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WANT BETTER MAIL SERVICE

Board of Trade Takes up Question of Daily Delivery With Postoffice Inspector and Contractor.

The efforts of the Alberni Board of Trade to secure an improvement of the present unsatisfactory mail service promise to result in a daily delivery in the near future.

E. H. Fletcher, postoffice inspector, was in town on Thursday and attended a meeting of the board held in the Royal Bank. He had previously been interviewed in Victoria by Capt. Huff, delegate of the board, and was prepared to admit that a change of some kind should be made.

It was explained to the inspector that when Capt. Huff was delegated to interview him in Victoria the board was acting with the proposition of Jos. McCaster, the mail contractor, to give a daily service, before it. Mr. McCarter had proposed to have a stage leave each end of the route daily at 7 a. m. and arrive between 5 and 6 p. m. for a trifling increase in his subsidy. This arrangement would be more satisfactory for his passenger business, and he thought he could make it pay just as well as the tri-weekly service. Since that time, however, he had changed his mind, having reachnd the conclusion that there would be no boom in the passenger carrying business this summer.

A later proposition from Mr. McCarter was submitted at the meeting. It had also been submitted by the contractor to the inspector, and was as follows: That the present tri-weekly schedule be altered so as to have the mails leave each end at 7 a. m. and arrive at 6 p. m., with a supplementary service every Tuesday leaving Nanaimo after the arrival of the noon train from Victoria, and arriving in Alberni at 10 p. m. The idea of the extra delivery on Tuesdays was to get the semi-weekly newspapers through from Victoria as early as at present.

Some members of the board favored the latest proposition, but the majority thought that it would make matters worse instead of better. Mail from Victoria on Thursdays and Saturdays would be 19 or 20 hours longer on the way than at present, while the time from Vancouver and the east would be reduced only four hours. The convenience of receiving mail between 6 and 7 p. m. instead of between 10 and 11 p. m. was not considered sufficient to offset this delay.

The feeling of the meeting being taken by vote it was shown to be unanimously for a daily service such as was at first proposed by Mr. McCarter.

A committee composed of Jas. R. Motion and Wright Porritt was appointed to interview Mr. McCarter, in company with the postoffice inspector inspector, and obtain from him a proposition for a daily delivery, it being understood that the Board of Trade wou'd make representations to Ottawa in support of any reasonable request for an increase of subsidy.

Victoria Will Assist.

Capt. George A. Huff, president of the Alberni Board of Trade, reported at a meeting of the council, held in the Royal Bank last Saturday night, on his work in Victoria.

In the first place the president said he had found the officers and members of the Victoria Board of Trade ready and willing to render the Alberni association whatever assistance they could. The question of freight rates and wharfage charges was gone into, and the Alberni delegate was asked to recommend that the committee having the work in hand collect a variety of freight bills, and forward them to the Victoria board with a full explanation of grievances. Complaints would then be regularly dealt with. The shippers of Victoria felt that any grievance of Alberni merchants was their's also, and they would certainly take prompt action in regard to it.

Capt. Huff also reported an interview with the postoffice inspector, and good prospects of an early improvement in the mail service.

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Ladies' Bazketball Club Hands In $51.00---Check From Wm. Sloan, M. P.

The sum of $51 has been handed to the Board of Trade hospital committee by the treasurer of the Ladies Basketball club. the amount being the proceeds of the entertainment, the "Old Maid's Convention," given in Brand's hall on Friday night of last week.

This is a substantial contribution to the amount required for the building of a hospital suited to the needs of Alberni, and the young ladies who gave their time, and went to some personal expense to make the show an entertaining as well as a financial success are entitled to, at least, the generous thanks of the community. Special recognition is due Miss Miles, president of the club, who originated the entertainment, and by whose persistent efforts in keeping up rehearsals it was brought to a successful issue.

The following telegram was received on Wednesday:

Ottawa, Ont., May 21, 1908.
R. J. Burde,
Alberni, B. C.
Mailing check for fifty dollars for hospital.
William Sloan.

