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Society Scandal.

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NG INTELLIGENCE.

VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA.

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DEATHS.

on the 17th instant, George Baker, a
rd, Kent County, Ontario, aged 44

Electors of the Dis-
of Kootenay, B. C.

ook, Kootenay, B. C., May 15, 1886.
N:—THE TIME IS APPROACHING
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our most obedient servant,
JAMES BAKER,
Lieut.-Colonel,
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OTICE.

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Horses

BE AT COWICHAN WHARF

HIRE DAILY.

GEORGE JONES.

Weekly Colonist.

FRIDAY, MAY 21, 1886

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THE WEEKLY COLONIST.

NOTICE.

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Local and Provincial News.

From the Daily Colonist, May 18.

Personal.

Mr. Campbell Shaw, late publisher of the Elora Express, arrived from Vancouver yesterday.

Rev. Mr. Stephen announced to his congregation on Sunday that he had no intention of resigning his charge.

Hon. Oliver Mowat has returned to Ottawa from a trip to California.

John Muir, for the last two years manager of the Oregon Improvement company at Portland, has quitted that concern and gone east, to take a responsible position on the Chesapeake & Ohio railroad company.

Mr. Cyremus Hall, an artist of celebrity, from Chicago, is in the city on his way to Alaska, by the Ancon, to take sketches of that interesting country, with a view of placing them on canvas.

Mr. Findlay D. McLellan, formerly of Yale, arrived yesterday from the east. He revisited his old home in Glengarry, Ont., and speaks in the highest terms of the welcome he received.

Mrs. Roderick McIver, who, with her husband was a passenger on the ill-fated Oregon, was a passenger by the Queen of the Pacific yesterday from San Francisco.

At the Driard: Ad. Goldberg, Plato Montjoy, George Henderson, H. S. Brunner, C. P. White, San Francisco; F. A. Colby, New York; Webester Batchelder, Chicago; James L. Thompson, Troy, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. Fox and Miss Fox, Philadelphia; F. Logan Logan; Miss Carrie Godfrey, Ed D. Curtis, A. W. F. MacCollin, Miss Francis D. Hall, Beebe Vining and sister, Phil. Bronson and wife, Willet Seaman, E. Webster, L. Cook, Thompson's Opera company; J. C. Rykert and wife, Kootenay; J. J. Benton, New Westminster; Geo. R. Beede, Seattle; W. J. Foosner, St. Paul; H. H. Browning, Portland; Dr. Alexander, Edinburgh.

At the Occidental: J. R. Murchie, W. Gillow and wife, A. K. Stuart, Winnipeg; C. Plumb, Minnesota; A. Mosher, St. John, N. B.; Geo. B. Harris, Miss Huff, Annapolis; J. C. Brondley, Watty Hydes, J. K. Murray, Jos. Weissmer, Annie Morse, Emma Moulton, Sillian Walton.

At the Oriental: Ham Lipsett, San Jose; Campbell Shaw, Vancouver; W. H. Mackie, Moodyville; Mrs. Colby, San Francisco; Mr. Walters, Salt Spring Island.

Dr. Alexander, of Edinburgh, is registered at the Driard for the season.

Mr. J. J. Benton, of New Westminster, is a guest of the Driard.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Rykert, jr., of Kootenay, are at the Driard. Mrs. Rykert having returned from Tacoma.

Geo. R. Beede is a guest of the Driard.

The principal members of the Thompson Opera company are registered at the Driard.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Oppenheimer are now at Vancouver, where they intend to take up their permanent residence.

Mr. Ham Lipsett of San Jose, Cal., is spending a few days in the city. Mr. Lipsett, who is a native of Douglas, B. C., is a son of Mr. Isaac Lipsett and a nephew of Councillor Lipsett.

Hon. Mr. Justice Gray returned yesterday.

Mr. Geo. Henderson, the mining expert, was among the arrivals by the Queen of the Pacific.

Dr. Matthews and Hon. A. C. Elliott, who have been enjoying the mineral waters in California, arrived on the Queen.

Police Notes.

In the police court yesterday the charge against a Chinaman of being of unsound mind was not sustained. A native of the same country was sent to prison under the vagrancy act for a week.

