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Weekly British Columbian.

Wednesday Morning, Oct. 2, 1889.

We have it upon the authority of no less a personage than the biographer of the renowned Mr. Pickwick that "Sam Weller's knowledge of London was extensive and peculiar." Sam, like the true cockney he was, was at home in any portion of the great metropolis or its environs, but should it be permitted the shade of Mr. Pickwick's body servant to revisit the haunts he was in lifetime so familiar with, he would find that the "old order changeth, giving place to new." Evans', in Covent garden, and "dirty Dick's" in the east end, the old Saracen's Head on Snow Hill, as well as many other well known landmarks, have been improved out of all knowledge. During the past ten years more especially, London has been undergoing a transforming process which is truly astonishing, so that a critic writing to a New York paper confesses that the largest city in the world is rapidly becoming beautiful. Quite recently Seven Dials, with its squalid misery, its narrow streets connected by more narrow lanes, its bird shops, its bull-dogs and its thieves' kitchens, has practically been wiped out, and stately Shaftesbury avenue and Cambridge Circus have transformed the face of the whole neighborhood. This has all happened within the past four or five years, and the old Hyde Park corner, with its equestrian statue of the Iron Duke, is altogether changed for the better. The Thames embankment is a thing of modern London, and the fine palatial club houses and hotels being erected thereabouts are rapidly making that part of London the finest site in the world. Already the National Liberal Club (the largest institution of its kind in existence) has its building erected, and quite recently Mr. Gladstone held a reception on its terrace, overlooking the river. The old White Hart Inn, where Sam first made the acquaintance of Mr. Pickwick, is now in course of demolition, and in a few weeks the Borough will know no more the quaint courtyard with its galleries around, from which the pretty chambermaid would flirt with the amorous Sam. In Picadilly another historic spot is to disappear, for White Horse Cellars, the starting place of the old stage coaches, is to be turned into shops. Many a time and oft must Sam's father, (who it will be remembered was a redoubtable "whip") have stretched his legs in the Cellars and tasted the brown October before mounting the box. But Weller, Sr., long ago left Picadilly and the Cellars, and ever since his day change after change has been made. The postillions and the chambermaids have been *non est* for years past, and Hatchett's, as a coaching house, has been merely the rendezvous for the spanking teams which the four-in-hand club "tool" for their amusement. The use for the Cellars has departed with the old coaching days, and a more practical age, which has no use for any vehicle slower than the locomotive, has decreed that the venerable relic of the Tom and Jerry period must give place to something worthy of the glories of the Picadilly of to-day, the thoroughfare of the "masher," and the main artery of fashionable London.

The *Globe* of the 18th returns to the Behring Sea matter in a style which raises several questions. The article is headed "Private right of navigators to resist pirates"; and—the "Rush" being, of course, the "pirate"—the tone of the article may be inferred from the heading. Canadian sealers are advised simply to resist the American cutters, and, if possible, capture them and bring them into a British port, to be handed over to the law as pirates. We must confess that we agree with the *Globe* so far, that we consider the action of the Rush piratical, but the blame lies at Washington and not on board the cutter. Notwithstanding that, however, if the question was to be settled between the American cutters and the sealers, we would heartily second our cotemporary's advice. But the settlement does not lie there. When we are robbed in these days, we apply to the police; and the British government is the head constable in this case. But, says the *Globe*, the British government has "meekly" submitted, and Ottawa has followed suit. This, of course, raises the whole question of the proper method of settlement of international disputes. The old British style was to lick him first and argue afterwards, but it by no means follows that because that method has not been adopted in this instance, our government has "submitted"—meekly or otherwise. Nor do we think it need be feared that Britain will lose power or prestige by following a more humane and Christian method. All the world knows that the "tight little island" could beat the big republic to its knees in a fortnight; but all the world also knows that such a war would be the greatest calamity which could befall civilization, and the statesman who would invite the disaster—who would refuse first to exhaust every possibility of honorable diplomacy—would go down to posterity a man accursed.

But we are afraid we cannot give our cotemporary credit for being stupid enough to believe in the correctness of its own statements. We referred the other day to the opposition between the policies—or, should we say, the ideas?—of Imperial federation and unrestricted reciprocity. Now it may seem ridiculous to accuse the *Globe* of using the Behring Sea matter as ammunition in its party warfare; yet it is beyond doubt that it hopes these captured sealskins will go a certain length towards saving its political associates from the chilly atmosphere of the opposition benches. We do not believe that the *Globe* is tainted with disloyalty in the ordinary sense of the word; but its treatment of Imperial federation, and its statement in the article before us that the British government has "deserted" its subjects in the Behring Sea matter, make it quite evident that it does not believe in allowing sentiment to stand in the way of business. Unrestricted reciprocity is the platform of the Reformers, and the Conservatives have been busy labelling that platform "disloyal" and "annexationist." It is, therefore, the business of the Reform organs to show, first, that the labels are not true, and, secondly, that it would make little practical difference if they were true, since loyalty does not pay.

But aside from those to whom party success is the first consideration, there appears to be a tendency to identify Imperial federation with what we may call the ultra-loyal sentiment, and unrestricted reciprocity with the "Canada first" feeling—the feeling that British connection is a good thing, so long as we have not to pay too much for it. This arises, of course, from the assumption that the two policies are incompatible. Are they? Certainly not so far as our side of the matter is concerned. Why limit our view to a British federation? Why not "hitch our wagon to a star" and declare for Anglo-Saxon federation? Not, perhaps, to have American members in the parliament of the empire; but at least to have an alliance, offensive and defensive, absolute freedom of intercourse, and such material consideration in the framing of laws that every citizen of either country would be practically a citizen of the other also.

By-elections are eagerly watched by politicians the world over, as they constitute a convenient and quietly safe means of feeling the public pulse as to its temper towards the administration of the day in the interval between general elections. Both government and opposition are equally interested in these occasional tests that the ordinary vicissitudes of human affairs necessitate, and each is wont to make capital out of the result, when the public verdict will permit. Although certain circumstances may detract from the value of by-elections as accurate and trustworthy gauges of the general sentiment of the electorate toward the party in power, yet no one attempts to ignore the fact that these events have their significance. Within the past six months three by-elections have been necessitated in this province, and the fact that men favorable to the present administration of provincial affairs have been returned in every instance—and by good majorities in two instances, at Victoria and Lillooet; in the case of Mr. Haslam, of Nanaimo, by acclamation—cannot but be accepted by the government as a gratifying indication that their general course and policy, at least, is approved by the country. A point that might be noted respecting the three by-elections referred to above is that the government neither lost nor gained by the result of those elections, as government members represented the constituencies before. The fourth by-election of the year will take place in this city shortly. In this case the conditions are slightly different, the late incumbent, Mr. Bole, having been the right bower, so to speak, of the leader of the opposition for the last three years, and having been returned at that time by a very large majority over his opponent, a government man. For this reason the impending contest in Westminster will be a more than usually interesting one. How it will go we shall not attempt now to predict; but, unless we very much mistake public sentiment in the city, it will be found that the temper of the constituency has changed in the direction of being much more favorable to the government than at the last general election. And there are not wanting reasons for this change. It will certainly be very significant, to begin with, if no candidate is found to come out as an avowed oppositionist on this occasion. Time will tell, but we do not believe that the opposition banner will be openly and fearlessly borne by any one in the coming contest.

When the steamship "Anadyr," of the Messageries Martimes, was sunk the other day in a collision off Aden with the "Oxus" of the same company, she carried down into seven fathoms of water, 174 cases of silver ingots, valued at 950,000 francs, which were destined for the Indo-China Bank, 123 cases of gold wire for Madras, 113 cases of watches, several cases of jewellery for Saigon, valuable woven stuffs for China, 800 sacks of Bordeaux wine and 100 cases of champagne.

One of the characteristics of Queen Victoria is a loyal regard for her friends, in whatever walk of life they may happen to be. The death of Mrs. Hull, for many years nurse in the royal household, has just been commemorated by the erection of a marble monument, at the instance of the Queen and and her children, over the grave of the deceased. The inscription upon the stone reads: "This stone is placed in affectionate remembrance of past years by Victoria, Albert Edward, Alfred, Helena, Louise, Arthur and Beatrice." After recording the name and age of Mrs. Hull the inscription continues: "She rendered humble, true and laudable service as nurse in the household of Queen Victoria from 1841 to 1859, and was honored with the confidence and affectionate regard of her Majesty and every member of the royal family until her life's end."

TEMPORAL POWER

Advocated for the Pope. Germany will Fight for Honor. Eliza Cook's Literary Pension.

The Ives Trial. Price of Coal Raised. $80,000 Hotel Fire. U. S. Enterprise.

Collapse of a Buffalo Speculation. U. S. Navy Yard on the Sound. No Chinese Reprisals.

FAITHFUL CATHOLICS.

LONDON, Sept. 25.—A great demonstration in favor of the Pope was given by the Catholics here yesterday. The meeting was attended by 5,000 or 6,000 of the faithful sons of the church. They adopted a resolution expressing their sympathy with the Holy Father, and urging the restoration of the temporal power as the only remedy for his grievances. The Pope sent his blessing to all present.

THE CHANCELLOR ILL.

BERLIN, Sept. 25.—Prince Bismarck is ill and unable to come to Berlin to-day to take part in the preparations for the reception of the Czar.

ELIZA COOK DEAD.

LONDON, Sept. 25.—The death is announced of Eliza Cook, authoress and philanthrophist.

BOULANGER STILL HOPES.

LONDON, Sept. 25.—Boulanger bears up with remarkable severity under the disappointment of his hopes for the result of Sunday's elections. He is still hopeful, despite the large majority against him and Chamber, and declares he has not lost faith in the future. "The government everywhere steal votes like ravens," he asserts, "and their majorities are easily accounted for." He predicts that the majority will prove unmanageable, and that France will soon be calling for Boulanger.

A LITERARY PENSION.

LONDON, Sept. 25.—Eliza Cook, poetess, who died to-day at Wimbledon, where she has been living in seclusion for many years, subsisted chiefly on a literary pension of $100 per year, obtained in 1864. She was 71 years of age.

BOULANGISM AND HONOR.

BERLIN, Sept 25.—The *Post* says, editorially: "Although we are well aware that every party in France desires the honor of revenge, we have no desire to contend with a nation paralyzed by Boulangism. If there must be a struggle, let it be honorable in every acceptation of the term."

BOSSING THE BOSS.

DUBLIN, Sept. 25.—A number of quarrymen, employed on Parnell's estate at Asklow, threaten to strike in order to compel the substitution of a local Nationalist for the present agent of the estate, who is obnoxious to the employees.

WITHOUT OPPOSITION.

LONDON, Sept. 25.—Mr. Leng, Liberal, was elected to the vacant parliamentary seat for Dundee, without opposition.

THE BALTIC CASE.

OTTAWA, Sept. 25.—It is probable that the minister of marines may order an investigation in the Baltic case. If the charge of ill-treatment by Hambly is proved accurate it would give the government power to cancel the certificate of the officer in charge of the steamer.

COAL GOING UP

TORONTO, Sept. 25.—The coal dealers decided this morning to increase prices the 1st of October on stove and chestnut, from $5.50 to $6; grate and egg, from $5.25 to $5.75.

AN EXPENSIVE BLAZE.

CAPE MAY, N. J., Sept. 25.—At 1 o'clock this morning, the new Columbia hotel was found to be on fire, and was totally destroyed together with Koenig's saloon and garden adjoining. The proprietor, Frank Hildreth, and wife were in the house but escaped without difficulty. Property worth about $80,000 was consumed. The hotel was partially destroyed by fire in June, 1879, before being fully completed. A north-east storm which prevailed proved of valuable assistance to firemen. The cause of the fire is not known.

THE NAPOLEON OF FINANCE.

NEW YORK, Sept. 25.—The jury in the Ives case, who disagreed and were discharged, stood nine for conviction, 2 for acquittal. The others could not make up their minds, as to the guilt or innoceuce. Ives was remanded to the Tombs.

PUGET SOUND U. S. NAVY YARD.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—The commission appointed to select a site for a navy yard on the Pacific coast, north of 42nd parallel, have recommended to the secretary of the navy the selection of a point on Puget Sound. They say that a site should be sought behind Bainbridge Island, which possesses advantages over all other points.

A GIGANTIC COLLAPSE.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Sept. 25.—A firm of Buffalo speculators known as the Big Bend Tunnel and Mining Co. collapsed to-day; loss $2,000,000. Dr. Pierce, the patent medicine manufacturer, is the president and principal stock-holder. The capital of the company was $20,000,000. California was the chief field of operations. The Feather River in Butt County, Cal., with its rich gold deposits, was the allurement, but the task of getting the metal was too colossal. The only revenue the company can now expect is from the sale of these lands, some of which are valuable.

DARING MAIL ROBBERY.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Sept. 25.—A mail train on the Mobile & Ohio Railroad was stopped at Buck Alluna bridge, near Mobile, this morning, and robbed of $2,500 express money, and a number of registered letters.

A QUICK RUN.

NEW YORK, Sept. 25.—Arrived, str. "City of Paris," six days and 16 minutes. Best day's run, 490 miles.

ROASTED OPIUM.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 25.—The steamer Walla Walla, which arrived from Victoria yesterday, was closely inspected by the customs officers this morning, as it was believed that she contained smuggled opium. One of them began to poke into the hot ashes under the furnace. He soon came upon a half-charred five-tael opium box, and continuing his search, found about thirty more. The opium in the boxes had been so badly roasted as to be entirely worthless.

FATAL FALL.

Ellis H. Bray, a foreman carpenter, fell this morning from the roof of an engine house which is being reconstructed and was killed.

WANTED TO LYNCH HIM.

CHICAGO, Sept. 25.—Seth Twombley, engineer of the freight engine which last evening crashed into a train on the Rock Island road and killed five people, had a narrow escape from being lynched today. The crowd pursued him, but he escaped and was arrested later. It is said that he was drunk last night.

BRACKETT FOR GOVERNOR.

BOSTON, Mass., Sept. 25.—Republican state convention, first ballot for governor: Brackett, 743; Crapo, 674. Brackett's nomination was made unanimously.

A FAMOUS WHALER.

NEW BEDFORD, Mass., Sept. 25.—Capt. George T. Bauldiy, the well-known Arctic whaleman, died at Monument to-day, aged 64. He was the most successful whaling captain in the northern waters. In the last five seasons he took 124 whales.

SUGAR FALLING.

NEW YORK, Sept. 25.—Rumors recently prevailing about the issue of new securities by the sugar trust, and the continued decline in the price of raw sugar on the London market, have apparently struck terror into the heart of small holders, and as a result the price of certificates dropped rapidly this morning from 102⅝, at which they closed last night, to 97½. About 7,000 shares were sold. On reaching 97½ there was more support extended to those certificates and a recovery to 99 took place. During the decline the crowd of brokers dealing in certificates was the largest since they were put on the market. Much anxiety is felt with regard to the future of the market. Cables from London, to-day, report the market for raw sugar weak, and declining. But sugar, which a short time ago quoted at 27s. 6d., is, to-day, 13s., in the same period, the price of sugar certificates declined from 126 to to-day's figure, 97½.

THE DEADLY COW-CATCHER.

MARYSVILLE, Cal., Sept. 25.—Lom Lep Gon, a Chinese vegetable vender, sixty-nine years of age, this morning attempted to cross the track in front of a train from Sacramento. He was struck by the engine and hurled on to the cow-catcher, where he remained until the train was stopped. When taken off he was found to be dead, the back of his head being split open by the force of the blow received.

BRUTAL MURDER.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 25.—The body of a Chinaman, who had evidently been murdered, was found in a lonely neighborhood, late last night. A rock, weighing about 4 pounds, and having a few clots of blood on it, was found near the body, and as the dead man's skull was fractured, it is supposed that this was the instrument of death.

NO REPRISAL YET.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 25.—The Chinese consul-general here has received no notification from his government of its reported intention to inaugurate a system of reprisals, in retaliation for the passage of the exclusion act; nor has he received any private communication relative to the matter.

OTTAWA NOTES.

OTTAWA, Ont., Sept. 23.—Judge Bole, of New Westminster, arrived here this morning. He received the news of his appointment while on the train, and was warmly congratulated. His judicial appointment will be gazetted on Saturday, Mr. Bole's seat in the legislature thereby becoming vacant.

The government has approved the proposal of the British Columbia executive to apply to the jails of Victoria, Nanaimo, Kamloops and New Westminster the provisions of the law whereby a prisoner may earn a remission of his sentence for good conduct, or forfeit the same for subsequent breach of regulations. The rules suggested have been agreed to.

Judge Bain, of Montreal, refused a request to have certain cloistered nuns of the Hotel Dieu examined in their convent.

KAISER FRANZ

Is Angry With the Hungarians. Boulanger and Rochefort Ousted.---More British Gold.

Fatal Fire in Rome.--Falling Walls Kill Five People in Milan.---Pugilists Ostracised.

McDonald of Chicago Dead.--Killed by an Engine.---Stabbed in the Stomach.

A DIVIDED KINGDOM.

VIENNA, Austria, Sept. 26—On arriving to-day at the Hungarian town of Monarck, the Emperior Francis Joseph exhibited marked coldness in thanking the citizens for their apparently enthusiastic welcome. In his remarks he referred with ill-concealed anger to the insult offered to the Austrian flag during the recent manœuvres, and expressed the hope that the miscreant would be discovered and punished. The minister of war is inquiring into the matter. It was observed during the manœuvres that discontent was shown by the Hungarians at honoring of the Austrian flag.

COUNTED OUT.

PARIS, Sept. 26.—The municipal commission has nullified the votes cast for Boulanger and Henri Rochefort, and declared M. Jofferin and L. Labon elected for Mont Martre.

FATAL COLLAPSE.

MILAN, Italy, Sept. 26.—Five persons were killed and 20 wounded yesterday by the collapse of a building in the course of erection here.

PERISHED IN THE FLAMES.

ROME, Italy, Sept. 26.—A theatre at Mantua was destroyed by fire yesterday and two employes of the house perished in the flames.

LARGE PURCHASE.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 26.—The Mina de Mulatos Mine, situated in the State of Sonora, Mexico, was sold here yesterday by its Mexican owners, to a syndicate of London and San Francisco gentlemen for $1,565,000.

TOO GOOD FOR HIM.

MANISTQUE, Mich., Sept. 26.—Pat Barrett, who brutally assaulted the school teacher, Emma Bearsdley, a week ago, has been arrested, and is in danger of being lynched by excited citizens who have been searching the country for him for several days.

KILLED HER HUSBAND.

CHICAGO, Ill., Sept. 26.—Ex-Officer McDonald, lately shot by his wife, died this morning. Inquest this afnoon.

OSTRACISED.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 26.—The California athletic club has voted not to give a dollar to Murphy and Warren, the feather-weight pugilists, and has excluded them from entering the rooms of the club.

FINE MANAGEMENT.

NEW ORLEANS, Sept. 26.—In addition to the loss of $1,000,000 in fraudulent coupons, it has been found that the state has lost large sums by another fraud. The Picayune Baton Rouge special says: a warrant, drawn three or four months ago for over $500,000, was recently presented for payment, which it is ascertained was presented and paid about the time of its date. It is now suspected that many such warrants have been paid twice or more.

NOT ENOUGH BLOOD.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 26.—The directors of the California athletic club were highly indignant to-day over Tuesday night's fiasco, and were not backward in expressing their indignation. They would not openly disclose that Warren and Murphy will not receive any money for their disreputable conduct, but they intimated that the amounts they would get would barely pay their training expenses. The directors will hold a special meeting this evening to discuss the subject and vote the same be given them.

TRIED TO CROSS.

FRESNO, Cal., Sept. 26.—E. A. Brailey, a prominent real estate man, of Qulare city, who was on an excursion train from that place coming here, was instantly killed at Malaga this morning; he had got off the train, which was to meet a freight at that point, on the latter's arrival, Brailey started to go in front of it, but was struck by the engine and thrown under the passenger train, where he was crushed to death.

STABBING AFFRAY.

MODESTO, Cal., Sept. 26.—This morning about 1 o'clock, a colored man named Bishop stabbed a white man named Englehart, in the stomach, inflicting a fatal wound. Englehart is not expected to live. Bishop is in jail now. Both men have been drunk during the past month.

Messrs. McLean & McRobbie, of Rat Portage, have already thrashed over 30,000 bushels of wheat, and have enough to keep three machines going steadily for five days yet.

Michael Mulcahy was yesterday at Montreal sentenced to fourteen years in the penitentiary for criminally assaulting a young girl. There was strong evidence in his favor, and he declares he is innocent.

THE SURREY FAIR

Held Under Unfavorable Auspices, but Results Successfully Notwithstanding.

The Fruit and Field Produce Exhibits Larger and Better than Last Year.

The weather was most unfavorable Monday morning for the success of any event that called people away from their homes, and the Surrey Fair suffered in consequence. The day broke rainy and foggy and up to 10 o'clock there was not the slightest sign of a break in the skies, but after that time old Sol began to peep through the clouds, and by noon the fine weather sign was hung out. Although no entries were supposed to be received after 10 o'clock it was found necessary to set this rule aside as few of the farmers had arrived at that hour and it was not until 1 o'clock that the final exhibits were entered. Mr. Ferguson, the president, Mr. Thrift, the secretary, and the directors generally, assisted by Reeve Punch, looked after the visitors and did everything within their power to facilitate matters and add to the success of the day. At 2 o'clock President Ferguson in a neat speech formally opened the exhibition. He regretted that the Hon. John Robson had been obliged at the last moment to abandon his intended visit to Surrey, owing to a slight indisposition, but he hoped the municipality would be favored by a visit from him at an early date. The wet weather, he said, had had the effect of reducing the number of exhibits, but notwithstanding Surrey had not retrograded and the exhibition this year though held under very unfavorable circumstances would compare favorably with that of last year. The doors were then thrown open and the large crowds were soon moving through the building admiring the exhibits.

FIELD PRODUCE.

The exhibits of field produce deserve more praise than those of any other division. The number of entries was large and the judges were forced in not a few instances to throw pennies in order to decide as to which was entitled to first prize, so nearly equal were many of the exhibits in general merit. Wm. Collishaw showed two cauliflowers, weighing 15 lbs. each, as white, delicate and perfect in every way as any that ever grew. J. Armstrong exhibited a brace of cabbage, one of which weighed 60 lbs., and which it is hardly necessary to say took first prize. Mr. C. A. Carncross exhibited pumpkins and squash weighing 65 lbs. each, and magnificent White Elephant pototoes weighing from 1 lb. to 3 lbs. each. H. T. Thrift carried off first prize for best spring wheat and field peas, with splendid samples of both, the wheat particularly being very fine. He displayed a sheaf of Lodi spring wheat 5½ feet high, which averaged 25 heads to one grain sown. In potatoes J. Armstrong and Eric Anderson carried off the honors, but many other exhibits were nearly equal to those of the prize winners. Thos. Shannon, George Boothroyd, C. A. Carncross, A. Murphy and D. R. Brown were also large prize winners in field produce. In garden produce, H. D. Chantrell, C. A. Carncross and J. A. Armstrong divided most of the prizes between them with exhibits superior to those displayed at the Chilliwhack fair. Thos. Pickard's exhibit of leaf tobacco was very fine.

FRUIT.

In fruits the exhibits were greatly superior to those of last year. THE COLUMBIAN prize for the best collection of fruit was captured by Thomas Shannon with a magnificent exhibit of 13 varieties. R. D. Brown showed 15 samples of canned fruit and won first prize; J. Armstrong second. A. Huck exhibited a splendid sample of dried prunes, superior in every way to the ordinary market article. C. Brown and Geo. Boothroyd also made very handsome displays. Several boxes of honey in the comb, as white as snow, the exhibit of C. A. Carncross, deserves special mission.

FLOWERS AND FANCY WORK.

The ladies, as usual, were fully up to the mark with their exhibits, and too much cannot be said for the worth and completeness of the display coming under their direct attention. In flowers Mrs. Huck made many exhibits, the best of all being several pots of treble geraniums, in full bloom, and beautiful to perfection. Mrs. C. A. Carncross also made a large and lovely display. In fancy work Mrs. Boke carried off the honors, with Miss May Smith a good second. Mrs. C. Brown, Mrs. Carncross, Mrs. D. R. Brown, Mrs. McKenzie, Mrs. Shannon and Mrs. Wiltshire were also prize winners.

The exhibits of butter, though few, were fine in quality. The prize winners were Eric Anderson, J. Pickard and J. Armstrong. The best loaf of bread was made by Mrs. C. Brown, and the best pastry by Mrs. F. Anderson. Miss Shannon won the first prize for bread made by a girl under 12 years of age.

HORSES, CATTLE AND SHEEP.

Except in horses the exhibits in these divisions were not what they should have been, but this was probably owing to the bad weather. Messrs. Blinkinsop, Boothroyd and Jackson were the principal winners in graded cattle, and Wm. Smith in thoroughbreds. S. Stevenson, A. Murphy and F. McRae divided the honors in sheep. Thos. Shannon's Berkshire pigs both won a first prize. The competition in horseflesh was keen and the prizes were very evenly distributed.

Miss Smith and Miss McKenzie were the only ladies who entered for the riding exhibition, and both were fully entitled to the prize they won. The baby show was not the least interesting event of the day, and the pretty little darlings apparently enjoyed the fun of being judged fully as much as the onlookers. Ross M. Brown was awarded first prize and William James Pickard second.

On the whole the fair was a decided success and the people of Surrey have every reason to congratulate themselves on the outcome of their second annual exhibition. Following is the official prize list:

DRAUGHT HORSES.—Best stallion, D A Purver; best general purpose team, C Brown, 2nd, T Shannon; best draught team, Geo Boothroyd, 2nd, J C McKenzie; best brood mare, D. Stewart, 2nd J. C. McKenzie; best sucking colt, D Stewart, 2nd, T Shannon; best 2 year old colt, D Stewart, 2nd, J C McKenzie; best lady rider, Miss Smith, 2nd, Miss McKenzie; best gentleman rider, W O Purver, 2nd, Byron Smith.

THOROUGHBRED CATTLE.—Best cow William Smith, 2nd, William Smith. GRADED CATTLE.—Best cow, aged, C Blinkinsop, 2nd, G Boothroyd; best two year old heifer, Geo Boothroyd; best yearling heifer, George Boothroyd; best heifer calf, C Blinkinsop, 2nd, Geo Boothroyd; best yoke oxen, J Jackson, 2nd, P Jackson; best 3 fat cattle, J Armstrong.

SHEEP.—Best ram, 1 year old and upwards, S Stevenson, 2nd, A Murphy; best ewe, A Murphy, 2nd, S Stevenson; best spring lamb (ram), F McRae, 2nd, T Shannon; best spring lamb (ewe), F McRae, 2nd, T Shannon.

PIGS.—Best boar, Berkshire, T Shannon; best brood sow, Berkshire, T Shannon; best 2 store pigs, under 6 months, A Huck.

FRUIT.—Best 12 apples, early autumn, T Shannon, 2nd, J Armstrong; best 12 apples, winter, T Shannon, 2nd, D McKenzie; best 12 bartlett pears, D McKenzie, 2nd, C Brown; best 12 winter pears, A Huck, 2nd, G Boothroyd; best 12 plums, dessert, J Armstrong; best 12 peaches, T Shannon, 2nd, T Shannon; best prunes, dry, grown in the province, A Huck; best assortment of canned fruit and put up in the province, D R Brown, 2nd, J Armstrong.

FLOWERS.—Best 2 geraniums in pots, Mrs Huck, 2nd, Mrs Huck; best 2 fuchsias, in pots, Mrs Huck, 2nd, Mrs Huck. best 6 balsams, in pots, J Armstrong, 2nd; Mrs Huck; best 12 pansies, cut, Mrs McKenzie, 2nd, Mrs C Brown; best collection dahlias, Mrs Huck, 2nd, J A Maclean; best 12 zinnias, Mrs C A Carncross; best collection roses, Mrs Huck; best bouquet, table, Mrs C A Carncross, 2nd, Mrs C A Carncross; best bouquet, hand, Mrs Anderson, 2nd, Mrs Huck.

FIELD PRODUCE.—Best bushel spring wheat, H T Thrift, 2nd, Geo Boothroyd, 3rd, T Shannon; best bushel rough barley, T Shannon; best bushel white oats, T Shannon, 2nd, Geo Boothroyd; best bushel black oats, Geo Boothroyd; best bushel field peas, any color, H T Thrift, 2nd, Geo Boothroyd; best half bushel beans, fit for cooking, D R Brown, 2nd, Geo Boothroyd; best 6 head Indian corn, field, J Armstrong, 2nd, Wm Smith; best bale hay, Geo Boothroyd; best half bushel alsike clover seed, Wm Smith; best 5 lbs hops grown in New Westminster district, Eric Anderson, 2nd, H T Thrift; best bushel early rose potatoes, J Armstrong, 2nd, E Anderson; best bushel beauty hebron potatoes, J Armstrong; best bushel early potatoes, any variety, J Armstrong, 2nd, D R Brown; best bushel empire state potatoes, E Anderson, 2nd, R McManeny; best bushel burbank seedling potatoes, J Armstrong; best bushel any late variety, H Collishaw, 2nd, C A Camcross; best 6 mangold wurtzel, globe, J Armstrong, 2nd, D R Brown; best 6 mangold wurtzel, long red, A Murphy, 2nd, J Armstrong; best 6 sugar beets, D R Brown; best 6 carrots, long red, E Anderson, 2nd, J Armstrong; best 6 carrots, white, W Collishaw, 2nd, W Smith; best 6 Swedish turnips, J Armstrong; best 6 any other turnips, C Brown; best 2 pumpkins, C A Carncross, 2nd, E Anderson; best 2 heads field cabbage, J Armstrong, 2nd, D R Brown.

GARDEN PRODUCE.—Best 6 carrots, short, H D Chantrell, 2nd, H D Chantrell; best 6 onions, W Collishaw, 2nd, T A Fallowfield; best 6 parsnips; H D Chantrell, 2nd, C A Carncross; best 6 beets, J Armstrong, 2nd, J Armstrong; best two cabbages, J Armstrong, 2nd, H D Chantrell; best two cauliflowers, W Collishaw, 2nd, H D Chantrell; best two cucumbers, H D Chantrell; best 12 tomatoes, H D Brown, 2nd, W Collishaw; best two squashes, C A Carncross, 2nd, C A Comcross; best two citrons, H D Chantrell, 2nd, H D Chantrell; best two watermelons, J S Boothroyd, 2nd, Geo Boothroyd; best quart string beans, green, H T Thrift, 2nd, A Huck; best quart green peas, H T Thrift, 2nd, A Huck.