There was an Empire day programme in the public school yesterday. A number of parents of the pupils were present and listened to patriotic choruses and recitations. The boys and girls who took part in the entertainment showed the results of careful teaching and acquitted themselves in a style creditable to themselves and their teacher, J. Howitt. Patriotic addresses were delivered by William Roff and R. J. Burde. At the close of the exercises Mr. Roff presented the pupils with packages of candies.

LAND ACT.
ALBERNI LAND DISTRICT.
District of Clayoquot.

Take notice that Edward Albert Stevens, agent for Percy D. Hillis, of Victoria B. C., occupation real estate agent, intends to apply for permission to lease the following described land:—

Commencing at a post planted on the north shore of Race Narrows, about 40 chains east of Bedwell Sound and 20 chains west of an Indian village; thence north 40 chains, west 40 chains, south 40 chains, thence along shore east to point of commencement, containing 160 acres more or less.

EDWARD ALBERT STEVENS.
Date, May 12, 1908. may23

LAND ACT.
ALBERNI LAND DISTRICT.
District of Rupert.

Take notice that A. B. Ross of Seattle, Wash., occupation lumberman, intends to apply for permission to lease the following described land:—

Commencing at a post marked A. B. R. S. W. corner at a point about one and a quarter miles south west from Village Point in Kyuquot Sound, thence north and north easterly along the shore to a point distant one half mile from initial post, and thence to point of commencement.

Albert Burwell Ross,
J. O. Donahoo, agent.
Date, May 13, 1908. may23

LAND ACT.
ALBERNI LAND DISTRICT.
District of Rupert.

Take notice that A. B. Ross of Seattle, Wash., occupation lumberman, intends to apply for permission to lease the following described land:—

Commencing at a post marked A. B. R. S. E. corner at a point about three quarters of a mile south easterly from the mouth of Ka-oo-winch Creek on Kokshittle Arm at Kyuquot Sound, thence north and north westerly along the shore to a point one quarter of a mile west from said creek mouth and thence to point of commencement.

Albert Burwell Ross,
J. O. Donahoo, agent.
Date, May 13, 1908. may23

IMPROVEMENT WORK ON THE MAIN ROADS

Gangs of Men, With Teams, Are Now Engaged, and Scrapers and Plows are to be Sent in.

A good roads movement for Alberni district has been inaugurated in a practical manner by H. C. Rayson, government agent, and within the next few weeks the dirt will be moving in many directions.

One gang of men, with teams, is at work on the road between Sproat and Great Central lakes, and another is making necessary repairs to the highway between here and Nanaimo. Some improvement work is also being done on the Sproat Lake road in the vicinity of the Mission bridge.

In response to the urgent request of Mr. Rayson the Lands and Works department has ordered that a number of plows aud scrapers be dispatched to Alberni for road work that is on the programme for this summer.

Work is proceeding on the new wagon road from Goldstream to Mill Bay, for which a partial appropriation of $20,000 was made at the last session of the legislature. Dennis Harris, P. L. S., made a preliminary survey of the proposed road last autumn, which was followed by a report. Mr. Harris is now out on the work with a party of surveyors, making the final location and calculations necessary for detailed estimates. The amount appropriated will not be enough to anything like finish the road, the cost of which has been estimated all the way from $75,000 to $100,000, but it will make quite a showing, and may suffice for clearing the right of way.

The Mill Bay road, when completed, will do away with the necessity of making the big climb over the summit at Sooke, and will provide a good road all the way to Alberni.

Fire at Kyuquot.

Some damage was done to the oil-bleaching factory and slip by which the whales taken by the steamer St. Lawrence are hauled out at the Narrow Cut creek whaling station of the Pacific Whaling company at Kyuquot sound on Monday. The cause of the fire is not known. There is a large number of of Indians at the Kyuquot station and a bucket brigade was formed by them, the fire being prevented from reaching other portions of the plant.

Material to rebuild the damaged slip and building was shipped by the steamer Tees which went up the coast last night.

