

Local News

Victoria West Methodist choir had its annual meeting on the Gorge Friday night. A pleasant evening was enjoyed by all present.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Stockand, of South road, mourn the loss of their infant daughter, Edith Ester, aged 9 months.

The funeral of Tashio Nabori, a native of Japan, 15 years of age, who died Friday at St. Joseph's hospital, took place on Saturday from Hayward's undertaking parlors. Religious services were conducted by the priests of the Bukyo faith.

The funeral of the late Mary Augustine Salmon took place on Saturday at 8:45 o'clock from Hayward's undertaking parlors, and at the Roman Catholic cathedral at 9 o'clock. Services were conducted at the church and grave by Rev. Father Larmer.

J. G. Brown, of the public works department, returned on Friday from an inspection of the Nicola telegraph line, which runs southerly from Kamloops for 70 miles. Mr. Brown made a quick trip, leaving here last Monday. He reports the line to be in good condition. He further says there is a magnificent hay crop, thousands and thousands of tons having been cut.

When the steamer Queen City arrives from the West Coast she is expected to have as cargo another substantial shipment of lumber from the Victoria Quinsino, which is operated by Messrs. Clark & Lee. The lumber is of the finest quality. Only the best manufactured is sent to this city, where it is generally used in cars and forwarded to Winnipeg. The present management have recently effected some improvements to the mill, and of late the plant has been kept pretty busy.

It will be of interest to those who have been speculating on whether the steamship Princess Victoria will run throughout the foggy season and maintain her high rate of speed, to know that the C. P. R. Company contemplate nothing of the kind. It is expected that the ship will be kept going while the double overland service is provided, but at no time will she be rushed at a high rate of speed when fog hangs over the water in which she is traveling.

Victoria dog fanciers are now looking forward to the fall shows that are to be held at Nanaimo, Victoria, B. C., and Salem and Spokane, Wn., in the order named. It is expected that a number of prize-winning dogs from local kennels will compete in the Victoria show, and it is therefore probable that some of the trophies offered will be brought to this city. Preparations for a small show under the auspices of the Victoria Kennel Club, open only to local dogs, is under consideration, but nothing definite has yet been decided.

Biddy Bishop and his colored fighting machine, Billy Woods, whose pugilistic exploits numbered the greatest mid-dleweight in the business territory, arrived on the Victoria last Thursday from the north, says the Seattle Post-Intelligencer. Woods has been in Dawson the past few months and his stop in the far northern city he succeeded in smashing into smithereens the fistie ambitions of Nick Burley and Joe Millet, both of whom are in the heavy weight division of the business. Woods defeated Millet in three and again in twenty rounds—twice in the same night, and three weeks later he engaged Burley and knocked him out in eighteen rounds.

All extensive repairs to the Victoria public schools have been completed, and most of the buildings will be found in the best possible condition for the winter when the children return to their studies. There are still, however, a number of smaller improvements in progress, principally to the North Ward and Kingston street schools. The advisability of repairing the roof of the Victoria West building, which is reported to be badly in need of repair, has been informally discussed among some of the trustees. It is altogether probable that some work of repair will be undertaken almost immediately.

A considerable quantity of the furniture and household effects belonging to sufferers from the recent fire which was collected in a room in the market building has been identified, although quite a lot remain. Reports of goods missing and found are being received by the police daily, and it will be a long time before the adjustment is complete. Excavator McCandless is looking for the head of a walnut bedstead, two sides and feet of an oak bedstead, one spring mattress and one oak drawer. Mrs. Burton is anxious to recover an ornate English gold watch with a stag on the dial, and three rings, one of which is a buckle ring, the other plain gold, and the third is set with a single emerald.

Steps are being taken by H. Cuthbert, secretary of the Tourist Association, to establish a permanent exhibit at the Fort street rooms. This display, it is proposed, shall include all small fruits grown in the neighborhood of Victoria, such as cherries, plums, strawberries, etc., which will be preserved whole in alcohol. The first consignment of this exhibit arrived the other day in the shape of honorably packed bottles of splendid looking cherries from a Gorden Head ranch. Other fruit is expected, and Mr. Cuthbert says the display will be made as complete as possible. As a result of the article which appeared in the Farmer's Advocate some weeks ago, pointing out the agricultural advantages of the country in the vicinity of this city, particularly for poultry raising and fruit growing, Mr. Cuthbert has received many inquiries. He announces that he can put any local farmer in communication with expert fruit growers or poultry men should they happen to require their services.

