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ALBERNI PIONEER NEWS.

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COMMITTEE THINKS GOVERNMENT SLOW

Board of Unofficial Aldermen Instructs Secretary to Probe Chief Commissioner--- Municipal Incorporation.

A meeting of the Citizens' Municipal committee was held on Thursday night in the Royal Bank of Canada building. There were present: James Thomson, chairman, Dr. A. D. Morgan, G. H. Bird, J. Redford, W. R. H. Prescott, W. H. Marcon, R. J. Burde, and R. F. Blandy, secretary.

Among a number of communications read was one from H. C. Brewster, M. P. P., who said that he had waited upon the chief commissioner of lands and works at Victoria and urged upon him the necessity of granting the request of the committee for a reserve of 500 miner's inches of water on Stamp River, and all of the water on Beaver creek. He had been told that the request would receive due consideration. Mr. Brewster also advised the committee that the government, in framing the estimates, had, as usual, penalized the constituencies that had returned opposition members. He submitted a number of comparisons, among them that of Alberni with Comox, the latter having been granted $7000 more than the former.

The secretary reported that he had received no reply to his letter to the lands and works department, and, as there had been ample time, it was the opinion of the meeting that the chief commissioner should be reminded of the fact that a letter of some importance to this community had been sent him, and the courtesy of a reply would be expected.

A letter from Pemberton & Co., Victoria, agents for the Anderson estate, contained the opinion that it was a little early to be in process of forming a municipality.

An application from Sydney Child, Victoria, for the legal work in connection with incorporation, was received, and the secretary was instructed to advise the applicant that his letter would be taken up again for consideration when the committee reached that stage of its work where a solicitor would be needed.

The sub-committee on assessment submitted a draft showing the feasibility of incorporation in the event of the present large holders not falling in line with the common view.

The committee will meet again on the call of the chairman, the next meeting to be held in New Alberni.

HYU TIME TO-NIGHT.

Potlatch To Be Held in Athletic Hall After Basketball Game.

There will be a real fast game of basket ball in the Athletic hall tonight, commencing at 8 o'clock. The railway locators, as yet unbeaten, will take the floor against a picked team of the town. George Hyne, the gymnastic forward, will, as heretofore, be in the surveyors' line-up.

After the game there will a good old-fashioned smoking concert for men only. All the best musical talent that has lately come to town has been enlisted and a programme, rich, rare and racy, will be sprung on the audience in rapid fire action.

There will also be refreshments.

Every man, who has a respectable limit to his enthusiasm, is eligible for the company.

BARGAINS OFFERED.

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.

NEW RESIDENCE FOR SALE—Size, 28x28; located on Creamery road, about 200 yards from the center of the town. Apply to A. W. Neill.

FOR SALE—Top buggy and harness. Apply to Rev. F. H. Wimberley, Alberni.

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

WILL MOVE CAMP.

Railway Locators Prepare to Fold Their Tents and March Away.

Early next week the railway locators who have been camped on Lupsey Cupsey for the past three months will fold their tents and move away to the other side of the summit where they have a few weeks work to do in the vicinity of Cameron Lake.

Clearing of right of way progresses rapidly along the located line from the summit to the terminus at New Alberni, large gangs of men being at work at various points. Clearing gangs are working both ways on the other side of the summit, and the line, with the exception of a few miles which the locators are about to revise, will soon be ready for the graders.

Town Girls Win.

The basket-ball game between teams of girls representing the town and the Gill school respectively, played in Brand's hall last Saturday night, was won by the town combination.

According to the figuring of the winners the score was 13 points to 8, while on the books of the losers it is entered as 13-12.

There was no official score.

The contest was witnessed by 61 people most of whom displayed a lot of enthusiasm at times.

In the last half of the game Ethel Gill received a bump on the nose which compelled her to retire. Her place on the floor was taken by Miss Miles. Prior to the accident the school team had the better of the score, but the appearance of Miss Miles put a different complexion on the outlook, her rapid scoring for the town combination being the feature of the latter part of the contest.