A charge against S. Levy for keeping a house for the resort of prostitutes was then heard. In this latter case, officer Lindsay deposed to having seen women of loose character go up stairs, one of whom was known as the "Nighthawk." Had seen other loose women there eating. Had never seen anyone go there with them; the alleyway was a private entrance to the restaurant.

Officer Sheppard, who was the next witness, stated that he had known loose characters to stop in the house, but not since defendant had had charge of the place. Many respectable people boarded at the restaurant. Defendant had never been warned by him, but had mentioned that he would not allow the house to be kept as it had been.

For the defence it was claimed by Mr. Walls that hotel and restaurant keepers had no right to refuse board or lodging to a woman so long as she behaved herself. He was able to prove the respectability of the house, but submitted that the magistrate would see that no case had been made out.

His honor believed the house respectable, but that made the charge, if sustained, worse, as respectable people might go there unaware of whom they might meet.

William Standish, an intelligent looking young man, said that he was a waiter at the house and had been instructed to allow none but lodgers upstairs. The "Nighthawk" had lived there for the last two years, but he had never known of any disorderly conduct on her part.

William Stuart, a night watchman, deposed to having heard Mr. S. Levy refuse to allow men to go upstairs. John Ford gave similar testimony.

The magistrate reserved his decision.

Geo. McNeil, charged with threatening to assault G. C. Cameron, was fined $5 and $2 costs.

BUGGY ACCIDENT.—On Sunday, about 12:15 o'clock, as Mrs. Elford, senior, and her daughter, Mrs. C. Robertson, were driving home from church, the shafts of the buggy became detached and the vehicle was upset. Mrs. Robertson fell heavily to the ground. Mrs. Elford's fall being broken by falling on her daughter, she escaped with a severe shaking. Mrs. Robertson, who was attended by Dr. Clark, was found to be bruised and cut on the head and face, but the injuries are not serious, though she will be confined to her bed for some days. The horse ran home with the shafts.

MILLIONS IN IT.—And there were millions in it—meshing small fish in the salt water. Off Beacon hill, on Sunday last, making a surface of several acres literally black with their presence, were myriads of small fish having the appearance of young herrings wriggling and jumping about with a sound like the fall of a heavy shower of rain. A few salmon jumping and several porpoises disporting themselves a short distance away may have had something to do with the thick congregation.

COAL HARBOR.—The steamer Evangel arrived from Coal Harbor early yesterday, bringing no freight to speak of and a very light passenger list, only six persons coming from Coal Harbor. One of them stated to a reporter that the recent rains have had a very depressing effect upon the boom at the Canadian Pacific terminus, and that there is considerable talk of hard times heard around there. The Evangel has a full freight for her Monday's trip.—*Seattle Post.*

What Some People Say.

That the Occidental hotel has got its full quota of the members of the Thompson Opera company.

That one of the moorings to the buoy at Brotchie's ledge appears to have given way.

That the Cambridge university crew decline the challenge issued to them by the Harvard university crew for an international boat race.

That the imperial house of commons rejected the motion to abolish capital punishment by a vote of 117 to 62.

That Rosina Badovani, a remarkably handsome woman, belonging to one of the best families in Pisa, Italy, has been sentenced to fifteen years' imprisonment for poisoning her 17-year-old daughter. The prisoner is 38 years of age and retains much of her youthful beauty. Jealousy of the superior charms of her daughter caused her to commit the murder. She has recently made three attempts at suicide and is slowly dying from remorse.

That it has become publicly known that the missing Chapter house, which was buried during a great fire in Dublin in the thirteenth century, has been discovered by workmen who were excavating underneath Christ church cathedral. In the Chapter house were beautifully carved effigies, coins, titles and marvelous specimens of architecture.

That Messrs. Cornelius, William, Frederick W. and George W. Vanderbilt, sons of the late W. H. Vanderbilt, have given to the College of Physicians and Surgeons $250,000 for the erection, as a memorial of their father, of a building on the college land corner of Sixtieth street and Tenth avenue, to be known as the "Vanderbilt Clinic of the College of Physicians and Surgeons." The building will be used entirely for clinical teaching. Its erection will be begun at once.

That the ex-premier, Sir Wm. Whiteway, has entered an action against the Newfoundland government for $2,000 for services in connection with the Halifax fishery award.