No decision has yet been reached, it is understood, in regard to rebuilding the portion of the Alhambra Iron Works destroyed by fire on Tuesday last.

The steamers which have been down the straits with purse seines looking for salmon are, it is stated, only doing prospecting work with a view to picking out the best trawling sites.

Rev. W. W. Weeks, D. D., one of Toronto's most popular and eloquent ministers, is announced to lecture in Calgary Baptist church next Wednesday evening. His subject will be, "The Crop That Never Fails."

A large force of men is engaged on the cement works being constructed on Tod creek, Saanich Arm. Wharves are going up and buildings are being erected in a manner which indicates that the proprietors are in earnest.

The cable which is shortly to connect Alaska with Puget Sound has now been laid to a distance of 20 miles off Cape Cook, on the northwest coast of this island. At this point the cable will be laid in a trench, and the steamer had to return to Tacoma for the remaining line.

On Friday in the police court the second charge preferred against Andrew Blyth, namely, of conducting business as a transient trader without taking out a license, was withdrawn. It will be remembered that the first case was on the rock on which that part of the revenue law dealing with transient traders split.

A correspondent writing from Port Simpson says "The Mar. Gravel, the new Methodist divine for this place, and his family arrived here a few days ago, and is now in charge of the mission. The Methodist minister here has been without a pastor nearly the entire summer, the exception being the few weeks Mr. Knott, of Victoria, was here last spring."

C. S. Baxter, secretary-liquidator of the Vancouver Island Building Society, gives notice that application will be made by commission on behalf of the society to the judge in Chambers on Wednesday, August 17th, for the approval of the court to the proposal for compromising the liability of the company to its members who desire to withdraw.

Present indications are that the board of trade excursion in honor of Hon. R. Prefontaine, minister of marine and fisheries, will be an unqualified success. The council has resolved that the number of tickets to be sold in order that the excursion may not be overcrowded. Tickets have been received from the printer and distributed among the members of the board, some of whom had disposed of their supplies by noon. Anyone desiring to avail himself of the opportunity of taking in the excursion should send his name to the secretary or any member of the council.

The Victoria theatrical season will be opened on Monday, September 5th, the initial attraction being Hoyt's amusing production "A Texas Steer." This comedy is always a favorite here, having created a good impression when it was first presented by Katie Putnam several years ago. The management of the theatre also announces that among the present attractions will be a play which will be Edna Wallace Hopper. This dashing little actress has been pretty widely advertised in Victoria, and doubtless will draw a crowded house.

Victor Cole, brakeman on a coal train drawn by an electric motor through the tunnel at Esquimalt, was struck by the engine on Saturday afternoon while adjusting a coupling. He was stooping when a car moving slowly along struck him on the head, smashing his skull. The engine driver, who is a motorman, rushed to his assistance, and a special train conveyed him to an emergency hospital, where he underwent an operation. His condition is critical, but he has a chance to recover.

Another moonlight excursion will be held under the auspices of the congregation of the Centennial Methodist church on the evening of Wednesday, the 24th inst. A start will be made as usual at 7 o'clock from the Victoria West building, the excursionists to reach Sidney and connect with the steamer Victorian an hour later. A short sail will be made among the Gulf Islands. Music will be provided for the occasion by the church orchestra, and refreshments are to be served by the ladies. The steamer will start at Victoria at 11:30 o'clock, and will arrive at Sidney at 1:30 o'clock or thereabouts. All who attend are assured a pleasant time.

Plans for the foundations of the C. P. R. hotel are expected to arrive on today's steamer from Vancouver. Should they come they will be open for inspection at the office of Architect Rattenbury tomorrow, but in view of the fact that the tenders must be received by noon on Monday, local contractors will not have much time in which to prepare their bids. In this connection it would seem that the Vancouver contractors will enjoy a decided advantage in the matter of time, as the plans are believed to have been there a day or so ago at least. Some preliminary work for the benefit of the contractors is now being carried on at the flats. It is altogether likely that the time for the receipt of tenders will be further extended.

B. J. Short, of Vancouver, who proposes building a fish trap at Clover Point for experimental work, was seen Friday by a Times representative. He says that he has already commenced the driving of piles for the trap at Clover Point, and that he is confident that the waters this year, and he is of opinion that another year he will get his share of the fish. He is convinced that the fish will be much better than the piles withstanding the storms of winter, that is a matter which does not worry Mr. Short. He says that the piles have to be removed every year, and either replaced or cleaned. Should they be left two seasons in the water the barnacles on them would destroy the netting.

