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WHITE GIFT SUNDAY

On Sunday, December 23rd, a special White Gift service will be held in the Methodist Church, Agassiz.

The members of the Congregation and Sunday School are asked to bring gifts suitable for sending to the True Blue Orphanage. It is felt this service will be a means of reminding all of the true significance of Christmas.

CHRISTMAS SERVICE

Arrangements are being made for a Christmas Day Service. The congregations of the Methodist and Presbyterian churches will join in this service in commemoration of the birth of Jesus. Further announcements will be made later in regard to this service.

HOTEL BELLA VISTA

Hotel guests for week ending the 16th Dec. Mrs. Ferguson and family, Mrs. M. Brannick, Mrs. Stanley J. Hill, Anglia, Sask.; G. G. Sutherland, Hammond; C. W. Grimshaw, J. H. Atkinson, D. Baker, Mrs. J. Mann, S. B. Fleming, S. Fulton J. Phillips, Mrs. F. W. Crossley, Vancouver; C. W. Glass, Hope; C. Kellington, Salmon Arm; P. A. Benson, Mission; Albert Kessenheimer, Wilkie, Sask.; J. Bland, Lear, B.C.; J. G. Wright, S. J. Deeth, Vancouver; H. C. Tremear, N. P. Garvrau, New Westminster; Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Theal, L. A. LaPere, Chilliwack; J. P. Hunter, Nelson; E. A. Richardson, M. P. Morris, Vancouver; W. B. Anderson, Victoria; M. P. Morris, Wm. Bray, Vancouver; J. Brown, Chilliwack; J. Rawsthorne, W. S. Davis, Vancouver Sun.

AGASSIZ PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. August Andrew, of Seabird Island, have a new baby boy.

Mr. Gordon Thompson, of Harrison Hot Springs, who was seriously wounded while out hunting, having been mistaken for a deer, is progressing favorably at the Vancouver General Hospital.

Mr. Raymond Tuynens is building a large barn, which is quite an addition to the landscape.

We are sorry to announce that Edith and Audrey Henley are seriously ill. We hope for their speedy recovery.

Whelpton and her Lizzie Skeen, have just returned from a visit to Vancouver.

Nurse Ford, sister of Mrs. Frank Inkman, is nursing Mrs. Carl Inkman. Mrs. Dr. McCaffrey is visiting in Vancouver.

Mr. and Mrs. Campbell, of the Experimental Farm boarding house, are visiting in Vancouver. Miss Dorothy Stow is in charge during their absence.

Mr. Harry Baker has rented his 30 acre farm to Mr. Chester Hunt.

Miss Gladys Inkman is visiting her home for the week end.

Miss Edith Agassiz is visiting in Vancouver.

Mrs. McDonald, Aldersyde, Alberta,

is visiting her brothers, Duncan and Jack McRae.

Geo. Pettie, our noted Indian hunter and guide, is with his son Jim on their trap line on Mt. Cheam. We wish them good luck.

Mr. A. S. Nichol's mother, who has just recovered from an operation, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Nichol, to recuperate.

Friends of Mrs. Harry Fooks are pleased to see her out again, after several days' illness.

Agassiz people will be glad to learn that Mr. Fred Whelpton is sufficiently recovered from his recent accident to be able to use his arm a little.

The Agassiz local F.V.M.P. Assn. held its annual meeting on Saturday, Dec. 17th. There was a good attendance.

The election of officers for 1924 resulted as follows: President, G. H. Smith; Vice-President, Robert Hamilton; Directors, E. E. Whittaker, F. G. Trenholme, J. A. H. Morrow, Secy., W. Henley.

The monthly meetings held during 1923 have resulted in a better understanding between the members, giving them the opportunity to solve their problems. The same program will be followed for 1924 at their meetings each third Saturday of the month. It is hoped more members will attend these meetings than in the past, which will work a benefit to the locality as a whole when well represented.

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Agassiz W. I. in Annual Session

The regular meeting of the W. I. in the Institute was held on 15th The third Thursday coming late their members, "it being late near Christmas," decided to adjourn their meeting a week earlier.

Mrs. John McPherson gave a report of Dr. Baker's examination of the school children's teeth. Dr. Baker examined 132 children and estimated the cost at \$700.