That the queen of the Sandwich Islands, wife of King Kalakaua, has arrived in San Francisco on the Zealandia. Arrangements are being made at the custom house for her majesty's reception, and her baggage will be admitted without inspection.

That the Prince Edward Island house of assembly is expected to close before May 1st, when it will be dissolved. The elections will probably be held in June.

That one hundred farmers from the district of St. Thomas were forwarded over the Canadian Pacific to British Columbia, Saturday.

That a cablegram from Dublin says: The most heartrending details have just reached here of evictions on the estate of Lord Kenmore, at Headford, near Killarney, in county Kerry. While he, as lord chamberlain, is attending the Queen at the Liverpool festivities, sheriffs and bailiffs, backed by ninety-seven policemen, have been turning out a large number of his tenants of the poorest kind who are undeniably unable to pay anything. Owing to resistance they have only averaged nine evictions per day.

That the story is told that a distinguished prelate of the church of England, on receiving a country benefice, urged a friend to make him a visit as soon as he got settled, remarked in perfect good faith, "I have a nice little green field attached to the rectory. I mean to keep a couple of sheep, and we shall have mutton kidneys every morning for breakfast."

That a union of all the French Canadians in Canada and the United States has been formed, under the title of "Alliance National des Societe St. Jean Baptiste."

That a girl at Olympia, Oregon, threatens to sue her own father for breach of promise. She says the old gentleman first gave her consent to her marriage with her lover and then withdrew it, and that in consequence her beau has got tired waiting and has gone off with another girl.

That it is announced by the Whitehall Review that a slight hitch has taken place with regard to the proposed statue to the late General Gordon which the Gordon clan undertook to erect. The money has not flowed in freely enough. $4,000 being the sum required. No doubt the balance will be collected, as the design for the statue has been approved. In its present shape it represents Gen. Gordon as an Egyptian officer, but this will, we understand, be changed to a representation of the hero of Khartoum in English uniform. When completed the statute will be erected in Aberdeen, the county town of Clan Gordon.

That Sarah Bernhardt is getting stout.

That when Queen Isabella left Madrid for Paris a touching parting with the Queen Regent and other members of the royal family occurred. The people cheered as the train left the station. The royal party were in deep mourning.

That the O. R. & N. Co. talk of building a transcontinental railway in opposition to the Northern Pacific.

That John Rogers, of Mansfield, Mass., had a throat gargle compounded at a druggist's the other day. When carrying it home the bottle exploded, and everything that it touched was burned. It turned out that the clerk had used aqua fortis instead of aqua pura, or pure water, and that the aqua fortis, in composition with glycerine in the prescription, made something about like nitro-glycerine.

That Mr. Engleke, of Lula, Ga., is an ardent naturalist, being particularly partial to snakes. In the fall he buries his snakes in the ground and unearths them in the spring. The other day he dug up a large rattlesnake, which recovered from its torpor quickly and then struck Mr. Engleke on the head. The fangs went through the man's fur cap and gashed the top of his head. Liberal doses of corn whisky saved the snake-fancier's life.

That thirteen boys in the school at Arcola, Ill., struck against further study when called in after recess. The teacher, who apparently is a born diplomatist, called up the thirteen largest girls in the room, told them of the state of affairs, and ordered them to march out and each bring in a boy. Within three minutes and a half a baker's dozen of lads with red faces were trying to study holes in their books, and have been too busy since to talk about the sad affair.

That Longfellow has said in his "Hyperion": "Look not mournfully into the past. It comes not back again. Wisely improve the present. It is thine. Go forth to meet the shadowy future without fear, and with a manly heart."

That the Hon. Allan Francis, who is expected to arrive to-day, will be received on the wharf by a deputation.

That Mr. John R. Brantley, of Douglasville, Ga., with creditable brotherly feelings, comes to his sister's rescue in the following card in the village paper: "Certain unscrupulous women, who have no regard for truth have, with a view to injuring my sister's business, circulated a report that she is 'stuck up,' and does not respect country people. This is false and a malicious misrepresentation, whose authorship is as deceitful as she is ugly. My sister especially solicits the patronage of people who live in the country, and I guarantee that she will give them every attention and courtesy."