BUTTER, CHEESE, ETC.—Best 4 pounds fresh, unsalted butter prints, E Anderson; best 4 rolls salted butter for market, J Pickard, 2nd, E Anderson; best 25 pounds crock or firkin butter, E Anderson, 2nd, J Armstrong; best flitch of bacon cured in province, D R Brown; best loaf of bread, Mrs C Brown, 2nd, D R Brown; best loaf of bread made by girl 12 years old or under, M J Shannon; best pastry, Mrs E Anderson.

LADIES' WORK.—Best arasine work, Mrs Huck; best chenile work, Mrs C Brown; best crochet insertion, Mrs Boke, 2nd, Mrs Boke; best crochet edging, Mrs C A Carncross, 2nd, Mrs Boke; best crochet wool shawl, Miss May Smith; best knitted lace, Mrs C A Carncross, 2nd, Miss May Smith; best hand embroidery on cotton, Miss May Smith, 2nd, Mrs Huck; best hand embroidery on woolen goods, Miss Smith; best gentleman's slippers, Mrs Boke, 2nd, Miss May Smith; best macrame work, Mrs McKenzie; best Berlin wool work, Miss Smith; best patchwork quilt, Mrs D R Brown, 2nd, Mrs Huck; best ornamental design, any material, Mrs T Shannon, 2nd, Mrs T Shannon; best fancy apron, Mrs Boke; best working apron, Mrs Wiltshire, 2nd, Mrs Boke; best knit stockings, wool, Mrs Boke, 2nd, Mrs Boke; best knit socks, Mrs Smith, 2nd, Mrs Huck.

PROVINCIAL MANUFACTURE.—Best hammock, net, Mrs McKenzie.

SPECIAL PRIZES.—Best collection of fruit all round, (by THE COLUMBIAN), DAILY COLUMBIAN for one year and $5, Thos. Shannon; 2nd (by the Association), A Ferguson; best 5 lbs. leaf tobacco grown in New Westminster district (by Messrs. Beeton & Murray, Aldergrove), Thos Pickard; best baby under two years of age (by Mr J A McLean, Surrey Centre), Ross M Brown; 2nd, Wm James Pickard.

Job printing of all kinds neatly done at the COLUMBIAN office. Prices will be found as low as at any other office in the province.—*Adv.*

Blackett & White, of Langley, have a double-column adv. in this paper that is worth reading.

The Teresa's Arrival.

The *Colonist* has the following particulars of the schooner Teresa which arrived from Behring's sea on Friday night: The Teresa sailed for the north on the 16th of May, and after making a light coast catch, entered Behring's sea on the 1st of July. Only 850 skins were secured in the sea, and the schooner sailed for home on Sept. 1st, with a total of 1,112 seal skins and two seal otters. Early in the morning of July 30th, just as the boats were making ready for the day's work, the revenue cutter Rush was sighted coming up astern. All sail was crowded on, but the wind sank to almost a calm, and the steamer soon overhauled the sealer. Lieut. Tuttle and a boat's crew at once came on board, and informed Capt. Ferry that in accordance with their instructions they would be compelled to search the schooner for green skins. In company with Capt. Ferry and his mate, the revenue officers went down into the hold, where Lieut. Tuttle stood by the hatchway and waited for the schooner's men to hand up the skins for inspection. They of course selected old skins, with which he appeared to be satisfied. He asked when the schooner entered Behring's sea, and was informed "July 26th." Having reported this information to his captain, and shown him the old skins, Lieut. Tuttle returned to the schooner and told the captain that he was "O. K." He also reported the seizures already made, and said that no schooner was allowed to take seals in Behring sea, but for any other occupation it was open. Instead of leaving after the search was completed, the Rush hovered in the neighborhood until dark, apparently to prevent the boats going out. The day was the finest met with on the entire trip, and the water was fairly alive with seals.

Surrey Council.

Council met pursuant to adjournment; all members present. The minutes of previous meeting were read and approved, and communications were received from W. Grace, B. Springer, John Sprott, G. Rawlinson, C. M. C. Langley, John J. Burr, E. M. Wiltshire, and Hy. F. Perley and ordered filed. Communications and accounts were received from Dr. I. M. McLean, Armitage, Gordon, Peele, W. McColl, &c., amounting in all to between $1100 and $1200, for supplies and services rendered during the late quarantine regulations at Ah Foo's wood camp and at Armitage's cabin opposite the city of New Westminster; but as some of the charges were so excessively high the whole was referred to the health committee, to make enquiries and take action towards such settlement as will be in the interest of the corporation. The reeve reported having awarded the contract for construction of dyke, &c., to Messrs. Shearn & Co., theirs being the second lowest tender. Report received and approved. A bylaw to exempt all property in Surrey, owned by the N.W. S.R.R.Co. from taxation for a term of years, was read a first time. Tenders were received for work on the coast meridian and Kensington Prairie roads, but as all the tenders were considered too high and some slight changes were made in the specifications, agreeably to the wish of the settlers, instructions were given to invite new tenders for the work, to be received and the contract awarded by Couns. Shannon and Armstrong, on Saturday, September 28th, at 4 o'clock at the town hall. Council adjourned until 1 o'clock, p.m., October 19th, 1889.

Dr. Edson sums up the etiology of typhoid fever in the following words: First, typhoid fever never infects the atmosphere; second, it never arises *de novo*; and third, the causes of the disease, in order of their frequency, are as follows: First, infected water; second, infected milk; third, infected ice; fourth, digital infections; fifth, infected meat.

Eminent members of the Canadian judiciary have pronounced themselves in favour of the movement for the establishment of a Dominion divorce court, to be organized on the basis of the American system. According to the constitution, divorces can only be granted by the Diminion Senate; and as the passage of a bill authorizing a decree of separation costs from $2,000 to $3,000, divorce is a luxury which only rich Canadians can afford. The establishment of such a court might fill a "long-felt want," but there is danger that it might lead to abuses more grievous than the evils of the present system.

A man in Texas was accused of stealing a horse. It is scarcely necessary to say that immediately there was a lynching bee. At the conclusion of the entertainment the participants found that they had hanged the wrong man, and the high-minded citizens who had managed the affair were filled with remorse. They determined that the dead man's memory was entitled to vindication, and therefore a committee was appointed to wait upon the widow. They found her weeping. The chairman, with an awkward wave of his slouch hat, said in somewhat embarrassed manner: "Marm, we hanged your husband, but he was the wrong man. Marm, the joke is on us."

English capital is pouring into Mexico as well as the United States. The *Mexican Financier* says that it is now clearly in preponderance, and that almost every week sees a new company organized in London for the development of Mexican properties. Not less than $65,000,000 of English capital is being invested in the system of railways now under construction in the southern portion of the republic. For a misguided free trade country, England appears to be doing very well. Sapolini of Milan, has described a method of his which he states he successfully employed in sixty-two cases of deafness of old age. It consists in mopping the membrana tympani with a weak oleaginous solution of phosphorus. He claims that the treatment diminishes the opacity of the membrane, increases the circulation and improves the hearing.

Notice of Dissolution

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the partnership heretofore subsisting between the undersigned under the firm name of Comerford & McDougall, Merchant Tailors, has been dissolved this day by mutual consent. All accounts owing the late firm are to be paid to J. A. McDougall, and all claims against the said firm will be settled by him.

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As it is expected the attendance at this Exhibition will be very large, the Directors hope to see an exhibition worthy of the resources of the province.

Further information may be had from the prize lists [which will be sent free on application], or from the secretary,

T. R. PEARSON,
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NEW WESTMINSTER, Aug. 28, 1889.
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THE CHURCHES.

Summaries of Some of the City Sermons Spoken Sunday.

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH.

In spite of the disagreeable weather last evening, there was a large congregation present at the evening service at Holy Trinity church. The service was conducted by the Rev. Mr. Irwin. Taking for the basis of his remarks, the passages of Hezekiah dealing with the destruction of Sennacherib's conquering arm and the deliverance of Jerusalem, the reverend gentleman, after a graphic historical sketch of Palestine at that period, the dangers and the woes with which the Israelites were beset, and the ultimate advent of freedom, following upon the dispersion of the Assyrian host, clearly and skilfully worked out the analogy between this picture of the Jews in their dark hours and the Christian's prayer answered after long waiting. There is great force in prayer and one of the most powerful books we have is the prayer book; we do not think of that often enough. The Christian on his knees is at his best. He is strongest then. Here again we deal with a terrible power; were we to be judged by our prayers, how few would be saved. If human weakness proves the power of God, it also proves the importance of prayer. We should be definite and clear-minded in prayer, for it is the voice of the soul speaking in the highest presence we can conceive. As with the Jews cooped up in their fortress, scarce daring to indulge or hope of rescue; expecting that which is worse than death, so it is with the Christian in his distress. Succor will come at *length if faith remains steadfast.* Faith is what we all want, and of what avail are prayers if the heart hath not faith? Beware of that varnish of religion that is merely the feeling, the sentiment of it; something that is always changing and emotional and has no depth. But faith will ennoble and shed glory on the humblest life. There is a common saying, and would that all could speak and always think it sincerely, "may we live more nearly as we pray."

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH.

At the Reformed Episcopal Church *last evening*, Rev. Mr. Haddon spoke from Psalm 106, 15 v.—"And he gave them their request; but sent leanness into their souls"—and said: We sometimes get what we should never have and what we would not take if we were wise. Man trusts too much to his own wisdom and acts as though he knew more than the Heavenly Father, and, like children of earth, we want our own will whether it be right or wrong. There is a certain mysterious principle here, and elsewhere in the bible, that simple stupid men *can have* their own way, or are *permitted* to have their own way, to their eternal loss and sorrow. I make the assertion that God sometimes grants foolish and wicked prayers; it seems strange, but it is just as parents treat their children, and we have gained amiss, in that we persistently, asked amiss, and there comes up from this evidence a warning that we should never pray lightly; for our peace will be destroyed, our spirit defiled, and God's privilege given to man abused; prayer is spoken of as the ladder to heaven by which step by step we reach the better land, but prayer also may be made the means by which we can go step by step to hell; it can make calamity a blessing and blessing a calamity; by it we can be either *saved or lost. Now some of* you might be startled at the truth clearly laid down in the text, and you are ready to enquire how this can possibly be? *You say that you thought* prayer always brought blessing, and the view is so solemn and extraordinary that it is our duty to enquire if there is any good foundation for this assertion and whether the history of the nations warrants such a grave interpretation, or whether this is only an exceptional case and of no especial value and hardly to be recognized as a principle or law by which God regulates the requests of mankind. The reverend gentleman enumerated several instances in the old testament: The children of Israel desiring flesh instead of manna and the plague in consequence of having the request granted; Balaak's request to Balaam to curse Israel and God's consequent anger kindled because Balaam, although permitted, went against God's will. Sometimes God lets us have our own way, so that we may see our folly and that His way is better than our way. Parents sometimes let their children have their own way, knowing that they will suffer, just to give them practical experience of the folly of their own way. Israel should have had no other king but Jehovah; but they finally, God seeing their importunity, got permission to have a human king; but did the permission release them of the insult to God when they said, *we will* have a king? True, God became not only the consenting party but cooperating. He said, "I gave them a king in mine anger." Israel repented and often wished afterwards that they had never been granted their request. Will not people in the lost world be ready to wail, "If I had only listened to God, heard His voice, and followed His way." Sad, sad must be the mistake men are making in persistently taking their own course, because harm will *ultimately overtake them.* The instance which was reported from Detroit, Mich., a short time ago, that of Pat Gallagher calling to God to paralyze the man who had taken his pipe, and the immediate answer in himself being struck and the finding of the pipe in his own pocket after the funeral, is freighted with solemn warnings. But some people go to the other extreme and never pray at all. Whatever mystery there is surrounding the mode of communicating with the Divine Being, neglect to pray is not the way out of it; it is a positive duty to ask for our daily bread, and it is of eternal importance to ask God to forgive us our sins, and yet while we pray we should be careful not to make our desires a measure of the Divine beneficence, we should submit to His better will, His better judgment; "not my will but Thine be done." Our wills, so to speak, should be lost in God's. In asking for particular blessings we can well entrust the whole case to the Majesty of heaven, the spirit dwelling in us will help us to ask consistently. Prayer, constant prayer, is necessary *to our spiritual advancement*, and the more we pray consistently for clear hearts and the abiding presence of the Spirit, the higher we will attain to the likeness of the Master. After pointing out that the prayer of the Jews, "His blood be upon us and upon our children," had been answered, and the fact that God would grant the request of those who said to Him, "Depart from me, I want none of Thy way," and that He in anger might withdraw His Spirit for ever, the reverend gentleman closed by appealing to his hearers to pray to God as their Father, and they would experience blessings evermore.

VICTORIA NEWS.

Stormy Experience.--$5,000 Fire.--Personal Notes.

Special to the COLUMBIAN.

VICTORIA, Sept. 30.—The steamship Walla Walla arrived yesterday from San Francisco. Saturday night, just this side of the Columbia river bar, she encountered a terrific storm; the waves washed her decks, carrying away the sails and deck load. The captain says it was the most severe storm he has experienced for many years.

Saturday night a fire broke out in a two-story house on Second street, on *the Work estate, owned* by Samuel Gray. The building was occupied by Mr. Holden, of Ames & Holden, and with the contents was a total loss. Loss about $3,000, covered by insurance. The fire was caused by starting a fire in a grate with coal oil.

A severe storm was experienced in this city Saturday night. A great deal of rain has fallen during the last few days.

E. A. Eiffel, son of the famous French engineer, after whom the Eiffel tower is named, arrived in this city yesterday. He is accompanied by another famous French engineer.

The countess of Selkirk and Countess of Shrewsbury sailed for San Francisco to-day.

Final Revision Court Sittings.

The dates of the sittings of the final court of revision of the Dominion voters' list throughout the district are as follows:

Division 1, 2 and 3, New Westminster, at the Court house, 12th and 13th November.

Division 4, Richmond Municipality, 23rd November, at the Town Hall, 2 p. m.

Division 5, Surrey Municipality, 15th November, at the Town Hall, at 10 o'clock.

Division 6, Delta Municipality, 14th November, at the Town Hall, at 2 p. m.

Division 7, Langley Municipality, 16th November, at the Town Hall, at 10 a. m.

Division 8, Chilliwack Municipality, 18th November, at the Town Hall, at 10 a. m.

Division 9, Maple Ridge, 20th November, at the Town Hall, at 2 p. m.

Division 10, Vancouver 11th November, at the City Hall, at 11 a. m.

Division 11, Moodyville, 12th November, at Power's Hotel, at 3 p. m.

Division 12, Port Moody, 21st November, at Scott's Hotel at 2:30 p. m.

Division 13, St. Mary's Mission, 19th November, at the C. P. R. station, at 2 p. m.

Division 14, Cassiar, 24th October, Galbraith, Grant & Cook's store, Laketon, *ad aperturam.*

Cariboo Endorses the Government.

A largely attended meeting was held *in the theatre at Barkerville* on Wednesday, the 11th inst. The chair was occupied by Mr. Innes, while Mr. A. Dodds acted as secretary. Hon. Theo. Davie being called upon, addressed the meeting for about three quarters of an hour, and at the conclusion of his speech the following resolutions were proposed and carried unanimously. On motion of Dr. Watt, seconded by Neil Campbell: Resolved,

That having heard with pleasure the address of the Hon. Theodore Davie, attorney-general, we desire to express our cordial approval of the general policy of the government in its management of affairs, but more especially would we emphasize our hearty appreciation of the impulse given by it to the development of the quartz mining interests of the district by the erection of reduction works and otherwise.

That we look forward with hopefulness to the benefits to be derived from the continued efficient operation of these works, and we trust that no reasonable expense or effort will be spared by the government to keep them in all respects thoroughly equipped for the treatment of ores by the most scientific modern methods and appliances.

That we most enthusiastically approve the policy of the government with regard to the Western Central Railway, the building of which we believe will be of inestimable benefit to the whole Cariboo district, and to the province at large.

That we believe the main line of said railway may and ought to pass through the center of the Cariboo mining district, touching at or near Quesnelle and Barkerville on its way to the Yellow Head Pass, and thence eastward to become part of a new transcontinental railway.

The liquidators of the Central Bank, Toronto, say the concern will be unable to pay another dividend for some time.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

THE DELTA EXHIBITION.

Though Handicapped by the Weather the Delta Fair is Well Attended and the Display in Fruit Especially is Magnificent.

Special to THE COLUMBIAN.

LADNER'S, Oct. 1.—The rain, though threatening, is holding off, and the success of the Delta exhibition is assured. Bad roads have kept many intending visitors at home, but still the fair is larger and more creditable in every way than its predecessors at Chilliwhack and Surrey. The fruit display is simply magnificent, and larger and better than at the last provincial exhibition Mr. J. Reece, of Chilliwhack, and Mr. John Kirkland, of Delta, show fifteen varieties, and Wm. Arthur and Wm. Greyell also make splendid exhibits. Where so many are excellent, it would be unfair to single out any in particular, and it is only fair to say that every exhibit is worthy of praise. The standard varieties, Russets, Northern Spies, and Baldwins, are the most largely represented, and the fruit exhibit on the whole is

REMARKABLE IN QUALITY.

The best exhibit of preserved jams and jellies is made by Mrs. Hutcherson. She shows 32 kinds. This display is the finest ever made in the province. In vegetables it would be hard to gather together a more considerable general display, and a person stops to wonder how such prodigies can grow in a season. It seems incredible, but here they are in dozens.

VEGETABLE RECORD BREAKERS.

W. H. Ladner, M.P.P., and John McKee and Sons show mammoth vegetable-marrows, weighing 75 lbs. each, the largest ever seen in this section. E. Greyell, of Chilliwhack, and Wm. Pybus make the best exhibit of Swede turnips. Thos. McNeeley shows fine cabbages, and Wm. Arthur beautiful cauliflowers, all remarkable for their quality. The Jubilee farm and Thos. McNeeley make *the finest display of* table carrots, John McKee and Son, of parsnips, and F. Raitt, Wm. Pybus, and H. D. Benson of onions. E. Greyell leads in sugar beets, H. D. Benson and Thos. McNeeley in globe mangels. Henry A. Hicks shows four varieties of potatoes, and Messrs. Barter Bros. and Tom Arthur make the best exhibits. John Kirkland shows an excellent article of hops, and C. Beadleston has an 8 foot tobacco plant on exhibition with leaves 3 feet long. The Jubilee farm makes the largest number of exhibits, 52, and Wm. Greyell comes second with 32 entries. All of these and many others will be sent to the provincial fair at Westminster. S. Elliott has the finest exhibit of Early Rose potatoes, and they are real beauties. The vegetables generally are remarkable for their size, turnips 30 lbs. in weight, cabbages 40 lbs. and 50 lbs., mangels 30 lbs., potatoes 3 lbs., and pumpkins 100 lbs. and over are *common.*

THE EXHIBITS OF GRAINS, ETC.

In grains there are 110 entries, and all are good. The Jubilee farm shows beautiful oats which weigh 55 lbs. to the bushel, and Black Starvation weighing 45 lbs. to the bushel. Messrs. Webb, Greyell, Kipp and Reece, of Chilliwack, made fine displays in grain.

In flowers the number of exhibits is larger than last year and much finer in every way. Mrs. Hutcherson makes *16 entries and heads the list.* Mrs. Arthur also has a beautiful new variety which yielded 54 lbs. for one pound of seed sown.

[Here the wire broke down, owing to the stormy weather, and we were unable to get another word from our special correspondent at the exhibition—ED.]

Sad Fatal Accident.

Passengers by the Isabel bring the sad news of the accidental death of a young man named Thomas Colvin, at McPherson's logging camp, four miles north of Seymour Narrows, on Saturday last. *It appears that Colvin was* engaged in chopping down a tree, and the tree in falling struck another tree, breaking a large limb. This limb flew back and falling struck Colvin on the head, crushing in the skull. Everything that could be done was done, but after seven hours of unconsciousness, Colvin expired. The body was brought down to Comox, where the funeral took place, Rev. Mr. Fraser, Presbyterian minister, officiating. The deceased, who was 28 years of age, has two brothers in Cowichan, but his parents are in the old country. He had been working at the McPherson camp for three years and was highly esteemed by his comrades.—*Free Press.*

Greyhound of the Pacific.

The steamship City of Puebla is entitled to the distinction of being the "Greyhound of the Pacific." Her time from here to San Francisco is far better than that of any vessel that ever covered the distance. During her last trip up, however, she surpassed anything she had ever done. She left San Francisco Sept. 18, at 10 a. m., and arrived in Victoria Friday, Sept. 20, at 1:30 p.m., thus making the run in 51 hours and 30 minutes, which is the fastest time ever made. The Puebla left San Francisco twenty-four hours late, and leaves Seattle on time, having made up for all time lost. The Puebla's fastest known time was on the down trip, when she broke that record, logging sixty-eight nautical miles in four hours, which is equal to twenty statute miles per hour. A *good part of the credit for the Puebla's* speedy time is due to her chief engineer, Mr. A. H. Kress.—*Post-Intelligencer.*

Hon. Mr. Dewdney, minister of the interior, arrived in Winnipeg Saturday afternoon from the west. He was besieged with deputations from the time of his arrival.

B. C. Provincial Exposition Subscription Fund.

For the purpose of raising a fund to contribute towards the patriotic and worthy object of making the next annual provincial fair, to be held in this city, a grand and unprecedented success, the undersigned agree to contribute the sums opposite their respective names (to be paid into the association or to trustees competent to receive the same, on or before 6 months from the date of the last provincial exhibition, and to be applied to preparing exhibition grounds and buildings in the city, for increasing the amount offered in prizes, and for furthering the exhibition in other ways):

J W Sexsmith	30 00

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Jas Cunningham	50 00
Capt A Grant	10 00
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H T Read & Co	50 00
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Annie M Jaques	10 00
T Cunningham	30 00
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B Douglas	100 00
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Next!

Wholesale City Market.

Beef,	per 100 lbs	$ 4 00 @ 4 50
Pork	"	7 50 @ 8 50
Mutton	"	8 00 @ 9 00
Potatoes, new	"	75 @ 1 00
Cabbage	"	50 @ 1 50
Onions	"	1 00 @ 1 50
Wheat	"	1 50 @ 0 00
Oats	"	1 00 @ 1 25
Peas	"	1 25 @ 1 50
Hay,	per ton	10 00 @ 14 00
Butter (rolls)	per lb	25 @ 30
Cheese,	"	14 @ 15
Eggs,	per doz.	35 @ 40
Cordwood (retail)	per cord	3 00 @ 4 00
Apples,	per box	80 @ 1 00
Hides (gr'n)	per 100 lbs	4 00 @ 6 00
" (dry)	"	5 00 @ 9 00
Wool,	per lb	6 @ 10

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Railway Bonus By-Law, 1889

A By-law to raise by loan the sum of $155,000.00 for the purpose of giving a bonus to the New Westminster Southern Railway Company and to grant to the said Company certain lands and privileges.

WHEREAS, it is expedient to secure the construction and operation of the line of railway and other works mentioned in the Act of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia incorporating the New Westminster Southern Railway Co. and the act amending the said act of incorporation, in the manner provided for by certain articles of agreement bearing date the tenth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, executed by the Mayor and Clerk of the city of New Westminster (but so as not to be binding unless and until this by-law shall come into force) and now deposited with the said clerk,

AND WHEREAS, for the purpose of raising the said sum of $155,000.00, it is necessary to issue debentures for that amount;

AND WHEREAS, the total amount required to be raised annually by special rate for paying the said debentures and interest thereon, as hereinafter provided, is $10,850.00;

AND WHEREAS, the amount of the whole rateable property of the said city according to the last revised assessment roll is $2,540,245.00;

AND WHEREAS, the total amount of the existing debt of the said City is $290,000.00.

THEREFORE, the Mayor and Aldermen of the city of New Westminster in council *assembled enact as follows:*

1. It shall be lawful for the Mayor of the city of New Westminster to raise by way of loan from any person or persons, body or bodies corporate, who may be willing to advance the same upon the credit of the *debentures hereinafter* mentioned, the sum of $155,000.00, and cause the same to be paid into the hands of the Treasurer of the said city for the purpose hereinbefore recited.

2. It shall be lawful for the said Mayor to cause any number of debentures to be made each for such sum of money not less than $500.00, or an equivalent expressed in pounds sterling of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland at a value of $4.8666 to the pound sterling, as may be required, and all such debentures shall be sealed with the seal of the corporation of the city of New Westminster and signed by the Mayor and countersigned by the Treasurer thereof.

3. The said debentures shall be made payable in fifty years from the day hereinafter mentioned for this by-law to take effect at such agency of the Bank of British Columbia in Canada or in London, England, as the council of the corporation of the said city may direct.

4. The said debentures shall have coupons attached for the payment of interest at the rate of five per centum per annum on the amount of said debentures.

5. For the purpose of forming a sinking fund for the payment of the debt hereby created and the interest thereon as and when the same shall become due a special rate of four mills and one-third of one mill in the dollar shall be raised and levied in each year upon all the rateable property in the said city of New Westminster in addition to all other rates.

6. The sum of $150,000.00 shall be applied as a bonus to the New Westminster Southern Railway Company, and shall be payable to the said Company at the times limited by the said in *part recited articles of* agreement for the payment thereof by the said Company, and so much of the sum of $5,000.00 as may be requisite shall be applied and be payable as therein provided, and the residue, if any, shall be ap*plied to such purposes of the municipal*ity as the council may direct.

7. It shall be lawful for the Mayor and Clerk of the corporation of the city of New Westminster to make and enter into for and in the name of and on behalf of the *said corporation all deeds containing all* such covenants, agreements, provisos and conditions as may be expedient for the carrying out of the aforesaid in part recited articles of agreement, such deeds being first approved of by the council of the *said corporation.*

8. All property of the said Company which it may be possessed of at any time shall be and is hereby exempted from taxation by the corporation of the city of New Westminster during the construction of the line of railway and other works of the Company, and for twenty-five years from the completion thereof.

9. The ferry service by-law, 1888, and the workshops' bonus by-law, 1888, are hereby repealed.

10. So much of any other by-law or by-laws of the corporation of the city of New Westminster as may be at variance or inconsistent with this by-law is hereby repealed.

11. This by-law shall, before the final passage thereof, receive the assent of the electors of the corporation in the manner provided by the New Westminster Act of 1888, and amending Acts.

12. This by-law shall come into force on the 25th day of October, 1889.

13. This by-law may be cited as the Railway Bonus By-Law, 1889.

By-law read a first time on the second day of September, 1889.

By-law read a second time on the 10th day of September, 1889.

NOTICE.

TAKE NOTICE THAT THE ABOVE IS a true copy of the proposed By-law which will be taken into consideration by the Municipal Council of the city of New Westminster after one month from the first publication thereof in the BRITISH COLUMBIAN newspaper, which first publication took place on the 11th day of September, 1889, and that a vote of the electors of the city will be taken on said proposed By-law on the **14th day of October, 1889,** between the hours of 9 o'clock a. m. and 5 o'clock p. m., at the following places, namely: In Ward No. 1, at the residence of S. Calbick, Dublin street, in said Ward; in Ward No. 2, at the office of the late Dominion Sawmill Co., Richard street, in said Ward; in Ward No. 3, at the City Hall, in said Ward; in Ward No. 4, at St. Louis College, Blackwood street, in said Ward.

D. ROBSON, City Clerk.
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WEEKLY BRITISH COLUMBIAN

Wednesday Morning, Oct. 2, 1889.

(*From Daily Columbian, Sept. 25.*)

Ogle, Campbell & Co. have paid their subscription, $20, to the Exhibition Fund. Next!

Mr. Pickering, C. E., says the city of New Westminster could be given an admirable system of drainage at a moderate cost.

It is requested that those who have not yet paid their exhibition subscriptions should kindly do so at their earliest convenience to Mr. J. S. C. Fraser, treasurer, at the bank of Montreal.

Mr. Peter Grant has paid his subscription to the Exhibition Fund, and it should have been acknowledged yesterday. We would just remark, by the way, that it's getting "very cold" up north just now.

This morning at the police court one plain, unassuming drunk named Lemontaigne was dismissed with a caution; this leniency being extended on account of the culprit having been lately discharged from the hospital.

A large fruitier in Ontario is said to be contemplating selling out in the east and establishing business in British Colnmbia, after seeing the display of prize fruit and vegetables made by this province at the Toronto exhibition.

The lacrosse club turned out in strength at 5 o'clock this morning for practice. They will also play afternoons right along to the first day of the exhibition. This looks as if the boys meant strict business; they will undoubtedly make it hard work for the next team they meet.

The barometer still keeps high. In view of next week's festivities, the remark of an old gentleman who has spent many years in the province, is certainly encouraging. "I can prophesy with the utmost confidence, from the experience of many years in this climate, that the present fine weather will last to the end of October; maybe to the 10th of November."

The str. Michigan was beached on the sands on James Island at midnight Saturday, effected a few necessary repairs, and floated off at high tide at 1 p.m. on Sunday afternoon, when on the way from Westminster to Portland. The Michigan had a large load of salmon for eastern cities, consisting of 18,000 cases—2,500 from Victoria and 15,500 from Fraser river.

Yesterday afternoon Hon. John Robson visited Queen's Park and the exhibition buildings, the provincial asylum, and the new Royal Columbian Hospital building. The hon. gentleman expressed great astonishment and gratification at the wonderful transformation which the park has undergone, and at the evidences of substantial improvement and solid progress to be seen everywhere throughout our beautiful city.

Telephone communication has been established between the central office and the exhibition building. Visitors for Vancouver will thus be placed in direct communication with their homes without charge, as the telephone company has magnanimously placed the instrument in the building for the free use of visitors. The telegraph company will also put on a wire for the convenience of the press and visitors from a distance.

Chief Pearce arrested a Siwash this morning for breaking into the house of Johnny, a Muskeown Indian living in the swamp, and stealing goods therefrom to the value of $20. The prisoner, who is described by the officers as "a hard ticket," has about as many names as a Russian count; they are Indian William, *alias* Dick, *alias* Murdering Dick. He was remanded until Saturday. It may be interesting to note that this is the gent, who, some years ago, sold his klootch to a Greek for $100. The degenerate scion of the Hellenes earned his bread by working at the saw mill, and one day shortly after his purchase of the klootch, astonished his friends and acquaintances by rending the atmosphere with a varied assortment of Lacedæmonian oaths and Spartan cuss-words, on discovering that Murdering Dick, the aithless klootch and the hundred dollars had gone on a protracted vacation without leaving their address.

Will be a Candidate.

Mr. Thomas Cunningham, we have authority for stating, will be a candidate for the now vacant position of Westminster's representative in the local legislature. Mr. Cunningham possesses many qualities that would make him a creditable and useful representative for the royal city. Mr. E. A. Jenns is also a candidate for the same position, as was intimated the other day. We do not know how many more may announce themselves before nomination, but it is evident that the electors are going to have their pick from very good material.

Those Public Holidays.