Ragged clothes quickly—that's what common soaps with "premiums" cost; but

SUNLIGHT SOAP REDUCES LAUNDRY EXPENSE. Ask for the Octagon Bar.

A meeting of the directors of the Provincial Royal Jubilee hospital will be held at the hospital at 8 o'clock on Wednesday evening.

Rev. Jos. McCoy conducted the services in connection with the funeral of the infant son of D. Mason, Amelia street, Monday afternoon.

A committee meeting of the Victoria West Municipal Association will be held on Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock in the athletic rooms of that suburb. General business will be transacted.

As will be seen in an advertisement in the Times a reduction of ten per cent. in license, was withdrawn. It will be given off the present price list on all rough lumber, lath and shingles.

Members of the park committee extend thanks to Wm. Hart for a baby seal which will be quite an attraction at Beacon Hill. A bird hawk from Mrs. F. D. T. Hodgson is also gratefully acknowledged.

Sunday afternoon Albert E. Collis, a conductor on the Fort street tramway line, was the victim of a painful accident, which might have resulted seriously. The car was rounding a curve at the head of Oak Bay avenue, when Mr. Collis lost his hold and was thrown heavily to the road. Fortunately he escaped without injury beyond some bruises and a severe shaking up. He will be unable to attend to his duties for several days.

Captain Gregory Morgan, in charge of the Oregon, Washington and Alaska fisheries district, and Capt. J. W. United States fisheries inspector, were in the city on Saturday afternoon and on Sunday. They arrived from Seattle on the United States lighter, and proceeded to Portland, from where they will probably go North. The Heather, on which they travel, is comparatively a new ship, and is thoroughly modern in all her equipment.

Those who intend to take up the supplementary examination for the school in connection with the McGill matriculation are requested to meet Principal E. B. Paul, M. A., of the Victoria College, at the school building on Monday, from 10 o'clock to noon. The class commenced this morning with less than half of the expected number in attendance. It should be borne in mind that those who did not pass the June examinations will not be disqualified from taking up the first year McGill course even should they be unsuccessful in September. Those who are approaching next they will be allowed conditions.

A class in Latin will be formed in connection with the Girls' Central school, if there are enough properly qualified applicants to justify it. The purpose of this modification of the curriculum, which has already been adopted in connection with the Boys' school, is to shorten the high school course for those who wish to avail themselves of it and are able to do so. It will be necessary, however, that application be made to the city superintendent at the city hall as early as possible this week in order that the necessary arrangements may be made before the opening of the schools next Monday.

Plans and specifications for the foundations of the new C. P. R. hotel are now on view in the office of Capt. Troop, Wharf street. Mayor Bernard Telegraphed to Mr. Marpole at Vancouver on Saturday suggesting that the plans be extended from Monday to Thursday, so as to give Victoria contractors a chance, and in reply received the following message: "Tenders are for item work and not for above contract. Therefore, should be no cause for delay. Tenders will be received from Victoria contractors up till 2:00 o'clock Monday at Victoria."

The bush fire season is on with a vengeance. Along the E. & N. railway and around Shewan Lake large areas of timber are going up in smoke. Yesterday the fire raged furiously near the lake opposite Koenig's, and at times seemed to threaten the suburbanites whose houses are in the vicinity. Fortunately between them and the fire zone is a belt of green brush, while the wind was also in their favor. Fire fighters spent considerable time yesterday keeping the flames at a distance, and they had a pretty warm task on their hands. Passengers returning from up the line points in the evening noted fires along the road just beyond Goldstream, where they had approached quite close to the track.

At Nanaimo on Saturday, at the residence of the bride's parents, Selby street, the wedding took place of Mr. Edward Mallandaine, of Creston, B. C., and Miss Jean Ramsay, daughter of Mr. Joseph Ramsay, of Nanaimo. Mr. Mallandaine is a native of Victoria, and belongs to one of the best known families of the province. His father having published the first directory ever issued on Vancouver Island as long ago as 1858. A grandson of Major-General Mallandaine, Esq. E. L. C. S., Mr. Mallandaine claims consanguinity with a number of distinguished Norman-French and Huguenot families. Among the wedding presents given by the groom's parents was some handsome silver plate, which has been in the family for 300 years.