How to handle this work successfully was discussed, and it was decided to appoint a committee to take cards and visit each home, and thoroughly explain to the parents how the Institute is trying to accomplish the task of having every child's teeth attended to. We want to be able to have Dr. Baker attend to this as soon as possible. He will come when sent for.

Delegate read a very interesting report of annual conference held in Vancouver. The Sweet Pea was made the Institute emblem of the Lower Mainland.

Mrs. McFadden was re-elected chairman of the Lower Mainland.

The meeting voted \$5 to the Santa Claus fund, Vancouver, also \$5 for the relief of Russian children.

Mrs. John McPherson suggested anyone who wanted to help make Christmas for the kiddies who otherwise would have no Christmas, such as small plum puddings wrapped in Christmas style Christmas cake, toys, etc., leave them at the Garage, with your name attached, and Mrs. J. McPherson will see they reach their destination.

Arrangements were made for the New Year Dance, a committee appointed Mrs. Heath and Miss M. Agassiz asked all members present to bring refreshments.

There were 39 members present. Mrs. Greyelle and Mrs. Dennis served tea and refreshments.

During tea, Mrs. LeFevre displayed her work of knitted socks and stockings, and the samples must have been satisfactory, as she received several orders.



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CHURCH CIRCLES

On Sunday last, the service at the Methodist Church was well attended, and was one of the most interesting held in Agassiz for some time. The singing was very ably led by the Community Choir. Mrs. Beasley rendered a solo.

The pastor, Rev. G. Turpin, spoke on the subject of Immortality, and the Rev. J. Dewar assisted in the service.

Catholic Church

Midnight Mass will be held at St. Anthony's Church on Christmas eve. All are welcome.

Anglican Church

Services Sunday, Dec. 23, 10 a.m., Sunday School; 11 a.m., Matins; 7:30 p.m., Evensong.

Christmas Day, 8 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Matins and Holy Communion.

EVENING SPENT HAPPILY

A delightful evening was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Hamilton, Monday, Dec. 17. Five hundred was played. The guests were: Mrs. Gilis, Mr. and Mrs. Henshaw, Mr. and Mrs. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Busselle, Geo. Ogilvie, G. Foley, Frank Sutherland, Harry Baker, Jim Hamilton.

Mrs. Gilis won ladies first prize, Mr. Harry Baker won gentleman's first prize. Mrs. Busselle and Geo. Ogilvie won the consolation prizes. Dainty refreshments were served.



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While they were hurrying along in their zeal Neither discovered what they had done, But he just described the modern slouch, And she only the modern bum.

We stand for the modern boy of today, And the modern girl by his side, Tomorrow he will be our modern man, And she be his modern bride.

The young men who spend their money for gas, And movies and dances and rum, Are not apt to become our progressive men, But only our common bums.

The frivolous girls who are fond of sport, And choose such fellows for chums, Will not be the wives of progressive men, But the wives of the common bums.

But our jolly old poet must travel alone, For the Hammond girl can't take the hint, Except by chance he should happen to meet That lady, named Mary McGint.

Should the time come when this will be done, And they talk those former things over, He may bask in the love of that poetic dove, But they won't be the young pigs in clover.

The Port Hammond poets are all in the race, And each one is trying to win, And the Hammond Gazette will become noted yet For the poetry which is published therein.

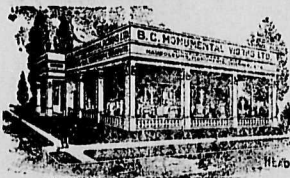
T. W. Fishspee.

(Note—This was handed in some time ago, but crowded forward.—Ed.)

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LOCAL MEMBER DESCANTS ON DYKES AND LONG SPEECHES

Our local M.L.A., Mr. J. A. Catherwood, in speaking on the budget, prefaced his remarks by saying he felt obliged to speak in the interests of the settlers of Nicomen Island, basing his remarks on a letter from one of the settlers. The island had been flooded for two years in succession, and the following year it was so uncertain that very little was raised by the farmers.

The Land Settlement Board has built a portion of the dyke and there is some hope for the islanders in the future provided the two Governments work together.

