

THE DISTRICT SCHOOLS.

THE half-yearly examination of this school took place on Friday last, in the afternoon. About 40 scholars took part in the exercises, and over twenty visitors helped to fill the school-room without uncomfortable crowding.

SOUTH SAANICH.

A number of visitors assembled at the school-room, Friday, June 26th, to witness the closing exercises. The examination was conducted by the teacher, Mr. George H. Sluggitt, assisted by Mr. McLennan, of West Saanich.

ROLL OF HONOR.

Proficiency Wesley Head, department. Alice M. Harrison, regularity and punctuality. Lottie L. Turgoose, Carrie Turgoose, Virginia Ross, all attendance, for which they secured prizes.

THE UNIVERSITY SENATE.

TO THE EDITOR.—Mr. McLaren's apology for the way in which a few only of the graduates who reside at Vancouver, have managed to create discord and sectional rivalry in the convocation of the University of British Columbia, that might have been, is a poor one, and forms no reply to Mr. Milne's moderate and laudable statement of the case.

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From THE DAILY COLONIST LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL. "The Fourth" at Summit. The people of Sumas, Wash. are making elaborate preparations for the celebration of Independence.

A Victorian Abroad. The Montreal Gazette of June 24th contains the following: "Mr. J. J. Victoria, B.C., is in the party."

To be Banqueted. The members of the Victoria West, and Esquimalt lodges O. U. are arranging for a union.

Contracts for the furnishing to the provincial jail, for the 30th June, 1892, have been awarded to Messrs. H. S. series; Hudson Bay, etc.

Wilson & Wootton. This will be the name of the ship existing between Mr. Ch. and Mr. E. E. Wootton, who are solicitors in Victoria formerly of Mr. Wilson.

Paid the Assessment. The owner and captain of the paid in \$4000. The Collector and received the paring by Collector Mills. The Collector's impression upon the cap that while the Canadian authorities are not to be troubled with smuggling on board of Chinese they will insist on every vessel of B. C. waters, reporting in the manner at the Custom House.

Strawberry Festival. To-morrow evening, a strawberry will take place in the Victoria under the auspices of the Salvation's church. Admission everything, is fixed at 25c. Things will commence at 8 o'clock.

An Appreciative Boat. An elegant golden token, of which the young men of Victoria hold the majority, is a coach and tutor, was presented to Mr. James H. Seelye, an elegant medalion watch chain and of rare and exquisite design, designed and made here by A. A. Clayton, the well-known factoring jeweler.

Four "drunks" who had not under the operation of the law, but were discharged, and the liquor as the saloon-keepers were them with they had money were fined \$5 each. Mary, the who had attempted suicide with up, was discharged, and the same to Saanich. Emma Gwi with stealing \$2 in a store on falling to appear, her bondsmen judged to be liable to pay the into which they had entered a pearance.

The Vancouver News-Advertiser. Since Mr. W. J. Taylor, the died, a curious and revol has been disclosed. Chinam needs a doctor, and the doctor always try to leave sufficient for their body being buried Flower Kingdom if they happen in a foreign land. A Chinaman, Mr. G. McL. Brown for a Chinese corpse, to be conveyed. Mr. Brown asked to see the deificate and refused to give the a ticket as he could not profit. The authorities were eated with and it was found body was had been lying sixteen days. The name of Chinaman was Chong Ting, an attended during his illness by doctor named Lee Chong. It Hip Yuen and Toy San body to Taylor and made an arrangement to be sent to Japan called. How many of Taylor has kept like this in not known, but it is not to be that he died if he was in the keeping bodies thus.

The Sewerage Works. Progress of a very satisfactory continues to be made with the works. Mr. Mohun, the engineer in charge, has been seen by himself as highly pleased with being done, night shifts being in certain sections. The large m connecting Moss and Cook streets high, being the first permanent work, is being rushed connect with the main outlet. has been experienced on account and quickness, to guard against large and powerful storms in. So far nearly a half mile of.

NORTH SAANICH.

The annual school examination for this district was held on the day appointed, Friday, June 26th. The pupils had made themselves busy, during the last moments of the previous days, in decorating their school room, which, by the common consent of all, was very creditably done.

PRIZES.

Regular attendance, James Wilson; perfect deportment, Agnes E. James; proficiency in reading, Robert J. Foster; arithmetic, Robert J. Foster, Aggie Wilson, Charles McMillan and Leston Porter. The latter a regular attendant and diligent worker, was the only victim of the late diphtheria scourge.

CHESAPEAKE.

These schools having been closed on account of the presence of diphtheria, there were no closing exercises this session. In Mr. King's school certificates of honor and well merited prizes have been distributed, as follows:

HONOR ROLL.

Proficiency, Robert C. Winslow; regularity and punctuality, Ella F. Porter; deportment, Grace Wilson.

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CEGAR HILL.

A large number of visitors attended the Cedar Hill school examination, on Friday last. The gentlemen present expressed their satisfaction with the school work done by the pupils. The proceedings were supervised by a lady, who presided over the rolls of honor were awarded as follows:

COLWOOD.

On last Friday, glorious weather, a natural picnic ground and parents and pupils bent on enjoying themselves, succeeded in making the closing of Colwood school for the vacation an exceedingly pleasant one. The exercises were examined by the teacher, Mr. Ross, in the presence of the parents, who were pleased with the progress of the pupils. To Alice Wale was given the honor roll for deportment; to Arthur Slade Post for regularity, and to Harry Atkins for proficiency. After the examination, teachers, scholars and friends went to Langford Plains, the picnic ground. All thoroughly enjoyed themselves, the pupils being particularly pleased that their school year should close in such a manner.

CRAGFLOWER SCHOOL.

The public examination of Craigflower school was held last Friday in the presence of the trustees, parents and a large number of friends of the pupils. The school room was nicely decorated with the best that forest and garden could furnish. The trustees, parents and others expressed themselves as being very much pleased at the large number of pupils in attendance and at the progress made by them during the past school year.

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THE CHINA STEAMERS.

TO THE EDITOR.—It would be very interesting to know why the S. S. Batavia, under C.P.R. management, could not land passengers and freight at the outer wharf, and yet under a management friendly to Victoria's interests the same steamer came alongside the same wharf, yesterday morning, at dead low tide, drawing close upon 22 feet. Victoria's opportunity is now here, and the only way to convince the C.P.R. people of Victoria's independence of her steamers is to patronize the line now delivering cargo at her own port.

THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND SYNOD.

TO THE EDITOR.—At the above recent Synod it proved inconvenient that some few delegates should have so frequently occupied their, no doubt, valuable views on matters in general, as likewise on the many subjects duly presented for general consideration, and became apparently forgetful that the meeting was not to be held in perpetuity, and did not consist solely of those

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