FISH PROPAGATION AND TRAP LICENSES

H. Bell-Irving Spoke on Subject at Vancouver Board of Trade—Resolution Carried.

Members of the Vancouver board of trade at a meeting Friday night discussed the matter of fish traps at some length. H. Bell-Irving said this would be the first time for many years that the minister of marine and fisheries would be seen in the West, when matters could be laid before him on the spot. There were many things that required urgent and prompt attention. As it now stands the "poor" years in the salmon industry are becoming steadily poorer. There is only one year in four when a remunerative pack may be looked for. This year the pack will be the lowest on record. The present state of affairs was due, no doubt, to the distance of the authorities from the scene of the industry. There were many points which should be urged strenuously upon the attention of the minister, and he thought it might be in order to submit the memorial of the Fraser River Cannery Association to the board.

There were two important points, propagation and trap licenses. On the subject of propagation, the board of trade adopted, allowing the use of traps over the whole of the province, but it was so late that it was impossible to take advantage of them this season, except in one instance. In January, 1902, a royal commission had been appointed to consider the fishery situation in this province, when the canners presented a memorial setting forth the amount of capital invested and the necessity of protection. Unless the canners were fairly dealt with, these interests would suffer. There was a grander of \$3,000,000 worth of property becoming absolutely valueless. They should not be compelled to erect canneries elsewhere, as there were enough now, and all that was necessary was that the trap licenses should be distributed fairly and equitably. Professor Prince and others in authority had given every assurance that the canners would be fairly dealt with, but the result was the contrary.

When the minister went on to say that there were 40 canneries on the Fraser river, and seven trap licenses had been granted to owners. Six of these were to one party. On the subject of the canneries united in saying no licenses should be granted. There were 13 canneries there, and all these licenses issued by the Dominion government had been given to one concern. It practically amounted to this fact, that all the licenses were granted to two individuals, neither being resident in the province. The New Westminster, where the great bulk of the canning industry of British Columbia was centered. Every part of the province should receive its share. It was most necessary that the Dominion government should grant no licenses next year before some proper and equitable arrangement was made. All interested should be considered.

In northern waters the present method of fishing was very satisfactory, but as to the fish the canners cannot say. Traps were introduced there it would mean the complete displacement and disbanding of labor conditions. What was urged was that no additional means to capture the fish, but measures to increase the supply. The depletion of the fish was not a real problem. Mr. Bell-Irving then moved that in view of the large sums invested by canners and fishermen in the salmon fishing industry, and the amount of property and appliances on the strength of existing regulations, it is necessary that when trap licenses are issued vested interests should be fully safeguarded. This should be done in the manner in which licenses have been granted up to the present time, and urged that no licenses should be issued for the season of 1905 until a scheme has been adopted which shall be fair and equitable to the large interests involved; and in view of the depletion of the supply of salmon making it urgently necessary that an increased number of hatcheries be built and operated on the Fraser river, Rivers Inlet, and Skeena rivers, this board prays that prompt steps be taken towards that end.

In seconding the resolution, F. Burnett said he was heartily in accord with it. The Liberal Association was also unanimously in favor of similar action, and he would like to see a resolution drafted and passed by the association. He mentioned Messrs. Todd & Sons over bona fide cannermen. It was a fact that applications of cannermen were made before Todd's, yet the latter firm was granted the licenses.

"Heap big pull," remarked the chairman. The chairman, H. McDowell, asked Mr. Bell-Irving if there were any way in which the canners of British Columbia and Puget Sound or the governments of the two countries could co-operate to prevent the depletion of the fish. As it was, the Americans were stealing our fish, while the Fraser canneries only got the overflow. For his part he thought the government was acting foolishly in not granting licenses.

"But if they are to be granted, it should be done fairly," Mr. Burnett remarked. Mr. Bell-Irving said the canners in general preferred that no traps be granted, rather than that one or two people should secure a monopoly to the ruin of the interests already vested. He thought it was a serious condition that it only needed a very depressed market to kill it, and it was a very serious matter to Vancouver and New Westminster. There has been an association of the canners in the form of the "Amalgamated" and the last year the propagation and conservation of the salmon, and they were fully alive over there the importance of the question. Mr. Bell-Irving said they had only been organized a few weeks, and were not sufficiently consolidated yet to devise a scheme. There is a very strong feeling in the hatcheries could be on British soil, operated by British subjects, and in the event of a strike, they could be made to assist, but it had been pointed out to them that they would not be permitted

to operate hatcheries of their own over here. The resolution carried unanimously.

HOLD-UP MAN GAUGHT.

Vancouver Contractor Had Narrow Escape From Being Killed.