The teams were:

Gill School—Forwards, Myrtle Gill, Olive Gill; center, Ada Nicholas; guards, Ruth Hills, Clara Nicholas.

Town—Forwards, Ethel Gill, Kate Nicholas; center, Grace Cox; guards, Mary Motion, Amy Ward.

Referee—Annie Miles.

CONTRIBUTE TO HOSPITAL FUND

Dancers In New Alberni Make up a Collection of $28.05.

The first contribution to the fund for the building of a general hospital was made last Tuesday evening by the men who attended a dance in Waterhouse's hall, New Alberni.

It was the occasion of the regular weekly dance of the New Alberni Social club which always closes at midnight, and on the suggestion of Mrs. J. S. Rollin the pleasure was prolonged for two hours, and the gentlemen who remained to partake of the extra enjoyment were asked to contribute.

J. J. Burke and Edward Grandy contributed considerably to the success of the affair by conveying a large number of pleasure seekers from the old town without charge, while an orchestra, composed of Charles Apenes, J. Watson and Mr. Ross furnished some special extra music that was much appreciated. Mrs. Ward, George Ward, Mrs. J. B. Wood and Mrs. Rollin also provided a share of the music for the dancing, and altogether the affair was as enjoyable as any of the many enjoyable functions that have been held in the New Town social hall.

The contributions amounted to $28.05.

Herring in Millions.

A rare and wonderful sight was presented to those who visited the shores of Protection and Newcastle islands the other day, says a Nanaimo news item. For more than a mile along the shore line was herring spawn by the million. In many places the spawn was many feet deep.

In is over six years since herring spawned at Nanaimo. Nanoose district is one of the chief points where the fish spawned. It is said that an enormous school was seen in the vicinity of the islands, a short time ago, and probably these have adopted Newcastle and Protection islands as their new spawning grounds.

Will Present Comedy.

The Ladies Basket-ball club has planned to give a dramatic entertainment after the expiration of the Lenten season. "The Old Maids' Convention" is the title of the play selected. It is a comedy sketch, with about twenty-five spinsters and one man in the cast. The scheme of the production provides unlimited opportunities for fun-making. The various parts have been assigned and rehearsals have commenced.

Transferred to Nanaimo.

W. R. W. Mitchell, who for the past six months had been accountant in the Alberni branch of the Royal Bank of Canada, left on Thursday morning for Nanaimo where he will act in a similar capacity for the branch in that city. Mr. Mitchell was one of the moving spirits in the local athletic circle, and his playing in every branch of sport in which he had an opportunity to figure was always away above the average. In fact, in football, he was the star of the bunch.

Tees on Summer Schedule.

Commencing with its next trip up the West Coast the Steamer Tees will go on its summer time schedule, making four round trips per month instead of only three as at present.

The steamer will leave Victoria at 11 p. m. on the 1st, 7th, 14th and 20th of every month, and arrive at New Alberni during the evenings of the 2nd, 8th, 15th and 21st.

As We Are Seen By Other Eyes

Mary Markwell Writes About Alberni.

The Winnipeg Free Press of recent date contains an article on a trip up the west coast from Victoria, and a visit to Alberni, written by Mary Markwell. The portion of the article dealing with Alberni is here reproduced:

I found "New" Alberni there to meet me when the Tees touched the wharf—Old Alberni having been outdistanced by the racer, Time. In the double Albernis you find the most unusual condition of rival towns standing, arms locked and business fingers intertwining. New Alberni wearing a prodigious hat (you know why when you learn its possibilities) swaggers along a fine waterfront, counting the mills, the railway engines and the traffic boats that are yet to come. Old Alberni sits in its recess of forest and sings: "There's a Good Time Coming." On its high shelf stands the proud history, and on its wide walls hangs the pedigree of Alberni. Both are big without being boastful, and the two towns (the one that is and the one that is to be) say: "We are going to do big things tomorrow."