Light at Pachena.

On Wednesday the new light at Pachena Point was placed in operation for the first time.

The light was constructed by Chance Brothers, Birmingham, England. It has a candle-power exceeding 400,000 and its lenses are supported in 900 pounds of mercury to avoid friction Mr. Gordon Halket, who has charge of the lights and beacons in these waters, superintended the erection of the light.

Water to Be Reserved.

R. F. Blandy, secretary of the Citizens' Municipal committee, has received a communication containing an assurance that the reserve of water on Stamp river for municipal supply, applied for by the committee some time ago, will be granted.

Football on Monday.

A football match between teams representing the white men of the two Albernis and the Indians has been arranged for Monday afternoon to be played on Clarke's field, commencing at 2 o'clock.

Capt. Huff returned yesterday with his steamer, the Tasmanian, from Nootka where he had taken a party of timber cruisers.

Thomas Paterson, light keeper at Cape Beale, is a visitor in town,

Chief Cox left on the steamer Tees last night for Cape Scott and way ports on a poll tax collecting tour. He will return by way of the East coast.

J. Calhoun, of Vancouver, arrived on the Tees last night, and is a guest at Arlington.

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Alberni, B. C., May 23, 1908.

SECESSION SENTIMENT.

Saturday Sunset thinks there is a good deal of "secession" sentiment in Victoria, "unless it is incorrectly informed." You are not correctly informed, Mr. Sunset. We do not believe there is a man in Victoria who is in favor of the secession of British Columbia from the Dominion.

The above paragraph is taken from among the four columns of featherweight opinion that appear daily on page four of the Victoria Colonist, and is reproduced here as a fair sample of the silly egotism and ostrich sense that is accepted by a lot of people in the Capital City as brain produce. The Saturday Sunset is not correctly informed because "WE," who is in reality nothing more than "i," does not believe it!

The fact of the matter is that "We" does not know enough about the variety of sentiment in Victoria to have ground for reliable belief, and if he did he would, most likely, try to disprove some of it by the method of appearing unable to see it.

There may not be a very large amount of secession sentiment in Victoria, but a man with his eyes and ears open does not have to go far beyond the Colonist works to find some of it. In this regard the Capital City is not much different from some other cities in this province. While this is not a desirable contemplation, refusal of recognition will not destroy the fact. There be many who, because they have found cause to love Ottawa less, love British Columbia more. Let us not blind ourselves to the effect nor to the cause.

The editorial mind of the Saturday Sunset is refreshingly frank and clearly capable wherefor, in contrast with the Colonist and other misdirected publications, it should appeal to that large body of people who desire the honest opinions of sagacious investigators, sound thinkers, and fearless expounders.

OPPOSITION AT OTTAWA.

Liberal newspapers are frantically objecting to the tactics of the Opposition at Ottawa in delaying the passage of the supply bill until they can exact a promise from Sir Wilfrid Laurier that the Aylesworth measure for special treatment of Manitoba and British Columbia voters' lists will be withdrawn. The right of the majority to govern, they say, should not be defied in such a manner. Even admitting that the Liberals in the Federal house represent the majority of opinion in Canada today, which is questionable, there is another phase of the question, and that is their right to misgovern. When a small opposition undertakes to frustrate the plans of a strong government to work injustice to any section of this broad Dominion it is not then representing the minority.

A white girl, of Vancouver, named Edith LeMoung, was married in New Westminster on Thursday of last week to a Chinaman, the ceremony being performed by an Anglican clergyman. Last Sunday the bride of the Asiatic was in a lodging house in Vancouver when she was called upon by a white man, named Tom Morey, who had previously been her admirer. Morey was enraged over the wedding, and satisfied his temper by making five bullet holes in the woman's body, causing her death. Of the four persons concerned in this shocking tragedy Morey was probably the worst menace to society, but there is room for a difference of opinion on the question of whether the minister who joined together two people whom God, by His natural laws, had decreed should be kept asunder, has the most admirable character of the other three.