In our issue of yesterday it was suggested that application should be made to the provincial government to issue a proclamation making the three days of the provincial exhibition public holidays. We learn that such application was made by the city clerk on the 20th inst., but the government cannot legally proclaim a holiday without making it applicable to every part of the province, which the circumstances in this case were not considered sufficient to justify. It is understood, however, that arrangements are being made which will enable provincial officials in this city to enjoy the full benefit of the exhibition and the festivities connected therewith. It is expected, of course, that his worship the mayor will proclaim Wednesday, Thursday and Friday civic holidays, and our sister city Vancouver might do the same.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

Victors at Toronto.

Mr. Thomas Cunningham has taken first prize for fruit at the Toronto Exhibition. Mr. G. W. Henry, of Port Hammond, has taken a second prize for fruit, and a first for vegetables, at the same exhibition. New Westminster city and district have good cause to feel proud; it is something to say that she can send fruit and vegetables more than two thousand miles from home and secure such honors as above noted. This will do Westminster incalculable good and is the best advertisement she could possibly get. Because it is merit, not puffing, that did it.

A Bold Thief.

A boat and net, the property of Pete Miller, was stolen last night about 7 o'clock. It is supposed that some Northern Indians, on their way to Nanaimo, took a fancy to the articles. The net is a new, 50-foot mesh net, and is valued at $100; the boat is a good, stout craft, measuring 25 feet long, and contained two pairs of oars, a mast and sail, and was marked A. O. L., No. 2. The police department immediately telegraphed to the North Arm, Ladner's and other points at the mouth of the river, and the capture of the depredators, unless they manage to elude the vigilance of the officers by stealing out during the night, is pretty certain.

The Powell Block.

"Work on the construction of the Powell block has had to be modified," says the local morning paper, "on account of the supply of brick." If the above rather incoherent sentence is intended to mean that the building will be in any way "modified" from the original plans, we are requested by the architect, Mr. James Kennedy, to state that there is not a shadow of "truth" in the statement. The Westminster correspondent of the *News-Advertiser* also requires correction, for stating, this morning, that the Powell block would be the same height on Columbia street as the bank of B. C., whereas it will be one story higher—three stories on Colnmbia street, and five stories from the foundation.

Shipping Intelligence.

The Dunsmuir left this morning for Nanaimo with 20 head of cattle and a load of farm produce.

The str. Irving arrived this afternoon with about 60 tons of freight and 25 passengers. She will go to the North Arm for 3400 cases of salmon for transshipment to Victoria.

The C. C. Funk sailed for Melbourne, Australia, this afternoon at 3 o'clock. She was loaded to her utmost capacity, her deckload reaching fore and aft as far as the forecastle and cabin companion hatch, and was built up almost as far as the booms of the spankers. She was gaily decorated with bunting all day. The tug Active did the towing.

The str. Gladys left for Chilliwhack at 6:30 this morning with the intention of reaching her destination early enough to enable those on board to take in the exhibition. Among her passengers were Hon. John Robson, premier; W. H. Ladner, M. P. P., president of the B. C. Agricultural Association; Mayor Townsend, James Punch, reeve of Surrey; John Kirkland, reeve of Delta; A. M. Herring, W. R. Austin, and a number of others. James Orr, M. P. P., went up by railway.

Personal.

W. L. Newsome, book-keeper at H. M. Cunningham & Co's, has gone back home to Orono, Ont., on account of his father's death.

Guests at the Colonial: P. B. Lawrence, San Francisco; Dr. J. Ferguson, Niagara Falls, Ont.; A. Williams, J. Caiture, Vancouver.

Guests at the Queen's: W. C. Walkins and wife, Chicago, Ill.; J. A. Russel, H. Woodward, Vancouver; J. E. Gardner, R. J. Hill, R. Parkin, Victoria; Alfred Ritchie, Montreal, J.R. Roberts, Toronto; R. Cane, San Francisco.

Yesterday Mr. George Y. Crookshanks, Inspector of Dominion Government Savings Banks, Ottawa, who has been on official business in this province, paid his friends in this city an unofficial and fraternal visit. He left for the east on the 1 o'clock train and was accompanied, as far as the junction, by a number of friends.

VICTORIA NEWS.

Shipping and Other Notes.---Another Sealer Sighted.---E. Crowe Baker Resigns, and Thos. Earle is Asked to Run for the Vacancy.

Special to the COLUMBIAN.

VICTORIA, Sept. 25.—The schooner C. H. Tupper arrived this morning from the Sandwich Islands. She left here some time ago with a cargo of submarine cable and telegraph supplies for use on those islands. She safely accomplished her mission.

The Electric Tramway Co. are getting down to work. They have commenced planking James Bay bridge preparatory to setting rails in position.

Lord and Lady Stanley will be given a royal reception on the occasion of their visit here.

It is reported that there is a sealing schooner in the straits, bound in; identity unknown.

E. Crow Baker has resigned his seat in the Dominion house, and a petition is being circulated, and numerously signed, by friends of Thomas Earle, asking him to run for the seat. Mr. Earle is very popular and will, if he consents to run, give anybody a hard fight who may contest the election with him.

THE CHILLIWHACK SHOW.

A Description of Some of the Splendid Exhibits---Formal Opening To-Morrow.

Special to THE COLUMBIAN.

CHILLIWHACK, Sept. 25.—Chilliwhack is busier and livelier to-day than it has been for the past twelve months. Farmers' wagons, cattle and horses for exhibition, and private carriages cover the streets, making the scene at once attractive and exciting. In the vicinity of the agricultural hall the crush is bewildering, the attendance for the first day of the fair being larger than on any previous occasion. The weather is lovely and the indications are good for a continuance of the same. The number of entries are about the same as last year, in most classes of exhibits, except horses and cattle, which are considerably larger. The show of thoroughbred cattle and graded stock is very large and fine and a noticeable improvement over last year, particularly in Holsteins and Jerseys. In horses better blood is also more observed on all sides, and the number of entries is larger than usual. This is taken as positive proof of the growing wealth of this flourishing municipality. Flourishing it is, and so it will continue.

The ladies come to the front this year with finer displays of fancy work, knitted articles, etc. The floral display is magnificent and wonderfully large. The dairy and vegetable exhibits are excellent. J. W. Wells, of Mission, shows a splendid sample of broom corn, which proves this important article of commerce can be grown to perfection in British Columbia. He also shows field corn eleven feet high, with ears 15 to 18 inches long, very curious vegetable peaches, the champion pumpkin (weighing 150 pounds), and a brace of cauliflowers weighing 16 pounds each. A. C. Wells shows a sheaf of American banner oats, 5½ ft. high with heads wonderful to behold. His entire crop of these oats averaged 100 bushels to the acre. L. M. Hall exhibits mangold wurtzels, 27 inches long, 18 inches in circumference, and weighing 25 pounds. J. Reece has a magnificent display of vegetables. His Swede turnips average 18 pounds each; short white carrots measure 17 inches in circumference, sugar beets averaging 17 per hundred pounds, and globe mangolds of mammoth size. J. McCutcheon has the finest display of Northern Spy variety of apples, and also a splendid showing of most luscious dessert pears. F. H. Goodall has cooking pears averaging 30 ounces each. H. Kipp shows Canadian black walnuts, sweet chesnuts and butter nuts, which are well worthy of special mention.

The president, Mr. Webb, and the secretary, Mr. G. W. Chadsey, as well as the directors of the association, are up to their eyes in work, and, to their credit be it said, everything has progressed smoothly. The judges are hard at work and will finish their duties some time during the night. The formal opening of the exhibition will take place at 10 a.m. to-morrow, when it is expected Hon. John Robson will be present to perform the ceremony. The number of distinguished visitors is much smaller than last year, but a number are expected to arrive this evening. To-morrow will be the great day and preparations are being made on a large scale for the reception of the multitude. As usual, *Mrs. Harrison's is the favorite hostelry* and it is crowded to overflowing. Nearly all the exhibitors have promised to send their exhibits to the provincial show at New Westminster and a great number of people from this locality will also attend.

THE LAST CHAPTER.

LONDON, Sept. 23.—Wilkie Collins, the famous novelist, is dead. William Wilkie Collins was the eldest son of the late William Collins, R. A., the well-known painter of rustic scenes. He was born in London, January, 1824. After having been educated at a private school and spending two years with his parents in Italy, he was articled for four years to a firm in the tea trade. Exchanging commerce for law, he was a student at Lincoln's Inn at the time of his father's death, and his earliest literary performance was an admirable biography of his father, with selections from his journal and correspondence, published in two volumes, 1848. From this time Mr. Collins devoted himself entirely to literature, and published successfully "Antonia, or the Fall of Rome; a romance of the fifth century," 1850. In 1860 he wrote the "Woman in White," and the "New Magdalen" 1873, and from that time on he became very popular as a novelist. He was a member of the guild of literature and art and took a prominent part in the amateur performances which were got up for its benefit. Several of his most popular novels were dramatised and and were as successful as plays as they were as works of fiction. Mr. Collins may be said to be the founder of the "sensational' school of novelists. He has had many imitators, but none of them attained so high a place in the literature of English-speaking nations as Wilkie Collins.

The diary of the famous Baron Friedrich von der Trenck, cousin of the notorious Franz von der Trenck, which purports to be written in his own blood while a prisoner at Magdenburg, is now offered for sale at Leipsic. The diary, inscribed on 200 pages of an interleaved Bible presented to Trenck in 1760 by the Princess Amalie, sister of Frederick the Great, includes besides a number of poems and letters, various social, political, and philosophical treatises, and a history of the prisoner's adventurous life, which ended in 1790 on the guillotine. He was condemned to death by Robespierre as a secret agent of foreign governments.

(*From Daily Columbian, Sept. 26.*)

No cases at the police court this morning.

The Gladys arrived this afternoon with the usual freight and passengers.

The Irving went up to Chilliwack this afternoon. She will return to-morrow with many of the visitors to the fair.

The steamer Irving brought up 3400 cases of salmon from the Bon Accord Cannery at Sea Island, this morning. These goods will be shipped to Victoria.

Very low tides prevail at the present time, and mud that has not seen the light of day for many a month sends up his exhalations in the orthodox manner now.

W. H. Thibadeau and A. B. Wintemute have "gone down foot." See exhibition fund. And now everybody is wondering if it is going to be a severe winter up north.

The boat and net supposed to have been stolen from Pete Miller yesterday were found to-day on the other side of the river. It is thought that some body used the boat as a ferry. The owner is pleased to get his property back again.

We regret to hear that our cotemporary the *World* has made slam-jam "pi" of one of its forms. We have "been there" and can appreciate the situation. You have our sympathy and "moral support," friend *World*, in picking things up. Better luck next time.

The new furniture for the Caledonia Hotel has been placed in position in the bedrooms and other apartments. It is in walnut and white ash, and is very handsome. Mr. McIntosh thinks he will be able to accomodate between 40 and 50 guests during exhibition week.

A small Indian boy is detained at the police station, in connection with Murdering Dick's house-breaking escapade the other night. Strenuous efforts have been made to "pump" him, but he is a pretty deep youth, and so far, all attempts to elicit from him the desired information have proved abortive.

The industrial fair at Portland opens on Thursday, the 26th, and continues 30 days. Round trip tickets, via Tacoma, good for 9 days, will be issued at the low price of $9; while tickets good for 30 days will be issued for $16. No doubt many Victorians will avail themselves of this opportunity to visit Portland and take in the great industrial exhibition.—*Times.*

Last night Mr. Z. S. Hall, the well-known proprietor of one of our enterprising book and stationary stores, put a two-line adv. in THE COLUMBIAN, intimating that he wanted an errand boy. To-day Mr. Hall came rushing into this office, imploring us to take out the adv. immediately, as he had not only obtained a boy, but was being distracted by applications.

The Victoria lacrosse club having refused to play with Vancouver at the Westminster fair, it is the intention of the Vancouver team to play with the Westminsters there on the 3rd ult. The members of the Vancouver lacrosse club are requested to turn out for practice every morning at 6 a. m. and also at 4:30 p. m. Saturday. Westminster people have acted very generously in offering gold medals for outside teams, not only for lacrosse, but football and baseball. In each of these Victoria has declined competition.—*News-Advertiser.*

It is now understood to be definitely decided, says the *World*, that no further investigation of the so-called Hogg *vs.* Langis-Sullivan abortion case will be made, The counsel's fees for the prosecution have, it is said, been paid in, and the intention now is to let the matter drop. Strange as this may seem to some, still it is not at all to be wondered at considering the length of time that has elapsed since the original charges were made. Moreover, Mrs. Hogg is away, and there is no telling whether she would care to return here to further prosecute the case.

Suicide of an Indian.

Mr. Coroner Ferris returned from Westham Island to-day, where he had been holding an inquest on the body of Jack, a Cowichan Indian, who suicided on Wednesday by placing a double-barrel shotgun against his abdomen and pulling the triggers by means of a piece of string. He died in about an hour and a half afterwards. Verdict, suicide.

Bricks from Japan.

A scow load of brick from Japan, the first ever brought to Puget Sound, has arrived at Seattle. It contained 100,000, and each brick has the name of the maker stamped in with Japanese letters. A tea ship brought it as ballast across the Pacific and unloaded it at Tacoma, whence it was reshipped to Seattle. Bricklayers pronounce it a very fine brick, as it is one-third larger in size than the brick made here. The brick-buyers like the appearance of it, but not the price, which is $20.50 a thousand.

Interesting to Artists.

This morning there could be seen in the direction of the Pitt mountains that beautiful sight known to artists as the "Turner effect." It is merely the darker bulk of the hills looming through the haze like a deeper shadow. Turner was the first to introduce this fine effect into his works, although the secret is out now. In this connection it may be appropriate to remark that the zodiacal light has been noted attendant on the setting sun for several *evenings past. Some think this* illumination was caused by the tail of a comet, but the first supposition is more likely to be correct.

A Rather Short Stay.

Speaking of the anticipated visit of the governor-general and party to that city shortly, the Vancouver *World* says: It is proposed to give the distinguished visitors a grand reception on their arrival on the 26th prox., when an address of welcome will be read. On the same evening Lord Stanley and party intend to go on to Westminster by the evening train. They will stay there as guests of Bishop Sillitoe until Monday, the 28th, on which day they will return here. A drive round Stanley Park, and an excursion on the Inlet, will form part of the entertainment prior to the departure of the distinguished visitors for Victoria on Tuesday. It is proposed also to telegraph to Admiral Heneage, asking him to permit the flagship to be in the harbor here during the governor-general's visit. An effort will also be made to have a torchlight procession on the harbor.

Bringing Them to Time.

There is trouble among the celestials to-day. Chief Pearce dropped around in a casual way and informed the tyhee superintending the erection of the extensive lodging-house, opposite Wintemute's factory on Columbia street, that he would have to comply with the city's rules and regulations by making the windows in the building at least two feet square. The building is nearly finished externally, and has on each side a row of windows about 14x12 inches each, and more resembling pigeon holes than anything else. This will all have to be altered, and the Chinamen have been stamping up and down in a terrible state all day. The rooms are also too small, the 380 cubic feet of space being by no means adhered to. This will also have to suffer heavy changes. It would be cheaper for the builders to tear the whole building down and build it anew. The place is anything but an ornament to the city, and surprise is being expressed that the authorities should have allowed such a shack to be erected in the heart of the city.

Lacrosse.

Mr. D. W. Morrow, secretary of the Victoria lacrosse club, yesterday received a despatch from the New Westminster club declining a match in this city on October 5th, but offerng to play here in a couple of weeks after the provincial exhibition. This would of course be so late that good weather could not be depended upon, and consequently does not suit the Victoria boys, who, having gone over to the royal city at considerable inconvenience to oblige the Westminster team, naturally think it strange that they should twice decline a match in return here.—*Colonist 25th.* There is nothing strange about the matter. The Westminster team is literally practising night and day, and they will have an extra exertion to undergo on the last day of the exhibition, Friday. It is hardly fair to expect the boys to trot off to Victoria without rest of any kind immediately after their hard work here. It is not from any wish to disoblige the Victoria team that our boys decline the match. "Enough is as good as a feast," and they don't propose to worry the lives out of themselves for the sake of one match.

CHILLIWACK FAIR.

A Decrease in the Total Number of Exhibits from Last Year.---Some of the Prize Winners.

Special to the Columbian.

CHILLIWACK, Sept. 26.—The exhibition was formally opened this morning, at 10 o'clock, by the premier and provincial secretary, Hon. John Robson. He made an able speech and referred to the many vexed questions which had been settled between the Dominion and local governments, also to the certainty of a line of railway traversing the valley at an early date south of the Fraser. He was cordially received and applauded at the close of his remarks. Mr. Ladner, M. P. P., also spoke, delivering one of his most humorous and happiest of addresses. President Webb thanked the premier and Mr. Ladner for their presence.

There is a great crowd here to-day. The wealth and the beauty of the valley are in their best attire. There is great interest in the riding contests, which will be settled this afternoon.

The news published in THE COLUMBIAN that Ald. Cunningham had taken first prize for fruit, and W. G. Henry first for vegetables and second for fruit, at Toronto, was received with gratification. A large number of entries were made here to-day for the provincial exhibition.

The total number of entries in the Chilliwhack exhibition was 625, a slight decrease from last year. Several reasons are given for this falling off, the correct one, most probably being, that the farmers have been so busy taking advantage of the fine weather to harvest their crops that they could not devote much time to preparing for the exhibition. The fruit display is far short of what it should be, but the quality of the exhibits makes up for the lack of quantity. Grains, vegetables and roots are also short of last year.

THE COLUMBIAN prize for the best exhibits of grains was won by Mr. H. Kipp, whose exhibits are large and fine and well worthy of their success. In all, Mr. Kipp, took seven prizes for grains. Mr. J. Reece made the best all round display of vegetables, and won numerous prizes. Adam Vedder showed some stalks of field corn, fifteen feet high, with ears nearly 20 inches in length. Wilder and Brown's exhibit of a new variety of potatoes, named Rural New Yorker, was very fine and attracted considerable attention. Mr. A. C. Wells carried off the first prize for peaches again this year, and Rev. C. M. Tate took the first prize for grapes, with some beautiful samples. Messrs. McCutcheon, Wells and Ashwell made the finest and largest exhibits of fruits.

In cattle the number of entries are far in excess of last year, but outside of Holsteins and graded stock there were not a half a dozen animals shown. Mr. D. McGillivray took the only prizes for Durhams, and Mr. C. Chadsey and Mr. T. R. Pearson for Jerseys. In Holsteins Mr. G. W. Chadsey and Mr. Reece divided the honors, taking six out of the seven prizes. They showed some handsome cattle which are certain to take a leading place at the provincial fair. In graded stock the large number of entries made the competition keen and the prizes were more evenly distributed, although the lion's share fell to Mr. A. C. Wells and Mr. Danville. Mr. R. Nowell's fine sheep took every prize in the Southdown class. In graded sheep, Mr. Wells and Mr. Reece had several prize winners. In graded pigs Mr. H. Webb had the best showing and carried off the two importnnt prizes.

The poultry display was not nearly what it should have been. Mrs. Evans won first prize for roll butter, and Mrs. Forsythe took the remaining two prizes for best firkin butter and best packed butter. The dairy exhibits were certainly very fine, and the judges were sorely puzzled to decide on the samples entitled to the prizes. In no other line was competition more keen than in this. The floral display was beautiful, and the ladies deserve the highest credit for the assistance they rendered the exhibition by making it so much more attractive by their exhibits. Many of the plants were rare and seldom seen outside of a first-class conservatory collection, and the bouquets, baskets and collections were arranged and blended in beautiful and attractive style. Mrs. Evans, Mrs. Ashwell and Mrs. A. C. Wells showed the best collections.

In ladies' plain and fancy work, knitting, etc., the exhibits were more numerous and superior in every way to those of last year, which leads one to think that these exhibitions are putting the fair sex on their mettle, with the result that home decorations are receiving more attention. In crochet work and knitting the entries were most numerous, but all divisions were largely represented. The largest prize winners are: Mrs. Barber, 8; Mrs. Tate, 7; Mrs. A. C. Wells, 6; Mrs. Street, 3, and Mrs. Evans, 3. Mrs. A. S. Vedder won first prize for best six samples of knitting. In drawings, Mrs. Stevenson took prizes for a pen and ink sketch and for a water color, Miss Susan Hall for best pencil drawing, and Miss McGillivray for best crayon. Two of the three prizes offered for the best drawing by children under 12 years of age were won by Master Stephen Chadsey. Mr. J. C. Henderson showed a splendid collection of stuffed birds and animals, among the latter a two-headed lamb.

[The official prize list will be found in another column.]

Personal.

Guests at the Queen: C. S. McDowell, W. D. Haywood, R. E. Allan, T. J. Allan, Capt. Woodward, R. McGuinis, Vancouver.

Guests at the Colonial: G. Robertson, John McNicoll, Vancouver; Mrs. B. H. Kritch and child, Port Townsend; C. E. Slater, Montreal; J. McKillop, Toronto.

Lady Selkirk, daughter-in-law of the Earl of Selkirk, founder of the Red River colony, arrived in Vancouver, yesterday, over the C. P. R., and, accompanied by Lady Shrewsbury, registered at Hotel Vancouver. At Winnipeg, where they spent some pleasant days, they were the guests of Sir Donald A. Smith, at Silver Heights. The whole trip to the east was made in easy stages, and was unaccompanied by any unpleasant delays or accidents. Lady Selkirk and her companion fairly went into raptures over the glances of the Fraser River scenery, Spuzzum and Yale being described as beyond compare. Lady Selkirk has expressed her desire to meet any of the decendants of the Red River colony who may have settled in this province.

FROM VICTORIA.

Moulders on Strike. Thos. Earle Nominated for the Dominion House. Warships for Westminster.

Special to THE COLUMBIAN.

VICTORIA, Sept. 26.—The moulders employed by the Albion Iron Works went on strike this morning. It is understood the cause of the difficulty is a misunderstanding with the foreman, who is a non-union man. The strikers number about twenty-five. They are holding a meeting this afternoon to decide upon a programme.

The requisition requesting Thomas Earle to accept the nomination for the Dominion House is very numerously signed, about 500 signatures being attached to it. Mr. Earle has accepted the nomination, and promises the present Dominion Administration a generous but independent support.

The City of Pueblo sailed at one o'clock for San Francisco with 125 passengers and a full cargo. She is on a record breaking trip.

H. M. S. Icarus and Champion will leave for New Westminster on Saturday, remaining there until the close of the provincial exhibition.

The unpropitious weather which marked the advent to Winnipeg city of the vice regal patry continued Tuesday. If anything, the weather was more disagreeable, a drizzling rain falling all the afternoon. In the afternoon a regatta was held, and in the evening a state dinner was given at the government house. The levee, or drawing room announced to be held in the evening at parliament house was a failure, very few being in attendance for presentation to their excellencies.

WEEKLY BRITISH COLUMBIAN

Wednesday Morning, Oct. 2, 1889.

(*From Daily Columbian, Sept. 27.*)

The Ladies' Aid Society in connection with the Methodist church intend holding a "harvest home" festival at an early date.

Eighty hogs consigned to W. H. Diebles, Nanaimo, arrived from the interior this afternoon, and were unloaded at the C. P. N. wharf.

Cohoes have not put in their appearance as yet in large numbers, but the sockeyes still run well. Very little fishing is being done at present.

Messrs. Reid & Currie have paid their $25 subscription to the exhibition fund; and now the talk is for a polar expedition to bring in the survivors.

The contract for erecting the carriage house, outbuildings, etc., in connection with Mr. H. V. Edmonds' new residence has been awarded to J. D. Hopkins.

The str. Yosemite left this morning for Victoria, with 4,400 cases of salmon from the Bon Accord cannery. She will fill up to a full cargo at Ewen's cannery.

The interior of the Bank of British Columbia is to be frescoed. The same artists who did the work at the Queen's Hotel bar are doing the work, and made a start this morning.

Four young men were accommodated with bedrooms at the police station last night. They were taken in about one o'clock a. m. and had been sleeping around the docks. They were released this morning.

The steamer Gladys will leave for Chilliwack and intermediate ports on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday next week, to accommodate the farmers who will attend the provincial exhibition.

The Chilliwack farmers are very enthusiastic over the coming exhibition in this city, and many will attend it and enter exhibits. The committee on accommodation should have every spare bed in the city on their list, as the hotels and lodging houses will be taxed beyond their capacity.

To rain or not to rain is going to be rather a serious matter to several of the citizens, from a monetary point of view. Some gentlemen have posted bets, in one case to the amount of $50, that it will rain before and at exhibition time; and the gloom of apprehension was noticeable on their brows to-day, at times relieved by the occasional sun bursts.

The brickmaking companies at Port Haney are still as busy as they were a month ago, and active operations will last for several weeks yet. The total number of bricks shipped up to date from Beckett & Co.'s and Mr. T. F. Sinclair's yards, this season, amounts to about 4,000,000. Fully another 1,000,000 bricks will be manufactured before operations cease for the year.

Mr. John S. Clute has been appointed acting inspector of customs for district No. 7, British Columbia, in addition to his duties as collector at New Westminster. And sub-collector Isaac Johns, of Vancouver, has been granted three months' leave of absence on account of ill health. Herschell Gordon has been appointed customs preventive officer at Nanaimo vice Thomas Bradley, deceased. A gratuity has been granted Mrs. Bradley, also Mrs. Fry, widow of the late surveyor at Victoria.—*News-Advertiser.*

The Truants Return.

The four boys who ran away from Vancouver to Seattle returned to their homes to-day. They walked all the way from Whatcom, passed the night in the police station here, and, with many uncomfortable speculations as to the antics which the maternal slipper and the tug-strap in the wood-shed would play upon their corporeal persons, they made a start for Vancouver. They are bright, intelligent looking lads and two of them are professional men—boot blacks. They will pay Westminster another visit during exhibition week, in spite of the fact that the invitation committee forget to send them tickets.

The Chilliwack Fair.

The Chilliwack fair was brought to a successful finish yesterday afternoon. The most interesting event of the day, after the opening ceremonies, was the ladies' equestrian exhibition. There were four entries, Miss Kipp, Miss Gertie Kipp, Miss McKeever and Miss McCutcheon. All the ladies rode well and gracefully, but the palm was carried off by Miss Gertie Kipp, who was awarded first prize. The horse races did not amount to much. Sunshine won the $50 prize. A regrettable accident occurred by which Mrs. Tate was thrown from her carriage, fracturing her arm and suffering other serious injuries. A grand ball at the Centreville house closed the programme.

The Governor-General's Visit.

The announcements regarding the movements of the vice-regal party while in British Columbia, published heretofore, have been inaccurate and misleading. Governor-General and Lady Stanley will arrive in Vancouver on Saturday, Oct. 26th, and that evening will come over to Westminster and remain the guests of Bishop and Mrs. Sillitoe, at St. Mary's Mount till Monday. On Monday the party will return to Vancouver and remain in that city till Thursday, 31st October, when they proceed to Victoria. His excellency and party will revisit Westminster on the homeward trip, visit points of interest in the neighborhood, and receive the official attentions which will be arranged for the occasion.

John McBain, of London, Ont., aged about 50, walked off the wharf at that city last night, and was drowned.

Successful Grafting.

Mr. Wm. Macdonald, of Fairfield Island, Chilliwack, has experimented most successfully in grafting the wild crab tree. Three years ago he took 500 grafts and grafted them on the wild crab trees scattered over his farm. The second year a large number of trees bore fruit, and this season the success of the experiment proved complete, nearly every tree not destroyed by cattle yielding a prolific crop. Among the apples are the *Fameuse* or Snow variety, and a large green winter apple that weighed about a pound and a half each. The snow apple is perfect in size, shape, color and flavor. The experiment has proved so successful that Mr. Macdonald will graft another 500 trees this fall, and many of his neighbors will follow his example.

The Royal City Mills' Exhibit.

THE COLUMBIAN is requested to contradict the reports made at the meeting of the celebration committees on Wednesday night, to the effect that the Royal City Planing Mills Co. will take no part in the procession, and that it was even doubtful if they would make an exhibit. Contrary to these statements we are informed that the company has been preparing an exhibit for some weeks, and when the exhibition opens it will be found that the Royal City Mills will make a display worthy of the occasion, and a credit to the industry in general. As to taking part in the procession, the management could not decide the question in a moment, but the matter is under consideration and it is quite probable the R. C. P. M. Co. will be represented in this also.

Street Improvements Going on Throughout the City.

The following comprise the streets which are at the present time undergoing repairs, grading, extensions and improvements. Fortesque street, St, Andrews' and Ellice streets, all the streets through St. Andrew's Square, Agnes street (nearly finished,) Park Lane, Clinton street, Queen's Avenue, Pelham st., Douglas st., London st., Melbourne st., Forrest, st., Bonson st., has been completed and John and Patrick streets will be in the market for tenders in a few days. The North Arm Road will be built up to city limits immediately, as far as Edinburgh street. Perhaps Agnes street has undegone a more radical change than any other thoroughfare in the city. The sidewalks are in course of elevation to a level with the roadway, and when finished the street will be sure to be a favorite promenade and driving sketch.

Foot Ball.

To-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock the following chosen teams will play a practice match, which will be the last general practice before the game with Vancouver on Friday next: Captain's team; Bell, Lewis, Stewart, Irwin, Lister (capt.) Pickles, Hamber, Allan, Miller, Port, Aikman, Bovill, Draper and Hartman. Vice-captain's team: H. Peele, Whyte, Weede, McMartin (capt.), Corbett, Mowatt, Fulton, Schetky, Albro, Whiteside, Homer, P. Peele, Pittendrigh and Clute. It should be borne in mind by the foot ball players that Vancouver will put a very strong team in the field, and that it will make a strenuous effort to carry away the medals. It is necessary then that every player should attend the practice match to-morrow, in order that the exact strength of the team may be ascertained, and a chance given to test every man at his allotted post.

Decorate, Decorate!

Our business men and private citizens generally should abet the efforts of the council, the officers of the association and celebration committees, to make the exhibition and celebration next week a creditable success, by each one fixing up some simple decorations in front of his own premises. Everyone can dispose a few evergreens tastefully before his door and perhaps make some display of bunting and Chinese lanterns. Contractors who have building material on the streets should also do what is possibe in the way of mitigating these necessary obstructions, during the days of the show and celebration, and an effort should made on all hands to tidy up the streets so far as circumstances will permit. All these comparatively trifling things in themselves, if patriotically attended to by each citizen so far as his own business or premises are concerned, will go far towards producing a very happy general effect and be the means of creating pleasant impressions of the city for our thousands of expected visitors to carry away with them, and thus add very materially to the actual success of the entire demonstration.

A Lunatic's Antics.

