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WRECKED ON THE WEST COAST

Ship Thought to be Pass of Melfort Swept on Rocks, Probably All Hands Lost

Particulars of the Pass of Melfort-She Sailed from Ancon Fifty Days Ago

A despatch from Alberni dated yesterday, and which appears below, says that a ship thought to be Pass of Melfort was wrecked off Amphrite Point, Ucluelet, yesterday.

From Mr. F. Hawes, manager of the Colliery Wharf, The Ledger has been able to obtain particulars of the vessel in question.

The Pass of Melfort was in charge of Capt. Cougall and was a British ship of two thousand one hundred and ninety-six tons tons, and capable of carrying cargo of about four thousand three hundred tons. She left Ancon, South America, fifty-eight days ago and was coming to the Royal Roads for orders. She was to load lumber on the coast. No doubt is now entertained in shipping circles that the wrecked vessel is the Pass of Melfort and mariners familiar with the West Coast surmise that she got too far north and was unable to brave the storm that was raging on Tuesday night. The place at which she was wrecked is close to Ugly Channel, known by that name on account of a very dangerous reef in it. Shipping men say it is almost impossible for a sailing vessel to escape wreckage at that point when a storm of the severity of that of Tuesday night is raging.

The Alberni despatch to the Herald is as follows:

Alberni, Dec. 27.—The storm that has been raging along the west coast of Vancouver Island during the past few days and which has been the most severe of the entire year, has reaped its harvest in the wreckage which is strewn along the beach at various points.

Last night a large vessel was wrecked off Amphrite Point, Ucluelet, the wreckage of which has been picked up off that place. Judging by the stamp of a bucket that has been washed ashore the ill-fated vessel is believed to be the "Pass of Melfort," a sailing vessel carrying a cargo of lumber for a foreign port.

One body has been washed ashore, but nothing was found thereon to establish the identity of the unfortunate victim of the storm's fury. A woman figure-head, painted white, and a photograph of the captain and men were also washed ashore. Further wreckage is anxiously looked for as it may give some definite knowledge in reference to the lost vessel.

TWO WIVES IN TWO MONTHS

Charles Ricketts, a veteran villager of Epping Green, had the distinction of figuring on Saturday as a bridegroom for the second time within a little more than two months. Ricketts is sixty-seven years old. He is very old and is known as "Old Nat," says a London Exchange.

In September he married Mrs. Mary Ann Newman, who had waited for him for forty years. Three weeks later she fell into a pond as she was getting some water for the donkey, and was drowned. Within three weeks of this tragedy Old Nat's second marriage was announced and on Saturday he led Esther Osborne to the altar in the parish church.

Wearing a new suit of clothes and a bunch of violets in his coat, and carrying an ear trumpet, he stood before the officiating clergyman with his bride.

He followed the service with some difficulty, in spite of the fact that he kept the trumpet to his ear. Time after time the clergyman had to repeat the words before the bridegroom with the assistance of the bride managed to repeat it.

"To have and to hold," continued the priest.

"What! too old?" exclaimed the astonished man, and everybody laughed. When the time came for putting on the ring the clergyman shouted "Take hold of her hand," to which the old man replied readily "Oh, I'll hold her all right."

STRUCK BY A BULLET

Vancouver, Dec. 27.—Mr. W. L. Bailey, of Bailey Bros., was struck in the leg by a bullet from a revolver while walking up Hastings street with a number of friends between 12-30 and 1 o'clock yesterday morning. It is believed that the shot was fired by a young man named John Bell, who, while crazed by liquor, ran amuck. Bell is under arrest. He will be arraigned in the police court tomorrow.

Mr. Bailey had just reached a point in front of the Drysdale-Stevenson block when he heard a loud report. At that moment he felt a twinge of pain as the bullet struck his knee. He was able to walk to a drugstore before being sent home in a hack. Then Dr. Riggs was called in. He found that the bullet had glanced off only inflicting a flesh wound.

