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Oyez! Oyez! Oyez!

TAKE NOTICE.

Electors and Residents of Nanaimo and District:

You are hereby commanded to carefully consider the School Question, the Boodle Question, the Monopoly Question, the immensely important Trade Question, and all the other Great Questions of Dominion Politics, so that you may be able to vote intelligently and send to parliament the man and the party who will best carry out your views on all those questions. To that end you are commanded to be careful to use only the

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so that you may be free from indigestion and all the irritation and evils that invariably follow the use of poor and adulterated goods. You are also commanded to take particular notice that the very best and purest goods are to be had at

The People's Store

and that the prices are almost invariably away below what you have hitherto been called upon to pay for inferior goods. TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that it is your Imperative Duty to call at the store in question and investigates these statements and prove they are true. And you are hereby commanded to do so under pain of my severe displeasure and of your own great loss.

Given under our hand and seal this sixteenth day of May, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

The "Slater Shoe"

FOR MEN

In Black and Tan.

BALS AND CONGRESS.

Ladies' Canvas Oxfords, } In Black and Tan.
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LADIES!

As the New Spring Season is now upon us - - - - - - Do Not Fail to come and inspect our stock of

Ladies' AND Children's Millinery

Our stock this season we assure you is complete in every respect and bound to please. It comprises all the latest novelties, etc. A very fine and well assorted stock of Ladies' Sailors and Children's Galatea, Silk and Lace Hats.

J. S. STANNARD & CO.,

Crescent Store, Nanaimo, B. C.

ON THE RUN;
OR THE GIANTS AND THE PIGMIES.

HOPE FOR THE WEST.

(Toronto Globe.)

The coming Parliament must apply itself earnestly to the task of devising plans for a more rapid settlement of the west. While this matter is under consideration it is very important that the west should be represented in Parliament by men who are thoroughly acquainted with its resources and its needs, and who can be depended upon to speak freely and fearlessly, thinking of the welfare of the country and not of the fate of a Government or their own interests and ambitions. With a dozen men like Mr. Martin in the house there would be no danger of Manitoba, the Territories or British Columbia being neglected.

One of the results of the immigration convention was the formation of a permanent committee composed of representatives of the districts named and of western Ontario. The western members of Parliament ought to be just such a committee, and ought to consult together frequently without regard to party affiliation, and talk over plans for the furtherance of immigration and settlement. This does not mean that they ought to adopt a narrow sectional policy; for what is good for the west is good for all Canada, whose prosperity is bound up with the rapid and solid progress of these regions.

It must be borne in mind that while these members represent as yet a small number of people, they represent a country capable of sustaining a population at least as large as that of the rest of Canada. Great national interests depend upon their intelligence, independence and fidelity to their trust. The west cannot afford to send to Ottawa any but its best men.

THE MAIL advertisements bring the best returns.

CITY AND PROVINCE.

The time for entries to the bicycle contests has been extended until next Friday.

A Belgian named John Baptiste Dindaud, aged 36, residing on Haliburton street, died suddenly Sunday afternoon from heart trouble.

The Charlie is temporarily running on the Vancouver-Nanaimo route in place of the City of Everett, which is undergoing repairs at Vancouver.

The SS. City of Everett is at present detained at Port Townsend, owing, it is supposed, to some breakage in her machinery. She is expected here on Saturday night.

Peter Williamson, an employe at Hasham's mill, was getting a cant upon a pile of timber, when poor Peter had his right leg badly [illegible] to the City hospital.

[illegible] jail at Chemainus, under duress [illegible] to Indians, was re-arrested Sunday at East Wellington by Constable McLean and escorted back to his chosen home.

A gang of crooks are evidently working this section of the province at the present time. In Victoria last week there were no less than three burglaries reported in as many days, and robberies have became so numerous in Vancouver that it has been found necessary to employ a detective. Neither has Nanaimo been overlooked, for on Sunday night an attempt was made to crack the safe at the C. & N. station, though fortunately unsuccessful; and the day before the two pieces of watches on exhibition in W. M. Langton's store were cleverly lifted from the showcase by the light-fingured gentry. Mr. Langton, however, has generously replaced the prizes.

James Jordan, the party referred to in our last issue as concealing himself under the bed in the room of Mr. Wm. Armstrong, the Alberni stage driver, was arrested by Provincial Constable McLean Monday morning at the Pink Cat hotel on the charge of "being found concealed in a room with intent to commit an indictable offense." The unwary Jordan, upon the appearance of the constable at the hotel with a buggy, begged the latter to "give him a lift into town." The latter agreed, but on arriving at the Provincial jail explained the situation and curtailed his companion's trip and also his liberty. Further explanations are expected in the police court to-morrow.

THE SPORTING WORLD.

Baseball.

THE PROFESSIONAL LEAGUE.

On Saturday, at Tacoma, Victoria was beaten by the home nine—14 to 8; and at Seattle, Portland was defeated by the home team—8 to 6. On Monday Tacoma defeated Portland—14 to 9.

At Tacoma on Tuesday the home team defeatted Seattle—12 to 7, leaving the several teams in the league race in the following relative positions:

	Won	Lost
Tacoma	8	6
Seattle	5	4
Portland	4	4
Victoria	4	7

Wrestling.

The match between W. H. West and Jack Murray, catch-as-catch-can, will take place at the Market hall, Vancouver, on Saturday night, June 20.

A catch-as-catch-can match has been arranged between W. H. Moss and J. C. Stewart, to take place in the Nanaimo opera house Saturday evening, June 20. The match is for $250 a side and gate receipts, the winner to pay expenses.

The Trigger.

The following scores were made at the Nanaimo Rifle Associations cup shoot on Saturday: Geo. Hygh 86, Robt. Watson 83, C. H. Barker 81, W. McGregor 81, W. Hygh 78, J. McGregor 78, W. A. Young 75, G. E. T. Pittendrigh 74, A. Shaw 71, A. Bittencourt 54, Dr. Drysdale 49, M. Miller 47, Dr. McKechnie, 30.

The Wheel.

A bicycle race meet will be given at the Brockton Point grounds, Vancouver, on Saturday, May 30. The programme is as follows: For amateurs; 1 mile novice; ½ mile handicap; 1 mile handicap; ½ mile handicap for boys under 16 years; 3 mile handicap. For professionals: ¼ mile handicap; 3 mile handicap. Entries close May 27th.

Cricket.

In the match on Saturday between the Bachelors and Benedicts of the Nanaimo club, the latter won by 80 runs to 73.

Two Indian canoe crews who will compete for the prize on Monday next went over the course Sunday afternoon, making the two miles in about 12 minutes.

It pays to read our advertisements.

POLITICAL DISCUSSION.

In a few days a series of meetings will be arranged, and then Mr. Haslam will be afforded full opportunity to explain in detail, not only what he has effected during his three years in the Dominion Parliament, but what his aims and objects are in regard to the future, should the electorate again express their confidence by returning him at the head of the poll on June 23rd proximo.—*Free Press.*

We do not think it will take our worthy member, Mr. Haslam, very long to tell "what he has effected during his three years in the Dominion Parliament." His record in that line is like his knowledge of Canadian politics—nil. But we wish him to have every possible opportunity to discuss his "aims and objects" in regard to the future in fair and above-board debate with his opponents, and consequently, as we understand he has not yet arranged his "series of meetings," we sincerely trust he and his committee will see their way clear to accept the following invitation that has been extended them by Mr. McInnes' executive:

Nanaimo, B. C., May 20, 1896.