Of Alberni's future in facts and incontrovertible figures I hope to speak later. Of its primeval loveliness, its friendly hospitality, its wide, welcoming doors, its smiling farm acres and fruitful orchards, I shall only say now—whatever be the fate of the two sensible, smart appearing twin-sister towns, I trust no future decision of the B. C. "providence" (i. e. the C. P. R.) will ever do away with the fraternal spirit now existing. I never knew two rival towns pull together like the Albernis. A man with big interests in New Alberni said to me: "We may grow to be a bigger place in the new town, but I don't think we can be a better town." A leading settler in the old town said to me: "New Alberni? There's no "new" Alberni; its one town reaching out two arms." Do you wonder so common-sense a people are progressing in leaps and bounds?

My chief recollection of Alberni will always be that within an hour of my arrival I had six visitors, five invitations to tea, two offers of business chances, a courteous invitation to visit "Happy John" ("he's" a mine) in a steam launch; and discovered two old-time friends from the prairie fields to be prominent Albernites.

Before I had breakfasted the next morning a fine cob ambled to my hotel door, and out from a smart dog-cart stepped a ruddy visaged gentleman, a typical country squire, who most kindly volunteered a drive through Alberni farm acres. We started early, returning late, and were accompanied by the "Lady Editor" of Alberni's paper. Through a long and winding lane of tall firs, scented pines and glowing Arbutus trees, we ambled along, here and there a fine bridge arching a trout filled stream, across level patches of field and by well built farm houses where Spring ploughing was already done though it was early March. Five visits made we to five representative farm homes, there to be beguiled with coffee and conversation of such an interesting kind as to be worth retelling. In one home the fine Scotch mother and wife unfolded the history of the coming, the early struggles and the hopes—ambitions more than fulfilled, and, written large upon her surroundings, was Success, though unspoken in word.

A Devonshire woman, in the soft accents of her Devon home, thought a while, then said: "Canada's always been home to me because of the friendliness of my neighbors. No I never wanted to go back—there's no chance in my own country where fifteen millions of people sit down every day to a five farthing meal. Where five millions of men, women and children eat from the hand of charity, and where thousands upon thousands of women over and at 65 years of age go to the workhouse to end their weary days."

And "Nessie" the pretty daughter of the home! Her peaches-and-cream complexion vied with the peaches-and-cream orchard fare she set before, us in that afternoon tea visit. Every home having its book-case; its birds and flowers and music; work going on outdoors; trim neatness indoors, and that air of happy indolence which is not indolence at all, but easy content which belongs to the air and premises of British Columbia.

Indolence, indeed? Did'nt we visit the charming little mother of three, who in addition to her domestic duties found time to keep her walls decorated with the artists brush. Who had her class of ambitious farm daughters "in oils" and water colors as well; and didn't I hang my hat on a hat-rack which had been planned, built and decorated by her own fair hands? Talk of indolence in a land of such active-brained mothers!

Of Alberni I have other recollections: A fine old-fashioned country inn, "The Arlington," where a kind hearted hostess "made a friendly call" on her guest—of quick-footed, bright-faced girls of quiet manners who served the table confections, afterwards appearing as belles at the dance in the evening hours.

Then a quiet dinner between friends of short acquaintance, but long standing friendship, I hope—a pleasant hour at the Indian school, where Superintendent Motion and his charming wife dispensed hospitality. Of my country squire again, whose cob and carriage were at my disposal, and a pleasant call at the big office of the "Pioneer News" of Alberni. a real wide-awake and hit-you-on-the-back newspaper.

Basketball

—AND—

Smoking - Concert

—IN THE—

Athletic Hall, To-night

A good musical programme has been arranged, and refreshments will be provided.

All Men Welcome

Ladies barred after basketball game is over.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

George Forrest, who has just completed the construction of a fog alarm at Cape Beale, announces that he will engage in business in Alberni. He will be prepared to figure on building contracts, and will carry a stock of sashes and doors for sale.

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R. J. BURDE. - - - EDITOR.

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LAST CHANCE TO REGISTER.