A half crazy man has been creating a sensation lately at Boundary Bay and Blaine. He appeared one morning at the St. Leonard's Hotel, armed with a Winchester repeating rifle and demanded to know the whereabouts of a "young fellow" who had annoyed him. As no person knew who the term "young fellow" was meant for no information could be given on that point. The lunatic then walked a short distance from the house and commenced discharging his rifle, several of the bullets passing through a small house in which people were living at the time, but without doing any harm. By a ruse the rifle was taken away from him, and he then went to Blaine and forcibly took another rifle and 200 rounds of ammunition from Mr. McElmon's store. No one was in the store at the time but a little girl, whom he abused and forced to fly from the place in terror. He then left the store and returned to the Canadian side, discharging the rifle as he went, endangering the lives of many people. A party of Blaine people gathered together to capture the lunatic, it is said, with the purpose in view of lynching him, but he had disappeared before these charitable gentlemen reached the boundary and nothing has been heard of him since.

Strange Suicide.

The details of the suicide of Jack the Cowichen Indian, noticed briefly in yesterday's issue, are as follows: The morning of the crime, Jack was busy loading two cartridges, and when his wife called him to come and take his breakfast, Jack, without saying anything, picked up his double-barrelled shotgun and walked out of the house. He went behind the house among the bushes and his little boy followed at a short distance. On arriving at a stump about 200 yards from the house, Jack took out a long string and tied the two ends to the triggers of the gun, placed the loop end around the stump and then stepping back until the cord was taut, deliberately gave the gun a jerk. The discharge was not quite simultaneous, being about half a second apart. The man fell down holding his abdomen with both hands and lay moaning until some men attracted by the report came to his relief. He was taken to the house and was quite conscious for the hour and a half that he lived. The shots cut a round hole about the size of a silver dollar, almost over the stomach; the charge did not go through the body, perhaps on account of the load being light, although the cartridges were loaded for duck; besides, the integuments in the region of the stomach are very tough. Before his death, Jack, in talking to his wife and friends, said he was at peace with all the world; his wife had been a good woman to him, and he had nothing to complain of. He could assign no reason for the deed, but that he felt that he was bound to kill himself that day. Jack's father committed suicide many years ago, and it is strongly suspected that the monomania that prompted the father in this rash act was hereditary in the son. Mr. Coroner Ferris, who held the inquest on the body, says that the family of the deceased man are quite well off and have a comfortable home, which makes the motive for the self-murder all the more inexplicable. Suicides among the Indians in British Columbia are rare, but it has been known to the Indians of the plains from untold ages, among whom it was considered rather a glorious achievement.

Personal.

The Hon. John Robson has returned from Chilliwhack.

Lieut-Gov. Nelson and lady have engaged a suite of rooms at the Queen's Hotel.

Herbert J. Kirk, late of Winnipeg, has taken up his residence in Westminster.

Guests at the Queens: F. H. Raiff, Hong Kong; Rev. J. Calvert, Delta; W, Elliott, Vancouver; J. E. Gardner Jos. T. Erskine, J. T. Coban, Victoria; R. Butt and son, Brandon, Man.

The Countess of Selkirk and Countess Dowager of Shrewsbury, left Vancouver yesterday for Victoria and will go from there to San Francisco, returning home by the United States lines of railway.

Guests at the Colonial: B. Seguin, Mission; H. Ferguson, Elgin; J. H. Todd, J. Freeman, A. B. Gray, Victoria; C. S. Windsor, J. J. Crane, Marvin Campbell, D. O. Miller, W. L. Fagan, Vancouver.

FROM VICTORIA.

Sighted the Rush.--Indian Committed for Trial.--The Moulders' Strike.

Special to THE COLUMBIAN.

C. Spring's schooner Favorite arrived to day from Behring's Sea with a good catch of seals, but nothing of importance to report. Her hunters, while out one day, sighted the cutter Rush, but she was soon hidden in a dense fog which came up. The Favorite took her boats aboard and quickly got away from that vicinity; nothing more was seen of the Rush on the cruise.

The strike of the Albion Iron Work's molders still continues, the company will not discharge the obnoxious non-union man, and the places of the strikers will be filled by non-union men if possible.

Stewart Campbell, of the Winnipeg Lacrosse Club, left yesterday for New Westminster, B. C. Stewart will be sadly missed on the Winnipeg team.

Joe Kemp, rescued from the Quebec ruins Wednesday, died late the same night. A horrible incident of the tragedy has just come to light. Michael Deehp was alive when found, but one of his feet was inextricably wedged between two rocks and it was found necessary to cut off the foot near the ankle in order to remove the body. The last body recovered was that of Mrs. Mayberry, but it is so badly disfigured by rocks and rats that her son, a lad of 17, could only identify her by the rings on her fingers. The body of Richard Mayberry was found in the debris of the land slide Wednesday night, badly mutilated and in an advanced state of putrefaction. The number of bodies recovered up to date is 44, and at least another, that of young Pemberton, is known to be still in the ruins. Fourteen injured are in a fair way to recover. A thousand dollars of the relief fund have been paid out to the victims and the remaining $2,000 will soon be distributed. The federal government will be asked for additional funds for relief purposes. The inquest was resumed yesterday.

(*From Daily Columbian, Sept. 28.*)

The str. Rithet left for Victoria this morning with 30 passengers, and a full load of farm produce.

It is expected Mr. Thos. Earle will be returned, to represent Victoria in the Dominion parliament, by acclamation.

The sale of work, held by Mrs. Sillitoe in the Temperance Hall closed yesterday and resulted very successfully.

The str. Irving left for up river ports this morning with 25 tons of freight and a large number of passengers.

The ship Titania sailed from Victoria to day, for England, with 33,721 cases of salmon, valued at $194,023. She also took $75,000 worth of furs for the Hudson Bay Company.

Mayor Townsend has proclaimed Thursday October 3rd a civic holiday. It is expected the schools will be closed on both Thursday and Friday to allow the children to enjoy the fun.

Dead humpback salmon in countless numbers line the banks of the Fraser river between Chilliwhack and the mouth of the Harrison river. The odors arising from the decayed fish are very offensive.

Esquimalt harbor is said to be full of cohoes, and the fishermen and men from the war vessels are said to be catching them in very large numbers. In a few days these fish will head for the Fraser river.

The W. C. T. U. have completed arrangements whereby they will be able to furnish their friends and the general public, first class meals at a nominal rate, in the exhibition grounds during the celebration.

Messrs. Bell-Irving, Patterson & Co. have offered $15 to the best appointed wagon representing a trade or industry, in the grand procession on Thursday next. This little sum is worth competing for.

A requisition was circulated this afternoon asking Mayor Townsend to call a public meeting for Tuesday evening, October 8th, to discuss local politics. The requisition will be presented on Monday night.

The Salvation Army will improve the exhibition occasion, as will be seen by their posters. On Wednesday and Thursday next there will be quite an accession to the local force and several grand meetings.

Mr. Samuel Robertson, of Langley, has generously sent five boxes of fine apples for the use of the patients at the provincial asylum for the insane. It is needless to say the fruit is greatly appreciated. The C. P. N. Co. kindly delivered the boxes free of charge.

The board of works should make a point of having Agnes street completely sidewalked before the exhibition opens. In its present unfinished condition it is anything but attractive in appearance, and as it will be one of the main thoroughfares to the exhibition grounds it should receive a little more attention.

The *Gazette* of Thursday contains the following appointments: Samuel Gibbs, of Enderby, and Arthur Louis Belyea, of Victoria, Esquires, notaries public in and for the province of British Columbia; Arthur William Jones, of Victoria, Esq., official member of the board of directors of the Royal hospital, Victoria.

Now is the time to advertise specialties, and THE COLUMBIAN is unequalled in the province as an advertising medium. Fifteen hundred families read THE WEEKLY COLUMBIAN in Westminster district alone, and our subscribers are increasing every week. THE COLUMBIAN has the confidence of its readers, and therefore its advertisements are valuable.

The annual meeting of the Columbia District of the Ancient Order of Foresters will be held in Vancouver on Wednesday, October 2nd, after the arrival of the steamer from Victoria. Delegates will be present from all the Courts of Forestry in the province. The delegates who will represent this city are Mr. John McMurphy, Sr., and Mr. Alex. Coutts.

Canada has a pictorial journal which, for the beauty of its illustrations, need fear comparison neither in the United States nor in Europe. The last number of the *Dominion Illustrated* is up to the usual high standard, and its favors are distributed pretty fairly over the whole Dominion. We can commend it as a good family paper. To the student of Canadian history, resources and progress it is indispensable,

There is a man in Victoria who loans flags for decorating purposes, and to him the city applied for 200 of his colored cotton, to be used three days next week in connection with the exhibition. The flags came to hand safely last night, and so did a little bill of $150 for their use, but as the latter charge seemed to be a little excessive the box was promptly trundled aboard the steamer and reshipped to Victoria, begorra.

Murdering Dick, alias half a dozen other titles and cognomens, appeared this morning at the district court, before Capt. Pittendrigh, in answer to a charge of house breaking and theft. The case was remanded until Monday, in order to give time to collect further evidence. A noble army of Siwashes attended Dick in his audience before the "beak," and he evidently figures as a kind of hero among them. He is said to be possessed of considerable tum-tum.

Mr. Laurance, the eminent Oculist-Optician, will be at D. S. Curtis & Co.'s Drug Store on October 2, 3 and 4, for the purpose of adjusting the B. Laurance Pebble and other spectacles and eyeglasses to all conditions of sight. His thorough knowledge of his profession and large experience enables him to select such lenses as are best adapted to each requirement, however difficult, and always ensures to the wearers of the B. Laurance spectacles ease and comfort, and an abiding improvement to their sight.

Early Closing.

The dry goods and clothing merchants have come to an agreement whereby they will close their respective places of business every evening, except Saturday, at 7 o'clock sharp, on and after October 7th. This is a really good move, but should have been made months ago. The hours of labor for a dry goods or grocery clerk should not be longer than for a mechanics' and we hope now to see the grocers and other merchants fall into line and adopt the early closing system.

Decorations.

The arch on Park Lane is well under way and gives abundant promise of being very handsome when completed. The two Columbia street arches will be commenced on Monday morning. The merchants are preparing to decorate their business places in good style and many of them will go to considerable expense in the matter. The Hamley block will be decorated in a novel and elaborate style, and the spaces between the windows on the second story will each contain appropriate mottoes. Twelve handsome mottoes of welcome will be stretched across the full width of Columbia street. Monday morning will see the decorators as busy as bees all over the city.

Preparing for the Celebration.

The rifles paraded last night 25 strong, all told, under Lieut. Glover, and were put through the manual exercise, company drill and marching, all of which movements were satisfactorily performed. Headed by the band, the company marched out for half an hour, and it was observed that the men were much more steady and accurate than was to be expected for the first drill of the season. The company will parade again on Monday night in full dress, and it is expected the turnout will be as large as on inspection day. The artillery also parades on Monday night, and the majority of the men have promised to attend. The success of the military parade in the grand procession on Thursday next largely depends on the attendance at the Monday night parade, consequently it remains with the men of both companies to show the proper *esprit de corps* on this occasion.

A Tough Case.

Wm. O'Brien *alias* Hugh McColl, charged with being drunk and incapable, stood up before his honor this morning and admitted the fact. His reason for giving another name when he last appeared before the court was because he did not want his conduct to be known generally. He is the man who laid an information for assault against W. E. Dickinson some time ago, and never appeared in the case. His honor fined O'Brien $10, or in default one month in jail, and he was given until 12 o'clock, noon, to leave the town. O'Brien served three months in jail lately, and the officers have him down on their mental slates as "a tough card," "a hard seed," "a downy bird," and "a hot ticket." The man doesn't look as bad as all that, but his general appearance is such that most men would, as in the old days of '49, slip a hand secretly around in the neighborhood of the hip-pocket in search of something swifter than the fist, upon meeting him in a lonely neighborhood about dark.

Final Touches.

The exhibition buildings are receiving their finishing touches in the way of decorations. A large number of men have been employed during the last few days arranging these embellishments, and the change wrought in that time has been wonderful. All the pillars and supports are now clad in red, white and blue bunting, gracefully set off with evergreens and autumn leaves. The effect of this blending is extremely pretty. Around the window frames the decorations are continued and in every direction the walls are festooned and draped. Everything outside the buildings is nearly out of the workmen's hands, and Monday at the latest will see the whole complete and in readiness. The grand stand, with accommodation for 1,500 people, is finished, and the judges' stand opposite is also nearing completion. In the stock yards a small stand has been arranged for the convenience of the judges on live stock. The first exhibits that have been received were placed in the machinery annex yesterday, Messrs. F. G. Strickland & Co. being the exhibitors. On that portion of the grounds reserved for business purposes, small shops, restaurants and stands are rapidly springing into existence, and a busy spot this promises to be. The idea of having the booths in one quarter of the grounds was excellent. The race course is finished, but the roller will be kept at work on it till the very last moment. The gounds were visited by many hundreds of people yesterday, who were all surprised and pleased at the rapidity with which the work has been performed.

The Celebration Fund.

Following are the amounts subscribed to the celebration fund since publication of the first list in these columns two weeks ago: Per R. Dickinson, $212.53; Brunette S. M. Co., $100; C. P. N. Co., $50; D. R. Brennan, $50; Westcott & Raymond, $50; Queens Hotel, $50; A. J. Tolmie, $50; S. Woods, $50; funds from previous celebration, per M. M. English, $35; M. M. English, $25; D. Drysdale, $25; Lowenburg, Harris & Co., $25; J. Ellard & Co., $25; C. McDonough, $25; P. O. Bilodeau, $20, King & Keery, $20; Gray Bros., $20; J. M. Blackie, $20; Wright & Jamieson, $15; F. Raith, $10; Archibald Bros. & Williams, $10; Dickinson & Bionie, $10; J. A. Webster, $10; G. E. Parkes, $10; J. C. Dockrill, $10; Kwong On Wo & Co., $10; N. B. Gavoreau, $10; Baker Bros., $10; G. Mead, $5; A. Charleson, $5; F. Crake, $5; W. A. DeWolf Smith, $5; Hall & Clements, $5; W. Moresby, $5; W. H. Rowling, $5; J. Houston, $5; W. Thibaudeau, $5; A. Grant, $5; A. Insley, $5; F. Forrest, $5; J. E. Gaynor, $5; Jos. Burr, $5; B. W. Shiles, $5; C. H. Clow, $5; R. B. Kelly, $5; P. McTiernan, $5; A. Bell, $2.50; Dr. Welsh, $2.50; J. L. Caldwell, $2.50; W. H. Falding, $2.50; Mrs. Hogan, $2.50; E. A. Wadhams, $2,50; R. F. Drummond, $2; J. C. Smith, $2; J. L. Chisholm, $2; W. D. Purdy, $2; J. Patterson, $1; J. S. Clute, jr., $1. Mr. Fraser, the treasurer, requests us to state that owing to the limited time at his disposal he has not been able to call on everyone, and he would feel obliged to those who have been overlooked if they will call at the Bank of Montreal and subscribe.

Colonist Wailings.

The *Colonist* has found itself mistaken in its first estimate of the local morning paper, and bemoans its disappointment in the following terms: "We confess to being disappointed in *Truth* of Westminster. We believed that, whatever failings it might have, it would be manly and it would be original. But we find that it has begun to steal, and to steal, too, from the *Times*. We are grieved to see that what it has stolen is not worth stealing. It has stolen the manners of the *Times*, and committed a most contemptible plagiarism. The *Times* has copyrighted "Honest John," and young *Truth* has shown itself so deficient in originality as to appropriate as its own the nickname. This is a very paltry theft. If *Truth* must have a nickname, if it must be vixenish and childish at the same time, it surely possesses brains enough to invent an offensive name of its own. But we thought that our young contemporary was above calling names. We saw that it was a little rough on the surface, but we fancied that we discerned a gleam of the jewel underneath. But we are afraid now that it is not only rough on the surface, but coarse and weak all through. Stealing the *Times'* nickname and imitating its weakness and childishness is a very poor sign. The rough who rips out a big round oath at the man who offends him may be a good fellow at bottom, but the loafer who vents his spite on the neighbor who is too decent to associate with him by calling him a nickname, is pretty certain to be a sneak through and through. We trust that the *Truth* will live up to its name, and if it is bound to be rude and unmannerly, it will not steal its neighbor's bad language."

The Grand Procession.

Mr. S. J. Tohmpson, chairman of the procession committee and Mr. T. Ackerman, grand marshal of the day, were busy to-day arranging the order of the grand procession for Thursday next. Following is the proposed order of the procession, but these arrangements will probably be changed in some instances before the day named:

Grand Marshal.
C Battery Band, R. C. A.
No. 1 Battery, B. C. G. A. and New Westminster Rifles.
Carriage containing His Honor Lieut.-Governor Nelson, Hon. John Robson and Mayor Townsend.
Carriages containing members of the Provincial Cabinet, members of the Dominion and Provincial Parliaments, the Aldermen of New Westminster and Distinguished Visitors.
Allegorical Car representing the Five Cities of the Province.
N. W. Rifles' Band.
Firemen and Visiting Teams.
Athletic Clubs.
Pipers.
St. Andrew's and Caledonian Society.
Other Societies.
Grand Car Representing Farming Industry.
Citizens on Foot.
Allegorical and Representative Cars of the Various Industries.
Vancouver Brass Band.
Grand Car representing an Indian Encampment.
Citizens in Carriages.

It is estimated that fully 50 cars representing the various industries will take part in the procession. The allegorical car representing the five cities of British Columbia will be the grandest of them all. Five young and pretty ladies will represent the cities, the post of honor being given to the Royal City maiden. The Indian encampment car will also be very attractive. Many of the cars will be drawn by four horses, and all will be gaily caparisoned. Grand Marshal Ackerman will be assisted by six deputy marshals, and to them will be assigned the duty of keeping the proper order of the procession, and directing its movements. It is expected the procession will be over a mile long, and the grandest ever seen in the province. The procession will form at the Crescent at 9:30 sharp, on Thursday morning, and at 10 o'clock sharp the order to march will be given. It will proceed down Columbia to Douglas street, up to Agnes street and thence to Park lane and Queen's park, circling once the race course, after which the grand marshal will dismiss the parade.

Personal.

W. H. Ladner, M. P. P., left for home this evening.

A. M. Stenhouse, of mormon fame, left Vancouver to-day for Lethbridge.

Guests at the Colonial: A. McCorvie, W. J. Gallaher, G. A. Gordon, Vancouver; C. L. McCammon, Port Kells.

E. Eiffel, a son of the famous engineer who reached the top rung in the ladder of fame by the way of the Eiffel tower, is in Vancouver.

WEEKLY BRITISH COLUMBIAN

Wednesday Morning, Oct. 2, 1889.

Returning very briefly to the subject which we treated somewhat lightly elsewhere, namely, that of the claims of Chicago to be chosen as the site of the proposed great world's exposition of 1892, we would remark that the question is not one in which British Columbia—or indeed the whole Dominion—is wholly disinterested. Although the proposition is for a world's fair, ostensibly, it is most fitting, as the occasion is designed to celebrate the four hundredth anniversary of the discovery of America by Columbus, that the exposition should be American more than anything else. Viewed in this light, Chicago is, plainly, more central than New York. The Pacific coast is steadily and rapidly growing in importance, and the reasonable concession should certainly be made to it of choosing the location for America's great show somewhere in the interior instead of on the extreme eastern coast. By 1892—rapid progress is the order these days—British Columbia will hardly know itself, compared even with its present enviable status and condition, and will be in a position, and will undoubtedly desire, to send a very extensive contribution to the exhibits of the natural productions, the industries and arts of the continent, to vie with those of the world at the great world's exposition proposed, and Chicago is considerably nearer and more convenient to this province, as well as to the great bulk of the Dominion and the Pacific American coast, than is New York, which anyone can see for himself by looking at the map. For exhibits from the Orient, by way of the Pacific ocean, the location is also more central. Other arguments might be adduced in favor of the lake city, but we don't want to cause a panic on Wall street, and forbear.

That summary process of justice rampant known to our republican neighbors as lynch law is very often productive of the grossest injustice and most criminal outrage against innocent persons who have haplessly fallen under the suspicious of the mob. A most revolting instance of this kind is reported from Eldorado, Kansas. A man named Edwards and his wife, near that place, fell under suspicion, from evidence of a purely circumstantial nature, of having murdered the three-year-old child of Henry Bloomer, a neighbor. The child, it appears, was left in the care of Mr. and Mrs. Edwards while Bloomer and his wife went to work in the fields. That evening the child was missing. Search by the neighbors for the next two days failed to reveal any trace of its whereabouts. Mr. and Mrs. Edwards were not sufficiently active in the search to satisfy the minds of some of the neighbors, and consequently suspicion was aroused, and finally a mob took charge of them, one portion taking Edwards and the other his wife. Mrs. Edwards was a woman of very nervous disposition, and when commanded to confess the crime, under penalty of hanging if she did not, finally said she had killed the child accidentally and that the body was in the creek. Search failed to reveal it, and she was again taken to the nearest tree, and having no statement to make, was pulled up and kept suspended in the air until her face was black. She was then lowered and when brought to, the leader told her if she did not tell the truth she would be hanged until dead and her husband burned at the stake. The woman was too badly scared to speak, and assuming her silence to be voluntary, the mob again suspended her until nearly dead. After reviving her they were about to draw her up again, when the father of the missing child interfered, saying if they killed her the body of the child could not be found. She was then placed in charge of a guard. In the meantime that portion of the mob which had Edwards in charge attempted to extort a confession from him. He, too, said he knew nothing and was strung up twice until nearly dead. Friday night (it was on Tuesday, the 17th inst., that the child was missed) the prisoners were placed in jail and from that time until Monday morning a mob varying from 500 to 1,500 continually surrounded the jail, clamoring for the lives of the accused, but the sheriff kept them at bay. Early Monday morning the child was found alive and well, sitting on the doorstep of a farmer near Rosalia, where it had been all the time. Mr. and Mrs. Edwards have been released. They are still suffering from the effects of the hard treatment received, and an attempt will be made to prosecute the leaders of the mob. After such a recital as this, who will not be thankful that he lives in a land where such things are impossible; where justice, if slow sometimes, is always sure, and human lives are never made the plaything of passion-crazed and unreasoning mobs. While admitting that, in some cases, retribution, richly deserved and none too swift, is meted out to atrocious villains by the tornado-like action of lynch law, still the risk of resorting to this method of punishing crime at all is too great, and the practice is a foul blot upon the fair name of the greatest of republics, that should be blotted out. But, owing to social conditions and habits in many parts of the United States, the task will be a most difficult one.

Returns just presented by the French government reveal a very alarming state of things. It is no less than the slow extermination of the French race. The returns presented in 1881 showed a very large proportionate decrease in the number of births as compared with deaths in the republic, but the figures now to hand accentuate and emphasize the decrease, and it is not too much to say that a very fearful possibility menaces the republic, and that, too, in the not distant future. First of all the marriages in 1888 compared with those of 1881 are fewer by 5,000, whilst the births are fewer by no less a figure than 17,000. These facts in themselves are ominous, but the cause for alarm is barely stated. In 1881 the excess of births over deaths was 108,000 (a comparatively small excess even then), but in 1888 the figures have fallen to 44,000, which is scarcely appreciable. At the present rate of retrogression, in a few years France will be not only at a standstill so far as her population is concerned, but actually the French people will be dying out. The figures so far presented, however, do not tell the whole story. France is divided into eighty-seven departments, and in forty-three of them there is an excess of deaths over births; so that we may say that already half over the republic the birth rate does not keep pace with the death rate. Whilst, therefore, political economists are at their wits' end to know how to deal with the Anglo-Saxon surplus across the channel, France is in anxiety as to how she is to keep going if the decrease of her people continues. The reasons for the alarming state of affairs are difficult to gauge in their entirety, but the significant figures as to the marriage rate speak volumes. A non-marrying people is scarcely likely to be a moral people, and an immoral people quickly goes to the wall. It has been truly said of the Roman Empire that effeminacy was the cause of her downfall, and it seems almost as though the artificiality of life in the cities of France, at least, is responsible for a great part of the mischief. The healthy freedom accorded to girls and young women in England, Canada and the United States is altogether unknown in France. There, a girl scarcely ever sees her husband before marriage, to become acquainted with him at all intimately. The question of marriage is settled by the parents of the parties interested, and the love-making (if any) has in most cases to be done after the knot is tied. We think our own ways are better. Here, a girl having freedom, learns her own feelings and tastes, and it is in most cases her own fault if she chooses an unsuitable mate. We cannot help regarding the French apology for courtship as being bad, and it is likely that a vast deal of the immorality so peculiar to places like Paris is traceable to the lack of social intercourse between young men and women before marriage. A girl who has passed her maidenhood in the seclusion of a convent school, and is then thrust upon the world to steer her own course in company with a young man who knows as little of life as herself, possibly, is scarcely likely to keep a straight course if exposed to many temptations, and the remark applies even more emphatically to the inexperienced husband. A nation's novels and plays are no bad indication of its morality. Of course novels and dramas present a very exaggerated picture, but in bulk they point a moral. No one can call modern French fiction healthy; on the contrary, it is barely decent in numberless cases, and simply revoltingly disgusting in others. Surely such a state of affairs indicates a certain laxity of tone among the people, a want of moral stamina, and, therefore, we think it behooves the French people to look to themselves whilst it is time.

If you wish your sight carefully and correctly fitted with the best spectacles in the world, call at D. S. Curtis & Co.'s Drug Store on October 2, 3 and 4, when Mr. Laurance, the celebrated Oculist-Optician, will be there, and after an examination of the eyes fit you on scientific principles with the B. Laurance Axis Cut Pebble and other spectacles, ensuring to you the ability to use your eyes for the most minute employment with great ease and comfort and the certain preservation of your sight.

Mayor Grant of Victoria has been making funny remarks at the expense of Mr. Jno. Ruskin, world renowned art critic, litterateur and some time Slade Professor at Oxford University. Mr. Grant evidently does not entertain a very exalted opinion of Ruskin because "he is a man" (so says the mayor, and of course he would never talk about what he did not understand) "who objects to railways, steamboats and other modern improvements." Mayor Grant would find it hard to prove what he says, however. John Ruskin as an art critic, naturally, in his writings discusses subjects from the æsthetic standpoint, and no one can reasonably find fault with such a man for preferring the gondola to the steam launch on the beautiful waterways of Venice, or blame him when he protests against the running of a railway line into the heart of the English lake country, because he believes that the preservation of its natural beauty is a matter for consideration as well as the putting of a few more shekels into the already well-filled money bags of railroad directors. For Mr. Grant, as mayor of Victoria, we entertain unbounded respect, but when he attempts to criticize Ruskin and lets himself down to vapid vulgarisms about beauty unadorned, Eve in the garden of Eden, and the era of the fig leaf, we imagine he would act more wisely by keeping silence for fear uncharitable persons, reading his foolish talk, should repeat the old adage that empty kettles make the most noise.

Parents should look into the literature their children indulge in, remarks an exchange, and no exhortation can be more well-timed in view of the voluminous, cheap and trashy stuff that circulates under the name of literature in these days, and which anyone with half an eye can see that the rising generation—the boys especially—are in the habit of greedily devouring. There can be no question that the fearful and unnatural increase of juvenile crime which the public prints record all over this continent is almost wholly due to the distorted and perverted views of life which the great majority of the dime novels and the so-called boys' papers inculcate. Instances where cause and effect are clearly traceable might be cited by the hundred, were the necessary trouble taken to compile them. One instance with a very sad sequel will serve for a multitude of others: A lad was arrested in Stratford, Ont., the other day for stealing. His comrade, who is supposed to have known of the thefts, at once shot himself. The lad, before committing suicide, wrote thus to his parents: "God help me, I am in great trouble. I am going to take my life. Will is arrested and will go to penitentiary. I was led into evil by him. Mark my last words, which are, I never robbed any store. My God, how I wish I had never seen him. May God forgive me." In the boy's trunk a well-thumbed book has since been found, called "The Life and Times of Jesse James, the notorious robber and murderer." The publication praises the thief and pictures him as a hero. There can be little doubt that the book, the thefts, the arrest of one boy and the suicide of the other, are connected, and such deplorable results must inevitably follow in yet other cases so long as the vile poison of evil and foolish literature is permitted to do its work. Even where permanent viciousness and criminality are not induced by this sort of mental pabulum for the young, comparative imbecility, antipathy and uselessness for the real duties of life are in many cases the almost equally deplorable effects from the same cause. If any one wishes, he can note the evil we have been considering at work in this province, and in our own city. Parents cannot be too thoroughly aroused in this matter, and governments owe it to the people to place stringent restrictions upon foolish and vicious literature.

The Ottawa *Free Press* (Liberal) is agitated about the present condition as regards efficiency of the Canadian militia forces, and blames the Dominion government, and particularly the minister of militia, for having allowed the force "to fall into such a state." Says the *Free Press*: "It is imfortunate that at a time when our Canadian jingoes are threatening vengeance upon the United States, because of the illegal seizure of British Columbia vessels in Behring Sea, the American newspapers are able to quote statements from the last annual report of the Dominion minister of militia showing that Canada's volunteer militia is so badly equipped as to be utterly useless in case of trouble. Was is not most 'unpatriotic' for Sir Adolphe Caron to publish to the world official reports showing the militia force to be in a demoralized condition? Was it not still more unpatriotic for him to permit the force to fall into such a state? What is done with the million dollars granted by parliament every year for the maintenance of our militia force? It is certainly not spent upon equipment, if we are to believe the reports of the officers of the various districts. Sir Adolphe cannot pretend that he is not supplied with sufficient money to maintain his army in good condition, because all the money he has ever asked for has been freely and cheerfully granted by parliament. A recent letter in the New York *Herald* on the Canadian militia, states that the Dominion forces are armed with the discarded weapons of the English militia; that the rifle in general use is the old-fashioned Snider, with a few Martinis for prize shooting, and that no single corps is armed with magazine guns. Then from the reports furnished to the militia department by inspecting officers, some statements reflecting seriously upon Sir Adolphe's administration are culled. Col. Otter, of number two district, states that with few exceptions the arms and accoutrements in possession of the militiamen are 'worn out and unserviceable.' Captain Coogan, of the 24th battalion, reports that 'many of the rifles in use are unserviceable and in a high degree dangerous to the firer.' Captain Bosse, musketry instructor, reports that on one occasion 'in trial and sighting shots some sixty pounds of ammunition were used, and of these thirty were found defective and rusty.' Other infantry officers make similar reports. Col. Houghton, D. A. G., of the Montreal district, reporting upon a troop of cavalry, says: 'Some of the swords are deeply honeycombed, having laid for years in rust, and are not only unserviceable but can never be brightened again.' And it may be asked: What is done with the enormous sums of money voted every year by parliament for the maintenance of our militia force? How is it frittered away; and how comes it that our citizen soldiery are not provided with proper equipments?" When talking about the efficiency of our militia force, and such stuff as "threatening vengeance upon the United States," it should be remembered that Canada's citizen soldier is designed for internal military police and defensive purposes only, and cannot be ordered outside of the country on any mission of vengeance or retaliation, though the Jingoes howl and the Grits imagine vain things. A little furbishing up of the militia and its equipment, however, would do no harm, according to all accounts, and not a little of the criticism of the *Free Press* would apply to the militia in this province.