ANDREW HASLAM, ESQ.,

Dear Sir:—On behalf of the Executive Committee assisting the candidature of Mr. McInnes, I beg to invite your concurrence in a series of joint meetings to be held throughout the constituency of Vancouver Electoral District on the following terms:—

1. Each candidate to be allowed equal time for speaking at each meeting.
2. Each candidate to be allowed the privilege of reply at alternate meetings.

I beg to enclose a poster showing the dates of meetings arranged by Mr. McInnes.

Should this meet with your approval I would be pleased with a reply at your earliest convenience. I am sending a similar letter to Mr. Haggart.

I am, dear sir, yours, etc.

G. F. CANE.

CITY AND PROVINCE.

D. H. Janes was brought here from Chemainus yesterday to serve a month with hard labor for vagrancy.

Communications have been received from the Mayor and Aldermen of Victoria and Westminster accepting the invitation to attend the celebration here.

Mr. Wm. Manson and Miss Duncan were married at the Wallace Street Methodist Church at 7:30 yesterday morning, Rev. W. A. Gunton officiating. A large number of friends were present and after congratulations, Mr. and Mrs. Manson left for Vancouver, en route to the east. They will take up their permanent residence in the Kootenay country.

In reply to B. D. Pressley, secretary of the celebration committee, Mr. H. K. Prior states that afternoon trains will run on Monday and Tuesday, 25th and 26th, on the same time as the Saturday and Sunday trains, thus giving two trains each way between Wellington and Victoria on Saturday, Sunday, Monday and Tuesday. Excursion tickets will be issued from and to all points on these days good to return on Wednesday, 27th. A special train between Nanaimo and Wellington will run all day, the fare between these points being 25 cents return.

PERSONAL.

E. B. Drummond is spending a short vacation at Kamloops.

Dr. Walkem returned from his eastern trip Tuesday night.

A recent letter from Jos. Lowry states that he is suffering from asthma and has been unable to work for six months.

FRATERNAL NOTES.

At a meeting of a committee representing the various K. of P. lodges in this city and district, it was resolved to give a supper and ball at the Opera House on the night of the 4th of June in honor of the Grand Lodge, which convenes here on the 2nd proximo. Another meeting of the committee will take place this evening.

Doric Lodge, No. 18, A. F. & A. M., elected the following officers Tuesday night:

J. H. Pleace, Worshipful Master;
W. H. Morton, Senior Warden;
F. C. Meakin, Junior Warden;
R. E. McKechnie, Treasurer;
W. H. S. Perkins, Secretary.
J. Vance, Tyler.

The foregoing will be duly installed on July 6th.

A dispatch received from Pretoria yesterday says: President Kruger has pardoned the 59 prisoners who were condemned to imprisonment and banishment and pay a fine of $10,000 each. No mention is made of any further commutation of the sentences of Col. Francis Rhodes, John Hays Hammond, Lieut. Philips and G. Farrer.

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THURSDAY MORNING, - - - MAY 24, 1896

Tupper Tory Tactics.

The great Conservative convention which met in this city last Friday evening and nominated Mr. Andrew Haslam as its candidate is now a thing of the past. In many respects the convention in its composition and modus operandi was unique, and may properly termed an epoch-marking precedent in political tactics. That the nominating convention of a great party should be held behind closed doors, its deliberations practically suppressed, and the names of the delegates guarded with Masonic secrecy, is so astounding that we in our innocence never heard of such a thing.

The only information given to the public of the proceedings of this "peculiar" convention we find in, possibly, the most "peculiar" report ever published in a "peculiar" newspaper. The local organ of the party, although in full knowledge of the proceedings and names of the delegates, compromised with its conscience and furnished its readers with the following "peculiarly" lucid information:

There were 30 persons present at last night's convention of the Liberal-Conservatives of Vancouver Island District, that number including proxies, and the whole representing Sooke, North and South Saanich, Lake and Highland District, Nanaimo City, Cowichan, Chemainus, Cobble Hill, Nanaimo District, Cedar District and several other points.

The "30 persons, including proxies," is good—very good; but the concluding enumeration, "and several other points," is deliciously rich. That the names of the delegates should be suppressed, at first sight, appears extraordinary; but doubtless those mysterious delegates had no desire to have their names made public, reasonably hoping that the mantle of secrecy would shield them from a shower of undesirable queries. We are further informed that Mr. Haggart's friends refused to recognize the convention, but nevertheless his name was placed in nomination. It was well known to the members of this so-called convention that they were repudiated by Mr. Haggart and his friends on the justifiable ground that they were not representative, and Mr. Haggart had no particular desire to come to Nanaimo to be knifed in the back by his coercionist colleagues. Therefore, to bring his name before the convention, was the shallowest kind of hollow mockery. But the climax of absurdity is reached when they publicly proclaim that TWO votes were cast in his favor. It seems nothing short of heaping insult on injury would satisfy the mysterious delegates in their wrath against Mr. Haggart for his presumption in attempting to become a candidate without their sanction.

The labor leaders of this city have for years borne the odium of being responsible for the strained relations between the people of Wellington and Nanaimo. As to whether they are deserving of reproach or not we don't purpose to discuss at this time, but we have no hesitation in saying that the present political manipulations of the Nanaimo Conservatives will have a tendency to create an irritation in the minds of our Wellington neighbors that will take years to allay.

The chaotic demoralization of the Conservative party in this district should furnish corresponding pleasurable sensations to the Liberals. While we frankly admit that we are an immeasurable distance from the tear-shedding point, yet we don't feel an overflowing exuberance of exultation. Unlike our local contemporary, we don't feel "exquisite plea-ure" at our opponents' misfortunes. We merely feel a sense of additional security. We would have preferred to measure swords on equal conditions, as we had no fear of the result and it would permanently establish the Liberal supremacy in this district. That the Liberal candidate could easily defeat either Mr. Haslam or Mr. Haggart, with a united Conservative following, we never had the remotest doubt. The vast number of prominent Liberals in the district, backed by hundreds of electors of Conservative proclivities who are thoroughly disgusted with the maladministration of public affairs and open and barefaced corruption so long in vogue, and vil voe with the Liberals—not necessarily as an endorsation of the Liberal party, but as a well-earned rebuke to their own—will, we believe, prove a veritable landslide at the coming election.

That the Conservatives fully realize the deplorable muddle they find themselves in is confirmed by rumors borne on the wings of the wind that a plan is being matured to have Mr. Haslam and Mr. Haggart both retire from the field and bring in Col. Prior as a compromise candidate. The gallant colonel, be it remembered, holds the anomalous position of a full-fledged, full-grown cabinet minister without a seat in the cabinet. The valiant colonel doubtless sees the handwriting on the wall in Victoria, and in desperation would attempt the wild, toboganish feat of sliding through this district to a seat in the Commons, if not in the cabinet. We would offer a word of warning to the warrior colonel against the experiment. We believe it would prove infinitely more disastrous than the boyish sport of sliding down the cellar door, and will venture to predict that, if the redoubtable colonel attempts such a coasting trip to Ottawa, he will be compelled to halt at Victoria in confusion and disgrace, minus the seat of—his cabinet position. If our coercionist neighbors intend to get up another convention to unravel the many kinks in their tangled skein, we hope they will use better judgment than they did with their late abortion, which had not the merit of even a modicum of shrewdness. It was awkwardly conceived, clumsily matured, ushered on the world a howling absurdity, and awaits baptism as a screaming farce.

A Lamb for the Slaughter.