All eligible persons who desire to have a vote at the next Dominion elections, and whose names are not already on the list, will require to bestir themselves. The lists will be closed on Monday next, and will remain closed until after the court of revision which is to be held on the fourth of May next. As the Dominion elections will, in all likelihood, be held before another court of revision, it is well to accept this as the last chance.

The necessary qualifications are that a voter be of the full age of 21 years, a British subject, of the male sex, a resident within the province for six months, and domiciled in the constituency for one month prior to the date of application.

The Empire, published at Prince Rupert, hands out the advice that the G. T. P. terminal city is a good place to stay away from at the present time, that is, as far as people in search of work are concerned.

Mary Markwell, in an interesting contribution to the Winnipeg Free Press, repeats the common error that the two Albernis are rival towns, but observes that they are pulling together.

The fact is that the two towns must pull together because they cannot be pulled apart, one being a counterpart of the other.

The provincial government has decided upon the removal of the government offices from Port Simpson to Prince Rupert, where at an early day suitable temporary buildings will be provided. It is understood that the government agent, W. Manson, has fully completed arrangements with the government in order to carry these instructions into effect.

The new government (Conservative) of the province of New Brunswick has been announced as follows: Premier and attorney-general, J. D. Hazen; provincial secretary, J. K. Fleming; public works, John Morrissey; surveyor general, W. C. H. Grimmer; commissioner of agriculture, Dr. D. V. Landry; solicitor general, H. F. McLeod; without portfolio, Robert Maxwell.

We hardly think the insinuation is warranted that Mr. Drury's mission to Tokio is a case of "graft." Mr. Drury will not make much money by his savings out of his salary, which is too little ($400 a month and traveling expenses) for the duties imposed on him.—Victoria Colonist.

All of which goes to show that the Colonist's thinking apparatus could stand a little cleaning up at times.

There was an opposition demonstration in the Dominion House of Commons just prior to adjournment last Friday night. Dr. Thomson who, since his advent to the House in 1904 has maintained an independent attitude towards each party, owing alleigance to neither, formally renounced his political independence in the following words; "I consider the bond which bound me to the independent party is dissolved, and from now on I shall support the Conservative party and the principles laid down by Mr. Borden.

Winston Churchill has traveled far for a grand-son of a duke of Marlborough, says the Montreal Star. He declared the other day that while he was not prepared to say that all should be equal, he was prepared to say that no one should have anything until everyone should have something. This is an elevation of the rights of humanity over the rights of property that must have sent a shiver down the backs of the party of property, which he left a few years ago. Continuing, he held that "the general trend of the Liberal policy must be increasingly to build up minimum standards of life and labor, and to say that above a certain level of decent comfort competition should be free; but below that level men should not be allowed to labor."

When an Irish County Court was about to open its session recently the discovery was made that the court crier was absent. A substitute was provided and the court had barely taken up a case when a breathless messenger boy dashed in with a telegram signed by the absent crier. The missive was handed to the Judge, who read:

"Wife's mother died last night. Will not be able to cry to-day."—Home Herald.

"What a singular looking counterpane!" said the eminent physician.

"Counterpane!" exclaimed his wife. "Yet you are supposed to be one of the greatest authorities in the country on brain diseases!"

"I fail to see the connection."

"That's a crazy quilt, you ninny."—Chicago Tribune.

Thomas A. Edison, the famous inventor, tells the following of one his young lady assistants:—

"The first day of—let us say 1908—New Year's Day—a man proposed to this girl and was accepted.

" 'But' she said, 'I must insist that our engagement be kept secret for a twelvemonth.'

" 'Why?' said the man, in dismay. He had looked forward to a speedy marraige.

" 'Because, dear,' she answered, 'it is leap year now, and peple might think I have done the proposing.' "

A woman fell from a ferry boat crossing over to Camden the other day, and a poor Irishman sprang over and rescued her. When she was safely landed on the deck her husband, who had been a calm spectator of the accident, handed the brave fellow a quarter.

Some of the bystanders expressing their indignation, Pat said: "Arrah, don't blame the gentleman—he knows best. Perhaps if I hadn't saved her he'd have given me a dollar."—New York World.