Another disastrous result of allowing little children to play with matches was suffered at Pasadena, Cal., on the 16th, where there was a fire entailing a loss of $150,000 occasioned in that manner.

In 1784 the Irish House of Commons issued an order to this effect: "Any member unable to write may get another member to frank his letter for him, but only on condition that he certifies with his oun handwriting his inability on the back of it." Just like the ingenious Pat.

A society lady of Chicago has issued cards on birchen bark inviting her friends to meet at her house to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of her attainment of spinsterhood. It will be the first event of the kind ever celebrated, but when the news reaches New England, says an exchange, there will be such a girdling of birch trees that home-made root beer will be forced out of the market.

Rail and steam are never done annihilating distance. The trans-Siberian railway from Europe is being cut to the Russian port of Vladivostock on the east coast of Asia opposite Japan. In Japan a line is projected to Maizuru, the port on the west coast of that country, and a line of steamers will carry passengers between the two places. With our Japanese line, and these new arrangements completed, who can tell the travel that may be attracted that way.—*Ex.*

The *Edinburgh Scotsman* says: "Although the Duke and Duchess of Fife remained at home on Sunday morning after their wedding, in the evening the happy couple might have been seen in an ordinary hansom driving rapidly towards a neighboring village church for evening service, unattended by any suite, the Princess in the quietness of Sunday dress, with a water-proof, and the Duke in an ordinary, not to say shabby, morning attire. They had told the driver to wait the close of the service, but the man misunderstood, and so, the little simple village church service over, the Duke and his bride sallied forth with the other worshippers, and in the gloaming of a summer's evening walked quietly back to their house across the park hardly noticed."

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In obedience to a warrant to me directed and bearing even date with this notice, ninety days from the date hereof I will sell the undermentioned lands, or sufficient thereof to discharge the amount of delinquent taxes and costs due thereon. The sale will take place at the Town Hall, Surrey Centre, at the hour of noon on the date mentioned, unless said delinquent taxes and costs are sooner paid:

Name of Owner.	Position of Land	Amt of Arr'rs	Costs	Total.
Gray, Matthew	SE ¼ Sec 20, Tp 8	$64 40	$10 47	$74 87
Byrnes, George	NE ¼ Sec 9, Tp 7	32 67	6 65	39 32
Gardiner, Ben	N pt E ½ Sec 11, Tp 1	2 63	3 05	5 68
Lambly, McK. T	SW ¼ Sec 31, Tp 2	36 20	7 09	43 29
Murrie, J. E., estate	S pt E ½ Sec 11, Tp 1	31 87	6 56	38 43
Speirs, James	SW ¼ Sec 34, Tp 8	19 25	5 05	24 30
White, N. A	B 5 N, R 3 W, Lot 36	32 80	6 66	39 46
Davis, Hy	NW ¼ Sec 14, Tp 2	13 50	4 36	17 86
Melody, Anthony	NE ¼ Sec 8, Tp 1	7 50	3 64	11 14
Pendola, Angelo	B 1 N, R 1 E, Lot 21	39 15	7 46	46 61
Pendola, Angelo	B 1 N, R 1 E, Lot 22	46 50	8 32	54 82
Robinson, John	W ½ Sec 23, Tp 2	24 75	5 71	30 46
Ross, William	B 5 N, R 1 W, Lot 11	26 35	5 89	32 24

Dated at Hall's Prairie, Surrey, this 3rd day of September, 1889.

HENRY T. THRIFT,
Collector Corporation of Surrey.

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SUPPLEMENTARY -:- PRIZE -:- LIST

OF THE

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TO BE HELD AT

NEW WESTMINSTER CITY,

October 2nd, 3rd and 4th, 1889.

DIVISION A.

Classes 9, 18, 27 and 36. The prize is increased to $30 00

DIVISION C.

CLASS.	OXFORD DOWNS.	1st	2nd
17	Best Ram one year old and upwards	$10 00	$5 00
18	" " Lamb	5 00	3 00
19	" Pen of 3 Ewes one year old and upwards	7 00	5 00
20	" " of 3 Ewe Lambs	5 00	4 00
	SHEEP—MERINO.		
21	Best Ram one year old and upwards	10 00	5 00
22	" " Lamb	5 00	3 00
23	" Pen of 3 Ewes one year old and upwards	7 00	5 00
24	" " of 3 Ewe Lambs	5 00	4 00

DIVISION D.

CLASS.	SUFFOLK.	1st	2nd
18	Best Boar one year old and upwards	$10 00	$5 00
19	" Breeding Sow in farrow at the meeting or that has been within six months	7 50	4 00
20	" Pen of two Sows, of the same litter, under 12 months	5 00	3 00
21	" Boar under one year old	5 00	3 00

DIVISION E.

CLASS.	ORNAMENTAL FOWLS.	1st	2nd
75	Best pair Pea Fowls	$ 3 00	$2 00
76	" " Guinea Fowls	2 00	1 00
77	" " English Pheasants	1 00	50
78	" " Mongolian Pheasants	1 00	50
79	" " White Turkeys, not to be entered for any other prize.	2 00	1 00

On page 53 in Prize List, amongst Special Prizes, H. M. Cunningham & Co. should read 5 entries instead of 15.

DIVISION L.

CLASS.	CUT FLOWERS.	1st	
58	Best 6 Roses	$ 1 00	
59	" Collection of Dahlias	1 00	
60	" Bridal Bouquet	1 00	
61	" Wreath or Cross	1 00	
62	Best Six Rex Begonias	1 00	
63	" Water Color, Floral	2 00	$1 00
64	" " " Landscape or Marine	2 00	1 00
65	" " " Still Life	2 00	1 00
66	" " " Portrait	2 00	1 00
67	" " " Collection	5 00	3 00
68	" Oil " Floral	2 00	1 00
69	" " " Landscape or Marine	2 00	1 00
70	" " " Still life	2 00	1 00
71	" " " Portrait	2 00	1 00
72	" " " Collection	5 00	3 00
73	" Decorative Painting	2 00	1 00
74	" Modeling or Wood Carving	2 00	1 00
75	" Hand-painted China	2 00	1 00
76	" Repousee or Hammered Brass Work	2 00	1 00
77	" Oil Painting, Children under 15 years	2 00	1 00
78	" Crayon Landscape	2 00	1 00
79	" " Portrait	2 00	1 00
80	" Collection Cabinet Photos (plain)	3 00	1 50
81	" " " " (colored)	3 00	1 50

Under Classes 47 and 49 of this Division the prizes should be $5 and $3, not $3, $1.50 and $3.

CLASS.	DIVISION N.	1st	2nd
11	Best Rick Rack Crochet	$ 1 00	$ 50
12	" Crochet Lace	1 00	50
13	" Collection Knitted Lace	5 00	3 00
14	" Honiton Lace	1 00	50
15	" Point Lace	1 00	50
16	" Collection Lace	4 00	2 00
17	" Darned Net	1 00	50
18	" Applique Work	1 50	75
19	" Crewel Work	1 00	50
20	" Outline Work	1 00	50
21	" Rick Rack, Sewn	1 00	50
22	" Cheney Work, hand-made	1 00	50
23	" Crazy Work	1 00	50
24	" Braiding on Wool	1 00	50
25	" " " Cotton	1 00	50
26	" Historic Picture, raised wool work	3 00	2 00

CLASS.	DIVISION P.	1st	2nd
33	Best Bunch Sawn Shingles	$ 2 00	$1 00
34	" " Shaved Shingles	2 00	1 00

CLASS.	DIVISION Q.	1st	2nd
4	Best Arasceine Work { Not competing for any other class in this Division. }	$ 2 00	$1 00
5	" Chenille Work { Not competing for any other class in this Division. }	2 00	1 00

Class No. 1 altered to read $3 and $2.

CLASS.	DIVISION T.	1st	2nd
7	Best Carriage Afghan	$ 1 00	$ 50

	SPECIAL PRIZES.	1st	2nd
Geo. D. Brymner	Best Collection Bottled Fruit and Jellies	$ 7 00	$3 00
Kennedy Bros	Best Collection of Grain grown in the Province by Exhibitor, 1st prize, $10 cash and the *Daily Columbian* for one year; 2nd prize, $5 cash and the *Daily Columbian* for one year (*Daily Columbian*, $8)	18 00	13 00
P. Peebles	Best Bread by lady not competing for other prize, one Dominion Wire Mattress, value	7 50	

A MOLTEN STREAM

Of Metal Breaks Loose and Several Men Meet a Horrible Death.

General Grant's Tomb to be Completed, the G. A. R. to Provide the Funds.

A Railroad Train Crashes Into Three Cars of Oil of Vitriol, Killing the Fireman.

A MOLTEN STREAM.

PITTSBURGH, Sept. 26.—Furnace C of the Edgar Thompson steel works at Braddock was not working satisfactorily to-day, and at 6 o'clock this evening R. B. Jones, manager of the steel works, together with six of his men, went to work to remedy the trouble. It was discovered that a hard crust of cinder had formed inside of the furnace. An orifice fifteen inches in diameter was made through the side of the furnace stack, which is eighty feet high and twenty-five feet in diameter. Through this hole a heavy iron bar was used to break the cinder crust. In an instant the crust gave way and a perfect river of molten iron and cinders gushed through the aperture, literally covering Captain Jones and his workmen in a sea of flame and hurling them in all directions. Capt. Jones was picked up from a sand pit fully forty feet from the stack. The others were lifted about the same distance in all other directions. A Hungarian who was in the party has not yet been found. The fatally burned are as follows: Mike Quinn, foreman; Harry Conwell, probably fatally burned; Patrick Burns, seriously burned; John Nee, seriously burned; Captain Jones is terribly burned and his physicians are apprehensive, but hopeful. The scenes immediately following the accident are almost beyond description, the immense stack house being overflowed with the seething liquid. The injured were brought to the hospital here. The damage to the furnace is not great.

BURIED IN MOLTEN METAL.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Sept. 27.—The skulls and arms of two bodies were found this morning at the Edgar Thompson steel works. They belonged to workmen who were standing near the furnace last night when it burst. They were caught in the torrent of metal and buried in it. The bones were imbedded in the cinder of iron which had cooled during the night and could not be recovered until the great mass of slag is broken up. Capt. Jones is still in a critical condition, but his physicians have hopes of his recovery. Four of the other persons burned so badly are still alive, and as far as is now known but two lives were lost.

NATURAL GAS STRUCK.

SALINAS, Cal., Sept. 27.—A flow of natural gas was struck near the court house yesterday. It is believed to be sufficient to supply the city.

FOREST FIRES.

SANTA BARBARA, Cal., Sept. 27.—The forest fires in this county during the past week have destroyed fully $200,000 worth of timber and feed.

SNOW IN ARIZONA.

TUCSON, Ari., Sept. 27.—It is snowing in the mountains to-day.

GRANT'S TOMB.

NEW YORK, Sept. 27.—At a meeting of Lafayette Post, held last evening, a committee was appointed to perfect a plan for the completion of Gen. Grant's tomb, through the medium of subscriptions to be made by and secured through the Grand Army of the Republic.

A MARINE COLLISION.

NEWPORT, R. I., Sept. 27.—The steamer "Providence," of the old Colonly line, was run into last night off Schulyer's light by the schooner Avis, from St. Johns for New York. The "Providence" was bady damaged, but arrived here all right this morning. The passengers were terrified, but unhurt. Capt. Farnswont, of the schooner, was severely injured.

A MEAN THIEF.

SPOKANE FALLS, Sept. 27.—Justice Dunn, this morning held council in an Sydney D. Waters, in $1000 bail to await the action of the grand jury on a charge of stealing provisions from the relief committee.

SHOCKING RAILROAD ACCIDENT.

HACKENSACK, N. J., Sept. 27.—The Haverstraw Express, over the New Jersey and New York railroad, ran into three cars loaded with oil of vitriol, at Lodi junction, last night, and was wrecked. Fireman Young jumped from the engine and will probably lose his life. He is horribly mangled and badly burned by the vitriol that was scattered in showers in every direction. There were two hundred passengers on board, but none were injured.

FATAL EXPLOSION OF POWDER.

POTTSVILLE, Pa., Sept. 26.—A terrific explosion occurred about 11 o'clock this morning in Laflin & Rand's powder mill at Cressona, three miles from here. William Schropp, Samuel Stotof and Henry Reid were instantly killed, and a number of other workmen were seriously injured. The concussion was felt in this city distinctly, and nearly all the window glass in Cressona was broken.

MARRIAGE IN HIGH LIFE.

RICHFIELD SPRINGS, N. Y., Sept. 26.—The marriage of Anila McCormick, daughter of the late Cyrus Hall McCormick, of Chicago, to Emmons Blaine, oldest son of the secretary of state, was solemnized at noon to-day in the Presbyterian church. The weather was cold and rainy. The church was packed by the Blaine family and McCormick's family. There was no bridesmaids; Walker Blaine was best man.

A NARROW ESCAPE.

CINAMON, Ohio, Sept. 26.—Fire was discovered shortly before midnight last night in the works of the Emory Candle Company at Ivorydale. The fire was confined to the cooperage building just back of the warehouse. A few yards distant from the fire were five large oil tanks. The falling in of the walls of the building alone saved the tanks. Loss about $100,000.

DEMOCRATIC STATE CONVENTION.

BALTIMORE, M. D., Sept. 26.—Stevenson Archer, chairman of the state central committeee called democratic state convention to order at noon to-day. Ex-Mayor Horges was appointed temporary chairman. The temporary organization was made permanent. L. Victor Baugham of Frederick county was nominated by acclamation for comptroller.

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE.

WATERTOWN, N. Y., Sept. 26.—At Madrid, St. Lawrence county, this morning, the following property was destroyed by fire: Baptist church, loss $8,000, insurance $3,000; Congregational church, loss $5,000, no insurance; I. Fisher's house and barn, loss $25,000, insurance $1,650; Dr. Reynold's house loss, $3,500, insurance $2,000.

QUEBEC HORRORS.

QUEBEC, Sept. 26.—The body of Richard Mayberry was found in the debris of the land slide last night, badly mutilated and in an advanced state of putrefaction. The number of bodies recovered up to date is 44, and at least another, that of young Pemberton, is known to be in the ruins. Fourteen injured are in a fair way to recovery. $1000 of the relief fund has been paid out to victims, and the remaining $2,000 will soon be distributed. The federal government will be asked for additional funds for relief purposes. The inquest was resumed to-day.

OTTAWA NOTES.

OTTAWA, Sept. 26.—Mr. W. D. Leseur, the secretary of the post office department, goes to Britsh Columbia to-morrow on official business.

The protestant council of public instruction had a strong meeting at Quebec. The principal business was the discussion of the motion of Professor Shaw, the principal of the Wesleyan college at Montreal, which was seconded by Archdeacon Evans of the same city, to the effect that the $60,000 grant under the Jesuit estates act be accepted on condition that the trust be restored, and that the government will allow the unrestricted control of the principal as well as of the interest. The motion, after much discussion, was carried.

A strange affair occurred at Hamilton to-day. A mysterious unknown refused to leave his room in a boarding house. He fired on the police, who broke in, and shot him dead. Two constables are under arrest.

Judge Bole gave a dinner party at the Russell House to-night.

TANNER CONDEMNED.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 26.—The *Evening Capital* publishes the following: "The report of Messrs. Ewing, Campbell and Bruce, the commission that investigated the pension office, though closely guarded by the interior department officials, is gradually becoming known. Printed copies of this report are now, and have been for some time, in the hands of all the members of the cabinet. Commissioner Tanner has one, as also has Major Warner and Colonel Dudley. By degrees the contents are being divulged. It is known that the report takes up each case separately, and each case by itself. Stress is laid upon the fact that the deputy commissioner, Hiram H. Smith, Jr., received over $6,000 as a re-rating. This action of his comes up for severe criticism in the report. Whether Mr. Smith has restored this $6,000 or not the report does not state. Mr. Smith receives his pension at the Topeka agency. Secretary Noble, in view of the report of the commission, has himself questioned Mr. Smith as to the facts attending the re-rating. It is not known definitely whether Mr. Smith's certificate of re-rating is signed by himself as acting commissioner or by Commissioner Tanner. The papers in regard to his case went through during Mr. Tanner's absence from the pension office. This report also condemns Mr. Squires in round terms, especially for his action in making cases special. It states that Mr. Squires possessed the stamp of Mr. Tanner as commissioner, and affixed it to papers without the commissioner's knowledge. A number of cases, a very large number, is given, and Commissioner Tanner is criticised for his gross carelessness in thus intrusting his official prerogative to a mere private secretary who violated the confidence reposed in him. The names of pension office officials who caused themselves to be re-rated, form a conspicuous part of the report. Several were discharged at the time by Secretary Noble, and they now come to the fact that one who received the largest amount of all, Deputy Commissioner Smith, is still in office.

TROUBLE IN LANCASHIRE.

LONDON, Sept. 26.—The revolt against the cotton corner is assuming formidable proportions. Bolton and district cooperation cotton spinners association has already decided to support the amalgamated association of operative spinners in shutting down for two weeks in October; they are meanwhile paying the men the customary out of work pay. It is also expected that the operatives in the Blackburn Mills will decide to strike tomorrow.

A BURSTED TRUST.

NEW YORK, Sept. 27.—The holders of the sugar trust certificates are filled with dismay and it is thought some of them will be bankrupt before they close business. In two hours following the opening of the market this morning four millions of the market value of their securities had been wiped out. The opening price was 95, against 96 at yesterday's closing. Then it continued dropping till it reached 88. The covering of shorts caused a slight reaction, but the rush to sell continued and prices went still lower.

DUTCH STRIKERS.

The Dock Laborers' Strike has Become Epidemic and is Now in Holland.

Thomas A. Edison Honored in Paris With the Cross of the Legion of Honor.

Russia Reported to be Raising a Large Loan Presumably for War Purposes.

THE DUTCH STRIKE.

ROTTERDAM, Sept. 27.—The strike of the dock laborers is spreading rapidly, and is affecting other branches of business. The employes of several large cigar factories joined the socialist leaders, and accompanied by bands, the strikers marched in procession through the streets. On one of the docks, where the steamship Holland was loading, the strikers attempted to prevent the men from continuing their work, but the police interfered and drove the strikers away. Several ship owners have already decided to grant the strikers' demands for an increase in wages, and a corresponding advance for overtime.

BLACKLEGS INTERCEPTED.

LONDON, Sept. 27.—Ben Fillett, one of the leaders of the recent strike of dock laborers here, will probably arrive at Rotterdam to-morrow to assist the strikers there. He has sent pickets to Harwich and has already intercepted a large number of "blacklegs" who were on their way to Rotterdam to take the places of the strikers. The strikers committee will meet to-night to discuss the situation.

ANOTHER WAR LOAN.

VIENNA, Sept. 27.—It is reported here that the Russian government intend to raise a large internal loan as a means of obtaining sufficient financial means to carry out its gigantic plans in anticipation of war. The money to be secured by this means will be devoted altogether to military and naval purposes. This step is contemplated in view of the uncertainty of the French alliance, which renders it difficult for Russia to raise funds outside of her own borders. At least seventy million roubles will be expended in strengthening the navy, and the remainder will be devoted to necessary frontier fortifications and to the purchase of magazine rifles. These measures, in addition to the new railway connection to the western frontier, are believed here to indicate a well defined purpose of making war at no very distant period.

THE COTTON CORNER.

LONDON, Sept. 27.—The manipulators of the corner in the cotton market continue to control matters pretty much at their will. Prices for September deliveries have advanced nine points from the lowest, and to-day there has been a further advance of four points.

A REPUBLICAN CHAMBER.

PARIS, Sept. 27.—The Conservatives are forced to admit that the majority in the next chamber of deputies will be Republican.

CHEVALIER EDISON.

PARIS, Sept. 27.—U. S. Minister Whitelaw Reid has been requested by Minister Schuller to transmit to Thos. A. Edison a commander cross of the legion of honor.

CHAPLIN RE-ELECTED.

LONDON, Sept. 27.—Hugh S. Chaplin, having accepted the position of minister of agriculture, sought re-election to parliament in accordance with constitutional practice. Following is the vote as declared this morning: Chaplin, Conservative, 4,386; Ottor, Liberal, 3,078. Conservative majority 1,308.

GREAT RECEIPTS.

PARIS, Sept. 27.—The Eiffel tower has thus far earned over five million francs, and will undoubtedly show a profit over its costs.

INVADING ARGENTINE.

LONDON, Sept. 27.—The Salvation Army is about to extend its operations to the Argentine republic, and Gen. Booth will send there shortly special officers to prepare the work.

VOLUNTEERS TO BE MOBILIZED.

LONDON, Sept. 26.—The Duke of Cambridge, commander-in-chief of her majesty's forces, has formally signified his approval of the plan to mobilize 100,000 volunteers for the defence of London. This is not to be taken as signifying any alarm at the defenceless condition of the metropolis, but only as one of the schemes which army magnates have to busy themselves with from time to time in order to keep up an appearance of earning their salaries. Not that the duke himself feels impelled by the necessity to make any such show of activity, but that he is willing to play his part in the comedy by giving his sanction to the ingenuous devices of the younger officers. The mobilization will furnish employment for a host of otherwise idle subalterns, and at the same time remove all ground for the occasional croaker to lament over the possibility of an enemy capturing London some day before breakfast and while the army is yet abed.

FOUND GUILTY.

TUCSON, Ariz., Sept. 28.—Manuel Verdugo, who murdered Louis Cohn, a wealthy merchant of Nogales a year ago, the object being robbery, was found guilty of murder last night.

LARGE CLAIMS.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 28.—J. Boscowitz, the principal seal schooner owner of British Columbia, who is now in the city, said last night that he has a claim against the American government of over half a million dollars, which represents the market value of skins and of his 5 or 6 vessels seized. He does not intend sending out any more vessels till this matter has been settled one way or other, and as the charter of the Alaska Fur Co. runs out soon, the U. S. government will be bound to declare some line of policy for the future before they can get any body to renew the contract or make a new one.

STILL SPREADING.

SAN MATEO, Cal., Sept. 28.—Twenty-five men left here last night to fight the bush fire still raging in San Andreas valley, and which is endangering more property of the San Andreas Valley Water Company. Since Monday the fire has spread over twelve square miles of timber and pasture land. The Borden & Hatch Mill Co. has lost about $20,000 worth of lumber, besides its office and a lot of trestle work. More than half a dozen ranches have been swept over, the loss on each being from $20,000 to $50,000. There is no hope of extinguishing the fire till rain falls.

COMPLAINTS FILED.

WASHINGTON, Sept 28.—E. M. Raworth, of Fargo, Dakota, has filed a complaint with the interstate commerce commission against a number of railroads, including the Northern Pacific, Southern Pacific and Oregon railway and Navigation Co., alleging discrimination in rates on sugar from the Pacific coast to Fargo as against St. Paul.

FOUR PERSONS KILLED.

AMSTERDAM, N. Y., Sept. 28.—The midnight report of the accident to the St. Louis express, near Palestine bridge, was exaggerated. It is said this morning that only four persons were killed, one passenger and three train hands, and six persons injured. The killed and wounded so far as learned are, killed: Mrs. Saidy Boyd, of West Point, N. Y.; Prentice Dane, a clergyman, of Dayton, Ohio; J. Franklin, porter of the sleeping car; W. H. Manning, of Marquette, Mich., Mr. Ledyard, president of the Michigan Central, was in his private car, although the car was completely demolished, Leygard escaped unnjured. Engineer Weeks, of the first section, said this morning: My engine had broken down, something had happened to the steam chest and I was out by the side of my engine when the crash came. I immediately sent my fireman back to see what was the matter and Conductor Abel despatched a flagman to Palatine bridge, two miles away, for assistance. There is a discrepancy as to the length of time the first section was standing there, some persons claiming that scarcely a moment elapsed before the crash, and others say they were standing fully five minutes. The wreck caught fire early this morning and burnt rapidly. It is positively stated that the rear brakeman was sent back to signal the second section, but he neglected to perform his duties. Rev. Mr. Davie, of Dayton, was killed. Mr. W. H. Manning and wife, who were married but 10 days ago, were killed. Mrs. Manning was formerly Miss Julia Davis of Westport. She and her husband were enroute to their new home in Marquette, Michigan.

MORE DETAILS.

ROCHESTER, N. Y. Sept. 28.—Section No. 2 which ran into Section No. 1. of the St. Louis express arrived in Rochester at 9:45 this morning. The express messenger who was on the first section, in an interview with a *Post Express* reporter, said: "The engine of the first section had something wrong with its steam chest, and when it stopped, the flagman was sent back to flag the second section, but he was not gone four minutes when the smash occurred. I had a narrow escape, as the baggeman of the train invited me to go to Syracuse in his car, and when the wreck occurred, the tender went through the car I would have been in, but the baggeman himself was only slightly injured. Right after the collision the passengers were running up and down the track as if crazy. I saw one big fellow running about with nothing on but drawers and a plug hat, another was in a shirt alone." President Ingalls assisted in the removal of the remains, and passengers of section No. 2 say there was great delay in securing aid for the injured. The foreman of section No. 2 found himself on the top of the baggage and does not know how he got there.

QUIET IN SAMOA.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 28.—The str. Alameda, which arrived from Australia this morning, brought Admiral Kimberly, commanding the U. S. naval forces in the Pacific, from Samoa to Honolulu. Everything is quiet at Samoa. The U. S. S. Adams and the German war ship Sophie are there.

SUGAR AND THE ATCHISON.

NEW YORK, Sept. 28.—On the stock exchange, this morning, sugar and the Atchison, of course, still monopolized all attention, and each began another decline. Immediately after opening, sugar dropped three per cent. to $87, and Atchison 1¼ per cent. to $34. There was a gradual reaction, but no material improvement.

OFFICER SUSPENDED.

OTTAWA, Sept. 28.—Capt. Atkinson, commanding the British man-of-war Acorn, on the Pacific station, has been suspended, as Admiral Heneage alleges, for conduct unbecoming an officer and a gentleman. The offence occurred at a dinner given by the captain of the flag ship at Victoria, last week, when Atkinson used offensive language.

THE ROCK ISLAND ACCIDENT.

CHICAGO, Ill., Sept. 27.—The coroner has commenced the inquest on the bodies of the killed on the Rock Island railroad. Over one hundred witnesses are in attendance.

THINKS THEM ABSURD.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Sept 27.—H. D. Porteous, an English capitalist and one of the largest importers of American flour at Liverpool, is authority for the statement that there is not a tradesman in England who knows any men who compose these English syndicates, etc. None of the business men of Liverpool, London, or any other of the large cities, know anything about such transactions. Therefore he classes the stories as absurd.

A BRIEF RESPITE.

RICHMOND, V. A., Sept. 27.—The government has respited for a fortnight the negro, Walker, who was to have been hanged to-day.

A PRESIDENTIAL PARTY.

DEER PARK, Md., Sept. 27.—The president, Mrs. Harrison, Rev. Dr. Scott, Secretary and Mrs. Halford and Miss Sanger left Deer Park shortly after 10 for Washington this morning.

STAGE OVERTURNED.

ROHNERVILLE, Cala., Sept 27.—Just as the Ferndale stage was leaving that place for Rohnerville this morning, it turned over, killing the son of Charles Miles instantly. Two others were injured seriously.

MYSTERIOUS DISAPPEARANCE.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 27.—Thomas Gray, mate of the ship Great Admiral, which is being loaded with flour and general cargo for Hong Kong, is missing since yesterday. He was keeping tally of the flour as it was being removed from the river steamer to the ship, and it is believed he fell overboard and was drowned. The bay is being dragged for his body.

MAY BE LYNCHED.

MARSHALLTOWN, Iowa, Sept. 27.—An unwarranted and dastardly crime occurred at Holland yesterday, in which two tramps opened up a fusilade on the city authorities, seriously wounded one, and afterwards set fire to the depot and effected their escape. They were subsequently caught by the sheriff and a posse of 15 men on horseback at Owenfield near Reinseck and were brought into Marshalltown last night for safe keeping, and to prevent lynching. At two o'clock this morning a large crowd surrounded the jail, clamoring for the sheriff to give up the prisoners, but as the would-be lynchers were without tools, their object was fustrated. The prisoners cowered in their cells and implored the officers to save them.

LATER. Every minute the crowd grows more clamorous and the streets are alive with citizens hastening to the vicinity of the jail.

HUNTING THE ROBBER.

DETROIT, Mich., Sept. 27.—A special to the *News* from Bessemer, Mich., says: Reimund Holzhay, the train robber, stage robber, murderer, burglar and general bandit, who was captured a few days ago at Republic, has just escaped from the county jail here, along with several other prisoners. A general hue and cry has been raised and the sheriff is calling upon every man he can reach in the city and county to take the trail of the desperado. If he is not overhauled at once the bloodhounds which have been telegraphed for will be put upon his trail, and should he make any resistance when overtaken it is likely he will be killed. The most intense excitement prevails and the people are responding unanimously to Sheriff Foley's request to turn out. Telegrams have been sent in every direction, so as to anticipate the desperado at all points of egress from the country.

A WISE DECISION.

ROTTERDAM, Sept. 28.—The strikers last evening resolved to exclude all Socialists from the movement and conduct the strike in an orderly manner.

GROWS SERIOUS.

ROTTERDAM, Sept. 28.—After being dispersed yesterday afternoon by the police, a large body of riotous strikers again gathered last evening and began tearing up the street both for the purpose of making barricades and securing missiles. A detachment of armed police was hastily summoned and charged with fixed bayonets upon the rioters. They also fired several shots and a number of strikers were wounded. Temporary order was effected by this prompt action of the police, but it has helped to create a more deperate falling among the strikers.

SHOT DEAD.

DUBLIN, Sept. 28.—A farmer named Morgan was shot dead at Ristridor, near Newry, last night, and his father and sister dangerously wounded. Morgan became involved in several disputes of agrarian origin and a neighbor named McCaffery has been arrested on suspicion of having committed the murder. The shooting was done with a shotgun.

NOT TRUE.

BIRMINGHAM, ALA., Sept. 28.—The stories of a negro riot at the Pratt mine, and flight of women and children, sent out last night, are absolutely without foundation.

RETURNED AGAIN.

LONDON, Sept. 27.—The election in the Seaford division of Lincolnshire, made necessary by the appointment of the sitting member, the Right Hon. Henry Chaplin, to the office of minister of agriculture, took place yesterday. Chaplin was returned to the seat by a vote of 4586 to 3078, received by the Gladstonian opponent, Francis Otter. In the last election Mr. Chaplin was returned unopposed.

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THE PROVINCIAL JAIL.

A Visit to this Prominent Institution. Its Inhabitants and Management.