That the district school at Sand Hill, taught by Miss Gurtie Dunn, of Pulaski, is one of the best instructed in the eastern part of the county. At an examination held there a few days ago a class of pupils were requested to give a list of "quality" words. One little fellow gave the word "good," and defined it by saying apple pie was good. A little bright-eyed 7-year old, who had been sitting quietly in his seat during the recitation, got up and gave the word "mean." In reply to the teacher's question as to what was mean, he said: "Well, dried apple pies are the meanest thing I know of." The little fellow took his seat amid a roar of laughter from the spectators.

That the owners of the steamer Queen of the Pacific were paid $3000 for towing the disabled steamer Empire into Astoria.

That a wild-eyed speculator in Vancouver town told telegraphic a New York paper that a town of 5000 inhabitants has sprung up at Coal Harbor. It challenged as to the truth of this statement he will probably demand a census of the herring.

That the bicycle of an amateur rider of this city can kick like a government mule if it can only get its head down. It got nasty last evening at the corner of Government and Fort streets, and threw its rider into the Brown Jug saloon.

GRANITE CREEK ITEMS.

Discovery of a New Creek.

We have been permitted to make the following extracts from a letter written by the gold commissioner at Granite Creek, and received by the minister of mines on Saturday:

"I have the honor to inform you that a new creek named 'Boulder creek,' has been lately discovered. It crosses the Granite creek-Nicola trail at a point about eleven miles north of this place (Granite City), and empties into Otter creek on the west side, near the head of the lake of that name.

FIVE PANS OF DIRT YIELDED FOUR DOLLARS.

The prospect was obtained on a bench about thirty feet above the present channel. A number of persons have started with the intention of staking off ground. * * * There are about

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY MEN

at work on the South Fork of Granite creek, concerning which sanguine expectations are entertained. The Spokane company are down 18 feet and daily expect to reach bedrock. The water is still at a high stage, and mining on the rivers and Granite creek is almost entirely suspended.

Iolanthe.

The Thompson Comic Opera company began their season here last evening by presenting Gilbert & Sullivan's well-known comic opera "Iolanthe." They came to us ere their departure for Chicago, at the urgent solicitation of many of our citizens who remembered with the keenest pleasure the company's last appearance here. The audience was a most fashionable one; an array, in fact, of "fair women and brave men," and the pretty little theatre was a scene of rich color and warm light. The company had no difficulty from the beginning in taking their old place in the affections of the people of Victoria. The first scene, when the lake is shown, the water-lilies resting softly on the bosom of the water, was truly Arcadian, and the setting showed much skill and taste. The fairies came whisking along in true fairy style, and one was transported back to the days of childhood when the nurse glowingly told him of the glories of fairyland, and at each whisper of the breeze he expected to see a little red cap exposed to view. If fairyland was as bewitching as the glimpse we had of it last evening then indeed it is to be regretted that it is only a delusion and a dream. The costumes were excellent, eclipsing anything yet seen on the boards of The Victoria. The cast was as a whole very fine, and the performance passed off with the greatest smoothness, not a flaw disturbing the flow of the piece. Mr. McCollin as the lord chancellor made a decided hit, and his "Said I to myself, said I," brought down the house. His improvised verses given as an *encore* had the merit of originality and pointed a moral; which, no doubt our city fathers made a note of. Mr. Bronson executed his lines in splendid style, and his efforts seemed to find favor with the audience. Mr. Seaman in his solo, "It is I," simply captivated his hearers, and was vociferously applauded. Mr. Murray has a baritone voice of great compass and power, and so far as he was concerned left nothing to be desired. Miss Vining, in the role of the "Fairy Queen" looked beautiful, and sang as beautifully. Her voice, mellow and rich, charmed the audience, while Miss Hall sang so artlessly and effectively as to gain for her the most liberal applause. Iolanthe was a most artistic piece of work, and in keeping with the general merits of the company. The chorus was sprightly, and lent the principals an excellent support. The *tout ensemble* was such as to please the most captious, and we have not the least doubt that the season will be a most successful one, financially, for the company. To-night the "Merry War" will be the attraction; it is said to be one of the best plays in the company's *repertoire*.