AN OPEN-MINDED BEGGAR.

Reader, tell me, if you know,
  What, on earth, is Socialism?
Is it—men have told me so—
  Some preposterous abysm,
Into which we all may drop—
With the criminals on top?

Is the vehement Express
  Justified in all it mentions?
And are Wells and G. B. S.
  Worse than Sikes in their intentions?
Do those Fabian beasts of prey
Wish to take my wife away?

Or—observe that I am quite
  Open-minded, gentle reader—
Are they sometimes nearly right
  In the shocking Labor Leader?
Will the coming commune be
Paradise for you and me?

Do you think it can be true
  That the death of competition
Guarantees for me and you
  Sinless Edens—new edition?
Or was Stuart Mill correct—
Will there be some grave defect?

Shall we all be servile wrecks
  With the brand of Marx imprinted
On our miserable necks,
  As the Referee has hinted?
Or—see Justice—shall we share
Perfect freedom with the air?

Will that entity, the State
  Of Collectivist Utopia,
Actually operate
  Something like a cornucopia?
Or will Hardie's fatted friends
Leave me only odds and ends?

In this monster maze of doubt
  I am groping like a blind man.
Shall I boldly blossom out
  As a follower of Hyndman?
Or continue to exist
As an Individualist?

So, dear reader, will you, please,
  Tell a poor, distracted Briton
Whom, in troubled times like these,
  He should put his little bit on?
And, philosopher and guide,
Do pick out the winning side!

—Punch.

BE KIND.

A little charity in judging others will go a long way in bringing about ideal conditions in business.—John D. Archbold.

Speak gently to the octopus,
  And beat him when he sneezes:
He only does it to annoy,
  And 'cause he knows it teases.

—Lewis Carroll.

Be mercifully tender to
  The Standard Oil rebater,
And do not judge him as you would
  A common violator.

Be clement with that erring son,
  The wealthy malefactor,
And do not breathe aspersions on
  His business character.

Likewise be not to hard upon
  The crooked bank official
Nor view his lapses in a light
  Unduly prejudicial.

Be lenient with the buccaneers
  Who boost the price of living,
And to the Beef Trust try to be
  Forbearing and forgiving.

Speak kindly of all other Trusts
  That stifle competition,
And do not, as so many do,
  Regard them with suspicion.

In short be gentle and be kind
  Alike to skinned and skinners;
For charity doth ever cloak
  A multitude of sinners.

—[B. L. T. in Puck

"Westward Ho!"

Bonnycastle Dale, whose illustrated nature studies in "Westward Ho!" have attracted considerable atttention, has in the May issue a timely article on the American Navy, being the result of his recent visit to the Bremerton Navy Yard where he secured several fine pictures of the battleships for the Magazine. In fiction the contents for the month include "The Widow of Baalbek," by A. N. St. John-Mildmay; "Joe and Aileen," by Arthur Davies; "The Second Claim," by Billee Glynn; "The Trials of Three," by G. A. Russell; "The Brain-Storm," by L. McLeod Gould; "A Hero of the Plains," by Charles Doran, and the concluding chapters of Clive Phillips Wolley's powerful serial, "Shakmut." The editor this month has taken Winston Churchill for his sketch in his interesting department, "Men I Have Met." Howland Hoadly tells the story of Vancouver's new playground—the North Arm, while Rinaldo M. Hall deals in an interesting manner with Portland's Rose Carnival, both articles being well illustrated. The publishers announce that the June issue will be a "Homeseekers' Number,"

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THE attention of the Lands and Works Department having been directed to the fact that town lots in a townsite named Prince Rupert, being a sub-division of Lot 642, Range 5, Coast district, situated on the mainland between the mouth of the Skeena River and Kaien Island, are being offered for sale, it has been deemed necessary to warn the public that the said townsite is not situated at the terminus of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway, and is not the townsite which is owned jointly by the Government of British Columbia and the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company.

F. J. FULTON,
Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.
Lands and Works Department,
Victoria, B. C., May 1st. 1908.