Our local contemporary, the Free Press, speaking of Mr. Haslam's address to the electors, says: "Mr. Haslam accepts the Liberal-Conservative platform and clearly but tersely explains his position to be fully in accord with the Great Conservative party." At this stage of the game, and in view of the political events of the past year, such a statement now means, "clearly but tersely," that he is a blind supporter of the Tupper Government, no matter to what depths of corruption, monopoly, submission to the Quebec hierarchy and oppression to a sister Province they choose to go.

Tupper has a little lamb—
It lives in Nanaimo;
And everywhere that Tupper goes
Has-lam is sure to go.

"Which for the last eighteen years has been so manifestly successful in the Government of the Dominion of Canada." If the result of Conservative Government has been successful, what in Heaven's name would be unsuccessful? Since the Conservative Government came into power our national debt has increased from $140,363,069 in 1878, to $253,074,927 in 1895. Our annual expenditure has risen from 23,503,158 in 1878 to $38,132,000 in 1895. Our tariff has been increased from an average of 17 per cent. (tariff for revenue) to an average of over 34 per cent. (tariff for manufacturers). According to the Government's own Blue Books, "under the National Policy banner," we lost from 1881 to 1891 986,000 native-born Canadians, forced to leave their native land, magnificently endowed as it is with natural wealth and resources, and seek a living in the United States. During the same period the Conservative Government paid over two million dollars toward assisting immigrants to the country. The official statistics show that 886,000 came, and that less than 150,000 remained. Why? Owing to the "manifest success of the National Policy," perhaps.

No wonder the books in which the Government furnish these details are termed "Blue" Books. A perusal of them will make anyone really interested in the growth of this Canada of ours blue indeed. More particularly toward the poor and the working classes the Conservative Government have been "manifestly successful"—successful in cinching them. We cull a few items from the tariff list just to show what the Free Press might call a happy contrast:

	PER CENT.		PER CENT.
Duty on Rice	70	Diamonds	Free
" Workmen's overalls	35	Lace collars	30
" Coal oil	40	Champagne	35
" Woolen socks	35	Silks	30

What a sad day for our monopolist friends when the Liberals get get in power and reverse this nice little list. Diamonds, champagne, silks and lace to be taxed by those dreadful Liberals more than rice, coal oil, socks and overalls! Awful!

It's a Coming.

The St. John (Quebec) News, a Conservative paper, says that the best thing possible for the Conservative party would be defeat. That will certainly be the best thing possible for the Dominion.

Under the old revenue-tariff policy the population increased at the rate of 17½ per cent.; under the N. P. the increase has been at the rate of 12 per cent.

A revenue tariff means more factories, more employment for labor and better wages.

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The reader of this must acknowledge I am right, and I will give you an easy, square deal to suit the times. Business is improving all along the line

THOMAS KITCHIN.

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Shares in various mines for sale from 10c. up. Also, one-half and one-fourth interests in some of the best claims on the Island for sale at reasonable prices.

AN OPINION CHANGED.

We have come to the conclusion that business must be done for CASH, and consequently are offering you the most startling bargains ever announced in Nanaimo, as the following prices will clearly show:

Suits that were			$45.00	are now	$36.00
"	"	"	42.00	" "	33.00
"	"	"	40.00	" "	31.00
"	"	"	35.00	" "	28.00
"	"	"	30.00	" "	23.00
"	"	"	27.00	" "	17.50
"	"	"	25.00	" "	16.50

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All Orders Promptly Attended To.
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Court of Revision

The Court of Revision for the City of Nanaimo will be held in the City Council Chambers

Wednesday, May 27, 1896

at 10 o'clock a. m.,

when any appeal from the assessment for 1896 will be heard.

By order,
ADAM THOMPSON,
City Clerk.

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CZAR'S CORONATION.

Arrival of the Czar and Czarina at Moscow.

Will Be Crowned Amid Great Splendor, but Great Precautions Necessary Against Assassination.

Moscow, May 18.—The arrival of the Czar and Czarina by the train which left St. Petersburg this morning, was witnessed and welcomed by a brilliant and picturesque concourse of people. Troops of infantry were drawn up along the railway tracks for miles; officials dazzling with gold lace bustled about giving orders and exercising vigilant supervision over the throng. No precaution against accident or assassination was ommitted. No other trains were permitted to run on the road between St. Petersburg and Moscow from the time the Czar's special train started last evening until it drew into the station at Moscow, shortly before noon today, and for miles no person was allowed to approach the rails or cross the tracks in advance of the royal train. Upon alighting from their coach the Czar and Czarina were ushered into a magnificent equippage drawn by six cream colored horses, and accompanied by music, were escorted by cavalry officers, to Petrovski palace, which lies upon the outskirts of the town in the Petrovski park. Petrovski palace is a low built red edifice, surrounded by a turreted wall. A broad road leads up directly to the Byantine portico. The style of the entire building is strictly Byzantine. The palace is so seldom used that all the upholstering and painting had to be done entirely afresh for this occasion. Nearly all the rooms are decorated in white and gold, all the main apartments centreing around the large banquetting hall, in the middle of which is a large dome. In the chapel, which is behind the palace, there will be constant services during these two days in which the palace will be inhabited by their majesties and the empress Marie Feodoravna. In front of the palace is a large plain which is used generally in summer as a reviewing ground. Just now it is studded with a block of houses, all large and of the same model. They will be used to house the large drafts of military brought into town to re-enforce the usual garrison for which the barrack room available is insufficient. An attempt will be made to keep the vast number of people who will, after the manner of pilgrims, travel from all parts of Russia, from invading and camping on this plain, which is a favorite spot for them. One of the most serious questions which the local authorities have now under consideration is to find means and space for this vast invasion of almost wild people, who are pouring in, and who look upon it as a right that they should be allowed to camp upon every space in the city. The historical procession, the grandeur of which would be impossible to equal in any other country in the world, will start from Perovski palace, and passing in a straight line along the main streets of Moscow, the Tverski, which for the greater part is a fine broad road, with low built houses on either side, will proceed under the famous triumphal arch at the summit, on which are six large horses, of the model of those on the arch at the entry of Uterden-Linden in Berlin. This arch, as everyone knows, was erected to commemorate the retreat of the French under Napoleon in 1812. The procession finally enters Kremlin, through the Spassky or Sacred gate, passing under which every one, from the Czar downward, is bound to uncover his head. As far as at present known, the cavalcade which will follow the Czar will be composed of not less than sixty royal personages among them the Duke of Connaught.

Among the royal personages present are: The Prince of Naples, King of Greece, Prince Henry of Prussia, King of Servia, Prince of Bulgaria, Prince of Montenegro, Arch Duc Carl Ludwig of Austria, Duke of Sparta, brother of the Shah, Prince Abbas Mirza Moulkara, Prince of Hesse, Prince Philip of Belgium, Prince Christian of Denmark, Duc d' Operto, Prince Ferdinand of Roumania, Prince Alfred of Saxe Coburg, Prince Oscar of Sweden and Norway, and princes of the houses of ony and all the Russian grand dukes forming together a gathering representing all the principal imperial and royal houses of Europe. In addition to the royal personages, representatives of the council of nobles have a right to participate in the imperial cavalcade.

Li Hung Chang and suite arrived today from St. Petersburg. The Chinese envoy was received in the most brilliant manner, and he afterwards presided at a reception given in the Chinese embassy, which is profusely decorated.

Marshall Yamgata, Japanese envoy, Duke of Najera, representative of Spain, and the Crown Prince of Roumania have also arrived here. The latter was received at the railway station by Grand Dukes, Grand Duchesses and high officials, with military honors, and bands playing national anthems. Representatives of the rural population to the number of about six hundred have reached here and are lodged in the Korch theatre, the stage of which has been transformed into a vast dining hall. The costumes of the country visitors present a most picturesque sight, comprising all kinds, from the middle of Poland to the extreme Asiatic districts of the Russian empire.