Alt Hall, Colonel Wolfenden.

British Columbia Brigade of Garrison Artillery: The corps heretofore designated the "British Columbia Provincial Regiment of Garrison Artillery," will in future be designated and known as the "British Columbia Brigade of Garrison Artillery."

To be Lieutenant-Colonel, Major Richard Wolfenden, R. S. A.

No. 1 Battery, New Westminster.—To be Second Lieutenant, provisionally and supernumerary as a *special case*, Sergeant James Edward Phillips.

MIRAGE.—A curious illustration of the deceptive appearance of what is known as a mirage was furnished on Sunday afternoon last, when Race Rocks lighthouse seemed to be duplicated on two different portions of the reef. One, covering the real site, appeared to rise from the centre of a clump of trees, while farther out, more faint, but distinct enough to be plainly discerned was an exact counterpart of the lighthouse minus the trees. Viewed through marine glass, the *fata morgana* lost for a time none of its seeming reality. At last, however, the refracted light formed a white belt commencing from the sea's surface, and as it gradually extended upward the artificial melted away and left once more, in its pride of solitude, the friendly beacon whose rays have welcomed and guided the approach of many a gallant ship.

BASEBALL NOTES.—It has been arranged that a match game between the Seattle Reds and the Victoria Amity baseball clubs shall take place at Beacon Hill on the 24th inst. George Gowen, who is catcher for the Amities, had the misfortune to sprain his ankle on Saturday last.

SPORT.—Jack Wilson, who is an ardent disciple of Izaak Walton, caught a basket of fine trout last Sunday, some of which weighed nearly two and a half pounds each. As he is not afraid of rivalry we will mention that Island lake was the angling ground.

(*From the Daily Colonist, May 19.*)

Sudden Death.

Mr. George Baker, road and bridge contractor, and for many years a resident of this province and of Victoria, died suddenly at his residence on Pembroke street, on Monday evening last. He appeared in his usual health all day and it was not even suspected that anything was wrong with him previous to his death. During the day he had complained of feeling slightly tired and towards evening he told his wife he would lie down for a while, asking her to awaken him at nine o'clock. Going into the bedroom between eleven and eight o'clock she saw that he was still asleep. She went back again at the time requested and found to her horror that her husband was dead. Dr. Milne, who was immediately summoned, pronounced the cause disease of the heart. The only premonition of the sudden end was one which could hardly be regarded as such—a slight pain in the region of the heart for two or three days previously. The deceased, who leaves a wife and ten children, had been a member of Dominion Lodge, No. 4, I. O. O. F., but was not at the time of his death. He was born in the township of Orford, county of Kent, Ontario, forty-four years ago, and had lived for the last twenty-two years in British Columbia. The funeral will take place this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock and half an hour later from the Reformed Episcopal church.

Mr. R. B. Angus Coming.

Advices from the east intimate that Mr. R. B. Angus left Montreal on Monday for this city, coming by San Francisco. We understand Mr. Angus' intention is to visit the terminus of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, and his stay here will be very short. Mr. Angus, it will be remembered, was one of the six gentlemen who bought and worked up to a great success the St. Paul, Minneapolis and Manitoba railway, and one of the ten who undertook the contract for the Canadian Pacific, and have nearly completed that grand work.

NEWS FROM KOOTENAY.

Unsatisfactory Attitude of the Indians.

Progress of Mining Operations.

A letter in the Portland Oregonian, dated Sand Point, Idaho, May 13th, says:

The mining prospects of the Pend d'Oreille lake, Calispell, and Kootenay regions this year is more encouraging than for the past few years. A party of prospectors from Missouri mining at Calispell mission, were not very long at work when the Indians came on them and ordered them to quit work and go with them to the chief's lodge to have a talk. Duncan McDonald, son of Mr. McDonald of the Hudson Bay Co., who used to be chief factor for the company at Colville in early days, was one of the party, and can speak to the Indians in their own tongue. He tried to satisfy the Indians and be allowed to work on, but the Indians told them they should leave, and not work for any gold. The party was not prepared to fight the Indians, and remembering the old adage that those who fight and run away may live to fight another day, they told the Indians this, and to-day they are down again from Missoula with rifles in their hands, to stay and see if there is anything in Calispell worth fighting for.