It is supposed that the shot was fired by Bell, who at that moment was creating a disturbance in the Ellesmere House at the corner of Homer and Pender street. On the arrival of Detective Anderson, the boarders said Bell had come home drunk and fired a shot. Bell threatened the detective. He had previously been disarmed. The revolver contained two empty shells and four loaded ones.

Seats will be on sale at Fortumers' for the Juvenile Bostonians tomorrow morning. Secure them early for the attendance will be the capacity of the house.

TYPHOID SITUATION IN THE INTEIROR

News from Victoria is to the effect that Provincial Health Officer Dr. J. C. Fagan was yesterday in receipt of a telegram from Dr. J. E. Spankie, temporary provincial health officer for the Boundary, stating that the typhoid situation at Phoenix was well in hand. The health department also received for analysis two boxes containing 15 samples of milk and water from Pheonix, believed to be the source from which the contagion originated. Work has started on determining whether or not these samples are fit for use. Meanwhile Mowatt's dairy near the mining camp has been closed up and all suspected water supplies are stopped. Twin creek, which has its sources above Phoenix, and passes through the town, thence through Greenwood, and empties into Boundary creek, in the heart of the latter city, is also believed to be a source of contagion, and the provincial health officer has notified the medical health officer at Greenwood to forbid its use for any purpose. It might be said of Greenwood that the present domestic water supply comes from Lind creek, and the water from Twin creek has on recent date only been used for an auxiliary in the event of a fire. The water supply of Phoenix is derived from Marshall lake and Banner springs, samples of which are among the lot received at the health department for testing.

That the epidemic has made terrible advances is disclosed in the report sent by Dr. Spankie to the secretary of the provincial board, which states that there were on December 22 approximately 70 cases of typhoid fever, with four deaths to date, and a possibility of more among the present cases. The patients were all interrogated by the local physicians, Dr. R. B. Boucher and Dr. E. S. Gordon, as to the use and source of milk, and it was disclosed that all but one were milk drinkers and obtained milk directly or indirectly from Mowatt's milk ranch. Happily there have been no cases to date at the big Granby boarding house, which is supplied with milk from Macey's milk ranch, and none reported among the customers of Hannem's milk ranch.

Dr. Spankie reports a fearful condition of affairs on investigating Mowatt's milk ranch, about one-quarter of a mile out of Phoenix, where a thorough investigation was made of the stables, milk houses, milk cans, water supply and dwelling. He characterizes the cow stables as being in a deplorable state of filth, without drainage, proper ventilation, and that dust, dirt and cobwebs dropped incessantly from the ceiling, and a foul odor prevailed. The animals were covered with filth to the udders. He described the milking process by saying that it was carried out by first brushing the legs and udders with an old bran sack, and neither cow nor hands of milkers were washed. The yards presented a filthy aspect, especially in the immediate neighborhood of the cow stables, where there are many pools of drainage rank with decomposition. It appears that two of Mowatt's children, a girl aged 4, and a son aged 16, are sick, but the mother has taken them to Chewella, across the line, and no doctor attended them for many days previous to their departure.

THE RAILWAY CROSSING IS DISCUSSED TODAY

Superintendent Beasley of the C.P.R., Supt. Goodfellow and the Road Master are Here Today Looking Over the Conditions

Engineer Fred King Representing the Colliery Company was of the Party-Plans Discussed for a Wharf Road

Today, in response to a telegram addressed to the Mayor and Council from Superintendent Beasley, a party consisting of Messrs. Beasley, Goodfellow, King and the road-master of the E. & N., Acting Mayor Nicholson, City Clerk Stewart and a representative of The Ledger, met the above named party, who came down to look over the situation and discuss the best manner of securing a safe and practicable crossing of the railway tracks, both of the E. & N. and of the Colliery Company.

A walk up the line a few hundred feet brought the party to the place where the provincial government did the work last fall in bringing up a grade to the E. & N. tracks. The cutting in of the Colliery Company's tracks, some three feet lower than the E. & N., and close by the same, absolutely prohibits this crossing being used. This was readily agreed to by all. The gulch a little further up was then inspected, and Superintendent Beasley pronounced strongly in favor of a subway. He stated that Mr. Gore, Deputy Minister of Lands and Works, had recommended that this place and the natural gulch be utilized for a road under all of the tracks, this, presumably, on the report of Mr. Gamble, the government engineer.