CAPITAL, LABOR AND STRIFE.

Carpenters' Unions Strike—Pressmen Reject Settlement.

Buffalo, N.Y., May 18.—The struggle for an eight-hour day began this morning. At a joint meeting of carpenters' unions it was resolved to begin work today at 8 a.m., and to leave off at 1:30 p.m., but the bosses showed their hand early. When their carpenters went to work they asked them if they were eight-hour men or not, and if they answered in the affimative were discharged them in almost every case and hired others. The dismissed carpenters went at once to the council hall, where fully 200 were congregated. The lockout will be stubbornly contested and a long battle is anticipated.

The pressmen who struck at Matthews, Northrup & Co.'s printing works did not return this morning, having rejected the employers' proposition, and their grievance will be submitted to the state board of arbitration.

SEATTLE, LAKE SHORE ROAD

Sold to the Bondholders' Committee for a Million Dollars.

Seattle, May 18.—The Seattle, Lake Shore & Eastern railway was sold at noon Saturday and was purchased by Judge H. G. Struve, representing the bondholders' committee, for $1,000,000. There was no other bidder present. It was expected by many that the Canadian Pacific would have a representative on hand.

Outstanding bonds against the road amount to more than $5,500,000, and any other bidder would have had to meet the bondholders, who are given the right, under the decree of the court, to apply the bonds on the purchase price. The road, it is said, will at once be reorganized.

Up until the time the sale took place the Northern Pacific railroad company was at work in Judge Hanford's court endeavoring to prevent it. General Ashton, western counsel for the Northern Pacific, appeared for the Lake Shore and asked for a postponement, claiming that the decree contained 2500 shares of stock in the Union depot at Spokane, which should not be included in the mortgage.

Judge Hanford held that as the Lake Shore had appealed from the decree to the circuit court of appeals the trial court had no longer any jurisdiction and declined to interfere. Notice was given at the sale that the Lake Shore claimed the stock should not be sold.

SENTENCES CONFIRMED.

Two Years In Jail, Fined $10,000 and Banishment for Three Years.

Cape Town, May.—The Transvaal executive has confirmed the sentence of banishment of the members of the reform committee. The judge addressing the other prisoners accused of complicity, said: "Each and every one of you will be kept for a period of two years in jail or such other place as the government shall appoint, and each and all of you shall be fined a sum of 3100,000, or in default a further term of one year's imprisonment, and at the expiration of a year you shall be banished from the republic for a term of three years, the confirmation of banishment to be left in the hands of the executive according to law."

A dispatch from Johannesburg, dated May 6, said the sentences of the so-called reformers (Uitlanders), would be reduced. The Standard and Diggers' News claims to have authority for announcing a small fine and imprisonment. It was also announced in the Johannesburg newspaper that the sentence of banishment would be waived.

THE EXPORT CATTLE TRADE.

Eastern Exporters Wish to Avoid All Possible Complications.

Toronto, Ont., May 18.—Cattle exporters here are making a vigorous stand against the attempt now being made to ship American cattle to European points by way of Montreal. It is claimed that this would seriously injure the Canadian export trade in France, where Canadian live cattle are now permitted to be landed. Some Canadian cattle have been shut out of England, and exporters have built up a large trade with France. This, they say, will be entirely ruined if American cattle are shipped with Canadian stock. The Cattle Feeders' Association met in secret session and decided to send a deputation to Ottawa to lay before the government an emphatic protest against the admission of American cattle into Canadian ports.

YELLOW JACK IN NEW YORK.

Strict Quarantine Measures Necessary Towards Southern Vessels.

New York, May 18.—Captain Prince, of the steamer Roman Prince, which arrived in port to-day from Brazilian points, reports that while his vessel lay at Bahia, the chief engineer, third engineer and a colored fireman were taken ill with yellow fever, but were placed in the hospital ashore where they speedily recovered. While the Roman Prince was at sea, on May 5, the second engineer was taken ill of yellow fever, but by the 10th he was able to resume his duties. On reaching port the Roman Prince was sent to Hoffman Island for disinfecting and cleansing.

DON'T LIKE LYNCHING.

Jackson Prefers to be Hanged in the Regulation Manner.

Newport, Ky., May 18.—Seven prisoners escaped from jail here at 8 o'clock to-night. They were companions of Scott Jackson, convicted of the murder of Pearl Bryan, and his companion, Alonzo Walling. Some of the prisoners sawed off the hinges of the back door of the jail and the seven men came out. Jackson and Walling could have gone with them, but preferred the jail as safer than the open country, where they knew they would be lynched as soon as caught, on account of the intense feeling against them.

SHE SHOULD BE JAILED.

A Bad Tempered Girl, Who Poisoned Her Father, Is Free.

Oregon, Mo., May 18.—The trial of Gertrude Taylor, charged with the murder of her father, D. B. Taylor, ended in a verdict of not guilty.

Gertrude Taylor is only fourteen years old. Some weeks ago in a fit of anger she put Rough on Rats in the coffee. Her father died and her sister-in-law and her brother were made invalids for life, while the others of the family were made temporarily ill. The girl, after several days, confessed. Her uncle, who is wealthy, stood by her, going her bail and furnishing the money for her defence. The jury was out but two hours.

Anarchists in Madrid.

Madrid, May 18.—A petard exploded to-day in the street near the royal palace. There was no damage done.

SWEPT BY A CYCLONE.

A Whole Section of Country Destroyed In Texas.

Over 150 Persons Killed and Half a Million Worth of Property Destroyed in Two Counties. Storms in the East.

Sherman, Tex., May 16.—A few minutes before 5 o'clock last evening a cyclone not exceeding two blocks in width, but carrying widespread destruction and death in its wake, swept through the western half of this city, travelling almost directly north. The approach of the whirlwind was announced by a deep rumbling noise like reverberating thunder and driving rain. The clouds were parted, converging into a perfect funnel, a low-lying seething mass of clouds was rapidly revolving in the whirl. The air was suddenly filled with trees and twigs, and a downpour of rain brought with it a deluge of mud. Then it was apparent that a cyclone was prevailing. From the point where it seems to have first descended to where it suddenly arose from the ground, just north of the city, it left terrific marks of its passage, not a house in its path escaping, not a tree or a shrub left standing that was not twisted and torn out of shape. Fences are gone, a bridge on Houston street was completely wrecked and blown away, notwithstanding the weight of a hundred thousand pounds of steel and material. The number of persons wounded will reach not less than 200, and it will be several days before the exact number of fatalities can be given. Many persons, and especially children, are missing, and many injured are in such a critical condition that recovery may be impossible. Physicians and nurses from Van Alstine, McKinney, and Denison, are here in plenty.

Reports are coming in constantly of persons who have been found injured. There are eight injured persons who, the doctors say, cannot live. The total number of killed, as far as tidings from this and other points in the country have been received, is about sixty, but it is estimated that many more who are missing are dead. Conservative estimates place the total number of killed in Grayson county at between 120 and 150.

The path of the storm which passed west of the town was through a section of country without telephone or telegraph connection with the city. All telephone communication west and northwest of the city is cut off. Reports from the north indicate that the direction of the main cyclone which passed through Sherman went between Denison and Pottsboro. The strength of the storm did not vary, and it maintained a breadth of 150 or 200 yards through the entire county. Between Sherman and the river no fatalities have been reported, although there are unconfirmed rumors of a number injured.

