. He used the thread for wrapping cord until it was nearly gone, and then found that it had been wrapped around a wad of money, consisting of a half-penny, a gold dollar, a one-dollar treasury note, a one-dollar Canadian bill and a Confederate five-dollar bill.

That a woman was in a grocery store looking at roller pins.

"You may give me two of them," she said.

"Two of them!" queried the clerk.

"Yes. I want to keep one of them clean for bread."

That a slim youth, accompanied by a pug dog and chain attachment, met a young lady on Fifth avenue whom he knew. He walked by her side until her residence was gained, when she invited him in.

"Aw—thawnks awfully; much pleased, I'm sush," he said; but—at—the dog, y'know....."

"Oh, the dog won't make the slightest difference. Dear little fellow. Mamma will be so glad to see you both."

That—Bobby (to young Featherly, who is making an evening call)—"Will you speak a little French for me before you go, Mr. Featherly?"

Featherly (smiling)—"Certainly, Bobby, if you wish it."

Bobby—"I do. Ma says your French is very amusing."

That Dan Rice, the old circus clown, claims to be the rightful heir to an estate of 300,000 acres in Texas. He says he went to Texas and found the title perfect, and now he has only to prove that he is the son of his father, whose name was McLaren. The showman's full name is Daniel Rice McLaren, but he only used part of it for professional purposes. He says he will soon clear up the matter up, and that men of means are furnishing him with money to secure his fortune.

That "Do I love George?" mused Clara softly, "or is it simply a sister's affection that I feel for——"

Just then Bobby burst noiselessly into the room and interrupted her sweet meditations.

"Get out of here, you little brat!" she shouted, and seizing him by the arm shot him through the door.

"Ah, no," she sighed, as she resumed her interrupted train of thought, "my love for George is not a sister's love. It is something sweeter, purer, higher and holier."

That election bets are proverbially singular and frequently very droll, but two politicians at Chicoutimi seem to have struck on a new and original idea. According to Le Reveil du Saguenay, just before the late election for Chicoutimi-Saguenay, a wager was made upon the result between Mr. P. V. Savard, a partisan of Mr. Dumais, and Mr. Sturton, who supported Mr. St. Hilaire—the loser pledging himself to sweep the landing and steps in front of the parish church in presence of the whole congregation at grand mass, in settlement of the bet. Accordingly, to-day, Mr. Savard, the loser, is to distinguish himself as a sweep for the amusement of the population of Chicoutimi.

That a very funny scene happened the other day in an admiralty court not a thousand miles from Halifax. A fisherman from down the shore was called to the witness stand, and as he gave the evidence in the case it was taken down with a caligraph (type writer). Attached to this machine is a small bell or gong which rings as the operator nears the end of a line. The first time the witness heard the bell ring he hesitated and looked mad. He continued his story, however, and in a few minutes the little gong rang again. This time he stopped short in the middle of a sentence and turning to the judge, exclaimed, "I want that young man over thar ter understand that I'm tellin' is the solid truth and he need'nt be 'er ringing that thar chestnut bell at me." This set the court into convulsions, and it took some time to explain matters to the witness.

Marine.

Bark Carrie Delap left yesterday afternoon to load lumber for South America.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 5.—Cleared—Str. Empire, Nanaimo, brig Irene, Port Townsend.

Sailed—Str. Barnard Castle, Nanaimo; str. Mexico, Victoria.

THE AMERICAN BALL.—The ball given by the American Social Club at the Theatre Comique last evening was largely attended, and for the first social gathering of this society, was a complete success. The hall was appropriately decorated with American flags and emblematic eagle, presenting a novel appearance for a Victoria ball room. This society is formed for the purpose of mutual enjoyment among the resident Americans in Victoria. The officers are: Andrew Thorn, William Shewan, C. J. Miller, and Hy. Cowan. It is probable that the membership will be greatly augmented during the winter. The music was furnished by the Queen City orchestra, under the leadership of Mr. A. Dearberg, and the excellent reputation of this popular band was well sustained. At midnight refreshments were enjoyed, which were furnished by Mr. H. Steward, and dancing continued until a late hour this morning.

ORANGEMEN'S BALL.—The ball given by the Orange society at Harmonica hall last evening was well attended and the pleasures of the light fantastic were enjoyed by all present.

FIRE ALARM.—An alarm of fire was sounded at 12 30 yesterday caused by the partial burning of a small house near the Royal hospital belonging to Mr. West. Loss about $100.