There is very much to interest the thoughtful person in a stroll through the New Westminster Newgate. The building, which is commandingly situated on the western slope of the city, has little the appearance of an institution so usually associated in the popular idea with gloom and forbidding surroundings. THE COLUMBIAN representative had the honor of Governor Moresby's personal guidance throughout the jail, and was first conducted down into the dungeons dark, and two in number. They are not exactly the places a man would choose for their cheerfulness and desirability as places in which to manufacture jokes. They are used as punishment cells, and two or three days in them brings the "hardest cases" to their senses. The coal cellar adjoins those boudoirs for the refractory. The laundry is fitted with all appliances for the dissipation of dirt, such as hot and cold water and steam. In the wall between the prisoners' ward and the laundry is a little iron door, oblong in shape, about three inches wide and 18 long; it is just wide enough to allow the passage of the washed clothes in small quantities, and resembles the sight-slot for the pilot on an ironclad. The soiled clothes are dumped down a large aperture leading from the bath-room overhead. The kitchen is replete with everything necessary for the manipulation of comestibles; two large ranges provide the motive power, and, as in the laundry, a small orifice in the wall communicating with the prisoners' ward serves as the highway for the victuals. The larder is a large room stocked with all manner of groceries and provisions. A large quantity of roasted peas was pointed out as coffee. Upstairs is the bath-room, with three tubs, in which the prisoners are compelled to wash at least once a week, or as much oftener as they please; the prisoners wash on Saturday. The lunatics, of whom there are forty-two in the establishment, on Friday. The female prisoners have every accommodation of the same kind, and separate quarters. The prisoners' ward consists of three tiers of cells built up in the centre of the hall, leaving a large space all round. A number of the lunatics were sitting around the stove enjoying the warmth like rational people. The governor introduced several of these poor people to the reporter; one of them who was reclining on his bed in the cell, reading, was pointed out in particular as an interesting case. He is an old Crimean soldier and was wounded on the top of his head by a fragment of a shell. In answer to the governor's question as to where he got the wound the man replied, "Rooshia," and without further warning started off talking at a distracting rate of speed. He said he had been attacked on the Yale road by somebody, had been four years in jail and had never been brought before a magistrate. His talk was of the wildest description, and was intermingled with guns and bayonets, robbers on the Yale road, his lordship said, "Charge and carry them guns;" that he was an English soldier, he wanted justice, the Sepoys killed every one of them; and a strange incoherent mixture of words and sentences that was interesting, but painful to listen to. Another of the lunatics demanded a cigar or tobacco in some shape, and denounced the reporter for not complying with his demand. He remarked with a funny leer, "poverty is no disgrace, but it's mighty inconvenient, eh, mister?" He stated his age as 14 and said he was born in 1800, he was rather an aged youth and looked quite 50. Just then the prisoners were let out, and one of them, a tall, ill-favored looking young man, with manacles on his legs came clanking down the steps, supporting the irons with a piece of string. He had a reckless, abandoned air and swaggered forward to the stove, as if he didn't care for anything or anybody; he is the worst "case" at present in custody. The murderer of Jackson next came down the steps, then murdering Dick and other candidates for the gallows. The surgery is provided with a complete set of instruments for amputation and other operations, and has many of the latest improved surgical devices. A good stock of drugs and medicines occupied several shelves. The church is next to the surgery, and is a large apartment capable of seating about 80 persons. A small organ in one corner helps out the singing. Many of the citizens "drop in" to service on Sundays. A large number of the prisoners are employed now in making torches for the celebration and have already a large quantity ready. The building will be illuminated in a very elaborate manner on Thursday evening, and will no doubt present a pretty appearance. The officers' apartments upstairs are very large and roomy and fitted with every convenience. Governor Moresby's quarters occupy one wing of the building, and are furnished in an elegant and comfortable manner. The view from the front windows of the building is superb, and commands the main part of the Delta. The jail is built of brick, on a strong stone foundation, and is very substantial throughout.

Hon. Mr. Justice Drake.

In the presence of but three spectators M. W. T. Drake, Esq., Q. C., was yesterday sworn in as a judge of the supreme court of British Columbia, the Chief Justice Sir M. B. Begbie and Mr. Justice Crease being on the bench, and administering the oath of office. His lordship, the chief justice, warmly congratulated his new colleague upon his elevation to the bench.—*Colonist, Sept. 27.*

Dewdney's Fish Yarns.

Besides being very warmly welcomed at various points in the west, the minister of the interior was presented at New Westminster with an oil painting. The painting represented the donor, Mr. W. H. Vianen, an old piscatorial comrade of Mr. Dewdney, standing beside the largest salmon ever caught in the Fraser river, and which weighed 75 pounds, measured three feet six inches in circumference and almost five feet in length. The picture was given and accepted as a memorial of the days when the two gentlemen fished together in the Fraser. Even cabinet ministers have their fish stories, but the painting will in future limit the minister of the interior to tales of fish weighing less than 75 pounds.—*Empire.*

Yankee Horse Flesh.

The Puget Sound racing association was formed this fall for the purpose of holding meetings at the principal cities on the sound and in British Columbia. The circuit was begun last Saturday at Port Townsend. Races were held there Saturday, Sunday and Monday, and proved a success. Some of the best records tied and in a majority of cases the races developed close finishes under the whip. The horses, accompanied by their trainers and owners, were brought over from Port Townsend Tuesday, and are now ready and eager for the three days' struggle. Next week they go to New Westminster, B. C., where $3,000 in purses is hung up, and the following week they go to Victoria, to contest for $2,000 in purses offered by the citizens of that city.—*Post-Intelligencer.*

Wants a Verdict.

The auction sale of lots at English bay, which was to have taken place last night at the Oriental hotel, did not come off, the owner, Mr. Samuel Greer, having disposed of the entire number to private parties during the day. Mr. Greer, having been asked by a reporter for a list of the purchases, said that "owing to the fact that he advertised that parties applying early would get the lots at upset prices they were all taken on the day of the sale, consequently no sale was necessary. As a large number attended for the purpose of purchasing they were somewhat disappointed and fifty more lots could have been sold had they been offered. He did not think he would publish the names of the purchasers, as it might be used for political purposes or reflect on jurymen, as this case may be tried again." He says he will ask the country for a verdict at the general election.—*Times.*

The Seattle *Post-Intelligencer*, which suffered the destruction of its building and plant in the great fire of last June, but came out in reduced form immediately afterwards, has just put in a perfecting press—the first in Western Washington—and being enlarged to eight pages permanently and furnished with a complete new dress, is now one of the handsomest and best daily papers on the coast.

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Sporting Notes.

At a meeting of the Victoria lacrosse club, held last evening in the rooms of Hall & Lowe, it was unanimously decided to discontinue practice and disband for the present season. J. Cambridge, the popular "point" of the club, leaves this morning for New Westminster where he expects to reside permanently. No doubt, the Westminster club will avail themselves of Mr. Cambridge's services, as he would be a strong acquisition thereto. Extreme regret was expressed by all present at the unexpected announcement, while at the same time congratulations were offered for his prospects in the royal city. In a response to a telegram from Chief Ackerman of New Westminster, Chief Deasy wired to the royal city yesterday informing the tournament committee that Victoria's hose team had disbanded, and in consequence the capital would not be represented in the firemen's demonstration during exhibition week.—*Colonist.*

Toronto Prize Winners.

His worship the mayor received a telegram to-day from Commissioner Chas A. Coldwell, of Toronto, giving the list of prizes awarded to the British Columbia exhibitors as follows: Silver medals to the Provincial Exhibition Association of British Columbia, and Thos. Cunningham, New Westminster, finest fruits; diplomas to G. W. Henry, Port Hammond, fruits and vegetables; W. G. Newton, Hazelwood Farm, Port Hammond, cherries, peas and tomatoes; D. G. Webber, Port Hammond, strawberries; Arthur Wilson, Cedar Cottage Nurseries, Vancouver, vegetables; Wm. Prout, Vancouver, white cherries and currants; Wm. Teague, Yale, plums and cherries; D. J. Kennedy, Glengarry Farm, Chilliwhack, damsons and egg plums; E. Hutcherson, Ladner's Landing, beans and black Naples currants; John Kirkland, Ladner's Landing, peaches and blackberries; Bailey & Neeland, Vancouver, photographic views.—*World.*

The genuine Axis Cut Pebble Spectacles, manufactured by B. Laurance, can be had at all times at D. S. Curtis & Co.'s Drug Store, and attention is specially called to the visit of Mr. Laurance, the eminent Oculist-Optician, to their store on October 2, 3 and 4, who will fit them to all sights on scientific principles.

Late Canadian News.

Criminal proceedings have been taken against a hitherto respectable man of Linden, Cumberland county, N. S. He is charged with criminally assaulting a 17-year old girl while she was suffering from diphtheria. Her death occurred on Sunday.

The minister of customs at Montreal has ordered an inquiry into the smuggling of American whiskey into Canada. Whole ship-loads of American whiskey are being brought into Canada by the St. Lawrence route. A vessel takes half a cargo of whiskey and half a cargo of plaster.

George Clute, with several *aliases*, has been arrested at Brockville, Ont., charged with having the following wives: A Lancaster, Ont, woman; Ida Thompson, of Truro, Nova Scotia; and Widow Munro, of Lynn, Ont.; all of whom he has married since June last. His object was to get possession of the women's property.

Mr. Douglas Sladen, the Australian poet, left Winnipeg, on Friday, for Vancouver. He will stop *en route* at Banff and other points in the mountains, and on his return will visit towns along the Canadian Pacific. Mr. Sladen's trip is mainly to secure material for a work which he is to shortly write entitled "Canada's Functions in the empire."

The residents of Swift Current, Man., locality witnessed a remarkable and unusual sight about 8:40 o'clock Wednesday evening, when a meteor was observed in the heavens of sufficient brightness to render objects as visible as by a full moon. It lasted for a period of three seconds. The report of an explosion which resembled that of a cannon fired at a considerable distance, was heard about two minutes after the disappearance of the body.

A few days ago, in Hamilton, Ont., a man, with a large roll of money, engaged board with Mrs. Nellie Spencer, of that city. His actions were very mysterious and he refused to eat with the other boarders. Mrs. Spencer, seeing a revolver in his room, became alarmed and notified the police. Two officers, Hawkins and Campaign, were detailed to watch him. He refused admittance to his room. On Friday they broke down the door. He fired two shots at them without effect. Campaign returned the fire and instantly killed the man, who is a total stranger. The policemen are under arrest.

Prof. Vaughan of Ann Arbor, Mich., says of cheese: "I think that it can be positively stated that any cheese which will instantly and intensely redden blue litmus paper should not be eaten. This is a test easy of application, and every merchant on cutting a fresh cheese should make it. If the cheese is dry a bit of it should be moistened with water and the litmus paper then applied."

As much as 185,556,000 lb. of tea were consumed in Great Britain last year, and, paying a duty of 6d. per lb., produced a revenue of £4,613,000. The average per head was very little short of 5 lb. New Zealand has an average per head per annum of nearly 7¾ lb., and Australia of 7½ lb. Canada's return is 3.80 lb.; the United States, 1.46 lb.; Holland, 1.20 lb.; and all other countries have an average of 1 lb.

SCIENTIFIC MISCELLANY.

Lieut. Finley finds that there were 141 tornadoes in Illinois in the fifty-four years ending with 1888. The month of greatest frequency was May, no month being free from the storms.

A new material called "steel pig," much stronger than cold-blast iron and less expensive than steel, is now being made at Sheffield. It is adapted for a variety of uses for which the ordinary iron was unsatisfactory.

The skin of the whale is from two inches to two feet thick, that of a large specimen weighing thirty tons. The rhinoceros is the thickest-skinned quadruped, with a hide so tough as to resist the claws of the lion or tiger, the sword, or the balls of the old-fashioned musket.

The antiseptic properties of saccharine make it an effective wash for the mouth and teeth, when dissolved in water, according to a French writer. A six per cent solution is used, but a strength of only one in 500 is said to prevent fermentation or spoiling of mucilage, etc.

POTATO CULTURE.—Dr. Gilbert has learned from twelve years experiment at Rothamsted that potatoes require a due proportion of nitrogenous and mineral food, as has long been held by good farmers, and that mineral manures alone produce little result. The liberal use of barn-yard manure seems to be justified by the large yield, which is thought to offset the disadvantage of greater liability to disease. Continuous growth of potatoes in the same land appears to render the crop less liable to disease, instead of more so.

THE FINEST FIBRES.—An ordinary hair is about one 500th of an inch in diameter. In his delicate measuring instruments, Mr. C. V. Boys, F. R. S., has made use of quartz fibres from one 5000th to one 10,000th of an inch. Such threads are of course invisible, and are recommended as a test for microscopes. To give an idea of such a degree of minuteness, Mr. Boys remarks that a piece of quartz an inch long and an inch in diameter would, if drawn out to this fineness, be sufficient to go all the way around the world 658 times; or a grain of sand just visible—that is, one hundredth of an inch long and one hundredth of an inch in diameter—would make 1000 miles of such thread.

Queen Victoria was much pleased while in Wales with the music of the Welshmen. She especially liked their singing and their manipulation of the harp. At one dinner eight harpers played during the banquet. Six of them were brothers under the leadership of their father, who appeared in full bardic costume, with a cap of antique form, blue robes and a red girdle. One Sunday a few choristers were brought 35 miles to sing at the queen's private service.—*Ex.*

The coins struck at the British mint last year were of 42 different denominations, including, in addition to 15 Imperial coins, gold double dollars, and silver and bronze coins for Newfoundland; silver for Canada, Hongkong, and the Straits Settlements; nickle for Jamaica, and bronze for Jersey, British Honduras, the Mauritius, and Canada. The total number of gold pieces struck was 52,153,700, as against 43,366,043 in 1887, and their value, real or nominal, £3,393,524. The total number of gold pieces of the Imperial coinage was 28,856,162, and their value £3,070,053.

Apropos of John L.'s reported intention of running for congress, a Boston paper offers this encouragement: Some fifty years back an English pugilist, John Gulley, became a member of parliament. He was elected to the house of commons for the borough of Pontefract, a Yorkshire constituency by no means given to take up with the first comer. Gulley was a self-made man, and had a very progressive career. First butcher, then prize-fighter, he rose after leaving the ring, to be a man of wealth and respectability, and won an excellent social position, which his family maintained after his death.

If the *Globe* wishes to attack the Imperial Federationists, it might do so on their avowed policy and not on an incorrect version which it ascribes to them. Where is the fairness or sense of describing them as wishing "that the colonies would consent to relinquish some portion of their independence," when one of the original and primary articles of their constitution is "that no scheme of federaration should interfere with the existing rights of local parliaments as regards local affairs"? The iuture of Canada and of the empire should be discussed, if at all, by means of fair and honest argument, not by such silly misrepresentations of the position taken by others.—*Empire.*

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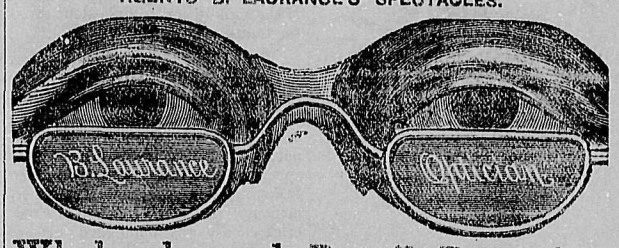

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THROUGH CHINATOWN.

Opium and Gambling Dens by Daylight.

Not without a feeling of trepidation did a representative of THE COLUMBIAN accept an invitation from the chief of police, to accompany him on his inspecting tour through the Chinese quarters. The reporter had heard of the hidden mysteries of Chinese life, but, like the vast majority of ordinary people, had never elected to gaze upon the same. The foray began about 10:30 a. m. by entering a narrow passage way, just wide enough to take in the broad shoulders of the chief. Under the planks which composed the foot-way lay a festering ooze that at every step exuded between the timbers, sending up a stench perfectly indescribable. "Pretty loud smell," remarked the chief, "Deafening," coughed the reporter. Up a set of rickety steps, that threatened to part company with one another every moment, went the inquisitors; a landing covered with all kinds of kitchen refuse, and looking like a swill barrel under customs' inspection, made pretty slippery footing, but the chief, without the formality of knocking, pushed open a tumble-down door with a stout shove and stepped into the utter darkness inside; the reporter followed. The air of the hall in which they found themselves was tinctured with every vile odor known to chemistry, and a great many more that chemistry, in its wildest nightmares, never dreamt of. "Hullo John," said the chief to a pale, emaciated ghost that came out of the darkness shufflingly, "Lo" replied the shade, peering at the visitors like an old rat, "wat you wantee?" "Come here," said the chief "see that John?" pointing to the filthy landing, "must get'm cleaned up or he stink like berry debbil, by'm bye." The Chinaman nodded vacantly, muttering "Ya, ya, me cleanee him up, by in bye, pletty soon." Passing through the house, several doors were thrown open, in most cases disclosing to view the very lairs of the opium smokers. As a general rule the opium bed-rooms consisted of a small dark apartment, about 8x10, with accomodation for from four to six men. On a raised platform (the bed), innocent of sheets, but with a few dirty blankets and a pillow or two, there reclined, sometimes one man, but oftener two; between them stood a little peculiarly shaped lamp, something like a bell without a top; a bright steady flame just surrounded the glass, and around the lamp were scattered all the requisites of the opium smoker. Minute little picks, needles, balls of opium, scissors, little flat pieces of iron and perhaps a spare pipe. The pipe is made of a straight piece of bamboo, sometimes, however, tin, and has, about two inches from the end opposite the mouth-piece, a bowl in the shape of an inverted cone, a small hole being pierced in the centre, in which the little plug of opium, after having been heated, rolled and delicately manipulated, is placed, and the suction of the smoker being applied fiercely for a few seconds, the "smoke" is over. These rooms were filled with dense clouds of sickening opium smoke, almost unbearable to lungs just in from the fresh air. The smokers would, some, stare wildly at the intruders without saying a word, and others, plunged in the vile ecstacies of the opium hallucination, would gaze stolidly before them: indifferent, motionless and silent. Through a reeking labyrinth of dark passages, up into garrets where the cobwebs made a rich tapestry for the decaying walls, and the rats ran squeaking to their retreats, into back yards redolent of everything but cleanliness; through the gambling rooms, the only clean apartments in the whole quarter; into kitchens where the perfume of villainous concoctions insulted the Caucasian olfactories, and the ingredients more often caused a shudder than a smile, onward went the police and the unfortunate representative of the press. In one of the kitchens was found a celestial cook preparing mince-meat pies. In front of him were a dozen or so little lumps of dough about the size of hens' eggs; one of these he would take and deftly twirling the mass in his long, slender fingers transform it into a little cup; two or three dabs of meat from the large bowl beside him filled the frail receptacle, and a few skilful squeezes closed the top; then he worried it into some fanciful, oriental idea of ornamentation round the upper part, and the pie was ready for the oven. A greasy looking fellow was engaged in this kitchen carrying huge slabs of unhealthy looking pork from a tub to the slicing board. Sometimes he would grin engagingly at the reporter and show his saffron teeth in all their ugliness, as if he thought that harmless functionary would cut up rather nicely. Two Chinamen and a Chinese lady were rudely intruded upon while at their frugal midday repast. One of the Chinamen obligingly vouchsafed the information that the lady was from Victoria, and was paying $5 a week for her board. "Pretty tough price for such board," remarked the chief, and the reporter replied that "he should just remark." The celestials were gobbling up the stew on the plates at a great rate with their chopsticks, and the lady was disposing of her share at an alarming gait, as if she thought there was going to be a famine next week, and she would be prepared. Down a flight of stairs, made out of old orange boxes and such lumber, along a passage, a turn to the right, and the strains of music fell savagely on the ear. Without knocking, the two "white trash" entered a rather more pretentious apartment than they had yet encountered, and found several grinning Chinamen sitting on the edge of their beds, listening to one of their number producing excruciating musical agonies from a Chinese fiddle. This instrument resembles an overgrown soup ladle with two strings, one above the other, and the bow between them. The yellow imitator of Paganini evidently thought himself no small beer "at music," and did not allow the trifling intrusion of even such greatness as the police and the press to disturb his inspired strains. He finally stopped, however, in time to prevent the permanent flight of reason from at least one of his hearers, and received applause. His next performance was upon an instrument resembling the chanter of a Scotch highland bag-pipe or a Calabrian shepherd's pipe; its tones were ear piercing and ten times worse than the fiddle. It required a tremendous effort to blow it and the sallow rascal swelled out at the chops like a cobra di capello. One of his brother knaves beat a tom-tom, and the two inspectors thought they would take a hand in the music, too, so they beat a retreat. Upstairs again into the overcrowded, ill-ventilated and badly lighted dens, this time armed with disinfectants in the form of cigars borrowed from a Chinese dealer in the store below, went the brave chief and his follower. In a large apartment facing Front street, and into which the morning sun streamed warm and strong, there lay upon the floor, wrapped in the most profound slumber, several Chinamen who had come in the night before from working up on the railway. The poor fellows looked thoroughly worn out and each man had flung himself down upon his bundles to sleep to satiety. In going along a long narrow passage —they are all narrow whatever their length—the reporter was not a little amused to see sticking out above the partition, lining this passage, a rich and varied assortment of feet, all sizes, shapes, colors, and doubtless another quality not very pleasant to mention. On examination it was found that the fellows were asleep all over the place, overhead, in the rooms, in the passages, in corners, everywhere in fact that they could squat down and nod off. Some of these mid-day slumberers would rise upon their elbows and gaze contemptuously, sometimes ferociously at the disturbers of their peace. A Chinaman can give a most forbidding glower with those narrow slits of eyes of his, and his thin lips curling back over the dirty fangs in an ugly, snarling sneer. Sometimes the inmates would make jocular remarks in their own language, probably highly complimentary to the visitors, but none ever presumed to interfere with or stay the chief on his way through the hovels. One funny little man, as fussy as a hen with her first chickens, followed the chief and the reporter up and down, telling the most atrocious lies about the stoves and stove-pipes—he could talk English in a fractured, dislocated manner that was not without its charm—he was once interpreter at the police court, but became too mendacious for further use, so was discharged. He is president now of the Chinese "Ananias club." The Free Mason's hall is a curious room. At one end are the emblems of the order, a large shoddy looking dragon with an expression on his face painful to behold, as if he had swallowed the sacred gridiron; two or three big vases and a lot of other trumpery made up the fetish department of the order. When the last house in the row was reached, neither of the two inspectors was inconsolably sorry. The Chinese quarters are well worth a visit from the health board, for, should ever any epidemic disease get in among those overcrowded, dirty dens, the result would be awful. Everything is just ready for cholera, fever, smallpox, or any other scourge that takes its rise in filthy surroundings. A fire would undoubtedly sweep the whole quarter out of existence.

The Dominion Voters List.

We are indebted to Mr. L. P. Eckstein, one of the revising officers, for the following comparative statement of the Dominion voters list, as at present revised—that is after the first revision:

	New List.	Old.	Inc.
New Westminster	1291	389	902
Vancouver	2172	167	2005
Surrey	275	101	174
Langley	213	116	97
Chilliwack	267	173	94
Maple Ridge	172	117	55
Delta	144	125	19
Matsqui	55	41	14
St. Mary's Mission	144	58	86
Cassiar	134	0	134
			Decrease
Burrard Inlet	109	111	2
Port Moody	25	110	85

It is estimated that before the final revision shall have been completed the total number on the register will be increased by 25 per cent. We trust that our friends in the district municipalities will look alive and get more names on the list in their respective sections, as the above figures do not show nearly so large an increase as there should be in the district. The suggestion that we made some time ago, that every municipality should appoint a committee to thoroughly canvass for new names for the voters' lists—both Dominion and provincial—and see that they are properly registered, is one that might be adopted with very much profit, if every section of the district wishes to have its full say —as it should have—in the approaching provincial and Dominion elections. This is an important matter and should be attended to.

Sunday Closing.

A petition is being circulated for signatures, which will be presented to the city council, asking that a by-law be passed prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors between the hours of 12 o'clock on Saturday night and 12 o'clock on Sunday night. The advocates of Sunday closing are more numerous and more influential than a few years ago, when a similar measure was discussed, and the movement will therefore meet with more general approval. The petition, which was started yesterday, already contains a number of signatures.—*Times, Sept. 24th.*

E. N. Boucher, of Montreal, got seven years, lately, for abstracting money from a letter.

PRIZE LIST.

The Official List of Prize Winners in the Chilliwhack Exhibition.

CATTLE.—DURHAMS.—Best bull, three years old and upwards, D. McGillivray; best two year old heifer, D. McGillivray. JERSEYS.—Best bull, three years old and upwards, C. Chadsey; best two year old heifer, T. R. Pearson. HOLSTEINS.—Best bull, three years old and upwards, G. W. Chadsey, 2nd, J. Reece; two year old, A. C. Wells, 2nd, G. W. Chadsey; bull calf, G. W. Chadsey; best bred cow, in calf or milk, J. Reece, 2nd, G. W. Chadsey; best one year old heifer, J. Reece; best heifer calf, J. Reece. GRADED STOCK.—Best bull, three years old and upwards, Wm. Cawley; best bull, one year old, Thos. Dunville; best milch cow, S. Knight, 2nd, A. C. Wells; best two year old heifer, Thos. Dunville; best one year old heifer, A. C. Wells; best heifer calf, A. C. Wells; best beef animal, I. Kipp; best yoke work oxen, John Bell, 2nd, S. McBride. Judges: Messrs. Batchelor, S. McDonald and J. McDonald.

HORSES.—ROADSTERS.—Best stallion, Robert Stevenson; best mare, with foal at foot, Isaac Kipp, 2nd, H. Webb; best two year old colt, M. Sweetman; best one year colt, I. Kipp; best span carriage horses, H. Webb; best buggy horse, Alex. Munroe; best saddle horse, Chestrr Chadsey, 2nd, David Carr, 3rd, W. McDonald; best ladies saddle horse, Chester Chadsey, 2nd, David Carr, 3rd, W. B. Hall; best walking horse, C, Chadsey; best boy rider under 15 years, Fred Webb, 2nd, Arthur Kipp. DRAUGHT HORSES.—Best stallion, Arthur Ennis; best mare, with foal at foot, Mrs. Evans, 2nd, C. T. Higginson; best two year colt, A. C. Wells; best one year old colt, McRae & Campbell; best sucking colt, C. T. Higginson; best general purpose stallion, I. Kipp. Judges: A. M. Nelson, W. E. Dickinson and H. Kehoe.

THOROUGHBRED SHEEP.—LEICESTERS.—Best ram, one year old and upwards, J. Reece. SOUTH DOWNS.—Best ram, one year old and upwards, R. Nowell; best two ewes, R, Nowell; best ram lamb, R. Nowell; best ewe lamb, R. Nowell. GRADED SHEEP.—Best ram, one year old and upwards, A. C: Wells; best pair ewes, A. C. Wells, 2nd, J. Reece; best spring lamb (ram), J. Reece, 2nd, Wm. Cawley; best spring lamb (ewe), H. Webb, 2nd, T. H. Irwin.

GRADED PIGS, ANY BREED.—Best boar, one year old and upwards, H. Webb; 2nd, Wm. Cawley; best sow, H. Webb; 2nd, I. Kipp; best two pigs under six months, I. Kipp; 2nd, H. Kipp.

POULTRY.—Best trio of turkeys, I. Kipp; 2nd, C. T. Higginson; best trio of geese, I. Kipp; 2nd, T. Dunville; best trio of ducks, A. J. Street: 2nd, G. W. Chadsey; best Plymouth Rock, G. W. Chadsey; best brown Leghorns, C. T. Higginson; best pigeons, G. W. Chadsey. Judges: E. McAdam, D. McRae and J. W. Wells.

DAIRY PRODUCE.—Best 5 2-lb rolls of butter, Mrs. Evans; 2nd, D. McGillivray; 3rd, Shelton Knight; best firkin butter, roll, not less than 100 lbs, Mrs. Forsythe; 2nd, G. W. Chadsey; 3rd, H. Kipp; best packed butter, not less than 50 lbs, Mrs. Forsythe; 2nd, Chester Chadsey; 3rd, Mrs. Evans; best cheese, made in province, exhibited by manufacturer, A. C. Wells: best loaf of bread, Mrs. Evans; 2nd, Mrs. A. C. Wells. Judges: Mrs. Luker, Mrs. Rickers and Robt. Kennedy.

VEGETABLES.—Best bushel potatoes, long variety, Joseph Peers; do, round variety, H. Kipp; 2nd, C. T. Higginson; best 3 varieties potatoes, 1 peck each, J. Reece; 2nd, Joseph Peers; best new variety, one peck, not before exhibited in the province, Wilder & Brown; brace of cabbage, M. Hall; turnips, Wm. Cauley, carrots, J. Reece; parsnips, Joseph Peers; onions, S. Knight; corn, table, Wilder & Brown; beets, S. Knight; squash, best brace of Hubbard, J. Reece; pumpkins, do, table, G. W. Chadsey; vegetable marrow, J. Reece; tomatoes, J. Reece; cucumbers, Capt. Powers; cauliflower, best brace, H. Webb; rhubarb, A. S. Vedder.

FIELD PRODUCE.—Best bushel fall wheat, H. Kipp; do, spring wheat, H. Kipp; 2nd, H. Webb; do, rough barley, A. J. Street; 2nd, I. Kipp; do, white oats, I. Kipp; 2nd, H. Kipp, do, white peas, J. Reece; 2nd, H. Kipp; do grey peas, H. Kipp; 2nd, J. Reece; best Swede turnips, J. Reece; 2nd, A. C. Wells; globe mangold wurtzel. D. McGillivray; 2nd, S. Knight; long red, do, T. M. Hall; 2nd, S. Knight; sugar beets, I. Kipp; 2nd, T. M. Hall; white carrots, J. Reece; 2nd, Wm. Cawley; red or orange carrots, S. Knight; corn, I. Kipp; 2nd, J. Reece; early potatoes, J. Reece; 2nd, Joseph Peers; late potatoes, Jos. Peers; 2nd, H. Webb; bale of hay, H. Webb; 2nd, A. S. Vedder; timothy seed, ——; 2nd, A. S. Vedder; best collection of seeds and grain, 6 kinds, one peck each, H. Kipp; brace mammoth squash, J. Reece; brace pumpkins, S. Knight.

HORTICULTURE.—Best apples, early autumn, Mrs. Evans; 2nd, John McCutcheon; do, winter eating, John McCutcheon; 2nd, A. C. Wells; do, cooking, A. C. Wells; 2nd, J. Reece; do, largest, A. C. Wells; 2nd, J. C. Henderson; pears, early autumn dessert, John McCutcheon; 2nd, G. W. Chadsey; do, winter, F. S. Goodall; 2nd, Mrs. Evans; do, cooking, Joseph Peers; 2nd, G. W. Chadsey; plums, dessert, R. Stevenson; 2nd, G. R. Ashwell; do, preserving, G. R Ashwell; 2nd, A. S. Vedder; dish of grapes, 3 bunches, Rev. C. M. Tate; 2nd, H. Webb; peaches, A. C. Wells; watermelons, J. W. Wells; muskmelons, J Reece; quinces, Shelton Knight; citrons, A. S. Vedder; crab apples, Rev. C. M. Tate.