Denton, Tex., May 16.—The cyclone which cut out the heart of this county and Grayson county just northeast of here, started within a mile of Justin, in this county. A terrific wind was experienced here. People were blown down, houses demolished, and farm buildings completely removed. Reports from the country districts indicate that five persons were killed in Denton. The roads are impassible and the small streams in the country are swollen beyond their banks. So far no one is reported killed in this town, but the place is half under water and searching parties are slow in reporting. Reports from Justin, Sherman and Gribble are to the effect that $500,000 worth of property has been destroyed in the two counties. Gribble Springs is almost demolished, but few houses remaining standing. The injured in that place will number thirty. Keller, a small town to the north of Justin, is almost entirely wrecked and it is reported that only one house is now standing. All sections of the country immediately north are left in ruins.

Dallas, Tex., May 16.—Last night a public meeting raised about $300 for the immediate relief of the cyclone sufferers, and a permanent relief committee was established. The loss of life and property is even worse that at first reported, and new horrors are discovered almost every hour.

Pittsburgh, Pa., May 16.—Smithton, a mining town on the Baltimore and Ohio railroad, about forty miles east of here, was visited by a wind storm and cloud burst yesterday afternoon. The mines of the Waverly Coal Company were badly flooded. One hundred miners who were working in the mines were compelled to flee for their lives. The loss is estimated at between $50,000 and $75,000.

Lebanon, Mo., May 16.—A terrific hail storm visited the city and vicinity last night, accompanied by wind. It was the most destructive storm ever known here. Hail fell thick and fast and the rain came down in torrents. The windows in nearly every residence and business house were riddled.

THE VOICE OF THE STORM

Is Heard Through Many Parts of the United States.

Hiawatha, Kas., May 18.—Two couriers just arrived from the northeastern part of Brown county, report everything in the village reserve demolished by a cyclone which swept over Marshall and Nemaha counties last evening. Many people were injured. The horsemen who brought the report were sent here to summon surgical aid. Six surgeons have gone to the scene.

Milwaukee, Wis., May 18.—A southwest gale swept over Wisconsin Sunday at the rate of 42 miles an hour. No vessel left port, as a tremendous sea was running in Lake Michigan all day.

Seneca, Kas., May 18.—A devastating tornado passed through the city from the southwest to the northeast last evening, and four persons were killed and a number injured. Some of the latter will not recover. Twenty-five residences were razed to the ground, and the damage to public and private property will amount to $200,000.

Concord, Kas., May 18.—Another cyclone visited north and central Kansas yesterday afternoon. Several persons are reported killed and many injured.

THE BISHOPS' MANDAMENT.

The Latest Demand of the Hierarchy Upon Sir Charles.

Ottawa, May 18.—The hierarchy are going to ask Sir Charles Tupper to withdraw Mr. Champagne because they cannot support him. This makes certain the election of two opposition candidates in Ottawa city.

The effect of the mandament as far as the city is concerned, will be to return two opposition candidates.

The case of the Dominion government against McLean & Roger was withdrawn to-day. This means that the government will pay the judgment of the exchequer court to McLean & Roger, which is $24,090 for printing done by Tory offices outside of the government contract.

Montreal, May 18.—In the mandament of the bishops, read in the Catholic churches of this province yesterday the following striking utterance occurs: "The means to attain this object (the restoration of separate schools in Manitoba), is to only elect as representatives of the people men who are sincerely resolved to favor with all their influence and support in the house a measure which would be an efficacious remedy for the evils suffered by the Manitoba minority. In thus speaking to you, dearly beloved brethren, the intention is not to side with any of the political parties now fighting in the political arena. On the contrary, we wish to reserve our liberty, but the Manitoba school question being, before all, a religious question and ultimately bound up with the dearest interests of the Catholic faith in this country and the natural rights of parents, as also with the respect due to the constitution of the country and to the British crown, we should consider ourselves traitors to the sacred cause of which we are the defenders, if we did not use our authority to assure its success. Please remark, our dearly beloved brethren, that a Catholic is not permitted, be he a journalist, elector, candidate or member, to have two lines of conduct in a religious point of view, one for private life and one for public life, and to trample under feet in the exercise of his duties social obligations imposed on him by his title of submissive son of the church. Therefore, all Catholics should only vote for candidates who will formally and solemnly engage themselves to vote in parliament in favor of legislation giving the Catholics of Manitoba school laws which were recognized by the privy council. This grave duty imposes itself upon all good Catholics, and would not be justifiable, either before your spiritual guides, or before God himself, to set aside this obligation. The mandament has undergone considerable changes and is no longer the document it was three weeks ago. There is now no regret expressed for the division of Catholic members last session.

W. C. Caldwell, of Lanark has been nominated as Liberal candidate for North Lanark.

D. B. Meigs, of Farnham, has been chosen to represent the Liberals in the contest for Missisquoi.

GOVERNMENT SHORTCOMINGS.

Apropos of Sir Charles Tupper's manifesto, the Montreal Shareholder, which formerly approved of the Conservative government, says:

Canada's present and her future are of more interest just now than is her past, but in this regard, on the eve of a general election, they are denied the enlightenment they have a right to expect, and the manifesto resolves itself into a mass of empty generalities which may have little or no binding effect. The remedial question, however, is an exception. The bitter war which the discussion of religious questions always gives rise to, is to be carried into the political arena, to be reflected in the next parliament. The disgraceful scenes and their injurious effects upon the country are to be renewed, to the interruption of the ordinary business of the country until by the exercise of brute force the price of the allegiance of desirable factions is paid to the utmost farthing. To this phantom the business men of the country are to prostrate themselves, if not unwillingly, as a result of coercion, and the country's progress is to be retarded, its settlement interfered with, and its business disturbed in order to keep in power men who are not actuated by principle but by self. There is no doubt that the long-headed, clear-sighted and intelligent business men of Canada will well weigh the prospects and the results of a return to power of those who have already shown their unfitness and profligacy. The present ministry is not composed of the representatives of the people, they are not members of parliament, for parliament is dead. And yet they have not contented themselves, while awaiting the approval of the people, with the discharge of such duties as the position justified, but have multiplied appointments without any warrant from the electorate. The indulgence in such uncalled for acts gives but a poor promise for the carrying out of the wishes of the people, and indicates an autocratic tendency, the exercise of which is most undesirable. The business community will no doubt weigh the past, consider the present and guard their interests for the future by electing men who will always realize that their mission is to carry out the wishes of the people instead of forcing their wishes upon the people. Never in the history of this Dominion did a general election confer upon the electorate greater responsibilities than the present one, responsibilities which it is to be hoped every voter will realize and honestly discharge.

Berlin, May 15.—Col. Primkenau von Kessel, aide de camp to Emperor William of Germany, informed a representative of the Associated Press to-day that there was no truth in the statement attributed to Lord Lonsdale, His Majesty's representative on board the Meteor just launched, that the new cutter may challenge for the America's cup if she proves to be a faster craft than Valkyrie III. Colonel von Kessel added that the Meteor will only sail in European waters.

Pretoria, May 18.—There was a great demonstration to-day upon the occasion of the funeral of F. L. Grey, a reform prisoner who committed suicide by cutting his throat while in jail, after having become insane. Barney Barnato rode in the first carriage, and the streets were packed with people. Many wreaths were sent by Grey's fellow prisoners.

MEXICO'S NEW TAXATION.

Revolution in the Revenue System of the Historic Country.