LAND ACT.
ALBERNI LAND DISTRICT,
District of Clayoquot.

Take notice that Theodore Lubbe, of Victoria, B. C., intends to apply for permission to lease the following described foreshore and tidal lands:

Commencing at a post planted on or near the north west corner of Lot 77, situate on Nahmint Bay, Alberni Canal, thence 60 chains east more or less to low water mark, thence 50 south more or less to the north boundary of Lot 77, thence following the same westerly to point of commencement containing about 150 acres.

The lease applied for is for mill site and booming ground.

THEODORE LUBBE,
William Burdette Garrard, agent.
Date, May 4, 1908. may9

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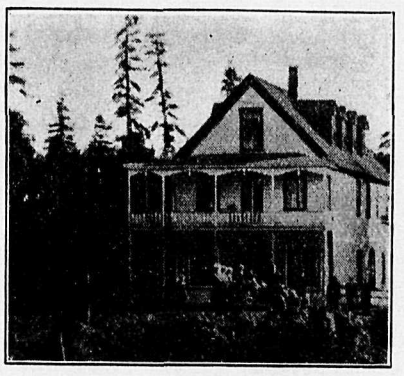

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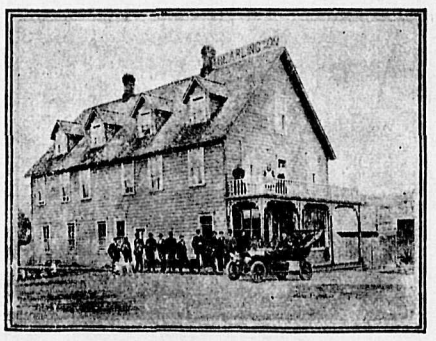

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REMEDY FOR POLITICAL GRAFT

(Vancouver Saturday Sunset.)

Down in Ontario we have the spectacle of a good Government gone wrong at the end of its second term, proving once more the fallacy of keeping any goverement in office over long. The Whitney Government in its dying hours rushed through a bond guarantee for Mackenzie & Mann in a very questionable manner. By so doing it placed Mackenzie in position to secure control of the power transmission lines from Niagara Falls and thus placed an obstacle to Hon. Adam Back's public power scheme, and played into the hands of a corporation with which it was supposed to be at dagger points. At this distance it looks as though Mackenzie & Mann whispered into Whitney's ear the old siren song of an election fund and--he yeilded. Why a government with a record of sound and able administration such as Whitney had to stand on should yield to such a temptation is one of the mysteries of politics. Yet our Canadian history shows many parallels to it. The Conservative Government prior to '96 became rotten to the core. The Ross Government of Ontario became cumbered with barnacles, grafters, ballot box thieves, thimble riggers and every kind of election crookedness. The Liberal Government prior to 1908 has degenerated to about the same plane.

The lesson is all very plain and it is that if we would have tolerably clean and able administration we must make frequent changes. The best government ever got together will succumb to graft if given too long a lease of power.

Dominion Revenue.

A financial statement, covering receipts and expenditures for the past fiscal year, ending March 31, shows the total revenue for the year, as entered so far, to be $95,907,000, but when all returns are in it will probably total a little over the $96,000,000 mark.

Mr. Fielding, in his budget speech on March 17, estimated the total revenue at $96,500,000. The total expenditure to date has been $69,069,058 on consolidated funds and $31,531,822 on the capital account.

A young woman in Philadelphia but recently married was enjoying the delightful novelty of marketing one morning shortly after the termination of the honeymoon.

"I wish to get some butter, please," said she to the dealer.

"Roll butter, mum?" asked the man.

"No," promptly replied his customer; "we wish to eat it on toast. My husband doesn't care for rolls."—Harper's Weekly.

Assistant (to country editor)—How's this obituary?

Editor—Why, it's my own.

"Yes. That Haskins chap—the dead shot—was in here yesterday looking for you with a gun, and I thought if anything should happen you might like to correct the proofs beforehand."—Life.