Afterward the point opposite French street, near the Company's office, was considered, but not found to be a proper point for the road. It was stated by Mr. King that the Wellington Colliery Company had no objections to a subway at the gulch, and would in any way they could facilitate the building of such a subway, Mr. King, at Mr. Beasley's suggestion, agreeing to map and estimate the cost of such a roadway and send Mr. Beasley a copy as well as furnish one to the mayor and council. It was suggested that the Dominion government might do something towards the cost, but this was not taken seriously. The Provincial government, it seems, is the city's only hope of securing the subway, as Mr. Beasley, while he stated that his company would be doing some concrete work a little later on, did not promise assistance. The city has not the funds, and it seemed to be the idea of those present that an appropriation from the Provincial government—as the proposed road is a Provincial, not a city, owned roadway—is to be hoped for. The Colliery Company can not well be looked to for assistance, and the C.P.R. are not in the habit of building roads and subways for municipalities.

The probable cost of the subway was not discussed, although the amount of $2,000 or $3,000 as a probable cost was mentioned.

Mr. Beasley stated that his Company was in receipt of a communication from Parker Williams, M.P.P., regarding the road that implied that the E. & N. were in some way at fault. This idea he did not want to go abroad, for his Company had really nothing to do with the matter only to see that a safe crossing was made, and for that matter they could not allow a crossing save with the consent of the Railway Commission. Permission was always given, however, except in case of a dispute regarding its location.

Mr. Beasley spoke very encouragingly of the future of Ladysmith. He said he expected to see a much larger traffic on the line and our local work increased, that we would see the smelter running steadily and other business that would make it imperative to have a safe railway crossing.

Mr. King will make plans and estimates out and the council will know next week just what to expect in the way of cost. It is quite likely the provincial government will take up the matter, although we can hardly expect this until the Legislature meets in February. At any rate, it is undoubtedly best to build a subway—it will cost money but it seems like the only satisfactory way to get the much needed wharf road.

DEFIED THE WHOLE TOWN

Vancouver Man Keeps Sumas in State of Terror

Bellingham, Dec. 28.—Love for the wife of another man, it is alleged, has led Jake Terry, recently of Vancouver, to defy Sumas, and the town is reported to be in a state of terror. For three days Terry has held the town at bay and caused Marshal Smith to resign.

Terry took a fancy to Gus Lindsey's wife, and when Lindsey came home Terry threw him out of the house. Yesterday Lindsey again tried to enter the house, but Terry met him with a revolver. Terry was in Vancouver recently chasing alleged train robbers.

A. QUATERMAN'S HIDDEN RIVER IS DISCOVERED

A discovery of romantic interest has been made by Mr. A.T. Angell in British East Africa, says a London despatch.

While engaged in the survey of Lake Naivasha and its caves he found the hitherto unknown outlet of this fresh-water lake into a large subterranean river. Lake Naivasha lies about one hundred miles east of Lake Victoria Nyanza, and is at an altitude of 6,000 feet.

Readers of Mr. Rider Haggard's story "Allan Quartermain" will at once recognize the locality. Naivasha is the lake with the marvellous caves which narrate the hero's plunge into which is described in the chapters the unknown in search of the mysterious white race. The gruesome incident by which the caves were discovered will be remembered—how the native servant Wakwafi dived into the lake and was "sucked with frightful rapidity" through the arch that gave entrance to the mysterious river, and how his corpse followed the canoe throughout its subterranean passage.

ASSESSORS FIGURES AFFIRMED

The appeal of Mr. E. Yarwood against the assessment on his property, lot eleven, block twenty-eight, lot two, block four, lots one, two, three and four of block thirty-one, and lots three and four of block thirty, and lot two of block forty-seven, were heard by Judge Harrison this morning. His Honor finally affirmed the assessor's figures. Mr. Yarwood complained at the Municipal Court of Revision that the Assessment was too high, but the court affirmed the assessment figures and the appeal was taken to a higher court with the above mentioned result.