City of Mexico, May 18.—Finance Minister Limantour announces that the new system of taxation which will operate in the federal districts from July, replaces the old system of taxation on articles entering for consumption. A consumption tax of five per cent. on foreign goods will hereafter be collected at the ports of entry. Direct taxes will be imposed on certain articles now paying at the city gates and factories using articles not taxed at entry in the city will pay a higher license tax, while articles used by the poor classes will, as a rule, be exempted from any form of taxation.

Largst Drawing Room of the Season.

London, May 18.—The Princess of Wales, assisted by her daughters and Prince Charles of Denmark, held the largest drawing room of the season at Buckingham palace to-day on behalf of the Queen. The weather was warm and threatening, but great crowds lined the hall. The Marquis of Salisbury and the commander-in-chief, Lord Wolseley, as well as all the members of the diplomatic corps, were among those present. Among those presented were the Duchess of Marlboro, Mrs. Calvin S. Brice and her daughters, Mrs Douglas Grant, of New York, and Mrs Henry Asquith, formerly Miss Margaret Tennant, wife of the former secretary of state for home affairs.

The Difference.

The Conservatives hold to protection as a principle and revenue as an incident, while the Liberals, on the other hand, accept tariff for revenue as a principle and protection as an incident.

TABLE

Showing the Dates and Places of Courts of Assize, Nisi Prius, Oyer and Terminer, and General Gaol Delivery for the year 1896.

Spring Assizes.

Nanaimo	Tuesday	5th May
New Westminster	Tuesday	12th May
Vancouver	Tuesday	19th May
Clinton	Monday	25th May
Victoria	Tuesday	26th May
Kamloops	Monday	1st June
Vernon	Monday	8th June
*Nelson	Monday	15th June
*Donald	Monday	22nd June

*Special Assize.

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Nanaimo, B. C., April 7, 1896.

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Brian O'Lynn had no boots to wear,
So he came to Nanaimo to buy him a pair;
"I'll have one pair of thick and one pair of thin,
If I can find Whitfield's," says Brian O'Lynn.

He hunted the stores all along the main route,
Says he: "The right one I've not yet found out.
I want Whitfield—I'll buy only from him,
For he sells the cheapest," says Brian O'Lynn.

He stepped a little west of Albert street;
He saw Whitfield's sign—sure 'twas a treat;
He opened the door and George stood within—
"I've found it at last," says Brian O'Lynn.

We showed him our calf boots, kid and cowhide,
The ones we praise most—no seams at the side.
We've boots of all kinds from Quebec and Berlin.
"Sure you've boots for the million," says Brian O'Lynn. [no trash:

He bought him his boots, which of course were
He paid down his money, for we sell only for
To the public he says: "Be not taken in, [cash.
Buy only from Whitfield," says Brian O'Lynn

"If there's a leak in the toe or side of your shoe,
Just take it to Whitfield, that's all you need do;
He will peg it or patch just while you are in,
And the charge seems like nothing," says Brian O'Lynn.

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G. F. CANE, Barrister and Solicitor, Room 11, Johnston Block.

MCINNES & MCINNES, Barristers, Room 6, Johnston Block, Commercial street.

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GRAND HOTEL.—W. STEEL, Proprietor—Victoria Crescent.

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MILLSTREAM BRIDGE

To Be Repaired, Despite a Petition for a New Structure.

Action on he Grand Jury Recommendations—Chinatown Still Clamoring for Fire Protection.

A full board was present at the Council meeting Monday evening, when the following business was transacted:

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

From Justice Drake, calling attention to the recommendations of the grand jury—that the doors of the new school building open outward, that fire escapes be attached to the balconies, and that drainage be made from the closets; also the necessity of better sanitary conditions in Chinatown. On motion of Ald. Wilson, that portion of the communication relating to the school building was referred to the Board of School Trustees, and that portion regarding sanitary affairs was referred to the Sanitary committee.

From A. J. Smith, representing that, during the high wind on the 7th inst., the advertising board near the postoffice had blown down, scaring his horse and causing it to run away, resulting in damage to his wagon to the extent of $52; and, as the board was erected on city property, he looked to the Council for relief. Ald. Foreman was of the opinion that the property referred to was owned by the N. V. C. Co., and the matter was referred to the Street committee to bring in a report at the next meeting.

From the merchants of Chinatown, again petitioning for the placing of fire hydrants in that locality. It appearing that this matter was still under the consideration of the Fire Wardens, to whom the previous petition had been referred, the communication, on motion of Ald. Planta, was received and laid on the table.

From the Celebration committee, the Mayor and Council of Victoria, inviting the Mayor and aldermen to attend the celebration in that city on the 25th and 26th. On motion of Ald. Morton the invitation was accepted and the clerk instructed to make a suitable reply.

A petition was read from property-owners, representing the required one-tenth valuation of real property, asking that a by-law be introduced authorizing a loan of $5000 for rebuilding the Millstream bridge. A motion by Ald. Bradley to lay the petition on the table was lost, and, on motion of Ald. Planta, it was deferred for discussion.

REPORTS.

The Street committee submitted a report in reference to the complaint of the Salvation Army, stating that the army, being indebted to the city in the sum of $50, were willing to let that sum offset their claim for damages to the basement of the building. This the committee recommended, and the recommendation was adopted.

The Street committee asked for further time to report on the petitions for a sidewalk on Victoria road and for the clearing and grading of Prideaux street, which was granted.

The road foreman reported in detail work done during the week on Wallace and Franklyn streets, and also that 16 men had worked on Haliburton street Saturday last greparing the roadway for the horse races. Received and filed.

The Finance committee reported the following accounts due for the month of April, and they were ordered paid:

Public works	$1,072 45
Police and jails	334 08
City Clerk's office	271 06
Schools	2,297 86
Cemetery	5 35
Miscellaneous	180 33
Total	$4,161 13

THE MILSTREAM BRIDGE.

The petition for a loan by-law coming up for discussion, Ald. Planta said that, in conversation with several parties who had signed the petition, he found they were not in favor of borrowing the money, and that the main object appeared to be to bring the matter to a to us. As a notice of motion to repair the bridge was to come up later; he would move that meantime the petition lay on the table. Carried.

On motion of Ald. Planta, the report of the Street Committee on the Millstream bridge was taken from the table. This report states that it would cost $500 or $600 to put the bridge in a safe condition for two or three years, and strongly urges that steps be taken toward securing a new bridge. Ald. Planta stated that, as a result of some conversation with several mechanics, he differed with the committee as to the cost of repairing the bridge, one practical bridge builder having agreed to put the bridge in safe condition for two or three years, with three new bents and supports, for $125, and he was in favor of having the repairs made.

Ald. Foreman, while he did not think the estimate of the committee was exorbitant, would favor repairing the bridge if it could be done for the price stated, and suggested that specifications be made and tenders invited.

Ald. Bradley thought that it would be for the best interests of the city that the work be done by day's labor under the supervision of the Street Committee. He made a motion to that effect, and that the work be proceeded with at once.

Ald. Planta opposed Ald. Bradley's proposition, and also that of Ald. Foreman to have specifications prepared, as he thought the bidders could furnish their own specifications.

After some further discussion Ald. Wilson contended that Ald. Bradley's motion was out of order, as it involved the spending of money for new work, and moved that the report be received and filed. Ald. Bradley withdrew his motion, and that of Ald. Wilson carried.

Ald. Foreman then gave notice of motion that at the next regular meeting of the Council he would move that the bridge be repaired forthwith.

Ald. Morton moved that tenders be invited for the work, and that specifications be prepared by the Street Committee and City Clerk, tenders to be in by the next meeting of the Council. Carried.