"For my part, I don't see any more harm in a game of cards than in a game of chess."

"But consider the associations."

"What associations?"

"Why, at chess you play with two bishops, while at cards you play with four knaves."—Boston Transcript.

"I presume old Pinchent is the closest man in town."

"Well he is a judicious business man, to say the least."

"He is not overlooking any bets."

"What has he done now?"

"Wanted to get into the circus on half fare price because he claimed to the ticket seller that he was in his second childhood."—Nashville American.

Miss Gusher—I understand, professor, that you have mastered all the modern tongues.

Professor Wise—All but my wife's.—Brooklyn Eagle.

Karr—What makes you think that you are going to succeed in business?

Bagster—Because my partner has $500,000.—Somerville Journal.

Grand Trunk Pacific Work.

The enormous plant now being used by Foley, Welsh & Stewart in carrying out their contracts for double-tracking the C. P. R. between Winnepeg and Fort William and building the Thunder Bay branch of the Grand Trunk Pacific will be shipped early next month to Vancouver. It will be utilized in connection witn the firm's contracts to build the Kitamat branch and the G. T. P. hundred miles east of Prince Rupert.

There is a great outfit, with scores of rock drills for driving tunnels, steam hoists, six hundred teams of hores, ten miles of track and over a thousand dump cars. With the equipment from points east of Winnepeg will come thousands of men who have worked for this firm for years.

Dirt will be flying east of Prince Rupert early in May. J. W. Stewart, western director, now in Edmonton, will reach Vancouver in May.

Patient—I have a confession to make, doctor. I didn't like the taste of that medicine you left, so instead of taking it I gave it to my dog.

Doctor (indignantly)—Do you mean to say, madam, that you wasted all that medicine?

Patient—But it wasn't wasted, doctor. We wanted to get rid of the dog, anyhow.—Circle Magazine.

"The eyes of the world are upon you," said the earest man.

"Naturally," answered Senator Sorghum. "It's a part of our business to have the eyes of the world on us, and we are prepared for it. And I may add, without boasting, that some of us are pretty fine optical illusions."—Washington Star.

A. B. WOOD.

CONTRACTOR & BUILDER,

NEW ALBERNI.

Plans drawn and submitted.

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.

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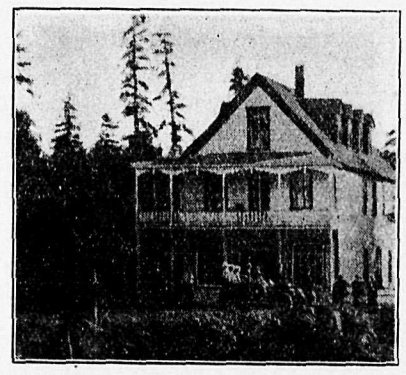

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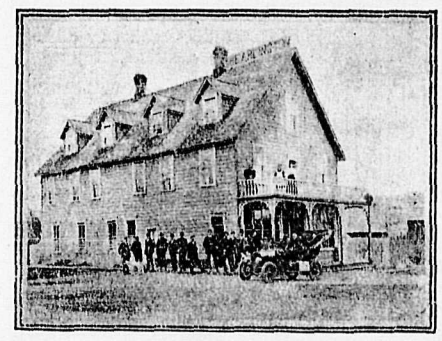

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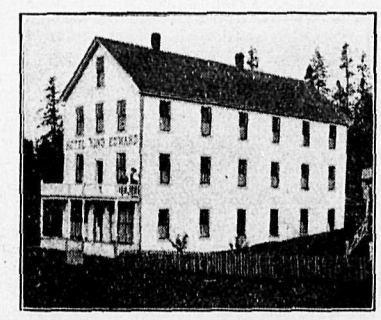

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J. S. ROLLIN, - Proprietor.

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NOTICE.

RIVERS AND STREAMS ACT.