At the County Court yesterday Mr. H. Kay summoned Mr. Land, contractor for Chemainus Hospital, for payment for work done by him on the hospital. His Honor gave judgment in full for Mr. Kay. Mr. Simpson appeared for appellant.

In a case Jones vs. Hannay, judgment was also given for the appellant Jones. Mr. Simpson was also appearing for Mr. Jones.

VANCOUVER TO NEW ZEALAND

Steam Boats Will Be in Operation in a Few Months

Ottawa, Dec. 27.—Mr. R. A. Alley, the representative of Bucknell & Company, of London, England, is here today, and will sign on the firm's behalf a contract for a new steamship line to be inaugurated between New Zealand and British Columbian ports.

Two boats are to go on this route with sailings every two months. Mr. Alley says if the contract is closed at once the first sailing will take place from New Zealand in two months.

The contractors already operate lines to Australia, South America and the Persian Gulf, and are assured that the establishment of their newest line will lead to a profitable trade between New Zealand and Canada.

In last evening's issue it was reported that Mr. T. Clarke had been appointed superintendent of construction of the mill to be erected by the Laydsmith Lumber Company at Kimberley. This is not correct. The company have not yet selected a man to act in the capacity in question.

MASONIC SOCIAL.

The Masons of this city held their usual Christmas-tide social in the opera house last evening, there being present a very large number. The evening was passed most pleasantly with music, songs and dancing. Mr. Hugh Fulton as Master of Ceremonies kept things going swimmingly, and those who were present report a most enjoyable evening.

LATE ARRIVING NEWS BY WIRE

Offer of Warships by Admiralty to Convey Prefontaine's Body to Canada Accepted

Miss Cameron Gives Evidence Before the Commission Investigating Drawing Scandal

Ottawa, Dec. 28.—(Special)—Solicitor General Lemieux has accepted the offer of the British Admiralty of a battleship to convey Prefontaine's body to Canada.

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 28—(Special) At the drawing book investigation here today, Miss Cameron gave evidence in direct contradiction of Experts Blair and Dunnell.

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 28—(Special)—Dr. John Todd, of this city, has returned from West Africa, where he has been investigating tropical diseases.

Ottawa, Dec. 28.—(Special)—According to a statement of assets of the New York Loan and Savings Company, the shareholders will get sixty-six and two-thirds cents on the dollar.

LAND OWNERS FLEEING FROM THE INSURGENTS

Eight Thousand Armed Men From the Baltic Provinces Work Terrible Havoc

St. Petersburg, Dec. 27.—W. F. Smith, a well known American resident of St. Petersburg, who arrived here today from Berlin, reports that eight thousand armed insurgents from the Baltic provinces have crossed the railroad between Renitza and Pskoff, and that the whole country is lighted up by fires from burning residences. He says the insurgents, who are well armed, and have a battery of machine guns, announce that they are "annexing" the region to the "Lithunian republic." Rich land owners and their families got on board the train at Pskoff with nothing but hand satchels. They told Mr. Smith they were glad to escape alive.

A despatch from Pskoff, in the northwest of Russia, dated Dec. 86 says the armed "lettsi" who crossed the line of the railroad after burning and pillaging estates, and tearing down images and other sacred relics in the churches, retreated to the eastward, and that the troops from St. Petersburg were pursuing them.

So successful has been the Nanaimo engagement of the Juvenile Bostonians that they are appearing in the opera house tonight again, making four instead of three nights, as prearranged.

Judge Harrison was one of the guests at the Masonic entertainment at the opera house last evening and was evidently enjoying himself. Like a popular young lady, he did not "sit out" a solitary dance.

The outlook for the coal business is excellent at San Francisco and other southern ports. This is the news brought by A. Lindsay of the Wellington Colliery Company, who has just returned from San Francisco after looking into conditions there. He says that business with Vancouver island is in a healthy shape and that shipments of coal from Newcastle and Australia have diminished considerably.