Ald. Morton was granted further time to introduce an amendment to the Revenue by-law relating to bicycles.

NEW BUSINESS.

Ald. Foreman moved that a new sidewalk be laid on Front street from St. Pauls' church to lot 19

Ald. Planta thanked Ald. Foreman for his interest in the North Ward, but said if he had left that ward alone, it would have been better off. He claimed the sidewalk proposed was not necessary, and he would vote against it. The motion that had been made to stop new work until the Millstream bridge matter was disposed of had not been adhered to, and there was not a dollar now for new work. The motion was lost.

Bids for the repairs to the City Clerk's and Collector's offices were read as follows: Wilson & Barnes, $158; J. A. Bittencourt, $156; W. A. Nettle, $124. On motion of Ald. Wilson, the contract was awarded to Mr. Nettle.

Ald. Bradley called attention to the damage done to the approach to the Watkins block on Nicol street by teams passing over it, and as a building was now to be erected thereon, it should be put in proper condition. Referred to Street committee.

On motion of Ald. Wilson, the nine extra men employed one day on Haliburton street were ordered paid forthwith.

On motion of Ald. Wilson, the council went into committee as a Cemetery board, and it was moved that the claim of W. A. Nettle—$148.85 for 229 yards of sidewalk—be paid. After some complaint that the sidewalk "pitched" a little too much at one end, but which the contractor had agreed to remedy, the claim was ordered paid.

In reply to Ald. Morton, the Mayor stated, Mr. Gough, the Cemetery Clerk was absent from the city consulting a specialist with regard to his eyes, and he was given another week to report on the outstanding debts.

The committee then rose.

Ald McDonald reported a dangerous plank on Crace street, in front of Mr. Ramsey's property.

Ald. Sinclair reported several complaints concerning sanitary matters, and, on motion of Ald. Wilson, the Sanitary Inspector was directed to enforce the Sanitary by-law.

Ald. Morton complained that, while the Y. M. C. A. were occupying the City Hall rent free, Messrs. Freure & Speck were using a part of the building for private business purposes in renting and selling bicycles, and moved that they be notified not to use the building for the purpose stated. Ald. Wilson seconded, and the motion carried.

On motion of Ald. Planta, the Council adjourned until Wednesday May 27.

Some Pertinent Questions.

EDITOR MAIL: According to the "hole and corner" meeting of the Conservative-Conservative convention, "thirty" persons gives Mr. Haslam "thirty-five" votes. How is this? Again, who authorized those thirty to represent the Conservates of this constituency? Before I can endorse the action of that so-called convention there are two things I want to know: 1. What has Mr. Haslam done for HIMSELF while at Ottawa? 2. What has he done for the constituency?

F. SMITH.

South Nanaimo, May 18, 1896.

Joe. Bertrand, champion bantam weight of the Pacific coast, met in a 20-round contest at Lemont. It was one of the best fights ever witnessed in that state. McColl was the aggressor until the 17th round, when Bertrand swung both right and left in rapid succession and knocked McColl out. Bertrand was terribly panished.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Queen's Birthday Celebration

CIVIC HOLIDAYS.

Monday, the 25th inst., and Tuesday, the 26th inst.,

Are hereby declared Civic Holidays, and all citizens are requested to observe them as such.

J. H. DAVISON, *Mayor.*

NANAIMO, B.C., May 20, 1896.

Dominion Elections.

MR. W. W. B. McINNES,

OPPOSITION CANDIDATE,

will address meetings as follows:

Salt Spring Island (North)	May	19
" " " (South)	"	20
Alberni	"	28
Nanaimo City	"	30
Duncan's	June	1
Comox	"	3
Union	"	4
Cedar	"	6
Somenos	"	8
McPherson's	"	9
Royal Oaks	"	10
Sooke	"	12
Gabriola Island	"	15
Nanaimo City	"	16
Nanoose	"	17
Wellington	"	18
Northfield	"	19

At the above named meetings Mr. McInnes will be assisted by other eminent speakers. The co-operation of all opposed to the present government are cordially invited.

The government candidate or candidates, or anyone on their behalf, are invited to be present and will be given ample opportunity to take part in the discussion.

A. D. McKENZIE, Secretary. G. F. CANE, Chairman of Executive.

THE QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY

Official Programme of Nanaimo's Great Celebration.

Regatta, Horse Races, Bicycle Races, Lacrosse, Hose Reel Contests, Athletic Sports and Rifle Matches.

SATURDAY, MAY 23.

1:30 p.m. Rifle shoot, 5 events ...$100

MONDAY, MAY 25.

9:00 a.m. Regatta, 13 events 448
1:30 p.m. Bicycle races, 12 events.. 455
Athletic sports, 8 events . 150

TUESDAY, MAY 26.

9:30 a.m. Hose-reel races, 2 events 200
1:30 p.m. Horse races, 4 events ... 230
4:00 p.m. Lacrosse match, Nanaimo vs. Vancouver Beavers. 100

Dancing in the pavilion on both evenings. The Nanaimo and Wellington bands will be in attendance.

RIFLE MATCH, MAY 23, at 1:30.

The following is the programme for the Nanaimo Rifle Association meet to be held at Nanaimo on May 23, in connection with the Queen's Birthday celebration:

1 Team match, 200, 500 and 600 yds. open to teams of five men, seven shots at each range—1st prize, $15; 2nd, $10; entrance $1 for each team.

2 Individual match, 200 yards, same score as in above match to count—Prizes $5, $4, $3, $2 50, $2, $1 50, $1. Entrance 25 cents.

3 Individual match, 500 yards—Prizes same as in match No. 2; score same as in match No. 1. Entrance 25 cents.

4 Individual match, 600 yards—same score as in match No. 1; same prizes as in matches No's 2 and 3. Entrance 25 cents.

5 Aggregate match—Prizes, $7, $5, and $3. Entrance 25 cents.

Shooting to begin at 1:30 sharp.

Matches to be regulated by the rules of B. C. Rifle Association.

Regatta, May 25.

START 9 A. M.

1. Boys' race, 14 years and under, in single scull gunwale boats; course 1 mile with turn—Prizes, fishing rods, value $5 and $2.50.

2. Girls' race, 14 years and under, in single scull gunwale boats; course 1 mile with turn—Prizes: 1st, sunshade, value $5; 2nd, dry goods, value $2.50.

3. Coal miners' race (confined to members of M. & M. L. P. A., who have never competed in a race) in double scull gunwale boats with coxswain, 1½ miles with turn—Prize, Cup, value $10, presented by Foreman & Hardy, and $10 from celebration funds. No entrance.

4. First-class sailing race for boats 20 to 39 ft. water line (time allowance); course about 10 miles—Prizes: 1st, $125; 2nd, $60; 3rd, $25. Entrance, 5 per cent.

5. Single scull rowing match, for amateurs, in 18 ft. lapstreak outriggers; course 1½ miles, with turn—Prizes, trophies: 1st, value $20; 2nd, value $10;

6. Peterboro canoe race for amateurs, double paddles; course 1½ miles with turn—Prizes: 1st, trophy, value $15; 2d, cigars, value $6. Entrance fee 50c. added.

7. Single scull rowing match for professionals in 20 ft. lapstreak outriggers; course 2 miles with turn—Prizes: 1st, $25; 2nd, $10. Entrance, 50c.