PROVINCIAL MANUFACTURE.—Best collection of horseshoes, Jas. McDonald; bunch shingles, machine made, J. Reece; cart, A. S. Vedder; sleigh, A. S. Vedder. Judges: Messrs. Keen, Purkiss and Armstrong.

FLORAL.—Best collection of plants in flower, grown in pots or boxes, Mrs. Evans; 2nd, G. R. Ashwell; four fuchias, Mrs. Evans; bouquet for table, Rev. C. M. Tate; do, for hand, Rev. C. M. Tate; dahlias, 6 varieties cut flowers, Mrs. A. C. Wells; floral design, Mrs. Wells; collection of pansies, Mrs. Ross; collection of roses, Mrs. Evans; collection of gladiolus, Mrs. A. C. Wells; collection picotee or carnation, Mrs. Evans; collection stocks, T. M. Hall; collection asters, Mrs. Evans; collection zinnias, Mrs. A. C. Wells; hanging basket with plants, Mrs. A. C. Wells; geraniums, G. R. Ashwell; specimen geraniums, G. R. Ashwell; collection of sweet peas, T. M. Hall. Judges: G. W. Henry and R. C. Garner.

CROCHET.—Best assortment crochet (cotton) 6 specimens, Mrs. Chas. Brown; 2nd, Mrs. John Barber; crochet tidy, Mrs. T. J. Dales; 2nd, Mrs. A. J. Street; crochet tidy, worsted, ——; 2nd, Mrs. G. W. Chadsey; crochet skirt, Miss M Turner; buggy ring, Mrs C M Tate; crochet mats, wool, Mrs. Evans; 2nd, Mrs. Barber; crochet gloves, Mrs. Chas. Brown; crochet mittens, Mrs. C. Brown.

EMBROIDERY.—Best embroidered flannel skirt, Mrs. John Bsrber; table cover, Mrs. A. C. Wells.

CUSHIONS.—Best embroidered cushion, Mrs. G. W. Chadsey; wool raised and plain work, Mrs. Evans.

HAND SEWING.—By girls under 14 years of age.—Best button holes, Miss Street; calico dress, Miss Chadsey; 2nd, Miss Nellie Dunville; fancy apron, Emma Knight; 2nd, Nellie Dunville; linen shirt, 2nd, Miss Barber; pillow slip, 2nd, Miss Nellie Dunville. Either hand or machine sewing—Best set underclothing, trimmed, Mrs. A. C. Wells; 2nd, Mrs. G. W. Chadsey; lady's morning wrapper, 2nd, Mrs. C. M. Tate; best gent's dressing gown, Mrs. C. M. Tate; best pillow slips, Mrs A J Street; 2nd, Mrs. A. C. Wells; best pillow shams, Mrs. Evans; 2nd, Mrs. C. M. Tate.

BED QUILTS.—Best white, Mrs. C. M. Tate; best silk patch work, Mrs. John Barber; best patch work quilt, cotton, Mrs. Dale; 2nd, Mrs. Ross; best quilt, worsted, Mrs. E. S. Smith; 2nd, Mrs. Forsythe; best comforter, quilted or tied, Mrs. A. C. Wells; 2nd, Mrs. John Barber; best quilted bed quilt, Mrs. A. J. Street; 2nd, Mrs. Forsythe.

KNITTING.—Best stockings, wool, Mrs. John Barber; 2nd, Mrs. A. S. Vedder; best knitted, do, cotton, Mrs. John Barber; 2nd, Mrs. C. M. Tate; best toilet set, Mrs. Ross; 2nd, Miss Ruby Henderson; best 6 samples knitting, Mrs. A. S. Vedder; 2nd, Mrs. John Barber; best gent's socks, cotton or woollen, J. Reece; best gloves, Mrs. A. S. Vedder; 2nd, Mrs. A. C. Wells; best mittens, Mrs. A. C. Wells; 2nd, J. Reece. Judges: Mrs. Wise, Miss Peebles.

WOOL WORK.—MISCELLANEOUS ARTICLES.—Best worsted flowers, raised, Mrs. G. W. Chadsey. WREATHS.—Best collection moss work, Mrs. C. M. Tate; best collection seed work, Mrs. G. W. Chadsey.

DIVISION Y.—Drawing, best pencil, Miss Susan Hall; 2nd, Mrs. Ross; best pen and ink, Mrs. Stevenson; best crayon, Miss McGillivray; best water color, Edwin Tate; 2nd Miss Stevenson; best of any other kind, Mrs. Beckett; 2nd, Mrs. Tate; the production of children under 12 years of age, 1st prize, Stephen Chadsey; 2nd, David Chadsey; 3rd, Stephen Chadsey; shells, marine, best collection, D. McGillivray, 2nd, Mrs. J. Barber; insects, best collection, native, Mrs. J. Barber; 2nd, Mrs. G. W. Chadsey; animals and birds, best collection of stuffed, native, J. C. Henderson; moss pictures, best, Mrs. G. W. Chadsey; best canary birds, Mrs. G. W. Chadsey. Judges: Chas. H. Woods, Mrs. E. B. Knight and C. W. Munro.

SPECIAL PRIZES.—Best broke yoke of steers, broke by boy under 16 years, $3—given by A. S. Vedder—Arthur Kipp; best loaf of bread made by girl under 12 years, $1—Given by Mrs. H. Webb—Miss Flossie Street; best hand sewing, done by girl under 14 years old, $1.50; 2nd, $1—Given by Mrs. Farr—Miss Nellie Dunville, 1st; Emma Knight, 2nd; best cake, made by girl under 16 years, $2—Given by S. Knight—Miss Flossie Street, 1st; Miss L. Webb, 2nd; for the best exhibit of grain, as regards quality and variety, not less than one peck of each kind, and to be grown during the year 1889 by the exhibitor, THE DAILY COLUMBIAN for one year—equal to $8, with $5 cash added—Given by Kennedy Bros—H. Kipp.

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WEEKLY BRITISH COLUMBIAN

Wednesday Morning, Oct. 2, 1889.

As cities increase in size, the problem of sewage disposal becomes a more and more difficult one to solve. The English sanitary engineers, says the *Scientific American*, with a densely populated country, including the largest city in the world, as a field for experiment, have probably performed more experiments on an actual working scale than have those of any other nation. Chemical treatment has been tried in an endless variety of forms. The A.B.C. process, named from the initials of the substances used in carrying it out, alum, blood and charcoal, at one time had an extensive application. Now the tendency is toward the use of chemical salts alone, aluminum, iron, and calcium compounds being most in favor. Precipitation is assisted by the addition of comparatively small amounts of these salts, perchloride of iron, alum, milk of lime, and others being in use in various places. After treatment with chemicals, the sewage is left at rest to deposit its solid matter. The effort is to obtain the latter in as compact a form of "sludge" as possible, and during its precipitation to deodorize the liquid portion, so that it may be disposed of without offense. The engineers interested in this problem seem to have had very Utopian ideals. Their object has been to dispose of sewage without offense and at the same time profitably. The first of these ends is easy of attainment, the latter is probably impossible to achieve. The great problem is how to separate liquid and solid. This once done, the solid can be dessicated and disposed of as easily as ashes or any other form of refuse. The liquid can be used for irrigation. Where chemicals are not used, the separation can be effected mechanically. Upward and downward filtration may be used in connection with and supplementary to settling in subsidence tanks. The trouble in purely mechanical treatment is the odor of the effluent water. A proper and sufficiently thorough application of chemicals only can remove the odor. The necessity of perfect deodorization is most felt in the case of towns and cities in the interior. Dilution is a great panacea for this trouble, but is only practicable near large bodies of water. Inland cities have to produce as clear and innocuous a filtrate as possible. Mechanical filtration alone will not effect the desired result. In England the disposal of the effluent from filtration or precipitation is conducted by irrigation to a very large extent. On the continent the same system has been adopted, notably in the case of the city of Berlin. Overground irrigation upon plowed fields seems to be very effectual. In the United States subsoil irrigation is used in an immense number of localities, principally by private houses and hotels, and meets with excellent success. The sludge or solid matter remains to be got rid of. The constant effort to make sewage farms profitable and to make sewage a source of revenue to the corporations of cities producing or disposing of it, has to a certain extent caused an erroneous view to be taken of the matter. The conclusion is gradually forming in the minds of engineers that sewage sludge is of little value. The hopes so long entertained of putting it into a marketable form, so that it would be in demand as a fertilizer, seem doomed to disappointment. From many places the same story comes; that sewage works are a source of expense, and that the sludge, fortunately very small in amount, is of practically very little or no value. In London the same attempt has been made to profitably dispose of the solid matter, but it has had no success. It was collected and pressed into blocks at a cost of 4s. 6d. a ton. In this form it could not be sold at even a nominal price. Farmers would have none of it. Pressing was abandoned, and some of it is now delivered in the wet state as compactly as possible into tank steamers. In this way some three thousand tons a week are carried beyond the Nore and are deposited in the German Ocean. The cost is put at 6d per ton. This is by no means all of the solid matter of the London sewage. A great quantity still goes into the Thames, polluting its waters. In the case of a vessel that went down in the river below London, some years ago, it was related that the death of some of the passengers was caused by the poisonous exhalations from the water rather than by simple drowning. Sludge, from a chemical precipitation works in the neighborhood of New York city, was, it is said, recently tried upon a farm in comparison with ordinary manure. The conclusion reached was that it was of more harm than good, and that the land without manure did better than that which received sludge alone. This, then, may be said to be the present aspect of the sewage problem. Money must be spent to get rid of it. The efforts of engineers should be in the direction of economical disinfection and deodorization; profit should be out of the question. The problem is one of growing importance. If the facts above outlined are realized, the problem will be more effectually grappled with than where the idea of sewage having a monetary value prevails.

Does it pay to exhibit? is a question that is asked quite often, but generally after an exhibition is over and the excitement and interest attending it have flagged. Whenever the question is looked into at all, the inevitable verdict is that it does pay in a good many ways. The great Toronto exhibition, which opened on the 9th of this month and closed on the 20th, is a representative exhibition, and, to look at the matter from a circumscribed point of view when compared with the total results of the exhibition, the exhibit sent from this province, from this district, from this city, has paid most unmistakably, not merely in the honors won and the notice attracted to the exhibits, but in the reputation, which will be a lasting and a productive thing, which the province, and particularly this district and city, have gained as a reflex consequence. The real comparative standing of the splendid fruit exhibit sent from this city by Alderman Cunningham and of the fine showing of fruit and vegetables made by G. W. Henry, of Port Hammond, will be best realized by ascertaining how these exhibits struck our eastern friends. And the eastern press may be taken as fairly expressing this opinion. Under the heading of "Exhibition Notes," the *Empire*, which it is not necessary to say is one of the two or three leading papers of Ontario and of the Dominion, has the following very gratifying mention to make of the exhibit from this city and district: "Now that the fair is over even exhibitors begin to express unprejudiced opinion regarding the exhibit of their rivals. One exhibit, however, was without rival, and stood from the first on its own merits. This was the consignment of fruits from British Columbia, which was mainly supplied by Ald. Cunningham, of New Westminster, and G. W. Henry, of Port Hammond. Their pears and strawberries were especially fine, and very few who visited the exhibit passed through the building without expressing surprise and admiration at the immense size of the fruit. The orchards of Ontario generally give forth an abundant yield, but the crop of the Pacific province, judging by the proportions of the fruit, must be something enormous." From all of which the inference may be drawn that it pays very well to exhibit—if you have got something worth the showing; and British Columbia, and Westminster district particularly, will never be at a loss in this respect.

One of the principal attractions of exhibition week will probably be the fireworks display. The origin of fireworks, like that of gunpowder, has been ascribed to the Chinese. Early records are not to be had, but Barrow in his "Travels in China," written in 1804, declared that the fireworks he beheld in Pekin were the finest he ever saw. It is, however, evident from this writer's admiration that he was unfamiliar with similar exhibitions in Europe, although they had been comparatively common for more than a century before that date. The Florentines and Viennese are entitled to the credit of introducing *feux d'artifice* to the European public, by their adornments of buildings with painted statues, from whose mouths and eyes issued a beautiful fire. Collot has preserved these exhibitions for us in numerous engravings, in which are shown processions of dragons, swans, eagles, &c., "vomiting forth the most amusing fireworks." These fireworks were, however, of a very primitive type. In Rome "at the creation of the popes they displayed illuminations of hand-grenadoes thrown from the height of a castle." Evelyn has left us in his Diary an account of the firework display which took place in Rome in 1644 on the occasion of the procession of Pope Innocent X. to St. John di Laterno. "What I saw," he says, "was that which was built before the Spanish ambassador's house and another before that of the French. The first appeared to be a mighty rock bearing the Pope's arms, a dragon and divers figures." He then relates how the whole was fired and yet preserved its pattern, whilst "ten thousand reports of squibs and crackers spent themselves." At this time no proper distinction was drawn between fireworks and illuminations; for Evelyn goes on to tell of "twenty other fireworks of rare art," which, from the description, were what we should term illuminations. In 1764 an Italian obtained permission to give a pyrotechnic display in Paris, which resulted in a riot, the populace fearing danger from fire. Later in the same year a more successful display took place, representing the forges of Vulcan beneath Mount Ætna. These are the first recorded displays of the pyrotechnic art in France. At the Dauphin's marriage, on May 31, 1770, "the grandest fireworks that have ever been known" were exhibited, and a panic taking place the people trampled over one another till they lay one upon another in heaps. "Those that were beneath stabbed those that were above, to disengage themselves." One thousand persons at least were killed outright. Two centuries ago in England a firework display was got up on the smallest provocation to amusement or rejoicing. In 1696 Pepys says "there were famous fireworks, the king being returned from his progress," and the same entertaining gossip records an amusing display on a small scale in which he took part. Under date Aug. 14, 1666, he tells "About nine, to Mrs. Mercer's gate, where the fire and boys expected us, and her son had provided abundance of serpents and rockets, and there mighty merry, my Lady Pen and Pegg going thither with us and Nan Wright, till about twelve at night, flinging our fireworks and burning one another and the people over the way." This was followed by supper and dancing until three in the morning, so we may conclude that the genial and immortal diarist had a good time. The conclusion of the Peace of Utrecht gave excuse for a firework display, and in 1749, at the signing of the Peace of Aix-la-Chapelle, a similar event took place, both at the public expense. Upon the latter occasion the cost was no less than £14,500 and considerable grumbling resulted from the taxpayers. In June, 1763, a display of fireworks on Tower Hill, to celebrate the king's birthday, resulted in rioting between the Jews and some sailors, the latter breaking into three houses which they completely gutted. From that time pyrotechnic displays, at the taxpayers' expense, became fewer, until, at the present day, they are things of the past. Whether future state pageants will be marked by similar exhibitions is doubtful. Recent precedents are against such a course, and in these days, when pyrotechnic displays have become obtainable at a comparatively small cost they seem to be regarded as less peculiarly fitting accompaniments to a state ceremonial.

The Imperial University of Tokio has 138 professors and teachers, all but sixteen being Japanese. This year's students number 788.

The last Manitoba *Gazette* was issued wholly in English. This looks as though the local government is in earnest in its declarations regarding the doing away with the official use of the French language.

The *Annals of Hygiene* has discovered there is nothing that so quickly restores tone to exhausted nerves and strength to a weary body as a bath containing an ounce of aqua ammonia to each pail of water. It makes the flesh firm and smooth as marble, and renders the body pure and free from all odor.

A late Portland Or., despatch says: Judge Shattuck to-day held that the East Portland ordinance prohibiting bands playing on the streets was unconstitutional. It was designed to put an end to the demonstrations of the Salvation Army, a number of members of which had been arrested. The court held that the ordinance interfered with the religious liberty of the people. The Salvationists of Portland and East Portland celebrated the victory by holding a big meeting the same night.

Sir William Gull says that when fagged out by professional work he recruits his strength by eating raisins, and not by drinking wine or brandy. Another good saying from the same source: A pint of warm water, taken on an empty stomach in the morning, is the safest and surest of all remedies for habitual constipation. It dissolves the fecal matter and stimulates peristaltic action, thereby giving a normal action without pain. If the tongue is coated, squeeze a lemon into the water and drink without sweetening.

An old tradesman in Scotland used to keep his accounts in a singular manner. He hung up two boots, one on each side of the chimney, and in one he put all the money he received, and in the other all receipts and vouchers for the money he paid; at the end of the year, or whenever he wanted to make up his accounts, he emptied the boots, and by counting their several and respective contents he was enabled with a little trouble to make a balance, which was doubtless as satisfactory to himself as if it had been done by "double entry."—*Ex.*

CARDINAL SCHAEFFIN

Did Not Meet His Death by Foul Means, as Suspected--Queen Natalie Active.

The Knight Templar Parade in New York.---American States Convention.

Murdered Through Jealousy---Engineer Responsible in Rock Island Smash.

A GROUNDLESS RUMOR.

ROME, Italy, Sept. 30.—The ugly rumors current here about the death of Cardinal Schaeffin have been finally allayed. It was reported that he had been poisoned. The physicians who attended him in his last illness, formally certified that Schaeffin died from an attack of acute gastro-enteritis.

STANDSTRAND BROUGHT TO TIME.

LIVERPOOL, Sept. 30.—The corner in cotton caused by the manipulations of the Anglo-Danish speculator, Standstrand, completely collapsed to-day. The bulls discovered this morning that Standstand was selling, and down went the price of future cotton, from 642, at once. It opened to 616. At the close of the market quotations stood 621. The arrival of several cargoes from the United States at the end of the week and the prospective closing of cotton mills in Blackburn, Bolton and Manchester, were too much for Standstrand, and he began to unload early.

QUEEN NATALIE'S VISITORS.

BELGRADE, Servia, Sept. 30.—Queen Natalie visited the king, her son, to-day. The diplomatic representatives of all foreign powers except Germany and Turkey have called upon the queen.

BONDS NOT WANTED.

LONDON, Sept. 30.—The Canadian Pacific applied to-day for quotations of £449,000 subscribed stock, in lieu of the same amount of bonds.

A TERRIBLE CONFESSION.

CHICAGO, Sept. 30.—A morning paper published a story to the effect that James Gillan, who died at the county hospital six months ago, confessed to Father Sullivan before dying, that he, with two companions, had robbed the Snell residence and murdered millionare Snell in February, 1888. It stated also that Gillan made a statement to a certain attorney whom he wanted to defend him in the event of his arrest, giving a full account of the crime and his connection with it. The story intimates that Tascott was a party to the crime. Another morning paper published a story to the effect that Tascott, after Snell's murder, remained in hiding in the family of a friend here, for a year, when, disguised as a female, he was taken as a domestic to Calefornia, where he died.

THE ENGINEERS RESPONSIBLE.

CHICAGO, Sept. 30.—The coroner's jury holding the inquest on the bodies of the victims of the wreck on the Rock Island railroad at Englewood, returned a verdict to-night, holding engineer Twombly and fireman Lockosh responsible for the accident and the resultant loss of life. Both men are under arrest. Fireman Lockosh confessed that Twombly was drunk at the time of the accident.

AMERICAN STATES CONVENTION.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 30.—All the U. S. delegates and nearly all the foreign ones to the congress of American states, which convenes on Wednesday next, have arrived here. The delegates are quartered at the principal hotels, and spent to-day in drives about the city, to Arlington cemetery, the Soldier's home, etc. To-morrow they go to Mount Vernon. Tuesday the U. S. delegates will meet at the state department to organize and receive instruction from Secretary Blaine. On Wednesday the congress will organize, after which they will be received by the president and Secretary Blaine. The same night Secretary Blaine will give a banquet at the Hotel Normandy. On Thursday morning the delegates will start on a 45 days' trip over the country, returning on Nov. 13th, when the session will begin.

A ROMANTIC CAREER.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 30.—The relatives and friends of Essex Porter, of this city, son of Admiral Porter, are much distressed over his continued absence. About six months ago Lieutenant Porter entered the service of Legitime in the Haytian government. Legitime's government promised to give him $6,000 a year and to insure his life for $25,000, for the benefit of his wife. No tidings have been received from him since early in the summer, and as Legitime's army has been disbanded, his friends here are naturally anxious about his safety.

THE DASTARDLY FIRE BUG.

CALEDONIA, Minn., Sept. 30.—An incendiary fire that was started at two o'clock this morning in the hardware store of Knute D. Dahles, destroyed the business centre of the town. The loss amounts to $30,000; insurance, $16,000.

A GRAND PARADE.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 30.—The programme for the Knights Templar parade has been arranged. There will be twelve divisions, Sir Byron Mr. Parker will be chief marshall and Sir Knight Harrison Dingman chief of the staff. The first division will be commanded by Eminent Sir. Wm. G. Moore, district of Columbia, and will comprise the commanding of the district and detachment of Cœur De Lion, commanding No. 23, of New York city. The grand commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island comprise the second divisions; New York state, the third; Virginia, Vermont New Hampshire and Connecticut, the fourth; Ohio, Kentucky and Maine the fifth; Pennsylvania, sixth; Indiana and Michigan the seventh; Illinois, eighth; California, Tennessee, Wisconsin and New Jersey, ninth; Georgia, Missouri, Mississippi and Louisiana, tenth; Minnesota, Kansas, Maryland, Nebraska, Arkansas, West Virginia, Colorado and North Carolina eleventh; Dakota, Winnipeg, Toronto, Montana and Wyoming, twelfth.

THE GREEN-EYED MONSTER.

BALTIMORE, Md., Sept. 30.—Georgie Stene, aged 19 years, was fatally shot to-day by her lover, John Friese. Friese had been keeping company with the girl for some time, and recently visited her when inoxicated, when she discarded him. To-day in company with Robert Moore, she was out walking when Friese, who had been watching, approached and asked to be taken back. She refuseed and he drew a revolver and fired several shots, one taking effect above her right eye, another in her breast. Moore fled, leaving the girl to the mercy of Friese, who fired at him, but missed; Friese then fled and has not been arrested.

A PANHANDLE SMASH

PITTSBURG, Pa., Sept. 30.—An express train from Cincinnati on the Panhandle road ran into a freight train at Bowerstown this morning. The former was running at the rate of forty miles an hour. The engine was completely wrecked. General Sherman's private car was attached to the train, but he did not sustain any injury.

INDICTED FOR PERJURY.

NEW CORK, Sept. 30.—The grand jury handed in an indictment for perjury and conspiracy in the notorious Flack divorce case, against Sheriff Flack, Mrs. Raymond, Judge Monell and George R. Hart.

TOO MUCH WATER.

CITY OF MEXICO, Sept. 30.—Reports continue to arrive in this city showing that the floods in the interior have not yet abated, and that there has been great destruction of property. The Tehuantepec railroad is encountering many difficulties.

OTTAWA NOTES.

OTTAWA, Sept. 28.—Sir J. S. D. Thompson and Hon. C. H. Tupper have gone on a tour of the lower provinces.

Sir Adolph Caron has left for Quebec to investigate the threatening condition of the rock in the vicinity of the recent land slide.

Hon. Sydney Smith is dead, aged 66 years. He was Postmaster General twenty years ago

Rev. James McGuckin, O. M. I., who was lately appointed Superior of the University of Ottawa, arrived this morning from New Westminster, and was given a big reception by the students.

Judge Bole left for home to-night. He will remain a day at Winnipeg.

EASTERN RUMBLINGS.

LONDON, Sept. 28.—The Armenian question appears to be entering on a new phase. Several of the powers, among whom leading in the matter are England and Italy, have addressed remonstrances to the Porte, and the Porte, of course, has "lent an attentive ear." No one believes that any result will be produced by these remonstrances, but the co-operation of England and Italy will be noted as an evidence of accord between the two governments. On the other hand, the Russians are collecting troops in more than normal numbers on their side of the frontier. The line of frontier is not definitely fixed and is in course of settlement by commissioners of both powers. The elements of misunderstanding are, therefore, at present in abundance. Optimists argue that there are no immediate prospects of these elements being utilised for the sufficient reason that the first shot fired in Armenia may be expected to set Europe in a blaze. No power, therefore, will take a step which would lead to such momentous consequences, except under the influence of general considerations of policy with which Armenia has little connection. The danger is rather that the incapacity of the Porte to better the conditions of its administration in Armenia may lead to some unexpected outbreak, in which one or other side may be committed in spite of its policy. A despatch received late this afternoon says there is great excitement at Erzeroum over rumors that the Russians are preparing to take possession of that place before winter. The situation of affairs along the frontier is very unsatisfactory and may become very critical unless better counsels prevail at Constantinople.

PIERCE'S GOLDEN DISCOVERY.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Sept. 25.—The Big Bend Tunnel and Mining Company, with a stock of $20,000,000, has suspended operations. Dr. R. V. Pierce, ex-congressman, is president of the company which constructed the tunnel at Big Bend, Butte county, Cal., to divert the water of Feather river in order to get at the gold deposits said to be located there. Boulders and gravel prevented the scheme from being successful, and the loss is $2,000,000.

TOO MUCH BLAMED.

QUEBEC, Oct. 1.—There is a strong feeling of sympathy for the corporation here, as it did all in its power for the sufferers, and is not blameable by the Montreal and Toronto papers for its alleged neglect, but there were really some blunders made. One blunder of the committee was in the search for poor Kemp. His cries were heard in a certain point of the ruins and holes were repeatedly dug to get him out, but each time an overhanging mass of rubbish fell and filled the excavation.

There was at one time on the ground a man named Verrault, a corporation foreman; he told the men, "you must commence thirty feet away, at the very verge of the ruins, and work your way gradually inside;" but the searchers were far too excited to attend to the advice which his experience suggested, and after many vain attempts, poor Kemp was given up for dead. It is strange that the parties really responsible for the accident seem to be lost sight of.

The Ottawa government is to blame for what happened and will have to pay all damages. It is on their property that the rock fall took place. Nine years ago, and repeatedly since, they were warned of the danger. Their engineers came and inspected the rock and reported 10,000,000 tons of stone. As has been proved at the coroner's inquest, they placed two bolts and a half-inch chain, threw 25 barrels of clay into the crevice, and built at the foot of the cliff a two foot wall, which broke like glass under the falling mass.

E. CROW BAKER HAS RESIGNED.

OTTAWA, Oct. 1.—E. Crow Baker, a British Columbia member of parliament, has resigned his seat. A new election will be ordered at once.

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The high position attained and the universal acceptance and approval of the pleasant liquid fruit remedy Syrup of Figs, as the most excellent laxative known, illustrate the value of the qualities on which its success is based and are abundantly gratifying to the Cal. Fig Syrup Company.

Mr. Campion, the Conservative candidate, has withdrawn from the contest in Dennis, Man., and Hon. Mr. McLean was elected provincial secretary by acclamation on Saturday.

The Shamrocks and Torontos played a sharp and short championship game of lacrosse Saturday, at Montreal. Six games were played in 44½ minutes, four of which were taken by the Shamrocks.

No one has dared to work at the debris at Quebec since Friday morning, seeing that under the action of the torrents of rain which have fallen they dreaded a second avalanche would be hurled down on them. Another fissure is visible and the side of the cliff is somewhat bulged out. The general opinion is that a couple of days' more rain or a night's frost will cause a second land slide.

The trial of Benjamin McMahon and Todd Quick for the murder of Holton, an old resident of Tilbury township, was concluded Saturday. McMahon was found guilty and sentenced to be hanged on the 13th December, and Quick was put into custody as accessory after the fact. Both prisoners strenuously deny their guilt, and McMahon was so dazed by the verdict that he did not appear to realize the subsequent proceedings.

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Gents,—I took a severe cold, which settled in my throat and lungs and caused me to entirely lose my voice. For six weeks I suffered great pain and discomfort, and tried numerous remedies. My wife advised me to try MINARD'S LINIMENT and the effect was magical, for after only three doses and an outward application, my voice returned and I was able to speak in the Army that night, a privilege I had been unable to enjoy for six weeks. These facts can be verified by numbers of people in this town. CHARLES PLUMMER.

Yarmouth.

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WEEKLY BRITISH COLUMBIAN

Wednesday Morning, Oct. 2, 1889.

(*From Daily Columbian, Sept. 30.*)

The barometer was steadily rising this afternoon.

A sidewalk has been laid opposite the Bushby block on Front street.

The Rainbow, with usual freight and passengers, arrived last night.

An inch and a half of rain fell Saturday night and an inch and a third yesterday.

The Rithit arrived this afternoon with about 25 tons of freight and the usual passengers.

It is expected that the Louise will very shortly take the place of the Rithet on the Fraser river route.

Says the *Sentinel*: The Kamloops baseball team will not take part in the games to be played at Westminster next week.

H. Burr and not John Burr should get the credit for the $5 subscription o the celebration fund, published in the *Truth*, yesterday morning.

No police court this morning; the police station had no occupants yesterday, and Officer Smith says the past month has been very light, criminally.

The triumphal arch between the post office and the Bank of B. C. building was commenced to-day shortly after noon. It promises to be a fine piece of decorative art.

Mr. B. Douglas has paid his subscription of $100 to the exhibition fund, and the mercury has frozen at the poll. Mr. F. G. Strickland has also paid his $25 subscription.

The following gentlemen have handed in their subscriptions to the celebration fund to Mr. Fraser, of the Bank of Montreal: E. C. Wilmot, $10; L. F. Benson, $20; J. Rankin, $20; J. A. Robinson, $2.

Three deaths and four funerals in a week opens up a new chapter in the history of Kamloops. The record this week fully emphasizes the truth of the saying: "The young may die, but the old must."—*Sentinel.*

The Irving arrived from Chilliwack yesterday, with a full load of farm produce, apples, potatoes, oats, wheat, butter and 218 boxes of lime. She had also a number of passengers. She left this morning for Chilliwack.

The crosswalks are scarcely visible to the naked eye, to-day. Should the sun and wind not dry up the mud before Wednesday, it would be a good idea to clean up part of Columbia street for the comfort of the processionists.

The Y. M. C. A. removed their gymnastic material from the drill shed to the Oddfellows' Hall this afternoon, in order to make room for the militia drilling in the evening and also for the billeting committee to begin fixing up the beds and other accommodations for Wednesday's flood of visitors.

J. B. Bengough, the great cartoonist lectured in New Westminster last night to a crowded house. He appears at the Victoria theatre on Monday.—*Times.* Our Victoria evening contemporary is "too previous" by about two weeks. J. W. Bengough does not lecture in this city until October 8.