SMELTING.

The Kootenay mining and smelting company bought the seven-eighth interest in Robert Rainee's and Joe Williams' claims on Lake Pend d'Oreille a few days ago, and are going to put up a smelter on this lake immediately. Dr. Hendry, their manager, has gone into the Kootenay river to take out their large steamboat to use her on this lake to haul the ore to the smelter.

KOOTENAY.

Travel has started from here into Kootenay, B. C. Several men from the Coeur d'Alene and from Butte, who have mining interests in the Lower Kootenay, have gone in there already, expecting that Capt. Ainsworth is going to start their railroad to connect the mines with the Columbia river this year, which would give them an outlet to ship by way of the Canadian Pacific railroad. It is rumored here that Capt. Ainsworth and Capt. Gus Wright are on their way up from Victoria to inspect the proposed line and their valuable mining property in Kootenay lake.

TRAFFIC.

Mr. R. L. Galbraith arrived down today with his large pack train and reports very favorably on the mining prospects of Upper Kootenay for this season. He also says that this will be his last trip to this point, as he can pack cheaper from the Canadian Pacific railroad than from here, as he can save the duties on his goods by buying in Canada, and they are putting a steamer on the Columbia river to run from Donald to the Columbia lake, which will shorten their packing 100 miles. The steamer will be ready to run by the 1st of June on the upper Columbia lakes.

LANDS AND INDIANS

The news from the upper Kootenay in regard to the Indians is not of an assuring character. Col. James Baker, who bought out J. T. Galbraith & Bro.'s homestead at Joseph's prairie last summer, has taken up more land adjoining his ranch and got the deputy surveyor to survey the same, when Isadore, chief of the Kootenays, came on to them and ordered them to quit. He also pulled up all the stakes that were driven and told the surveyor and Col. Baker that they should not survey or own any more land. The Kootenays have always been a peaceable tribe of Indians and very friendly to the whites until immigration a few years ago commenced to flow into Kootenay and take up the land, which roused the jealousy of the Indians, until they have made up their minds not to allow any more land to be taken up or surveyed by the whites. They can muster about 600 if there is any trouble with the authorities, and if the Canadian government wants to protect immigration into the upper Kootenay country they need to send at least 100 soldiers there as soon as possible.

Personal.

Mr. W. J. Footner, general superintendent Northern Pacific Express Co., (St. Paul), and Mr. H. H. Browning, superintendent Northern Pacific Express Co., Portland, paid this city a visit yesterday. They report a gratifying increase in transcontinental business and predict a prosperous traffic season. It is understood that the supreme court has decided, in the action brought by Wells, Fargo & Co. against the Northern Pacific Railway Co., that one common carrier is not compelled by law to convey another common carrier. This decision virtually makes the railway company masters of the situation.

Mr. Chas. Gowen is to the fore once more with every prospect of a speedy recovery.

Rev. Father Donckele, of Cowichan, is rapidly recovering from the injury to his knee.

Mrs. Hammond, of Port Townsend, who has been to this city on a short visit, returned by the steamer G. E. Starr yesterday.

At the Occidental: T. J. Freeman, P. Morgan, England; Capt. Limin; T. Hodgkinson.

Mr. L. Pither left yesterday morning for Vancouver.

Mr. W. M. Halpenny, government guide, returned yesterday by the Amelia from Alberni. He reports that five new settlers have gone in and taken up land.

Mr. J. C. McLaren, is in town from Englishman's river, and says everything is booming in that locality. The new road from there to Alberni is so located as to please everybody, and the people are hopeful that local contractors will get hold of it.

Coun. F. S. Barnard came down from New Westminster yesterday.

Mr. H. Bird, of the 150-Mile house, arrived from the mainland yesterday, and is stopping at the Oriental.

Rev. Mr. Holmes, of Holmesdale, is in the city.

At the Oriental: W. Yates, San Francisco; A. W. Bash, Port Townsend; Hy. Bird, New Westminster; S. A. Rogers, Barkerville; Jas. A. Fraser, Hope; R. B. Richardson, Cowichan; B. Young, Ladner's Landing; Geo. Riley and wife, Chemainus; R. Johnston, Nanaimo.