8. Log balancing contest—Prize, $10.

9. Indian war canoe race for 10 paddles with steerer; course 1½ miles with turn—Prizes, $55 and $33.

10. One upset Peterboro canoe race, single paddle; course 200 yards—Prizes: 1st, $15; 2nd, $5.

11. Barrel race, in costume, broom propellers—Prizes (value), $5 and $2.50.

12. Klootchmans' canoe race in Indian canoes, two paddles—Prizes, $6 and $3.

13 Greasy pole walking—Prize, 1 ham.

Judges, Ed Quennell, J M Rudd and Captain Locke; starter, Ald Foreman; time keepeer, John Hilbert; course committee, Ed Quenneil, T Dobeson and J J Honeyman; prize committee, J M Rudd, J Hilbert and Dr Currie; measuring and sailing committee, W. Thompson, Ed Quennell, Thos Dobeson, Dr Curry J H Hawthornthwaite and J J Honeyman; committee on barrel race, log balancing and greasy-pole contests, J H Hawthornthwaite and J J Honeyman.

W. T. Heddle, secretary-treasurer.

Bicycle Races. May 25.

OFFICERS.

Starter—Jas. McGregor.
Time-keepers—W. [illegible] and Chas. Deeming.
Referee—J. Newton, of Victoria.
Judges—W. K. Leighton and Martin Woodburn.
Clerk of Course—W. Edmonds, B. D. Presley.
Lap-taker—John Shaw, Geo. Fletcher.

PROGRAMME OF RACES—START AT 1.30.

	1st Prize.	2nd.
	—VALUE.—	
1 mile novice	$10 00	$5 00
½ mile amateur	15.00	2.50
1 mile amateur	15 00	7 50
2 mile amateur	15 00	7.50
3 mile amateur	15.00	7.50
5 mile amateur	20.00	7.50

A third prize of $5 in last named race.

Ladies' Race—1st prize, gold watch; 2nd, silver watch; 3rd, Jewel Case, presented by W. M. Langton.

PROFESSIONAL.

¼ mile, standing start	$5 00	$10 00
1 mile handicap	30.00	10.00
2 mile "	35.00	10.00
3 mile "	40.00	10.00
5 mile "	70.00	25.00

A third prize of $10 in latter event.

ATHLETIC SPORTS—MAY 25.

To be run in connection with the bicycle races on the Caledonian grounds commencing at 1:30 p. m.

1 220-yard race, open—Prizes, $10 00 and $7 50 cash.

2 220-yard race, amateur—1st prize, 1 dozen Elite Photos; 2nd, 1 pair pants (McLeod).

3 ¼-mile race, open—1st prize, $15; 2nd, $10.

4 ¼-mile race, amateur—1st prize, 1 violin, (Fletcher); 2nd, 1 pair pants, (order).

5 ½-mile race, open—1st prize, $15; 2nd, $10.

6 Boys' race under 15 years—1st prize, 1 dozen photos (Sampson); 2nd 1 pair slippers (Hughes).

7 Girls' race under 10 years—1st prize, $3 ham (Robinson); 2nd, $3 bread tickets, (Wilson & Matthews).

8 Tug of War, 9 men and anchor—Prize, $20.

An entrance fee of 50 cents, excepting 6 and 7.

Committee—M. Wolfe, Jas. McGregor, M.P.P., Dr. Davis, W. Hunter, C. H. B. Potts, W. McGregor, H. Simpson, M. Lamont, R. Gibson, J. H. Cocking, E. B. Drummond, J. Hickman, M. Woodburn.

HOSE REEL CONTESTS—MAY 26.

COMMENCING 9:30 A. M.

1. Dry Test—Run 125 yards to hydrant, couple on to hydrant, lay 200 feet of hose, break coupling, screw on nozzle. Time to be taken from drop of nozzle.

2. Wet Test—Run 125 yards to hydrant, couple on the hydrant, lay 200 feet of hose, break coupling, screw on nozzle. Time to be taken when water leaves nozzle.

In both cases cart to carry not less than 300 feet of 4-ply hose. All couplings, including hydrant and nozzle, to be on not less than three full turns. Hose carts to be manned by not more than 12 men.

Prizes—$100 for each race, providing two visiting teams compete with home team.

A prize of $75 for each race, providing only one visiting team competes with home team.

In case there is no visiting team, $100 will be given for sports to be contested for by members of the Nanaimo Fire Brigade, events to be hereafter agreed upon by the committee. Races to be governed by N. W. F. A. Rules.

Decision of referees to be final.

Protests, if any, to be made in writing within three hours of the event against which said protest is made, otherwise it will not be considered by committee—W. H. Morton, R. Nightingale, and E. McG. Van Houten.

HORSE RACES—MAY 26 at 1:30.

1 Running race, open to all comers, best two out of three heats, distance half mile—1st prize, $100; 2nd prize, entrance money. 10 per cent entrance.

2 Trotting race, confined to city and district stock, distance about ¾ mile—1st prize $50; 2nd prize, entrance money. Entrance 5 per cent.

3 Scrub race, open to all comers, other than competitors in other races—1st prize, $50; 2nd entrance money. Entrance 5 per cent. Distance half mile and repeat.

4 Pony race for ponies not over 14 hands high. 1st prize, $30; 2nd, entrance money. Entrance 2½ per cent. Distance half mile and repeat.

The running, scrub and pony race will be run over the old track ending at the Dew Drop hotel.

The trotting race will start at the Good Templars' hall and end at the Italian hotel.

The running race, prize $100, will be started at 1:30 p. m. sharp.

The first heat of the trotting race will take place immediately after the first heat of the running race.

All other races will be started in as quick succession as possible. All races will be best two heats out of three.

Three entries in all races or no race.

G. Raymond, Starter; T. O'Connell and J. H. Hawthornthwaite, judges.

Committee—Thompson and Scoville, Dunlop Bros., Geo. Baker, J. H. Cocking, J. Humphries.

The committee have adopted the following

REGULATIONS.

1. That all horses to take part in the races on May 26th be entered on or before May 25 with the secretary, A. Dunlop, at the Shamrock stables.

2. That the judges measure the ponies and settle all disputes that may occur during the races.

3. That the trotting race be run in heats, and not against time, as stated in the bills. This was found necessary owing to the track not being circular.

Lacrosse Match, May 26, 4 p. m.

On Caledonian Grounds—Vancouver Beavers vs. Nanaimo.

Special Prizes.

T. C. Morgan, tailor, for bicycle race, one suit clothes	[illegible]
W. M. Langton, for ladies' bicycle race—1st prize, gold watch	[illegible] 00
2d prize, silver watch	5 00
3d prize, jewel case	7 50
Jas. McGregor, five-mile amateur bicycle race, dressing gown	20 00
The Elite Studio, 220-yard race, amateur, one dozen Elite photos	10 00
E. Hughes, boys' race, under 15, one pair slippers	1 50
W. T. Heddle, greasy pole walking, one ham	3 50
John Sampson, boys' race, one doz Paris panels	7 00
Fletcher Bros., ¼ mile amateur race, one violin	15 00
Jas. Young, barrel race, water set	3 00
D. Taylor, barrel race, clock	5 00
McDowell & Atkins, upset Peterboro canoe race, pair Brushes	5 00
D. Spencer, dry goods, value	10 00
Wilson & Matthews, girls' race, bread tickets	3 00
E. E. Taylor, girls' boat race, parisol	5 00
McLeod, the tailor, 220 yds' race pair pants	8 00
Jas. M. Brown, 2 mile bicycle race silver watch	17 50
A. D. Foreman & Co, miners' race, cup	10 00
W. J. Robinson, girls' race, 1 ham	3 00
Hall & Stearman, 1 mile novice bicycle race, gent's dress case	5 00
[illegible] Stewart, jeweler, for single amateur race, silver nut bowl	20 00

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