SETTLERS.—Mr. W. Halpenny, government guide, will leave by train this morning with a party of settlers for Kokanahan valley, on the line of the railway.

ONTARIO COPPER.

The Immense Deposits of Copper in Sudbury District.

From the October number of the Canadian Mining Review, published at Ottawa, we extract the following in reference to the large deposits now being worked near the line of the C. P. R. in Sudbury district, Ontario.

"The main lode, carrying the yellow sulphuret of copper ore, has been traced by surface croppings for a distance of about four miles and extends from lot 5 in the 1st concession of the township of Blezard, known as Stobie, or Mineral Hill location, south-westward to lot 2, in the 12th concession of McKim, known as Copper Cliff location. Another lode appears on the lot 11, in the 5th concession of McKim, about five miles from Sudbury, where it is crossed by the main line of the Canadian Pacific railway.

"The mineralized portions of the main lode in the Sudbury district is composed of yellow sulphuret of copper, (copper pyrites) intersected by strings of galena, and at some points measure from 40 to 60 feet in width of high grade of ore which will probably yield 8 to 15 per cent. of metallic copper. Although these figures are infinitely below those which have been published, anyone familiar with the history of the important copper mines in other parts of the world will readily agree with us in the opinion that if the above data can be relied upon as the average character of the Sudbury lode, it will develop into a mine, or a number of mines, of gigantic proportions and unlimited capabilities.

"About one hundred men are now employed, and owing to the very favorable position of the deposit at this point the ore can be raised at small cost, and in large quantity. Quite 2000 tons of ore are now on the dump awaiting shipment, and the company is forwarding about 15 car loads daily to the smelting works in New Jersey. It is thought that ultimately the output of copper ore from this locality will find its way to Cleveland, and Detroit, as the reduction in freight rates to those points would be an important item. The distance by rail to Lake Huron is about 70 miles, from whence it can be shipped in ore vessels direct to the smelters. It is not unlikely that furnaces will eventually be erected in proximity to the mines."

News From Nicola.

(From an Occasional Correspondent.)

The weather here still remains unusually dry. Nearly all the small lakes are destitute of water, and many of the small streams have been dried up for the last three months; it is feared that even Nicola river will run dry.

The most important and exciting event of the season, is the changing hands of the Nicola Mill property, consisting of about 1,000 acres of land for dwelling houses, a grist mill and saw mill, new chimney, &c., &c., estimated at about $18,000. The new owners are the very enterprising and indefatigable business firm of Marks, Rutledge & Co., together with the well known capitalist Mr. Henry Woodward. Hitherto the above mentioned firm controlled the chief business of the valley, but from this out there share quite evidently will be the lion's share.

Mr. Fensome, late owner of the mill property, is going to Ontario to remain. He will be very much missed. He is a gentleman who is very highly respected by every person.

Mr. Carrington, of Victoria, is coming this week to occupy with his family the house now occupied by Mr. Fensome, until Mr. Carrington's own house is finished.

St. Andrew's and Caledonian Society.

The annual meeting of the above society was held last evening, when the usual routine business was transacted and the following officers elected for the ensuing year:

President—Capt. John Irving.

First Vice-President—Wm. Lorimer (re-elected.)

Second Vice-President—John Robertson.

Treasurer—Donald McKay (re-elected.)

Secretary—Robt. Mitchell.

Assistant Secretary—A. Grieves.

Chaplain—Rev. R. Stephen.

Physician—Dr. Milne.

Directors—Thos. Russell, James Burns, A. J. Smith, Jas. Hutcheson, A. Allan, W. A. Robertson, W. C. Geddes.

Wardens—Thos. Gorrie and Thos. Innes.

Piper—D. Kennedy.

Bard—J. Deans.

It was decided to hold the annual dinner of the association on the 30th November.

Sproule's Fortune.

BOSTON, Oct. 27.—Sproule, the American under sentence of death at Victoria, B. C., for murder, and whose execution is to take place on Friday next, turns out to be one of the heirs to quite a large estate in Boston. Neither Sproule nor any of the other heirs knew of the property to which they had been entitled for a number of years, until it was discovered and brought to their attention by G. A. Smyth, who is now administrating upon the estate.

