

YESTERDAY'S SPORTS

Sham Battle at Beacon Hill by the Fifth Regiment Canadian Artillery.

Fifteen Mile Bicycle Race at Beacon Hill Was Won by T. G. Moody.

Trap Shooting by the Capital and Victoria Gun Clubs—Other Events.

From Saturday's Daily.

Good Friday, the first holiday after the opening of spring, was quietly observed in Victoria. Everybody seemed anxious to get out in the open air, and many opportunities were afforded them.

THE SHAM BATTLE.

which was held at Beacon Hill in the morning, the three companies of the Fifth Regiment C. A. taking part.

The pickets and supports were driven back to the reserves, who held the ground until the retreating sections could re-form.

While the turn out was very small, the drill was a very successful and instructive one.

Surgeon Duncan established his hospital on the north side of the hill but fortunately his services were not required.

BICYCLING.

A number of Victoria wheelmen took part in the club run to Goldstream. Several lady cyclists started, but when they found the roads in a muddy condition they returned.

A large crowd witnessed the fifteen mile race on the Beacon Hill track. Five Victoria riders, Messrs. T. G. Moody, F. Penwill, T. MacConnell, Hewatson and S. Moody, entered, but at the end of the lap Hewatson and S. Moody dropped out.

In the lacrosse ball throwing contest, the prizes for which were also given by

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DR. PRICE'S CREAM BAKING POWDER MOST PERFECT MADE. A pure Grape Cream of Tartar Powder. Free from Ammonia, Alum or any other adulterant. 40 YEARS THE STANDARD.

Mr. Harris, Geo. Snider of the senior team won a handsome lacrosse scarf pin with a throw of 100 feet, and Thomas Norman of the junior won a lacrosse stick with a throw of equal length.

TRAP SHOOTING.

The Victoria Gun Club held their opening shoot at Langford Plains, and despite the strong wind which was blowing, the shoot was a successful one.

CRICKET.

The annual meeting of the Victoria cricket club was held on Thursday evening, when the following officers were elected.

LACROSSE.

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THE KING.

WANE OF PUGILISM.

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BOXING TOURNAMENT.

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NEW TURF RULES.

Resolutions Passed at the Meeting of the American Trotting Association.

Annual Meeting of Victoria Cricketer Club Held on Thursday Evening.

WON BY MR. PIPER.

In a series of nine matches between Mr. T. H. Piper, of this city, and Mr. Babson, of the Montreal Chess club, the Victorian won nine games, two were drawn and Mr. Babson won one.

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were a party of United States surveyors belonging to the geodetic corps of the coast. They are headed by Fremont Morse and they go north for the purpose of determining the exact location of certain passes among the Aleutian Islands.

Mariners are notified that the Neah Bay whistling buoy, painted red, marked with the letters "Neah Bay" in white, has been replaced on its old bearings about one and a quarter miles N. E. by E. from Kaitiah Point.

The Puget Sound and Central American Steamship Co.'s steamer Transit, which arrived in Esquimalt harbor yesterday, was early this morning placed in the dry dock, where she is being scraped and painted. A large force of men are at work, and it is expected that she will get away to-morrow morning.

ROYAL JOKES.

Stories of Playful Capers by Monarchs and Princes.

Royalty dearly loves a joke, and nowhere are practical jokes so much in vogue as in the palaces of the old world monarchs. Curiously enough, their idea of joking, like their conception of wit, is inclined to roughness, and even to downright coarseness, as well as vulgarity, rather than delicacy, and many a practical joke has been perpetrated in a palace that would never have been tolerated in a private house.

ABOUT THE ROSE.

Facts Concerning the Origin of One of Our Sweetest Flowers.

Some indication of the origin of the rose, both in time and in country, is probably given in its name. This undoubtedly comes to us through the Latin from the Greek "rodon," a word which is now agreed to be, in the wider sense, Oriental, not Greek. But to which of the two great families of languages it belongs is less certain. Heron maintains it to be Iranian, that is, of the Aryan family—of the older tongue of Persia and Bactria; and Persia might unquestionably put forth stronger claims to be the true native country of the rose. But Professor Skeat, who has the majority of modern authorities on his side, declares it to be a pure Semitic word—the Arabic "ward," a flowering shrub, thus denoting the flower of flowers par excellence. It is worth noticing that the Persian word "gul" similarly meant at first only a perfumed flower, but has come to be used of the rose alone. "Ut rosa flos florum, sic domus ista domorum," is the emphatic way in which the inscription over the lovely chapter house at York claims it as being the very flower of architecture.

THE TURF.

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