The Land Settlement Collector came up the other day and demanded that the taxes should be paid, and when they were not forthcoming he said they would have to sell the land. The settlers proposed that they might sell one half or a portion, enough to cover the amount of the taxes, but the collector said "no," they would sell the whole.

One of the Ministers interrupted, saying, "We have not sold any yet." Will the Premier give me the assurance that none will be sold till after the protection work has been completed?

No reply was given. I asked the settler if he could pay the taxes if the island was protected from flooding. He said he could pay them in one year.

I have on more than one occasion stated that if the Government would only raise a portion of the Slough Road each year, that the settlers would have that much less to look after when the waters came up. Now as the Government has made a very good start on this work, I hope that they will prevail on the Dominion Department to make another start on their part. I understand they have the plans all ready.

If the settlers could have some assurance that the work would be completed, they could govern themselves accordingly, but the uncertainty is very discouraging.

(The Minister of Public Works here assured the Member that the Dominion authorities were now ready, and were going to start immediately.)

I also notice with pleasure that Government intend to reduce by 50 per cent. the farmers' taxes, but I can assure my hon. friends opposite that nothing short of total abolition of the vicious and unjust personal property tax will satisfy me.

Mr. Speaker, I want to raise my voice against the very great length of some of the orations delivered in this House. Half an hour is quite enough time for any member to take up in speaking on any subject, that is if he has given the consideration it deserves.

Mr. Speaker, if it were possible for you to have a gramophone record of every speech which has taken over thirty minutes of the time of this House, and then put the member who delivered it in solitary confinement and make him listen to his own speech, I think these long orations would soon be a thing of the past and the business of the country would not be prolonged as it is at present.

The Premier himself is one of the worst offenders in this respect. The other day he spoke for over two hours on the budget, and I would venture to say that everything he said in relation to this subject could have been said in ten minutes.

(Note—This has been held over for a week for want of space. Ed.)



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The regular meetings of Hammond L.O.B.A. No. 165 are held in the Fosssett Hall, the second Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. W.M., Mrs. M. Macey, Phone 25R. Rec.-Sec'y, Mrs. E. K. Tolmie.

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The regular meetings of Hammond L.O.L. No. 1866, are held in the Fosssett hall at 8 o'clock p.m. on Second Saturday and 4th Friday, each month. Visitors cordially invited. J. H. Ritchie, W.M. Wesley O. Brooks, R.S.

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COMMUNITY CHURCH SAY GOOD-BYE TO REV. W. J. MARK

A very pleasant social evening accompanied by a musical programme was held in the Municipal Hall on Thursday evening. The event took the form of a farewell to Rev. Mr. Mark, who is leaving the district to take up duties at St. Stephens (Westminster). There was a large attendance. The local orchestra were present and rendered several numbers very pleasingly. Mrs. H. Tully sang "Will ye no come back again" and was loudly encored. Games of a varied nature were indulged in, after which Mr. D. Donaldson, who occupied the chair, in the course of an address, said:

I need hardly remind you of the occasion under which we have assembled ourselves together this evening. It is a well-known fact and a regrettable one, that we are to lose our good friend, Mr. Mark, who has served this community faithfully and earnestly during the past year. It is very gratifying however to know that he is to enter upon a wider and more extensive field of labor in Westminster, where he succeeds the Rev. P. Henderson, who through illness resigned that charge, one of British Columbia's gifted men. We have no doubt whatever but that our friend Mr. Mark will nobly uphold the traditions and pulpit administrations of his predecessor.

We have met out of respect and to pay tangible tribute to Mr. Mark before he leaves his present charge, and we do well. Standing as we do almost on the threshold of another New Year, little do we know what that year holds in store. We are permitted by wise counsel to know nothing of the future and very little of the present. The only definite knowledge we have of this fleeting life is that it's full of change, in the home, in the family circle, in the religious and social circle, and this down to the last syllable of recorded time. We cannot stem the hand of Him who doeth all things well. There are many vacancies in our homes, many vacant chairs. The year has been full of change, but despite all this and more there is always a silver lining painted on the dark bosom of every human cloud that overshadows our life. Mr. Mark has endeared himself to every family irrespective of denomination in this district, and in going from us we express the hope that success may attend every effort put forth in the great work. We wish him strength and prosperity in his new sphere, and trust the day is not far distant when we shall again see him in our midst.