CAPTURE OF A CHINESE THIEF.—While a representative of *The Colonist* was coming down Yates street last night he noticed a Chinaman crossing the street with his hands behind his back hiding something. The Celestial looked up and down street when he reached Broad, and kept hurriedly on; but the sly he was holding climbed under his coat and the representative, concluding he had stolen them, ran after him. The Chinaman put as fast as his legs would carry him. The first fifty yards he dropped one saw, another fell at Johnson street, a third half the distance between Johnson and Fendora, and the thief stopped when he reached Pandora, played out. A young fellow coming up, the two self-appointed policemen escorted their prisoner down street, picking up the saws as they went. No officer being within call, he was handed over to Mr. Parsons of the provincial police who took him to the police barracks, where he was looked up. His name is George Quey, and his face is a familiar one among the prisoners who appear in court. Officer Walker accompanied the prisoner to Quadra street, where he said he had discovered the saws during the day under the sidewalk, and went back at night to get them. The owner would favor the police by calling at the barracks.

BODY FOUND.—The body of Capt. Jas. Ogilvie, of the sealing schooner Carolena, who wandered away from Sitka after his schooner had been seized by the Alaska authorities, has been found in the woods by an Indian while out hunting. The seizure so preyed upon the deceased's mind that he went into the woods and cut his throat, as the razor by which the act was done was found underneath his body. Capt. Ogilvie was an old pioneer, was about seventy years of age, and was generally respected in this city.

PERMANENT SETTLERS.—About half the employes whom Bell, Larkin & Paterson brought from the east to work upon the railway contract, are remaining in the province. Some are engaged upon the railway, others have taken up land, and a few have entered into business. They are all good men, and deserve success.

Mainland News.

(Sentinel.)

A letter received last week from Granite city says: "There is considerable mining going on here, notwithstanding the existing depression. The benches along Granite Creek have all been taken up and some of them are paying very well. This camp will give employment to three or four hundred miners for years to come. There has been comparatively speaking, very little prospecting done outside of Granite and a few other streams where gold was known to exist in paying quantities."..... We understand Mr. Tunstall is to be stationed as stipendiary magistrate for Nicola, the coming winter.

Dr. Geo. T. Orton, M. P. Centre Wellington, Dr. Campbell, of Denver, Colorado, and G. B. Wright, Esq., arrived by Saturday's train from the east. They visited the Nicola Milling and Mining company's property the early part of the week, and made an examination of the ores, work done and the locality. Dr. Orton is interested in mining at Big Bend, Kootenay, etc., and Dr. Campbell represents capitalists that are inclined if prospects warrant to establish a reducing mill somewhere along the line of the C. P. railway, wherever most convenient for shipping purposes.

We are glad to be able to announce that the directors of the Shuswap & Okanagan railway have handed over their charter to Messrs. Connolly, Larkin & Co., of Montreal, on condition that they will at once proceed with the location survey, and have all the plans ready to be submitted to the house of commons at the ensuing session. Mr. Perry, C. E., left yesterday morning with a party of sixteen, and hopes to have the survey completed before the end of the year. The settlers of Spallumcheen are to be congratulated on this work falling into the hands of men of good standing and ample means, and who will, in all probability, carry it to a successful termination. Mr. Lumby, who may be considered the father of the S. & O. railway, is secretary of the new board.

The Stage.

The largest audience of the week greeted Miss Georgia Woodthorpe last night at the New Market Theatre. It was her last performance in Portland. Miss Woodthorpe and her company have made a good impression in Portland, and the good wishes of many friends will follow them on their tour over the circuit. It is to be hoped Miss Woodthorpe will be able to give a short season in Portland on her return and prior to her departure for the east.—*Oregonian.*

Miss Woodthorpe will open in The Victoria on Thursday evening for a season of three nights, under the management of Mr. J. P. Howe, the veteran theatrical manager. She will open with "May Blossom," and will also give her special piece, "Among the Pines." Her support is spoken of in terms of praise by the Pacific coast press. The company show some of the finest colored crayon lithographs that have been seen here.

ALBERNI NEWS.—Mr. Frank McQuillan, of Alberni, arrived in the city last night and reports an era of prosperity and improvement from that portion of the island. Messrs. McPherson & Fraser are making excellent headway on the new wagon road being constructed from Englishman's river to Alberni around Cameron lake. The road will be completed and ready for travel in about three weeks. This will make a good road the entire distance from Nanaimo to Alberni, and it is probable that a stage will be placed on the route in the near future. The Sumas river is in a bad condition for navigation from snags, and the steamer is unable to get up to the Alberni landing. The farmers are reported to be well satisfied with their prospects, and there are hundreds of acres of good land not yet taken in the vicinity of Central lake and Sproat lake. The Chinamen who left the Alberni gold diggings for Bear river are said to be taking out $5 a day to the man. The timber along the new wagon road is unusually fine, especially the large cedars. Plenty of elk and bear are seen, and the locality offers rare shooting for sportsmen.