"Johnny, where's your sister?"

"Up in her room."

"I quarrelled with her yesterday and I am sorry; won't you go and ask her if she'll make up?"

"She's makin' up now."—Houston Post.

She—What is the proper formula for a wedding announcement?

He—I know what it ought to be.

She—What?

He—Be it known by these presents—Baltimore American.

"I think I know," said little May,
"Just why they call them 'boys,'
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—Philadelphia Press.

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NOTICE.

The undersigned will be gratified for any information as to the whereabouts or the fate of her brother, Malcolm Shaw, who was last seen alive on the 21st day of April, 1905, and is supposed to have met his death by drowning by the capsizing of his boat in Alberni canal, near Uchucklesit harbor, on that date. He was then about 63 years of age; about 5 feet, 11 inches in height; blue eyes; gray beard; and was dressed in a dark suit of clothes.

Information showing that the said Malcolm Shaw was alive after the said date, or that he, on or about the said date, left the vicinity of Alberni canal alive, is particularly desired.

Address: MRS. A. ERICKSON,
Postmistress, Alberni, B.C.

NOTICE.

LIQUOR LICENSE ACT.

Notice is hereby given that I intend, after the expiration of one month from date hereof, to apply to the Superintendent of Provincial Police for renewal of license to sell liquors by retail at the Alberni hotel, Alberni, B. C., situate Lots 1, 11, 12, Block 1, Townsite of Alberni, B. C., to commence on the 15th day of June, 1908.

Dated this 2nd day of May, A. D., 1908.

JOSEPH A. ROGERS.

NOTICE.

LIQUOR LICENSE ACT.

Notice is hereby given that I intend, thirty days after the expiration of the first publication of this notice, to apply to the Superintendent of Provincial Police for a renewal of my license to sell liquors by retail at the Central Hotel, Limestone Island, Quatsino Sound, B. B.

EDWARD FRIGON.

Dated this 5th day of May, 1908.

LAND ACT—ALBERNI LAND DISTRICT
District of Clayoquot.

Take Notice that Alfred Carmichael, of Alberni, occupation contractor, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted at the north eastern end of an island, situated between Lots 89 and 622, on Sproat Lake, in Clayoquot district, thence following shore line of said island to point of commencement, including about two acres more or less.

ALFRED CARMICHAEL.

Staked March 23, 1908. may 28

ALBERNI LAND DISTRICT
District of Clayoquot.

Take Notice that Alistair Frobisher, of Alberni, occupation engineer, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted on the south east corner of an island situated about 200 feet in a southerly direction from the north shore at the entrance to Two Rivers arm, Sproat Lake, and approximately opposite St. Andrews creek, and following the shore line round the whole of the island to point of commencement, in extent about three acres more or less.

ALISTAIR FROBISHER.

March 22, 1908. apl4

LAND ACT.
ALBERNI LAND DISTRICT.
District of Clayoquot.

Take notice that Margaret A. Sharples, of Vancouver, intends to apply for permission to lease the following described foreshore and tidal lands:

Commencing at a post planted on or near the north east corner of Lot 295, at the mouth of Nahmint river, Alberni canal, thence 60 chains east more or less to low water mark, thence 20 north, thence 80 west more or less to the north boundary of Lot 295, thence easterly along same to poiet of commencement, containing about 130 acres.

The lease applied for is for mill site and booming ground.

MARGARET A. SHARPLES,
William Burdett Garrard, agent.

Date, May 4, 1908. may9

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NEWS GENERAL AND PERSONAL

S. H. Toy returned on Tuesday from Victoria.

Arthur Norman arrived on Tuesday from Sechart.

New letter boxes are being installed in the Alberni postoffice.

Mrs. H. M. T. Hodgson left on Tuesday on a visit to Victoria.

W. B. Garrard and wife and son arrived on Tuesday from Victoria.

E. Grandy is building an addition to his livery stable in New Alberni.

C. Ternan, manager of the cannery at Uchucklesat, was a visitor in Alberni on Tuesday.

Capt. Dan McDonald. a veteran skipper of the West Coast was a visitor in town on Tuesday.