At the Driard: Geo. Wethwell, San Francisco; S. Baker, Oakland; Thos. Alcott, L. A. Garratt, New York; J. J. Godfrey and family, Chicago; T. C. Atkinson, New Westminster; C. F. Corlerton, Spallumcheen; B. Morse, San Francisco.

OKANAGAN LAKE NAVIGATION.—The steam yacht Mary Victoria Greenhow, Capt. T. D. Shorts, proprietor, size 32 ft. keel and 5 ft. beam; driven by an 18 inch propeller and 2 horse-power Automatic Coal Oil engine, made in Rochester, N.Y., and furnished by Messrs. Gray & Dumbleton, Victoria, B. C., was launched on Okanagan Lake on April 21st. After a short excursion trip to Fall creek ranch, where the jolly captain "at home" entertained his excursionists right royally, the boat proceeded on her trial trip to Penticton with five tons of freight and towing another boat, and carrying six passengers. She averaged five knots per hour towing, and eight knots when light and free. The boat has proved a success, Mr. Norris, (packer) and several miners were in waiting for her and fired a "royal salute" of twenty-one guns on approach to Penticton of the pioneer steamboat on Okanagan Lake.—*Sentinel.*

A STRANGE SIGHT was witnessed yesterday morning on Government street, between Fisgard and Cormorant. A party of Siwashes were camped out in regular gipsy style, their horses, four in number, and unhitched, nibbling the grass in happy unconsciousness of the fact that they were doing something very wrong. The scene presented by the whole outfit was a very funny one, but hardly in keeping with the principal street of the metropolis of British Columbia.

ILL TREATING A CHILD.—Mr. Wright, second teacher in Johnson street ward school, is accused of brutally beating a son of Coun. Humber. The child is confined to his room by reason of his hurts. An investigation will be held.

ALASKA IN THE U.S. SENATE.

A Bill for the Construction of a Railroad — Negotiations with Britain and Canada.

In the United States senate on March 17th, Mr. Hoar, by request, introduced the following bill, which was read twice and referred to the committee on foreign relations: A bill to facilitate the settlement and to develop the resources of the territory of Alaska, and to open an overland commercial route between the United States, Asiatic Russia and Japan.

Be it enacted by the senate and house of representatives of the United States of America in congress assembled:

That, in order to facilitate the settlement and develop the resources of the territory of Alaska, an exploration and survey be made under the direction of the secretary of war, for the purpose of ascertaining the best and most feasible route for the construction of a railroad from the northern boundary of the United States through British Columbia and Alaska to a desirable harbor on the southern coast of the Alaska peninsula or on Behring sea. That the president of the United States adopt such action as to him will appear proper to obtain the necessary facilities for carrying forward the object of said survey from the governments of Great Britain, the Dominion of Canada and British Columbia. Said surveys shall proceed, however, without unnecessary delay throughout the portion of the said proposed line within United States territory, while awaiting the result of the said negotiations. That said survey shall commence within the United States at or about the line of the one hundred and fourteenth meridian of west longitude or at or near to Spokane Falls on the Northern Pacific railroad, or at such point adjacent thereto as may be ascertained the most suitable; thence north on the eastern side of the Rocky Mountain range, following a line wherein the climate and soil appear to be the most favorable for agricultural or pastoral pursuits and deflecting westwardly from said line for the purpose of ascertaining an available pass for a branch line of railroad to Sitka, the main line of survey to be continued north and west to a desirable harbor on the peninsula of Alaska. That the sum of $100,000 be appropriated out of any moneys now in the U. S. treasury for the purpose of said survey, to be expended under the direction of the secretary of war, and available immediately upon the passage of this act.

The Merry War.