"About 12 o'clock Saturday night two shots were fired in quick succession towards the inhabitants of Thurlow street from their beds," says Sunday's Vancouver News-Advertiser. "They heard shouting in the street and rushed out pell-mell. A man lay on the boulevard near the corner of Robson street with a gash in his throat, and a pool of blood round him. Nearby stood Mr. W. W. Dechant, of Messrs. Fraser & Brehaut, the contractors, with blood upon his temples and talking excitedly. The story he told was that as he was walking along the street, a masked man came within ten feet of him, and holding up two revolvers bade him hold up his hands.

"Without hesitating for a second, Mr. Brehaut sprang at the man and clinched his ear, and the other grazed his temple, but he hung on and tried to force the robber down. How it happened he never knew, but he fancied that the man drew a jack-knife from his pocket and cut his hand. The next moment he was writing in the grass beneath him. "The neighbors flocked out and help was hastily summoned. Dr. Boyle came and examined the man's wounds, but he could not be taken to the City hospital, and soon Sergeant Harris and Officer McLeod were on the spot. Soon after came the ambulance, and the wounded man was whisked away to the City hospital. "On the spot where he fell the police found two revolvers and a jack-knife covered with blood. As he was lifted into the ambulance a gold watch fell from his pocket, and on examination a monogram corresponding to that on the watch taken from Mr. Pearson's a few nights ago was found on the watch. The watch was on him a rubber tube, loaded with lead as one and.

MINISTER WILL ARRIVE THURSDAY

The minister stated that he would reach Victoria on Thursday morning, and this afternoon the programme consists of a trip to Lake Beautiful power works, Omineca to-night, and tomorrow he will meet deputations from the city council, board of trade, canners and other bodies.

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE AT NEW WESTMINSTER

Fire, which broke out in the British Columbia Electric Railway car shops on Twelfth street, New Westminster, at 3:45 Saturday afternoon, caused a loss to the railway company of something like \$35,000. The firemen arrived in sight of the burning shops it was seen that they were past saving. The whole building was a mass of flames. They got out four lines of hose and directed their energies to saving the gas plant on the opposite side of the street, for the flames were spreading rapidly, and the out-buildings of the gas plant had caught. Hard work by the firemen put this blaze out, and on the other side the fireboat was keeping watch over the Chinese cannery and Tai's mill. All escaped any damage.

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CALDWELL—At New Denver, on Aug. 9th, Mrs. Eleanor Caldwell, aged 67 years. LAUGHTON—At Revelstoke, on Aug. 8th, Mrs. Wallace Laughton, aged 71 years and 23 days. WILKINSON—At Revelstoke, on Aug. 9th, Mrs. Elizabeth Wilkinson, aged 82 years. BLACKMORE—At Vancouver, on Aug. 8th, William Blackmore, aged 82 years. MILTON—At Vancouver, on Aug. 10th, Samuel Milton, aged 65 years.

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LYRA'S EXPERIENCE IN ORIENTAL
Hoard Explosion Which Sank Commander—Excursion Bellingham Bay.

Officers and crew of the Lyra which arrived Friday and ports in China and within hearing distance of which sent the British steamer Commander to the bottom was on her way to Yokohama when a heavy explosion, which was probably the just arrival of liner from the Russians. 50 in ten miles of Izu Point, firing occurred. Officers of the Lyra were not aware of the explosion until the Lyra was seen to be on fire. The Lyra started on the Pacific the night of Oct. 10th, and had only reached about the 30th inst. when she was back. No steamer is allowed to pass this point without a salute, and the Lyra had a salute from the British steamer. The Lyra was seen to be on fire, and the Lyra was seen to be on fire, and the Lyra was seen to be on fire.

Lumber Notice.

Notice is hereby given that on and after this date a reduction of ten per cent. in addition to the cash discount will be given off the present price list on all rough lumber, lath and shingles.

This applies to Victoria City and District. By order of the Victoria Branch of the British Columbia Lumber & Single Manufacturers' Association.

ANGEL HOTEL, Langley St. Mrs. Carpe, Prop.

Temperance Family Hotel. UNION ARMY VETERANS.

Annual Encampment Gathering at Boston—Successful Week Anticipated.

IN DISTRESS. The United States steamer arrived at Honolulu on 2nd inst. She reports the British ship Honolulu, which was on her way to Honolulu, was in distress. She was on her way to Honolulu, and she was in distress.

THURSDAY'S EXPLOSION. On the steamship Dominion Bay Thursday afternoon arrived 651 excursionists from Seattle, and they were on their way to Victoria.

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