THE ROAD ACCIDENT.—The name of the driver of the team who was killed on the Cariboo road by the overturning of the wagon, is Dupree. When found he was lying underneath the wagon, and only spoke a few words, telling how the accident occurred, when he expired. He was a middle-aged man. The point at which the accident occurred is known as Marguerite hill, at the steamboat landing between Soda Creek and Alexandria. It is a year ago this month since a rancher named Price was killed at this very place through a similar accident to the wagon.

ACCIDENT.—While a lady was walking over the crossing from Van Volkenburgh Bros. to the Pritchard house last evening, she fell into the excavation made for placing the stone crossing. Some warning or protection should be placed where unfinished work is, or otherwise serious accidents may ensue.

THROUGH TRAVEL.—A number of through passengers from Quebec arrived by the Louise last night *en route* for San Francisco. They form a portion of an excursion, $90 to San Francisco and return to Quebec.

(From the Daily Colonist, Nov. 7.)

The "Times."

Our evening contemporary accuses us of violence, in our article in our last issue, on the execution of the unfortunate man Sproule. . . . We have the statement of the Times that this man, who weighed 184 lbs. at the time of his trial, weighed 100 lbs. when he met his doom. . . . The sneer about the bribed testimony we can quite appreciate, though we do not envy it. Its cause is not far to seek. Those who may take the trouble to recall the unfortunate man's words, in the dock, when he was asked what he had to say why sentence of death should not be passed upon him, will understand the reason for the meaning of the Times. . . . Timid, time-serving journalism is a curse instead of a blessing wherever it is found, and without seeking very far, abundant specimens of it can be discerned in this beautiful city of ours.—*Industrial News.*

QUICK TIME.—As considerable complaint has been made of late that shipments per C.P.R. have not been arriving as rapidly as our merchants and other friends of this line would wish, it is gratifying to state that a shipment from London, England, to C. Strouss & Co., which left on 29th September, arrived in Victoria yesterday. We are glad to see that the efforts of those connected with the freight department of the C. P. Ry., are meeting with deserved success, and think there will be no cause of complaint in future on account of detention of goods in transit.

POLICE NOTES.—Wm. Blee and Jas. Warren, charged with shooting tame geese, were remanded until Tuesday. . . . A. Lawson was in a hurry to get across James bay bridge, and drove faster than a walk. He will have a hearing on Monday. . . George, alias Ah Sing, charged with stealing some saws from the workshop of W. H. Burkholder on Broad street. He is an old offender and was sentenced to three months imprisonment at hard labor.

UNITED STATES ELECTIONS

Bartlett Elected Governor by 250 Plurality.

Careful Measures to Preserve the Ballots.

McGill Ahead for Governor in Minnesota.

(Exclusive to The Colonist.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 6.—Corrected figures received to-day make at half-past ten to-night: Bartlett 292 ahead of Swift on the whole state. The Chronicle tomorrow will concede the election of Bartlett by 250 plurality.

The Republican committee has requested and obtained permission to place its seal on package containing the votes cast in this city and on the vaults containing them. In addition, the committee has stationed at the registrar's office two watchmen, to watch the vault and see that there is no tampering with the votes.

This evening's Post, as explanatory of the sudden change in the proportion of Bartlett's plurality in this city during the concluding hours of the count, alleges that in many cases clerical errors were committed, or a bold attempt to steal votes from Swift were made. The Post claims that in the ninth precinct, fortieth district, Bartlett was credited with a gain of 90 votes; in the ninth precinct, of the thirty fifth district, where partial returns showed a vote of 75 for Swift and complete returns only 57. It may be that these discrepancies are caused by error, but there is sufficient reason to have them investigated. In regard to the ballots which were stolen from the election inspector while being taken to the registrar's office, Registrar Walsh says: "Returns as shown by the tally slip and poll books would have to be accepted."

ST. PAUL, Minn., Nov. 5.—An evening dispatch makes the following summary of majorities for governor: Sixty-two complete counties give McGill 16,384; Ames, 17,205. Nearly complete counties: McGill, 3,381; Ames, 2,451. Nine counties, only meagrely reported, give McGill 512; Ames 46. Total—20,278 for McGill; 19,702 for Ames. McGill in the lead by 544.