Right-of-way clearers crossed the main road, about half way between the two towns this week.

Lew Pineo, brother of C. M. Pineo, arrived from Victoria on Saturday, and will spend some time in Alberni.

Phil. Watson, of Alberni, has been engaged as chief engineer of the Uchucklesat cannery steamer.

Miss Redfern, of Victoria, who had been visiting Mrs. J. B. Wood, New Alberni, left on Tuesday for home.

John King left on Wednesday for Scotland where he will spend the summer visiting old friends in his old home.

H. C. Rayson, government agent, has been officially gazetted a stipendiary magistrate in the county of Nanaimo.

Miss Jessie Smith left on Wednesday for Vancouver where she will enter the Nurses' training school in the general hospital.

H. A. Munn, of Victoria, who is the owner of some real estate in Alberni, spent Monday and Tuesday of this week in town.

The newly-elected fire wardens were out on a tour of inspection on Wednesday, and ordered a number of improvements in stove-pipe arrangements.

D. C. McDonald and Bernard Frank returned on Monday from a timber cruising trip down the canal. Mr. McDonald left on Tuesday for Victoria.

Leonard Frank, accompanied by W. M. Brewer, ore buyer for the Tyee smelter, visited the Monitor and Happy John mines on Monday. Mr. Brewer left by the Tees on Tuesday for Victoria.

H. H. Browne and wife returned on Thursday from Vancouver.

Mrs. J. F. Bledsoe returned on Thursday from Vancouver.

M. M. Stevens has been temporarily engaged as clerk in the government office.

Another fine specimen of horse flesh was added to the livery stock of Fitzgerald & Burke this week.

The ice cream soda business is the latest metropolitan addition to the trade and commerce of Alberni. The lay-out is installed in Terry & Marett's drug store.

A. G. H. Potts, of Victoria, arrived on Tuesday, and left, in company with William Allen, on Wednesday, for the tall timbers at the head of Great Central lake.

That field of wheat, planted by J. Redford, at Lupsey Kupsey, has become a picture that arrests the eye and provokes the admiration of all who pass that way.

Miss Kate Guilliod has been accepted as a probationer on the nursing staff of the Vancouver general hospital, her duties to commence in the course of a couple of weeks.

The old stable that fronted on the south side of Johnston street, between Margaret street and Victoria Quay, has been torn down, and a new business building is to be erected on the site.

All of the blocks of Lot 18 that front on the Nanaimo road, with the exception of two small ones have been sold. The market gardeners, who have twelve acres of this land, are progressing rapidly with their clearing scheme, and have already done a lot of planting.

Restaurant Opened.

The Palace restaurant, on Southgate street, opposite Brand's hall, was opened to the public on Tuesday evening. The interior of the new restaurant has been prettily and tastefully fitted up, and everything about it has a perfectly clean and fresh appearance. The arrangements are all modern, and specially provide for quick service. The restaurant will be open at all hours for short order meals, and regular meals at regular hours will also be served. The cook was imported from Victoria, and thoroughly understands his business.

Mrs. A. LaBelle is proprietress of the new restaurant, and can be looked to for first-class service at all times.

LAND ACT.
BARCLAY LAND DISTRICT.
District of Alberni.

Take Notice that Mrs Eliza Lawson, of Victoria, B. C., occupation nurse, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands, Gibralter Island:

Commencing at a post planted on the sand beach, north shore of Gibralter Island, thence running west and following the line of shore to point of commencement, and containing 75 acres more or less,

MRS. ESIZA LAWSON,
By her agent J. W. Benson.

Date, April 8, 1908 may9

SOCIALIST OUT FOR COMMONS

J. H. Hawthornthwaite Seeks Seat in the Dominion House.

The Nanaimo Free Press of Tuesday, May 19, says:

For some months rumors have been in the air that J. H. Hawthornthwaite, the leader of the Socialist party in British Columbia, would contest the Nanaimo seat in the forthcoming Dominion elections. While it was generally concluded that the Socialist leader had the Ottawa itch, no definite answer could be obtained to the question up to date, Mr. Hawthornthwaite saying that he was in the hands of his party.