Princess street Methodist church, Vancouver, was opened yesterday. Rev. E. Robson, pastor of the Homer street church, preached in the morning and formally dedicated the church. In the afternoon Rev. D. V. Lucas, M.A., delivered a sermon, and Rev. C. Ladner, of Kamloops, occupied the pulpit in the evening.

It has been suggested that the arches now being put up be allowed to remain intact after the exhibition until the arrival of his excellency the governor-general. The suggestion is certainly sensible, and would save time, trouble and money, as the royal city will surely make some demonstration in honor of her majesty's representative.

The steamer Buzz got up steam this afternoon, and after taking on board a party of prominent city gentlemen, proceeded down the river to meet and welcome in the ships of war. The Adelaide, which was to have gone on this expedition, met with a slight accident to her machinery to-day, and had to stay home for repairs.

Mr. Fred Davis, manager of W. H. Vianen's fish house intends to enter his fine yacht, the Active, in the sailing races. The Active is a main sail and jib cutter, 30 feet keel and as trim a craft as any on the Fraser river. Mr. Davis will manipulate the tiller himself during the race, and if wind serves, a fine contest of speed may be anticipated.

The longshoremen's strike at Vancouver still continues, neither side being apparently willing to recede from the positions last reported. The steamship will not recognise the union and the longshoreman will not go back on their conditions. In the meantime the steamers are being loaded by men brought from the Sound. Saturday the gates of the dock were not closed, and a number of longshoremen went down when the Umatilla came in. They made no demonstrations of any kind.

Change the Day.

As we announced Saturday, it is proposed to have a public meeting called for Tuesday evening, Oct. 8th, for the discussion of local politics, in view of the by-election shortly to come off in this city. The idea of the meeting is a good one, but, on account of the evening chosen being the same one previously announced for Mr. J. W. Bengough's lecture, we would offer the suggestion that the public meeting might be called for Wednesday night (Oct. 9) instead. A great many will doubtless wish to hear Mr. Bengough's inimitable, funny and interesting lecture, and by postponing the public meeting as suggested the success of both meetings will be better assured.

A RACE

Not Down on the Celebration Programme.

The well known buck skin colt, often seen on Columbia street, provided considerable fun and sport this morning, and rather astonished the citizens by an involuntary exhibition of speed. In a moment of absent mindedness this interesting equine juvenile wandered away from his maternal ancestor, who earns a livelihood by hauling a cart around town under the supervision of a Chinaman. When the colt awoke from his brown study with a start, and beheld his respected dam turning a corner several blocks away, he gave a snort of dismay and started after her at a Derby gallop, down the middle of the street, throwing the mud far and near. Several well known sports were observed noting the colt's gait and pace, and no doubt, should he be a candidate for local stakes he will be a favorite.

A Wild Night.

The storm, which raged over New Westminster and district last Saturday night and early Sunday morning, was one of the most severe experienced here for some time. About 1 o'clock in the morning the rain fall assumed the character of a deluge, and more than one roof in the city proved unable to keep out the water. The wind developed into a strong gale and sent the leaves from the trees in all directions. The fence on Agnes street behind St. Louis college, succumbed to the blast with a resounding crash. A number of other fences and property were blown down. Fruit, which was on the trees had a good chance, in the language of the "great unwashed," to "take a tumble to itself." The river presented a wild and troubled aspect, the whitecaps chasing one another on the tops of the mountain waves. This morning the prospects for the exhibition looked decidedly blue, but the weather-wise say the late gale has exhausted all the ready rain in the coffers of his majesty J. Pluvius.

Y. M. C. A. Notes.

The regular Sunday afternoon service of the Y. M. C. A. was held in Herring's Opera House yesterday at 4 o'clock, and was addressed by Mr. Henry E. Brown, of New York, who took for his text the words found in John 4:6, "I am the way, the truth, and the life."

Ninety-six men were present and listened with marked interest.

Mr. N. H. Jacks, travelling secretary, conducted the singing, and at the close exhorted all present, who had not already done so, to accept the only and true way, now. One man raised his hand requesting prayers.

In the evening after the church services, another meeting was held in the Opera House, which was well filled. Ladies and gentlemen both being admitted. After singing a few hymns, Mr. Jacks and Mr. Brown both spoke on the progress of the Y. M. C. A. work in general, the relation of the association to the church, and particularly on the subject of buildings and the necessity of suitable ones for the work. Both expressed themselves as well pleased with the prospect of a building in this place.

Caledonian Hotel Opening.

This fine brick hotel, at the corner of Front street and Lytton square, is now open for guests. The building and its appointments, which we described a few weeks ago, are all new, and every department of the hotel, handsomely fitted and furnished, presents an inviting appearance. Mr. R. W. McIntosh, the proprietor, states that he can seat 60 in the fine and commodious dining room, on the first floor, which has its main entrance from Front street, and in the 20 neatly furnished, carpeted and well lighted bed rooms, up-stairs, there is ample accommodation for 40 guests. A nicely appointed ladies' parlor is also to be found on the second floor, and Mrs. McIntosh has the supervision of the up-stairs department. Lavatories and closets are convenient on both floors. The kitchen, which is a model for light, air and cleanliness, is altogether detached from the rest of the building behind, which will prevent culinary odors permeating the house, and the *cuisine* is in good hands. The hotel throughout is of brick and hard finished, and of course as nearly fireproof as any building can be. The opening of this new, well furnished and attractive hostelry at this time is a boon to the city and the travelling public.

To-day's Canadian News.

Robt. Davis, supposed murderer of Wm. Emery, of Mannora, is in Belleville jail, remanded for a week.

Gustavus Park, who murdered Frank Ban, at Chatam, Ont., is out on $400 bail. It was shown that deceased had run against the knife in Park's hand. Jury disagreed.

The verdict of jury in the Quebec disaster: Gross and culpable negligence of federal officers in not building fortress recommended by city engineers in 1860. A five ton rock fell from the cliff, Saturday.

There is a strong feeling in Toronto against Canadian athletes winning honors for American athletic associations. Geo. R. Gray, the great Canadian shot-putter, won this event for the Americans the other day.

The man lately shot at Hamilton, Ont., turns out to be Jas. Douglas, a farmer, worth $16,000. He had been away from home six weeks, and his death was the first intimation his friends got of his whereabouts.

The trip of Sir Geo. Stephens and Sir Donald Smith from Montreal to New York is said to have been for the purpose of forming an alliance between the St. Paul, M. & M. and the Northern Pacific to control traffic north of Oregon.

(*From Daily Columbian, Oct. 1.*)

Mr. and Mrs. Major arrived home by the Pacific express to-day.

An additional subscription to the celebration fund has been received, of $10, from L. A. Lewis.

The telegraph lines being down in all directions accounts for the absence of our usual despatches to-day.

The captains of the two men-o'-war took a stroll up Columbia street this morning, accompanied by his worship the mayor.

Several of our citizens were remarking that it reminded them of old times to hear the bugles sound orders aboard the warships.

Major Peters, on behalf of C Battery, challenges any other permanent corps to shoot a telegraphic match, 30 men a side.—*Vic. Times.*

The following is gazetted in recent militia orders: N. W. rifles: to be second lieutenant, provisionally, A. F. Cotton, *vice* Reginald Rickman, whose resignation is accepted.

In view of all that is taking place this week, the Y.M.C.A. have decided to postpone their gymnastic entertainment until further notice. Nearly all the boys are too busy to participate.

The red-coats of the marines and the gay artillery uniforms, with here and there an occasional naval officer, served to give the streets an animated and festive appearance this afternoon.

The barometer rose 4.10 to-day, and is still on the upward move. The weather department think there will be good weather to-morrow, as the clouds are lifting all around the horizon.

Eighteen men of the artillery company paraded last night in the drill shed, and were put through various evolutions by the officers. A good turn out is confidently expected for the procession.

In spite of the bad weather 1500 entries have been booked for the exhibition. On account of the weather the time for making entries has been extended until 12 o'clock, noon, tomorrow.

If the gentleman who assured us that the fine weather of last week would continue throughout October, will kindly call at this office, the public will hear of something to the advantage of the coroner.

At Commercial Inlet, Nanaimo, last Friday evening, a little girl named Coburn fell into the water beyond her depth. A little boy named W. A. Webb, aged eight years, reached over, pulled her out and saved her from drowning,

The Irving arrived this afternoon with the biggest load of passengers and freight she has carried in a long time. There was not standing room, and the number of her passengers is variously estimated at from 300 to 400. Some grand show animals also arrived on the steamer. A similar crowd will arrive to-morrow.

The following comprise the team which will contend in the foot ball match with Vancouver on Friday, Oct. 4: Back, Bell; ¾ backs, Lewis, Whyte and Woods; ½ backs, Irwin and Greame; forwards, Lister, Corbett, Hamber, Mowat, Pickles, Fulton, McMartin, Miller and Spillsbury. Reserves, Clute and Allan.

Decorations were going ahead with great despatch this morning, and throughout the day. Evergreens will, appropriately enough, form a large part of the embellishments; and the fine arch, which is a good sample of Westminster's fine arts, on Columbia street, will, ere nightfall, be a thing of beauty, if not a joy forever.

It has been decided to run special trains between this city and Vancouver on Thursday and Friday of this week. Trains will accordingly leave Vancouver on these two days at 8 a. m., returning will leave Westminster at 11 p. m. This will be a great convenience for those desiring to attend the exhibition and celebration, during the two principal days, from Vancouver.

The Flood Damages the Coquitlam Bridge.

The train from the east was stopped at Port Hammond to-day, on account of damage done the Coquitlam river bridge by the rush of water, caused by the late heavy rains. The passengers from Vancouver to the east were sent over to Westminster, transferred to the Irving and taken to Port Hammond and there transferred to the cars. The Victoria passengers also were set down at Westminster and taken by rail to Vancouver. The bridge will be repaired to-night and be in working order tomorrow morning. The eastern passengers were brought here in time, by the Irving, from Port Hammond, to catch the 4 o'clock train for Vancouver.

A Transformation.

The work of arranging that respectable old fragment of antiquity, the drill shed, so as to make it look like a hotel, began this morning. Mr. Ross was superintending the job and began operations by running the two 24 pounders out into the cold and rain. The order of arrangement consists of long strips of canvas, between which is placed plenty of good, clean straw; the lower strip is nailed to the floor and pulled over the straw then the top strip completes the bed. And it is a tired carcass that cannot find comfort on this admirable couch. A stove will be kept blazing day and night; all the holes, rents, breaks, ruptures and apertures in the roof and walls will be stopped, as far as possible; and there can be no doubt that the shed will be a warm and comfortable sleeping place for many a weary stranger. A small charge will, of course, be made for the use of the bed.

Additional Special Prizes.

The following additional special prizes have been added to the supplementary prize list of the provincial exhibition: A set of iron harrows, valued at $35, for best sample salted butter not less than 50 pounds weight, presented by Mr. John Meston, Victoria; one gentleman's riding saddle, for best buggy horse (harness and buggy must be owned by the exhibitor), presented by T. R. Pearson, Esq., secretary agricultural society.

Another Deluge.

At about 4 o'clock this morning a very good imitation of a tornado struck the city. For the space of half an hour the wind raved and roared, and the rain came down in torrents. There were no electrical symptoms and experts think that it was the tail end of a tornado which caused the uproar. No reports of damage done have been heard, the wind was certainly strong enough to test the stoutest fence or barn roof. Traces of small torrents which burst the narrow bounds of the gutters and encroached upon the sidewalks, were visible in many places this morning.

The Park and Sports.

Contrary to expectation, the condition of the ground at the park is good. The roller has done such excellent service, that, combined with nature of the soil, the race track and athletic grounds are quite firm and free of mud. In the foot races some good time is expected to be made. The hurdle race especially will attract notice as the hurdles are to be professional height, 3 feet six inches, and 8 in the 120 yards. All entries should be made at the earliest possible opportunity with the sports committee as this particular committee is rather short handed by the absence of its chairman. Every competitor will be expected to fall into line promptly, and not waste everybody's time fooling around the dressing tent, as is too often the case at games.

ON THE PLAINS.

A Vivid Description of the Wild South-West Plains.

Mr. G. W. Rasure gave the first lecture in the Y. M. C. A. winter course, last night at Herring's Opera House, and made his bow to a large and intelligent audience. Mr. Rasure's pleasant style of lecturing, his command of apt terms and the strong vein of humor prevading the whole, need no description here. For nearly two hours he kept his audience in the deepest interest, and the startingly graphic pictures which he drew in a few rapid sentences, disclosed to the audience the fact that they were listening to a born orator and a deep lover of nature. The description of delirium tremens given by the lecturer was simply terrific, and the histrionic gifts of the speaker shone out conspicuously. Those who have seen that wonderful production of French genius, "L'Assomoir," must have had the terrible scene in the last act brought vividly to mind, watching the talented lecturer acting the horrors of the "blue devils." The breezy descriptions of life and adventure in the saddle, on the plains of the south-west, were thoroughly enjoyed. The audience dispersed at the close of the lecture highly satisfied with the entertainment, and deeply impressed with the remarks of the cowboy evangelist. The Y. M. C. A. is to be congratulated in the success of this, the first lecture in the course.

OUR NAVAL VISITORS

The Acorn and Icarus in the Harbor.

Last night about 8 o'clock the uninitiated were startled to observe over the head of Lulu Island, a strange and unwonted brillancy that wavered and played around erratically all over the earth and sky. But many at once recognized the flash or search light on the approaching ships. Soon the waiting crowds were delighted to see the lights of the two vessels round the point and steam straight for Westminster. The Icarus dropped anchor opposite Vianen's wharf and the Acorn some hundreds of yards astern. During the evening the search light, like a Brobdinagian bulls-eye lamp, sought out the dark places of the royal city and made them shine as the day. H. M. S. Icarus is a screw sloop, 970 tons burthen, and 1230 indicated horse power. She is commanded by William M. Annesley; Lieut. E. P. E. Jervoise; paymaster, H.S. Baskerville; chief engineer, Samuel S. G. Follett. She carries a crew of 122 men, although there are 120 aboard at present. Her armament consists of heavy rifled ordnance, machine and quick firing guns. The Acorn is the sister ship to the Icarus, 970 tons burden, 1380 indicated horse power. She is commanded by Wm. E. B. Atkinson; Lieutenant Francis A. Valentine; chief engineer, Henry Cook; paymaster, H. A. Malaher. She has a crew of 118 men at present; her complement is 122. The two vessels present a trim and yet formidable appearance, and barring the washing a-drying to-day, for which they are to be excused, considering the late atrocious weather, they look every inch capable of sustaining the meteor flag of England on any sea.

The case of the Jesuits against the *Mail* has been postponed till the 15th of November and the judges have taken the point *en delibre*, whether certain portions of the defendant's allegations should be struck out, which the plaintiffs hold were irrelevant.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

CITY COUNCIL.

Council met last night and was adjourned for a few minutes to allow the mayor time to arrive from the ships of war in the harbor. Ald. Curtis moved that the meeting be called to order and a chairman appointed. Ald. Cunningham declined the honor as he had to go to the park. Ald. Shiles took the chair. His worship came in about twenty minutes later. Present—Aldermen McPhaden, Cunningham, Reid, Shiles, Keary, Curtis and Calbick. The minutes of last meeting having been read and adopted the clerk read the following

COMMUNICATIONS.

From James Sawyer, enclosing photograph and testimonial, applying for position on city police force. Referred to police committee.

Jas. Connor, asking position of caretaker of agricultural hall and grounds. Laid on table one week.

Edward Whyman, asking same appointment, laid over one week.

From the electors of New Westminster, asking his worship to call a public meeting for the selection of a representative on Wednesday evening, Oct. 9. Referred to mayor.

A. B. Wintemute, asking permission to place building matertal on unnamed st., running through St. George's square. Granted subject to usual conditions.

R. B. Bell, asking permission to lay building material on Dufferin st. and another. Permission granted under usual conditions.

Thos. Gorrie, Victoria, re flags for decorations, stating that he had sent same. The clerk was instructed to return the flags immediately. Ald. Curtis said the flags had already been returned.

Jas. Burns, asking for license as city scavenger, and asking that others engaged in the business be restrained. On motion granted, on payment of usual license fee.

Chief of police, pointing out necessity of special police during exhibition week. On motion referred to the police committee with power to act.

Mayor of Vancouver, extending invitation to mayor and aldermen of New Westminster, to the official reception of his excellency the governor-general, at Vancouver, October 26th next. On motion laid over until next week, and clerk instructed to reply later on. The following distinguished persons will accept the invitation of the mayor and council to be present at the opening of the exhibition: Lieut.-Col. Holmes, Lieut.-Governor Nelson, E. G. Prior, H. Abbott, Theo. Davie, mayors and councils of Victoria, Vancouver and Nanaimo. The following declined for various causes: Col. Baker, Donald Chisholm and D. W. Higgins.

ACCOUNTS.

The following accounts were rendered: Jas. Leamy, $15.00; J. D. Rae, $4.80; R. Wilson, $10.75; F. G. Strickland, $22.00; S. E. Stickney, $1.00.

BYLAWS.

The leases, street numbering, trades license and water commissioners bylaws were all laid over one week.

REPORTS.

Board of works, finance committee, fire and light, police, park and all regular reports were laid over one week.

As to the reduction on C. P. R. property, Ald. Curtis said that an agreement for $20,000 had been come to. Report adopted.

A financial statement and supplementary report was laid over for reading until next meeting.

Ald. Cunningham, before leaving for the park, asked a cessation of business to answer his question as to what had been done towards getting bunting for the buildings. Nothing further than sending back that obtained from Victoria had been done. Ald. Cunningham urgently requested that every member of the park committee be present on the park next morning.

Ald. Keary reported on the trades license bylaw, and said it had been decided to lay it over for the consideration of the new council. There was much to change in this bylaw. The clerk said that the real estate brokers would not pay the license as it stood at present, but they would if it were reduced; he wished instructions what to do.

On motion Ald. Keary was granted further time to report.

The water commissioners bylaw, Ald. Curtis said was a very important matter and he believed they had better take it up at once. It was decided, however, advisable to lay it over one week to wait fuller information.

The report of the committee on the Ross fire extinguisher was laid over one week.

The Lulu Island bond was presented and referred to the finance committee with power to act.

NEW USINESS.

Moved by Ald. Curtis, seconded by Ald. Keary, that the following taxes be remitted for the current year: C. P. R., $214.20; A. Dieble, $2.96; P. Grant, $172.30; Jos. Wolff, $92.06. Carried.

Moved by Ald. Keary seconded by Ald. McPhadden that a sidewalk six feet in width be laid commencing at a point opposite the present archdeaconry and ending at a point opposite the hospital at Sapperton.

Ald. Keary said it would cost about $210.

Ald. Curtis said he could not support this request as the council had no money to spare, as the financial report would show.

Ald. Reid said they could surely spare this small sum out of the $8,000 granted for sidewalks.

Ald. Calbick also believed this little piece of sidewalk should be built.

Ald. McPhadden said if it were possible they ought to build the sidewalk.

Ald. Shiles spoke in favor of the walk being built.

Withdrawn after much discussion.

Moved by Ald. Keary, seconded by Ald. Shiles, that tenders be called for the removal of all stumps from Albert Crescent, subject to supervision of the board of works.

Ald. Curtis said this meant money and they simply couldn't do it. It was very desirably to have it done but there was no money to do it.

Ald. McPhadden concurred with Ald. Curtis.

Ald. Shiles said it seemed strange to him that streets which did not need it had money lavished on them while the crescent had lain for years.

Ald. Curtis said they had better go very slow as money was extremely scarce. He referred to the $500 banquet.

His worship said they would have to go right through with their guests now—some of them were right in the river now, (laughter), and we had to see them comfortably through.

Motion lost, yeas 2, nays 5.

Ald. Curtis spoke on the grade of sidewalk on Agnes street, it was altogether too high. It was like a bulkhead built in front of several of the residences. The water can't get into the boxes, there not being enough crown on the road. It is a source of disgust the way the thing stands.

Ald. Shiles called attention to the condition of the sidewalks on Park Lane, they are in a very bad condition.

Ald. Reid asked that Mr. Gouvereau, assistant city engineer, who was present, give them some information on the subject. Mr. Gouvereau testified that the grades were as they ought to be.

Ald. Keary gave notice that at next regular meeting of council he would apply for an appropriation of $250 to build a sidewalk from a point opposite the archdeaconry to a point opposite the new hospital at Sapperton.

On motion of Ald. Calbick, seconded by Ald. Keary, the proposed plan for making a boulevard on Royal avenue was laid over one week.

Council adjourned shortly after 10 o'clock.

Police Court.

(Before T. C. Atkinson, P. M.)

Ah Sing, a Chinaman, was charged this morning in the police court with supplying an intoxicant, to wit, Chinese wine, to Lucy, an Indian woman of the Fort Rupert tribe. He pleaded not guilty. Mr. Jenns appeared for the defence. Lucy deposed that Ah Sing had come to her house in the swamp, bringing with him a bottle of Chinese whiskey; he wanted her to drink some of it, but she said she didn't know how to take Chinese whiskey. She did not indulge, but went out and informed the police about half an hour afterwards. A lengthy discussion arose between the counsel as to the intoxicating qualities of Chinese wine. The bottle, wrapped up in matting after the Chinese fashion, was produced. It was decided to submit the liquor to a chemist for analytical examination. Mr. Jenns objected to the information on the ground that the invitation to drink raised no offence, because no sale took place, nor was the liquor supplied on the reservatiou or special reservation. The case was remanded until Saturday. The court was crowded with a strange mixture of Indians and Chinese; among the former Annie, a Salmon river lady, being the belle of the meeting; she is decidedly pretty, and wears her hair in bangs with waves at the sides; she has large, dark eyes and uses them like a very denizen of Belgravia. All eyes, white, celestial and native, followed the actions of this dusky Hebe with undisguised admiration. She was escorted out of court in the midst of a retinue of admirers, and walked with the carriage of a Roman empress.

FROM VICTORIA.

The Islander Loses one of her Propellers This Morning and has to put Back to Victoria.

Special to the Columbian.

About 4 o'clock this morning a fierce southwest gale started, which lasted several hours. The Islander, which was just leaving for Vancouver, had got to the narrow entrance to the harbor when a heavy wind struck her bow. She would not steer and began heading for Hospital Point, while the wind kept blowing her more and more towards the shore. An attempt was made to back her, but she ran on the rocks. She was soon floated and it was thought no damage had been done. When another start was made, however, she still would not steer, and commenced heading for Laurel Point. Her anchor was then dropped, which brought her to. An examination showed that her starboard propeller had been carried away. This caused her to move around the narrow entrance to the harbor like a hen without a head. Her passengers were transferred to the Yosemite, which sailed at 8:30 for New Westminster.

Commencing to-day, a steamer will leave every five days for Portland.

Senator McInnes.

Senator McInnes returned yesterday from Ottawa and his European trip, looking in splendid health. He says nothing he saw in Switzerland can compare with our own mountain glories, though because the former have a halo of romance surrounding them from the associations connected with them by poets and writers, they are the haunts of the artistic mind and the fashionable world. In time, though, as soon as the scenic effects of the mountains of British Columbia become better known, many will turn their steps thitherward. The doctor, who is in constant attendance upon a lady fellow-passenger, will remain here until she is out of danger. His kindness in this matter is only in keeping with his usual benevolent character.—*World of yesterday.*

LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

Not That Kind of a Man.

It is related that a few evenings ago one of the midshipmen on the warships stationed at Esquimalt was visiting at the residence of some friends in the city. The middy is quite youthful in years and appearance, and is rather pretty looking. When leaving the house of his entertainer, the hostess attempted to kiss her little guest, when the midshipman drew himself away indignantly, exclaiming, "Excuse me, madam; I'm not that kind of a 'man!'"—*Colonist.*

Daring Robbery at Vancouver.

A daring robbery occurred at the Hotel Vancouver Monday evening about 6 o'clock. Some one, concerning whose identity there is not the slightest clue, entered the room of Mr. and Mrs. Major, third floor, and unlocking a trunk stole therefrom about $600 or $700 worth of jewellery. The whole thing is shrouded in the greatest mystery. The door was locked, but was unlocked by the burglar, the keys of the trunk were taken from a drawer, and keys, valuables and all carried off. Mrs. Major at the time was at the tennis court. So far, it has been impossible to attach suspicion to any one with any assurance of certainty. Similar hotel robberies have taken place in Victoria and Winnipeg recently.—*News-Advertiser.*

Sported the Flag.

Says the *World:* A very silly article appeared in the *News Advertiser* on Sunday stating that the Victoria firemen had gone through the Tacoma tournament under the stars and stripes. We had no difficulty in expressing our belief that so palably mischievous an assertion was untrue. Chief Deasy writes the paper in question, denying the story which a "gentleman" manufactured. Chief Deasy acted very fairly to our boys—he is a fine fellow anyway—and it is hardly fair to circulate untruths of this kind. The *Times*, in this connection says: "The Victoria team were not 'ashamed to show their colors.' Two small Union Jacks, which Chief Deasy managed to secure at a late hour on the night preceding the morning on which he left for Tacoma, were carried in the centre of the reel of the hose cart, while a proper compliment was paid to the Stars and Stripes by placing them on either side of our own colors. So far as New Westminster was concerned the royal city boys carried a good-sized Union Jack on their hose cart and the Nanaimo representatives, who marched in the procession without a cart, probably did not consider they needed one. What Nanaimo did do was to march out in neat and pretty uniform which loooked as well as any on the ground."

ST. LOUIS COLLEGE.

Westminster's Catholic Educational Institution for Boys.

St. Louis College, New Westminster, B. C., was founded in the year 1865. Its improvement since that time has been most marked. Our readers are probably aware that the College of Ottawa, having been recently erected into a Catholic University, the Rev. Father McGuckin, president of St. Louis College, has been appointed rector of said university. The regret felt at the departure of this devoted priest must be tempered by the reflection that in his new sphere of labor his well-known ability will have more scope for display and that consequently the cause of education will be benefitted. At the same time it is hoped that St. Louis College will not suffer too serious a loss by the change. The Superior-General of the Oblates of Mary Immaculate, in his solicitude for the welfare of this college, has confided it to the care of Rev. J. M. Fayard, O. M. I., D.D., late, superior of Ottawa College, and Rev. A. Dontenville, O. M. I., M. A., a graduate of Ottawa University, professor of the same and a distinguished scientist. The latter, immediately after the inauguration of the university, will start for New Westminster and will probably reach this city about October 20th. Rev. W. M. J. Morgan, O. M. I., will remain attached to St. Louis College, as will also the Rev. Brothers who have up to the present formed the teaching staff. It is hoped that the appointment of Father McGuckin to Ottawa University and the coming of his successor to Westminster will serve to establish friendly relations between the two institutions, which will mark the commencement of a new era in the prosperity of St. Louis. We beg to bring to the notice of the public the general regulations, course of instruction, etc.

On entering St. Louis College, every pupil is examined and placed in the class best adapted to his previous attainments. Members of every religious denomination are received, provided they be willing, for the sake of good order, to conform to the general regulations of the college.

Pupils are at all times under the supervision of the prefect or tutors. Perfect discipline is strictly but kindly enforced. The greatest care is taken to nourish in the minds of students sound principles of virtue and morality.

Reports are sent every month to parents showing the conduct, application, and relative standing of their sons, and giving information about their health and other matters of special interest.

The course of instruction includes ancient and modern classics, moral philosophy, natural and physical sciences, mathematics, trignometry, geometry, algebra and arithmetic, ancient and modern history, geography, and the use of the globes, drawing and music—vocal and instrumental. Particular attention is paid to the elementary and commercial departments.

Trusting in the practical wisdom of the old adage, "Mens sana in corpore sano," the college authorities will neglect nothing to provide for the students the relaxation and bodily exercise necessary for developing the physique of the young. The play-ground has recently been considerably enlarged.

The beauty of site and purity of air should recommend St. Louis College to every parent who consults the health of his children. It is to be hoped that numbers of students will flock to the college and that bright days will continue to shine upon it.—[COM.

Late Despatches.

OTTAWA NOTES.

OTTAWA, Sept. 25.—The governor-general has set October 15th for the hearing of the appeal of John Dougall and others of Quebec province in regard to the Jesuits Estates legislation.

Kemp, the old man taken from the Quebec ruins, after having been buried 108 hours, is dead. The Champlain ward inhabitants are very much excited against certain federal government and city officials. After the verdicts of the coroner's inquest have been returned, they will hold an indignation meeting, and trouble is feared, for the people of Champlain ward are very resolute, and generally carry out their threats. Crowds can be seen assembling here and there, speaking and gesticulating vehemently. The whole drama has been repeated over and over by them with more or less bitterness. Some of these men may grow furious at hearing that certain city officials had endeavored to give money to some of the wounded in the the Hotel Dieu hospital in order to keep them from relating any grievances they may have.

Count Petre, the technical attache at the German embassy at Washington, is here to make a study of the Canadian railway and canal system for his government.

Sir George Stephen and Mr. Van Horne had a conference with Sir John A. Macdonald to-day regarding postal matters and the question of making Victoria a calling port for the trans-Pacific steamers. The result is not made known.

MATTERS EUROPEAN.

LONDON, Sept. 25.—The *Mouvement Geographique*, which is usually a safe authority on African matters, claims to have positive proof of its assertion that H. M. Stanley has secured the services of Emin Bey for the British East Africa Company. It states that when Emin Bey left the Nyanza it was to go into the British province in the company's interest.

M. De Giers, the Russian minister of foreign affairs, has left his estates in Finland to attend the czar on his majesty's visit to Berlin. This action gives practically a contradiction to a rumor that had gained currency, to the effect that the czar intended to have M. De Giers remain remote from reach during the Berlin visit as an excuse for the czar's avoiding a political agreement on that occasion.

Mr. Davitt writes to the *Pall Mall Gazette*, that Chief Secretary Balfour's back down on the Irish university question, is due to his failure to wean the priests of Ireland from their alliance with the national league. Mr. Davitt adds that Mr. Balfour has not yet repaid the pope for his rescript to the Irish bishops, and will probably add the Catholic college to the Dublin University as at least a partial recognition of the services rendered to the conservatives by his holiness.

The defeat of M. Jules Ferry in the late French election confuses the opportunists. It is not easy to determine to what extent M. Ferry's personal unpopularity contributed to his defeat, and how much was due purely to his political standing. M. Ferry's friends are urging him to stand for election again in some district where his party is strong enough to leave no doubt of his success in the re-ballot.

Wednesday afternoon the remains of John Henry were found under the Quebec ruins. The body was doubled in two and splinters of all sizes were stuck into his body. The shoulders were broken in and the lower part of the back was torn open and the kidneys were hanging out. His wife's body was also found. They were but a few feet apart. She had in her hand pieces of a broken plate and a fork. She had died while preparing her husband's supper. Old Joe Kemp, who was taken out of the wreck alive Tuesday morning, after 108 hours imprisonment under the debris is doing well. Some ten or twelve bodies still remain under the debris.

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