NEXT YEAR JAPANESE ORANGES WILL BE BARRED

If They Cannot Pass Inspection-Californian Fruit is Now Under the Ban

Vancouver, Dec. 28—Next fall Japanese oranges will be barred from Canada if they cannot pass inspection as free from pests such as purple or San Jose scale. Mr. Thomas Cunningham, provincial fruit inspector, so declared this morning.

"The only reason infected Japanese oranges have been permitted to enter this country this year," said Mr. Cunningham, "is because they have been paid for. Of course no distribution of them is allowed till they have been thoroughly fumigated and the scale parasites destroyed. Merchants here placed letters of credit in Japan on which the Japanese growers drew as soon as the fruit was despatched to this port. Next year, to protect themselves, local importers of Japanese oranges will have to insert a clause in their agreements with the growers that the oranges shall not be paid for till they have passed inspection. Any scale-infected oranges found next season will either be shipped back to Japan or destroyed.

"I have issued orders to all inspectors in British Columbia to place all citrus fruits on the list of fruits which must undergo inspection. I did this because I have found that the lemons shipped here from California carry scale in some instances. It is the purple scale. I have just ordered the destruction of some California lemons. All citrus fruits which hereafter do not pass inspection must be either shipped back or else destroyed here."

The entire consignment of twenty thousand boxes of Japanese oranges which arrived last week by the steamer Tartar from the Orient, will have to be fumigated. This morning Mr. Cunningham inspected some of the fruit at the C.P.R. wharf. The first box he opened was found to contain fruit carrying scale in large quantity. Under the microscope newly formed scale was plainly discernable.

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HOME TOPICS

Mr. George Hannay informs us that the Board of Licensing Commissioners granted his request for a change of name for the Island Home, and that it will be known hereafter as the Hotel Cecil. Undoubtedly the Commissioners would grant this request and will allow the license to be transferred from Mr. Knight to Mr. Hannay upon compliance with the Municipal Clauses Act, but it might give rise to a question in some cases. For instance suppose a man bought a hotel out and asked for a change of name. This is granted and the Licensing Board afterward refused to grant a transfer, the hotel reverting thereby to its former owner, and he did not wish the name changed. It would look as if the change could only be made by the actual, not the prospective, holder of the license.

It is time the men interested in the future welfare of Ladysmith talked over matters and arranged for some one to become candidates for Mayor and Aldermen. A little talk is going on and some announcements may be made soon. The Ledger has no candidates, but will very willingly do all it can to advance the best interests of the city by assisting in the bringing forward of good men for the position and the more the better, so if any of our citizens have anything to suggest the columns of the local paper are open to such suggestions.

Sometimes we think times are quiet, and they are so, but where is there a town where men are busy at the stores all the time, the year round. By the way, where is there a little city of three thousand where as is the case here from $60,000 to $90,000 is paid in to its people for work, that is, from all sources, every month. Is there anything the matter with Ladysmith? If there is, visit other towns and see for yourselves.

It was a mistake, in our opinion, to grant fifteen retail and several wholesale liquor licenses. A half a dozen hotels properly conducted and paying a license of $500 a year would all do well. The City's revenue would be just as large and a license for every two hundred people, as we have at present, is more than are required or than are beneficial for the hotel keepers. Of course the mistake, if mistake it was, was made in good faith and the conditions cannot and should not be changed unless all parties who engaged in the business in good faith were made financially good. This would be a hopeless thing for the city to undertake, therefore we must continue to listen to tales of a poor business in the hotel keepers line.

WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THAT?

She said to her husband as they passed a store, where a lady was standing in the window, combing her beautiful long hair. Cust to think of it, one woman having so much hair and I have not enough to keep my hat on well. Her husband said: "You can have more if you use what they do. That lady is one of the Seven Sutherland Sisters."

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COURT OF REVISION.

South Nanaimo Assessment District.

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E. HARRISON, Jr.
Judge of Court of Revision and Appeal, Nanaimo, 14th Dec., 1905.

To Write a Story the West

that would have the true ring to it, the author would of necessity require to live there for a time at least. He must study the characteristics of the western people—have to become one of them, living their daily life, sharing their joys and sorrows. He would have to mix with them socially and in a business way, in short be a "Westerner." Its a question of knowing local conditions. The same reasoning applies to the "Leckie Boot" for Western Miner, the Prospector and the Lumberman.