The Victoria was crowded again last evening by a fashionable audience, a majority of whom were ladies. The "Merry War," by Strauss, was presented with all the strength of the company and excellent scenic accessories. Genoa and Massa Carrer, two pretty states go to war, the *casus belli* being a favorite dancer who has made simultaneous engagements at the theatres of each, the disputed question being which of the contracts she should fulfil. The "war" is not a very serious one, only one hand grenade a day being exchanged, and a picture of still life is developed, which is interrupted by the handsome Count Violetta appearing in disguise in one of the camps, endeavoring to get within the other city's lines, so as to seize the fortress. Umberto, the colonel in command, becomes a victim to the deception, grants her permission to pass through the lines, and then resolves to marry her by way of revenge. He had heard she was to marry the Duke de Limburg by proxy, and arranges to represent the duke. As a result he marries Violetta, she being entirely unaware of his identity. In this he is assisted by Grocle, a Dutchman, who deals in tulip bulbs, who has been captured on suspicion of being a spy, and who most willingly personated the absent duke. Elsa, Groote's wife rather disarranges matters through her jealousy, and this takes in conjunction with Violetta's dislike to her supposed husband and her real love for Umberto complicates matters, which, however, come out all right in the end, love, as usual, finding an outlet. On the intelligence being received that the duchess had eloped with a ballet master (in our day it would be a lucky coachman), an explanation takes place and a treaty of peace follows. Miss Carrie Godfrey (Violetta) easily carried off the honors. She has a pure, sweet voice, as thrilling as the song of a lark, which we look forward to hearing again to better advantage in the "Bohemian Girl." Miss Hall's Elsa was a clever production, and she looked her part as finely as she sang it. Miss Vining as Artemesia, even excelled her work of the preceding night, and as usual had her fair share of admirers, while Miss Branson and Miss Broadley took their lines in capital style. Mr. MacCollin as Balthazar Groot was, of course, the life of the evening. This old favorite added last evening another to his list of triumphs. The duett between him and Elsa was one of the hits of the evening, having as well its pathetic as its ridiculous side. Mr. Seaman's Umberto was grand, and his work was, we feel sure, appreciated at its true worth. The Marquis Tillipo Sebastiano did not suffer at the hands of Mr. Branson, and Mr. Murray as Ricardo made "a palpable hit." The other parts in the caste were admirable and really deserve more than the passing mention we can give them. The drill at the opening of the third act was executed almost faultlessly and an encore was deservedly demanded and acknowledged. Those who failed to see "The Merry War," (it is well named) have reason to regret it, but they may console themselves with the fact, that they will have an opportunity of seeing the company to-night at the Victoria in Gilbert & Sullivan's "Patience."

Stopping a Leak.

All who have read Capt. Marryat's "Pacha of many Tales" will remember how the crew of a leaking Italian brig, being overtaken by a severe storm in the Mediterranean, ceased their efforts to manage the ship and commenced praying to an image of the Virgin; and how the figure which had been cashed into the sea by an English sailor was afterwards found to have been drawn into the leak and was thus the means of saving the vessel from foundering. "By one of those coincidences which, is only known to dramatists as sich," a British ship the Alexander Yeats, Capt. Dunbar, from Lebos for Falmouth, while leaving her anchorage struck on a shoal and sprang a leak. The pumps were got in working order and were gaining on the leak, when the influx of water suddenly stopped. The vessel put into Callao, Peru, for examination, and the diver found that a large hole had been knocked in the bottom. In the hole and completely filling it was the body of a very large fish. It is supposed that the fish, while swimming past the vessel was carried in by the water. At all events the fish saved the vessel.

The Higher and Lower Levels.

Not a drop of water on the higher levels last night or the night before. The pipes were absolutely dry. Tuns and tuns of the precious fluid daily running to waste at the dam, while the people on the lower levels are choked with dust.

A REMARKABLE CASE.—A very remarkable case occurred in this city this morning. About 2 o'clock the wife of John McEachern gave birth to triplets, two boys and a girl, one being still-born. Dr. Gideon A. Weed was attending physician. The total weight of the babies was eighteen pounds, an average of six pounds for each. The birth of triplets is an exceedingly rare occurrence, and this particular instance is the first of the kind in Seattle. The mother is doing very well. The father is a shipcarpenter by trade, and is at present in Alaska.—*Seattle Times.*

OUR ENGLISH LETTER.

Wax Figure of Sir C. Dilke.

The Coming Exhibition.

Two Duels Through Writing a Novel, and More to Come.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

LONDON, April 30th, 1886.

Sir Erskine May is to have his peerage, and Mr. Palgrave is to succeed to the clerkship of the house of commons. So much is practically settled. The official announcement of both will be made before parliament resumes its work next week, and