In asking you to accept this small gift as a slight token of the esteem in which you are held throughout this district, I do not want you to look at its intrinsic value. Your work and worth are very inadequately expressed herein, but keep before you the prompted thought and the warm friendship thus embodied. I trust your influence in the days that are yet to be shall be like a shaft of light across the land and prosperity be yours wherever your lot in life be cast.

Mr. Mark suitably replied and thanked the kind friends for their great thought.

C.G.I.T. presented Mr. Mark with a beautiful silk handkerchief, and Mrs. Mark with a magnificent apron. The latter suitably replied.

Rev. Mr. Clark, Maple Ridge; Mrs. Harris; Messrs. R. Mitchell (sen.), Freeman, W. H. Robinson and J. R. McKenzie, Coquitlam, spoke in high terms of Mr. Mark's work throughout the district. A very excellent tea was served, after which the singing of "Auld Lang Syne" brought a pleasant evening to a close.

THE GREAT

Hammond Theatre patrons will have a chance to see the finest and strongest dramatic original screen story ever written. Hector Turnbull was the author of the story "The Cheat" and Pola Negri is the star, with Jack Holt and Charles de Roche as supporting stars. So tremendously popular was "The Cheat" that a stage play and an opera have been written from its gripping plot. A few of the big scenes presented are: The Stupendous Charity Bazaar, an eye-filling breath-stopping spectacle; The Parisian Fashion Shop, with beautiful man-iquins in a dazzling style show; and the never-forgettable sensational "Branding Scene," the screen's greatest thrill; The Dramatic Court Room Scene, with its smashing, unforgettable climax. This is not a vamp picture or a tragedy, but one of the big pictures of the year, the biggest surprise of all. So far superior to any other Pola Negri picture, it baffles comparison; so different a role for the beautiful Pola Negri. It's Screenland's biggest surprise, so magnificently produced you'll be enraptured, so don't cheat yourself by not seeing it. "The Cheat" will be branded in your memory in a never-to-be-forgotten way, and you'll remember, "he has" by ending for a long time.

Ruth Roland in the "Timber Green" Aesop Fable Cartoon, and a Comedy complete one of the best programmes ever shown in Hammond. Don't fail to see this magnificent production.

Electric Traffic Cop at Railway Intersections



Above.—Interior of the Canadian Pacific Westmount interlocking tower, showing the control levers and the illuminated plan, the light bulbs appearing as black spots.

Right.—Exterior of tower with view of tracks showing some of the signals switch plant.

From statistics which cover all railroads and cities on the North American Continent it has been adduced that pedestrians on city streets are much more liable to meet with an accident than are the travellers by train, yet few of those who rely upon the railroads to carry them with safety and despatch from one place to another appreciate the enormous amount of energy and money which is expended annually on the installation and maintenance of the myriad safety appliances and devices which insure the safe and quick handling of rail traffic. Because, with few exceptions, every industry contributes to the upkeep and operation of the railroads, science of late years has contributed more to railroad engineering than to anything other than medicine. As new appliances are evolved, so they are tested for their practicability, and being found serviceable are placed into use. That Canadian railroads are not behind those of other countries in the adoption of improved appliances is evidenced by the fact that the Canadian Pacific Railway has recently installed electrical interlocking plants at all points where its rail crossings were unprotected along the line from Montreal to St. John, N.B., and at various points elsewhere. These electrically operated plants at points where the lines of two companies cross, eliminate all danger of trains crashing into one another at crossings, and considerably facilitate train movements.

Electrically operated interlocking plants have been operated by this Company for many years, and although not actually revenue bearing they have afforded an additional degree of safety, which can hardly be reckoned in dollars and cents. As an instance of what these plants are and do:—trains approaching Montreal from all over the continent, with a few exceptions, converge at Montreal West, and run over the same tracks from there to Windsor Street Station, a distance of 4.6 miles. Taking into consideration the empty ones and those given over to freight, it is obvious that hundreds of trains use these tracks daily, and it is to safely govern these trains that three electrical interlocking plants have been installed, at Montreal West, Westmount, and the entrance to Windsor Station.