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9.30 a. m. Arr. SPOKANE		Arr 7.45 p.m
6.35 p.m. Arr. Rexford		Arr 12.30 p. m.
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OLD SHIPS OF THE LINE.

Before the Institution of Naval Architects, in London, Sir Philip Watts recently read an interesting paper on British warships at the time of Trafalgar.

The records as to the rate of sailing, he said, were of necessity very indefinite. The speeds attained, however, were very slow, even if judged by the speed of large modern sailing vessels. The maximum speed recorded for frigates at the time under consideration was ten knots running free, and eight to eight and a half when close hauled. At Trafalgar the average age of the English line-of-battle ships was 17 years. That the French ships in 1805 were mostly newer than ours was mainly due to the enormous losses which their navy had suffered in the preceding half-century. Between 1789 and 1800 there were 48 French line-of-battle ships and 53 frigates lost by wreck and capture.

The cost of ships varied largely from time to time. The Royal William, of 1,981 tonsburden, built in 1719, cost about £30,800, being £16 per ton. The Royal George, of 2,-046 tons, built in 1756, cost £54,-700, or £26.7 per ton. In 1800 ships of the line cost £21 per ton, while in 1805 the cost had risen to £35.4 per ton. The time of building varied, in the case of ships of the line, from about five to ten years, but was often longer than otherwise would have been necessary in order to allow the frame to season well before being planked. The armaments of English and foreign ships had hardly altered more than the ships themselves during the half-century before Trafalgar.

There was so little change in naval material during the century before Trafalgar; that both the designing and fighting of ships was less experimental in character than in modern gun versus torpedo, no doubts about times. There was no question of ram, submarine or mines; no problems as to the relative value of speed as against coal endurance, or additional guns or protection; not speculations as to the best distribution of armor and the comparative risk of belt deck or thin side perforation. The sides being of oak, no progressive improvement was possible in the protective material, as was the case at present, when processes for manufacturing improved armor were being continually discovered. Since that date steam propulsion in its varied forms, shell fire, iron and steel armor, steel hulls, breech-loading and rifled guns, torpedoes, mines, high explosives, electrical appliances, submarines, had all been introduced.

These changes had been threatened but had still left intact the supremacy of the big gun in the big ship as it existed at Trafalgar. In the old days, as now, there was sometimes a strong disposition to discover defects in British ships. Our vessels, it was said, sailed slower, carried smaller and poorer guns at a less height, and were of inferior grade to those of the enemy; they were designed with finer ends, so that they pitched more heavily and even endangered their masts; they were older than the enemy's, for we had not to build so many new ships to replace injured ones. Yet, in spite of it all, they generally brought the enemy to action, and on the whole they generally beat him. One might hope that, should need unhappily arise again, this, too, might be repeated in our day.

The discussion was opened by Admiral Sir N. Bowden-Smith, who said that at this time our thoughts were necessarily carried from Trafalgar to Japan. Trafalgar had ensured us peace on the high seas for 100 years, and we might hope the same would be true with the Japanese victory at Tsu-shima. Speed, he thought, had enabled Admiral Togo at that battle to place his ships where he pleased; and, though every warship must be a compromise, he hoped that speed would not be one of the factors in their construction that would be lightly thrown over.

A GLASGOW CEMETERY.

The Necropolis cemetery, Glasgow, as originally planned, contained almost exactly twenty-four acres available for burials, and it was suggested that each division of one acre be named after a letter of the Greek alphabet, which contains twenty-four characters. For various reasons this idea has not been fully carried out, but fifteen sections of the cemetery have been named from alpha to omega, the monosyllable letters between those being omitted. The names have not been applied in any particular sequence, but with the aid of a small map they are useful in locating any particular spot in what is now one of the most densely filled graveyards in the kingdom.