Deliberate Suicide.

At 8 30 last evening, as the clerks in the city gun store, No. 74 First street, were shutting up shop, a stranger entered. He said, interrogatively, "I guess I am too late." Harry Wood, one of the clerks, said, "No, I can wait upon you." The stranger then asked for a 22-caliber revolver. Wood told him they were out of that size. He said he wanted a 22, as he had some cartridges of that size, but if they had none of that size he would take a 32-caliber. Wood handed him one, and after looking at it he said it would do. He then asked that it be loaded. Wood accordingly filled the chambers with cartridges and handed it to the stranger, who, taking it in his hand, said, "Do you know what I'm going to do?" Almost before the surprised clerk could say "no," the stranger whipped up the pistol and shot himself on the head, the bullet entering near the top of the right ear. He fell across the floor between the counters and never moved. The clerk rushed to the police office and gave information of the tragedy. No one knew the man, who was medium sized and roughly dressed, and from the appearance of his hands a laboring man. The coroner took charge of the remains and removed them to the morgue. While the remains being removed to the morgue the clothing of the deceased was searched and letters and papers found a note that his name was Martin McCue. The letters bore a recent date and were from Albina and addressed to Martin McCue, 686 W. Van Buren street, Chicago, Ill., and signed "your loving wife, Lena." From their contents it would appear that McCue was a married man with several children, who sent his wife and family here from Chicago some months ago and since followed her out. It was learned late last night that McCue came here recently from Chicago, and that his wife's parents live at Albina. McCue is a horse shoer and ran a shop at Albina for several weeks. Lately he has been engaged at day work on this side. The cause of his killing himself is said to be that he felt discouraged, and expressed himself on several occasions as sorry for leaving Chicago, where he had a good position.—*Oregonian.*

Miss Georgie Woodthorpe.

Certainly a more satisfied audience could not have been gathered in a house of amusement than that which witnessed "May Blossom" by the Georgie Woodthorpe company last evening. It was as smooth and well balanced a performance as one cares to see. Miss Woodthorpe sustained the role of the heroine in a very pleasing manner. Her scenes with Steve were admirably well managed, particularly in the third act, where filled with horror and repulsion at her husband's perfidy, she drives him from her home and then falls fainting on the floor. Mr. J. W. McConnell simply surprised us with the earnestness and pathos which he threw into the difficult part of Steve Harland. He was natural and easy in all the trying situations of the role. Fid M. Page, as Uncle Bartlett, the parson, was amusing. Henessy Leroyle's Owen was cleverly made up and acted. Little Ella Whipple, as Little May, was very clever, and the remainder of the cast was acceptable. The piece was well mounted. To-night and to-morrow night will be the last performances, of this pretty little drama.—*Oregonian.*

The above is the play with which Miss Woodthorpe will open her engagement here.

The Chatham (N.B.) World has the following: "Since the above (a paragraph in the Gazette asking if the Liberals of Northumberland had accepted Mr. Snowball in preference to Mr. Mitchell) was published the liberals, with whom Mr. Mitchell has recently allied himself (while "the friends who have loyally sustained him in the past" remain supporters of the government), have nominated Mr. Snowball for the seat Mr. Mitchell now holds. Mr. Mitchell has, therefore, no chance of election here except as the government candidate. Will he return to his party and regain his old place as its standard bearer in this county? If not he will be out in the cold. There is no third party in Northumberland." The World is the leading paper in Mr. Mitchell's present constituency.

SALMON FOR AUSTRALIA.—A large shipment of salmon was on the Queen of the Pacific yesterday, destined for Australia. There were 1,942 cases canned salmon and 145 barrels and 332 half-barrels pickled salmon. This shipment and the Alberniano cargo, now loading, will about clear out all this season's pack.

LARGE LIST.—The Queen of the Pacific sailed yesterday with 250 white and 60 Chinese passengers. There were many of them from Eastern Canada and Alaska, while Victoria also provided a good number.

Personal.

Col. Stevens, U. S. consul, has returned from a trip to Seattle.

S. Adler returned from Granite Creek, and will remain in Victoria.

W. O. Miller, of the C. P. R., Port Moody, and wife, arrived down last night.

At the Oriental: Mrs. Lawrence, J. Scott, Nanaimo; J. Deacon, Calgary.