The one at Westmount was last installed, replacing the hand lever system which controlled trains entering

or leaving the Glen Yards and using the main lines. The signal tower, which houses most expensive apparatus, is entirely fire proof, and has two stories and a basement. The top floor contains the interlocking machine or levers by which the signals and switches are controlled, an illuminated plan of the tracks under control and telephones giving direct communication with the towers at Montreal West and Windsor Station and the train dispatcher and yardmaster at the Glen Yard.

On the ground floor is the power apparatus, the switch boards, relays and other necessary apparatus, and the basement, specially ventilated, contains 55 cells of storage battery with a capacity of 160 ampere hours, or sufficient to operate the plant for one week without recharging.

The track plan, directly over the levers, is electrically lighted, and by watching small light bulbs, the operator is able to mark the approach and progress of all trains. A bell rings when an approaching train is within one mile of the plant, and continues to ring until the signalman clears the signals and sets the switches over the route.

The levers operating the switches and signals are so interlocked that a signal cannot be given for a train to pass through the plant until a route for it has been set up, and it is impossible for a conflicting move to be made which would endanger it or any other train. When the operator has cleared a signal the switches are so locked that they cannot be changed until the train has passed over them. Should a train be required to travel over a route other than the one originally set up for it, the signalman cannot make the change without operating what is known as the "Time Release", a clockwork mechanism which opens and closes electric circuits, unlocking the levers after a time limit of from one to three minutes. The speed with which trains may travel over some routes is limited, and the object of the time release is to prevent the operator from changing the route so that a fast train would proceed over a slow track.

This safety apparatus, unheeded by the travelling public generally, cost a great deal to instal, and the Canadian Pacific receives no return for this except that which accrues through the additional safety and despatch of its trains.

MANUAL TRAINING REPORT

There was keen rivalry among the boys who attend Manual Training during the past week for the Theory Test. It is something new for them in this Municipality. It embraces knowledge of tools and their uses; treeology and general information. Boys from all the Public Schools in the Municipality (with the exception of Whonnock and Webster's Corner; pupils from these schools being unable to take the test because of sickness) taking the test. The results were gratifying to the Manual Instructor, Mr. G. Fred Turner. Some of the results are published below:

Those obtaining the highest marks for All Grades: 1 Rolley Ferguson, Haney, 31, 2 Fred Macey, Maple Ridge 30, 3 Yoshira Hidaka, Alex. Robinson, 29.

Position by Grades:

Grades 4 and 5: 1 (Russell Robinson and Merwin Hampton, both of Haney, tied with 21 marks, 2 Paul Kimola; Albion, 19, 3 Suteo Shinohara, Haney, 18.

Grade 6: 1 Rolley Ferguson, Haney, 30, 2 Victor Anderson, Haney,

27, 3 Herbert Stoney, Hammond, 25. Grade 7: 1 Fred Macey, Maple Ridge, 30, 2 Yoshira Hidaka, Alex. Robinson, 29, 3 Kenneth Brock, Maple Ridge, and Percy McPherson, Yennadon, tied with 25.

Grade 8: 1 Geo. Fairweather, Maple Ridge, 28, 2 Sidney Blow, Haney, 25, 3, the following tied with 24 marks each: Lawrence Morrison, Hammond; Walter Hastings, Maple Ridge; William Harris, Haney, James Clark, Haney.

It should be mentioned that Roy McDonald, a first year high school student at Ruskin school, also took the test and made 29 marks, which equals the boy ranking third.

(Courtesy of G. Fred Turner, Manual Instructor, Maple Ridge.)

NOTICE TO SECRETARIES

Reading Notices for Entertainments etc., when an admission charge is made or collection taken, are classed as advertisements and charged 10c. per line.