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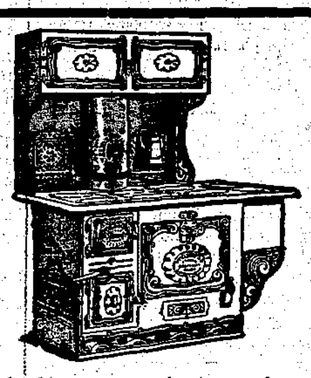

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Mrs. and Miss Coburn returned from a visit to Nanaimo this morning.

Mr. Syme, of Crofton, has been visiting relatives in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Forcimmer, who spent last night in Nanaimo, returned to Ladysmith on the morning's train.

Mr. W. Akenhead, who went to Nanaimo to attend the Masonic Ball at that place last evening, returned this morning.

Christmas comes but once a year, it is true, but if it brings with it such dark, rainy weather as we have had for the past few days it is often enough.

Mr. Martin Woodburn has returned from Mt. Sicker and is now completely recovered from the effects of his accident in the mines. He expects to be at work again in a day or two.

Miss Milligan's resignation from the Ladysmith staff of teachers is to be regretted, as she has proven capable and energetic. It is to be hoped that the board may persuade her to withdraw her resignation.

Rev. and Mrs. Schlichter and Mr. and Mrs. Rogers went up to Nanaimo on the evening train last night and this morning passed over to Vancouver on the Joan to attend the funeral of Mr. E. A. Huggard. Mr. Schlichter will officiate at the funeral.

The Daily Ledger will soon establish a delivery route at Extension as requested by several subscribers and others who desire to subscribe, but wish the paper delivered regularly every evening. As soon as the days have lengthened a little The Ledger will be issued regularly at four in the afternoon. Dark days and the lack of electric lights renders this at this time rather difficult but it will be undertaken after a short time.

The untimely death of the late principal of the Ladysmith schools, Mr. Huggard, will be deeply regretted by his large circle of friends in this city. Mr. Huggard was much respected and liked by all and his sudden and untimely death at the early age of thirty-five years is the more to be regretted, as he leaves a wife and young child to mourn his loss. Mrs. Huggard's numerous friends in Ladysmith join in extending to her their heartfelt sympathy in this, her time of grief.

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SUCCESSFUL DANCE.

No doubt on account of a counter attraction, the Masonic Social, the Excelsior Club dance in Gould's Hall last evening was not so well attended as usual, although the number present was by no means small. Those who attended the affair spent as usual, a thoroughly enjoyable time and the ladies were presented with extremely pretty souvenir cards by the members of the club.

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Press, public and managers are loud in their praise of these wonderful little people and many flattering offers are made to retain them by outside managers.

They are daily taught the regulation public school studies and are also coached in stage-craft and voice culture. Many interesting incidents occur that would make a remarkable story but space will not admit of it now. Patrons of the Ladysmith Opera House should not miss this treat. Come out, and tell your neighbor.

SOME PUBLIC NUISANCES.

The American citizen is more tolerant of public nuisances than any other civilized being. This may be on account of the fact that he believes the constitution guarantees every one the right to create a nuisance regardless of his neighbors, so long as he does not kill or rob or commit a similarly grevious crime. Whatever the cause, the fact remains. We endure the tin horn, the factory whistle, the push-cart, the builders' dirt pile, and the advertising sign, or at least we feel there is no way of stopping them. Similar sentiments have left us so long inactive, or at least, unsuccessful, in our sporadic activity, concerning the smoke nuisance.

Everybody, it is safe to say, concedes the smoky chimney to be a nuisance. But the view is a passive one. Formerly, and to some extent today, the argument was: "We can't stop our chimney from smoking." Technical advance and commercial development have made combustion a more manageable procedure, and today the old argument is replaced by "What are we going to do about it? You can't expect me to put in a lot of money in fancy devices to prevent smoke." This latter argument can be met only by fact—the fact that the law says he must prevent smoke. This work, a function of municipal governments, is, in successful progress, and will ultimately lead to a general recognition that smoke is not only not wanted, but also it need not be suffered. A relatively few, but yet a slowly growing number of American cities have entered on a fight against smoke, and a far larger number of individuals and civic organizations are now engaged in the struggle.

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