E. A. McLean, of San Francisco, who has spent several weeks in the city, returned home yesterday by the Queen.

Capt. Rainier, of the American sealing schooner San Diego, who was imprisoned at Sitka, arrived on the Idaho yesterday.

At the Clarence: Dr. J. H. Rowbotham, Quamichan Park; J. T. Burke, Seattle; M. Jones, W. Bennett, Nanaimo; H. W. Sitwell, Vancouver.

Mr. A. Stevenson, Cariboo road superintendent, accompanied by his wife and family, arrived from the mainland yesterday and are registered at the Oriental.

Mr. James Stewart, rancher, of Cache Creek valley, is at the St. Joseph's hospital, seriously ill with congestion of the lungs.

J. W. McFarland and G. A. Keefer of Vancouver, and Lawrence Dokne, New Westminster, arrived down on the Princess Louise yesterday.

Harry Abbott, general superintendent of the Pacific division of the C. P. R., and A. J. Dana, purchasing agent, arrived down on the Princess Louise last night.

At the Driard: Miss N. P. Howes and maid, Washington; Fred. H. Peterson and wife, Seattle; W. Heffernan, Montreal; B. C. Samuel, Alamania, J. C. Harris and wife, Seattle.

Gideon Robertson, estate broker, who has been spending several months in Toronto and other eastern cities, arrived home last night over the C. P. R., looking the picture of health after his extended trip.

At the Occidental: D. S. McLees, Wellington; F. H. Case, H. B. Wilson, New Westminster; R. Lowery, Tacoma; H. Swanson, Chemainus; N. Johns, W. Bennett, Nanaimo.

Dr. and Mrs. W. Cummings and daughter, of Virginia, who have spent the summer in our city, left yesterday for San Francisco, where they will remain during the winter. The venerable doctor is so pleased with Victoria and its surroundings that he intends returning with the swallow in the spring.

Mr. W. A. Baillie-Grohman left for England this morning. Mr. Grohman has been interested in various enterprises in the province, to all of which he has brought that ability and assiduity which characterize him. His facile pen has frequently graced the columns of *The Colonist*, and his very descriptions of sporting life in the upper country have endeared him to many of our readers. In wishing him *un bon voyage*, we also express the hope of a speedy and safe return.

C. C. Jaffray, of the Canadian American, Chicago, arrived yesterday and registered at the Clarence. The Jaffray brothers have made a wonderful success at their ventures, so much so that it was compulsory upon them to remove from Minneapolis to Chicago, which is a more central point. They are two of the many young Canadians in the United States, who have become successful and reliable business men. Mr. Jaffray will remain in the city a couple of days, and will probably return east by the C. P. R.

Marine.

The Glenlyon will sail on Tuesday next for the west coast of South America.

Steamship Idaho, Capt. Hunter, arrived from Alaska yesterday, and sailed for Port Townsend and Portland in the afternoon.

Steamship Queen of the Pacific, Capt. Alexander, sailed for San Francisco at 1 p. m. yesterday.

Steamer Ancon sailed for San Francisco yesterday, where she will go into the dry dock.

Ship R. P. Buck completed her cargo of V. C. Co.'s coal last evening and left at once for San Francisco.

Ships Glory of the Seas and Wilna are taking on cargoes of Wellington coal, for San Francisco. They will complete their cargoes early next week.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 6.—Arrived—Steamship Sardonyx, Victoria. Cleared—Ship Ocean King, Nanaimo; schooner Dora Blum, Port Townsend. Sailed—Ship Canada, Tacoma; brig Irene, Port Townsend; steamer Empire, Nanaimo.

From Granite Creek.

Mr. S. Adler arrived in Victoria yesterday from Granite Creek. He describes it as the worst mining camp he has known since 1850. Those who are remaining are only holding on in the hope of an improvement. If gold is secured in paying quantities it will be found in the hill claims. Some of these latter have paid wages. A house that cost $600 in labor alone was sold for two glasses of whiskey. Another that cost $1,500 was sold for $15 and cut into firewood. Goods are being sacrificed. About forty white men still remain.

Blue Ribbon Club.

The hall was full, as usual, last night, and a programme of unusual excellence was presented. It was as follows: Mr. West delivered a masterly address; recitation, "For Our Baby's Sake," Miss Gibbs; song, "Never Give In," Mr. Jas. Hughes; Miss Gilbert, of Nanaimo, gave a most interesting recitation, and was doubly encored; Miss L