YENNADON ENJOYS CONCERT

A successful concert was held in the Yennadon Church on Thursday evening, Dec. 13th, in aid of the Mission Band and Sunday School. The Rev. C. H. Daly occupied the chair. The Church was filled to its utmost capacity. Choruses were sung by the children of the Mission Band. Several of the Band also rendered solos. The singing of Miss Edith Pring, Master Herbert Pring and Master Percy McPherson being greatly appreciated. Solos were rendered by Mrs. McDonald, Mrs. G. Morse, D. Matheson and J. Rogers. Mrs. McDonald and Mr. Matheson also singing two duets. Hal Menzies again demonstrated his ability as an elocutionist, in fact the whole of the artists were in splendid form. Mr. Mail of Hammond presided at the organ and contributed greatly to the success of the concert.

M. R. Blake moved a vote of thanks to all those who had taken part in the concert, which was heartily responded to. The singing of "God save the King" brought a pleasant evening to a close.

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BUSINESS INTERESTS

We are almost at a loss for language to describe the Christmas display in the Agassiz stores this year. We must say that they are the most artistic and business-like we have had the pleasure of seeing in Agassiz.

In our last issue we made mention of Mr. Nichol's hardware store, but when we gaze upon all the others we feel like the Judge at the dog show, who, coming across some very fine specimens and being lost in rapture, exclaimed "How happy could I be with either were tother dear charmer away."

SECRETARY OF SCHOOL BOARD REPORTS

To the Ratepayers of the Kent School District.

Ladies and gentlemen: I herewith submit for your consideration, the accounts of your Board for the year 1923. It is a little early, and I have had to estimate for the December accounts, but I do not think it will be very far astray, unless something unforeseen happens. I do not know exactly when the auditor may call for these books. You will see that the cost per pupil at Central School is \$55.56, while at the Harrison Mills ungraded it runs much higher, \$69.44, notwithstanding the busses and the assistance given to Mr. Chaplin and Mr. Saunders. If we deducted the amount allowed by the Government towards these busses and Chaplin, we would have the cost cut down to \$47.12 each. High School runs high. However, with the sums at the credit of the School Board for 1924, the rate for school purposes should be reduced by nearly one half next year.

Yours faithfully,

Wm. Green, Sec. to Board.

High School, 2 divisions.
Teachers' salaries 2980 00
School supplies and other services 510 23
Total 3490 23

Public School, 4 divisions
Teachers' salaries 4116 00
Buss Drivers to Dec. 31 2071 50
Conveying S. P. Chaplin to Dec. 3rd 122 10
Janitor, T. Singleton 660 00
School supplies and other services to Nov. 30 1215 70
Estimated Dec. Accounts 25 00
8210 30

School supplies and other services charged to High School 510 23
School supplies, etc., 1922, and paid out of 1923 revenue 478 95

Leaving a balance chargeable Central Public School 7223 12

Harrison Mills School.
Teachers' salary to Dec. 31.. 960 00
Janitor 80 00
School supplies, stove and fender, insurance, flagpole, etc 141 49
1181 49

Estimates of School Board for 1923 10425 00

By Government aid to salaries 4060 00
By tuition fees and rents .. 40 00
Aid by Government towards cost of Buss Drivers 1085 75
Aid by Government towards cost of conveying Mr. Chaplin's children to Central 61 05

Total revenue 15621 80

Leaving a balance to credit of Board 3726 96

Cost per pupil in the different schools
High School, each 120 35
Agassiz Central Public School 4 divisions, each 55 66
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A CHRISTMAS SENTIMENT

By Mrs. Chas. Lovell.

Christmas Day! the season of gladness and good wishes, will soon be with us again. Here's health to you and yours. May joy and love reign in your homes, and may each of us grow more in love for our fellowman and all, truly, have the Christmas spirit on Dec. 25th and also on 365 days of the year 1924.

Christmas stands for goodwill, and it opens up our nature to the sunshine and makes life worth living. Christmas also stands for giving part of beauty and sacredness of the day—and the chief fact is that it is common to everyone, from the humblest to the highest-born.

It is not the most costly gift that brings the most pleasure, but the remembrance. Even a small Christmas card or a note of greeting often brings untold pleasure.

Giving is a privilege, and let us remember too, that to whomsoever the gift is made, its sweetness depends on the spirit that prompted it, and that small things may be done as graciously as big things, for love is what makes the giving of any value at all. It lights up the lives of others and brings thoughts of joy and friendship and generous gladness.

I wish you joy this Christmas;

I wish you this and more;

I wish you peace and happiness,

And gifts a wonderful store.