Last night, however, it was definitely announced that he was in the field.

A convention of Socialists from the district was held in the Socialists' Hall yesterday, delegates to the number of sixty being present from all the Socialist locals in the riding from Victoria to Nanaimo, all bearing instructions to vote for Hawthornthwaite should it be be decided to place a Socialist in the running.

It was unanimously decided to run a candidate and Mr. Hawthornthwaite was unanimously made the choice of the convention.

Mr. Hawthornthwaite accepted the nomination. Seen today on the street, he stated that he had no other alternative but to accept the wish of his party and he was bound to obey it.

The Vancouver Province is responsible for the following: According to very reliable information from Ottawa within the last day or two, the intention of the Laurier government is to have the elections in October. It is expected that an official announcemet to this end will be made within a short time. The Province is in a position to announce positively that R. G. MacPherson, M.P,. will be the Liberal candidate in Vancouver, to succeed himself in the Commons.

BARGAINS OFFERED.

GUN FOR SALE—Hammerless double-barrell shot gun, 12 guage. Apply at Pioneer News office.

FOR SALE—Three five-acre lots, three-quarters of a mile from the Alberni Postoffice; located on Kitsucksis creek, very best of timber and land. Price, $75 per acre; easy terms. Apply to G. A. Spencer, Alberni.

FOR SALE—Mare, eight years old; and colt, 11 months old. Apply to Wm. Nicholas.

FOR RENT—House, situated on three lots, at Milltown. Small stable and chicken house. Enquire at Pioneer News office.

SURVEYING.

H. H. BROWNE, civil and mining engineer, and Provincial land surveyor, has opened an office in Alberni. and is prepared to receive orders for work in any part of the district.

GEORGE A. SMITH, C. E., B. C. Land Surveyor. Surveys of timber limits, mineral claims, and land subdivisions. Address, P. O. Box 23, Alberni.

A. B. WOOD.

CONTRACTOR & BUILDER.

NEW ALBERNI.

Plans drawn and submitted.

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For Holiday Week:

Fresh Oranges, Bananas, Cherries, and a varied selection of Bottled and tinned fruits and vegetables.

Fresh Spring Cabbage and Rhubarb

Biscuits, Candies, Aerated Waters

Cigars, Tobaccos, etc., etc.

New crop Brazil Nuts to hand.

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Good goods is the ideal we have set.
Every buyer helps us to maintain it.
No better time than now to test this.
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Remember facts. They only count.
All goods have not the same value.
Let quality speak and the price is right.

Supply and demand are the business regulators.
Try their operation by making large demands.
Our glad response will be a satisfactory supply.
Read and remember that Thomson's is the
EMPORIUM for ALL GOODS IN ALBERNI.

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Splendid Selection of

HAVANA CIGARS TWO FOR 25 CENTS AND 10 CENTS EACH

CIGARETTES CAPSTAN AND MOGUL, 15c PER PACKAGE Sweet Caporal, T. & B., Athlete, Duke of Durham, 10 cents per package.

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Ample choice for everybody

Feel Hot?

Our Ice Cream business is in full swing and the many demands being made upon it keep us busy. Those who have tasted our Ice Cream pronounce it delicious, and we feel satisfied in taking an honest pride in it. We guarantee it to be absolutely pure, and the best that experience and the purest ingredients can produce.

Ice Cream, 10 cents. Ice Cream Soda, 10 cents.
Plain Sodas and Phosphates, 5 cents.

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Bicycles. Sundries. Bicycle Supplies.

Try a David Harum or a Merry Widow Sundae.

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The trim and speedy little steamship Tasmanian is now ready to make special trips to all points on the canal and Barclay Sound.

R. J. Burde, Agent, -- -- -- Alberni, B. C.