I wish you many happy days

Without a cloud o' tears,

And golden gleams and sunny days

That last from year to year.

Mrs. Chas. Lovell,

Educational Secretary I.O.D.E.

XMAS CONCERT AND TREE

The annual Christmas Tree and Concert of the Methodist Sunday School will be held on Monday, Dec. 24th, at 8 p.m. All are invited to attend.

AGASSIZ PERSONALS

Mrs. Frank Sweetman returned Thursday evening from a visit to her sister Mrs. Charles J. Loewen, of Vancouver. She was accompanied by her brother, Mr. W. A. Warren, of Falkland, B.C.

The Rev. J. S. Turkington and wife motored home from Vancouver Wednesday, where they have been visiting her mother, Mrs. Charles J. Loewen.

Friends of Mrs. J. Appel will be sorry to learn that she has been confined to her bed for ten days. The Doctor says 'she needs a complete rest'

A very fine barn is near completion at the B.C. Hop Co. Yard to replace the one which was destroyed by fire some time ago. It measures 40 by 100 feet. Mr. Albert Greyell, the manager, has just purchased some very fine horses to take the place of those which were destroyed by the late fire. The stock has now reached twenty head, but they usually carry twenty-six head.

Dr. E. A. Bruce returned on Tuesday from a successful professional trip to Victoria.

The Editor and Staff of the Agassiz Record wish to every Patron the Heartiest Season's Greeting.

Owing to late arrival several articles for this issue were forced forward.

HOTEL AGASSIZ

Guests registered at this hotel the past week:

C. Engsey, Revelstoke; D. Melhon, Vancouver; Harry Sewell, Hope; B. Bell, Vancouver; Geo. Randall, J. W. Earnley, Harrison Hot Springs; L. Kidson, J. Harper, D. Camtron, Harry Day, Vancouver; J. Davidson, Harrison Hot Springs; A. Dunn, Penticton; C. B. Cookson, W. Higgins, Vancouver; Alvin Webb, Bassano, Alta.; C. Mack, Pemberton.

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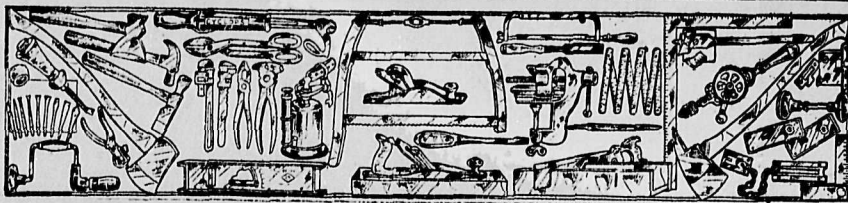
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POPKUM

(From our own correspondent)

Messrs. Ernest and Fred Thompson have returned from the prairie to their home here. The former has been absent several years and the latter a few months.

Mr. J. H. Macken went to Vancouver on Thursday, having accepted a position on the office staff of the Rainbow Shingle Co. with mill at Coquitlam.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Bessette have returned to Popkum from Sardis. Mr. Bessette has accepted a position with Messrs. McNair & Graham in their logging operations at Popkum Lake.

The School Concert and Sunday School Tree are scheduled for the evening of Dec. 20th

Addressing a recent meeting of the Vancouver Board of Trade, President E. W. Beatty, of the Canadian Pacific Railway, announced that the company proposed immediately to add two large modern steamers to its coast fleet in order to take care of increasing tourist traffic over the company's coastal lines. He also announced the early completion of a new pier at this harbor at a cost of several millions, which has been made necessary by the steady development of Canada's trans-Pacific trade.

AGASSIZ CHURCH NOTICES

10 a.m., Sunday School.

11 a.m., Matins.

7:30 p.m. Evensong.

J. S. Turkington, Vicar

Methodist Church.

Morning Service at 10 a.m.

Sunday School at 11 a.m.

Rev. Geo. Turpin, Pastor.

Presbyterian Church.

Sunday School at 10 a.m.

Morning Service at 11 a.m.

Rev. J. Dewar, Pastor.

Catholic Church

10:30 a. m., Mass every 4th Sunday

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