TAKE NOTICE that I, William Allen, of the city of New Orleans, La., intend, sixty days from date of first publication of this notice, pursuant to the "Rivers and Streams Act" and Amending Act to submit a proposal to the Honourable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to clear and remove obstructions from the Stamps and Somas rivers, in Alberni district, from their sources to their outlets, for the purpose of making same fit for rafting, driving and booming thereon logs, timber, lumber, rafts and crafts, such proposal to contain the terms and conditions upon which we are willing to undertake the same.

The lands and waters to be affected by the said works are as follows:

Lots 193, 80, 172, 171, 101, 169, 157, 160, 109, 33, 170, 110, 158, 83; Indian reserves 39, 90, 40, 3, 7, 9, 81, 10, 6, 2, 2a, 140, 149, 38, 84, 36, 34, 41, 52 and 35, Alberni district, and such other lands as border or touch upon the said rivers or either of them. The waters to be affected are Stamps, Somas and Ash rivers, and Great Central and Sproat lakes.

Dated this 12th day of February, A. D., 1908.

feb 22 WILLIAM ALLEN.

LAND ACT.

Herbert Arm.

Take Notice that Percy David Hillis, of Seattle, Wash, timberman, intends to apply for a special timber license over the following described lands:

Claim No. 9. Commencing at this post, planted 300 chains north and 20 chains west of the point where the north boundary of Lot 493 comes to the shore of Herbert arm, thence north 80 chains, thence east 120 chains, thence south 40 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence south 40 chains, thence west 40 chains to point of commencement, containing 640 acres more or less.

Dated, June 20, 1907.

Claim No. 13. Commencing at this post planted at the north end of the west boundary of Lot 623B on the south shore of Bowden bay; thence south 120 chains, thence west 40 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence west 40 chains, thence north to beach, thence along shore in an easterly direction to point of commencement, containing 640 acres, more or less.

Dated June 27, 1907.

PERCY DAVID HILLIS,
By Wallace Walter Rhodes, agent.

LAND ACT.

BARCLAY LAND DISTRICT.

District of Alberni.

Take Notice that A. G. McCandless, of Vancouver, B. C., occupation merchant, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted on the west bank of Black river, at the point where the river leaves Black lake, and marked A G McC N E cor. post, thence twenty chains west, eighty chains south, twenty chains east, eighty chains north to point of commencement.

ALEXANDER GILMOUR McCANDLESS,
per Chas. McHardy, agent.

Date, Dec, 28, 1907. feb 1

LAND ACT.

BARCLAY LAND DISTRICT.

District of Alberni.

Take Notice that Charles W. Murray, of Vancouver, occupation plumber, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted at the southwest corner of Frederick J. Pophan's purchase applied for, and situated on the west bank of Black river, and marked C. W. M. north east corner post, thence west 40 chains, thence south 40 chains, thence east 40 chains, thence north 40 chains to point of commencement.

CHARLES W. MURRAY.

Date, Dec. 28, 1907. feb 8

ALBERNI LAND DISTRICT.

District of Nootka, Head Bay.

Take Notice that I, Clarence Dawley, of Clayoquot, occupation miner, intend to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted at the south east corner of surveyed lot, No. 413, thence west 20 chains, thence north 20 chains, thence east 15 chains, 16 links, thence south 20 chains, 35 links, to point of commencement, containing 35 acres.

CLARENCE DAWLEY.

Date,. Jan 12, 1908. feb 8

LAND ACT—ALBERNI LAND DISTRICT

District of Clayoquot.

Take Notice that I, Charles John Seymour Baker, of London, England, occupation civil engineer, intend 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 west along the shore 40 chains, thence north 40 chains, thence east 40 chains, thence south 40 chains to point of commencement, containing 160 acres, more or less.

C. J. SEYMOUR BAKER, Locator.

December 13, 1907.

MINERAL ACT.

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE.

"Happy John No. 2" and "Happy John No. 3 Fractional" Mineral Claims, situate in the Alberni mining division of Clayoquot district, located on the west side of Alberni canal, about nineteen miles from Alberni.

Take Notice that I, Bernard Frank, agent for A. J. Engvik, of Vancouver, B. C., Free Miner's Certificate No. B70958, intend, sixty days from date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claims.

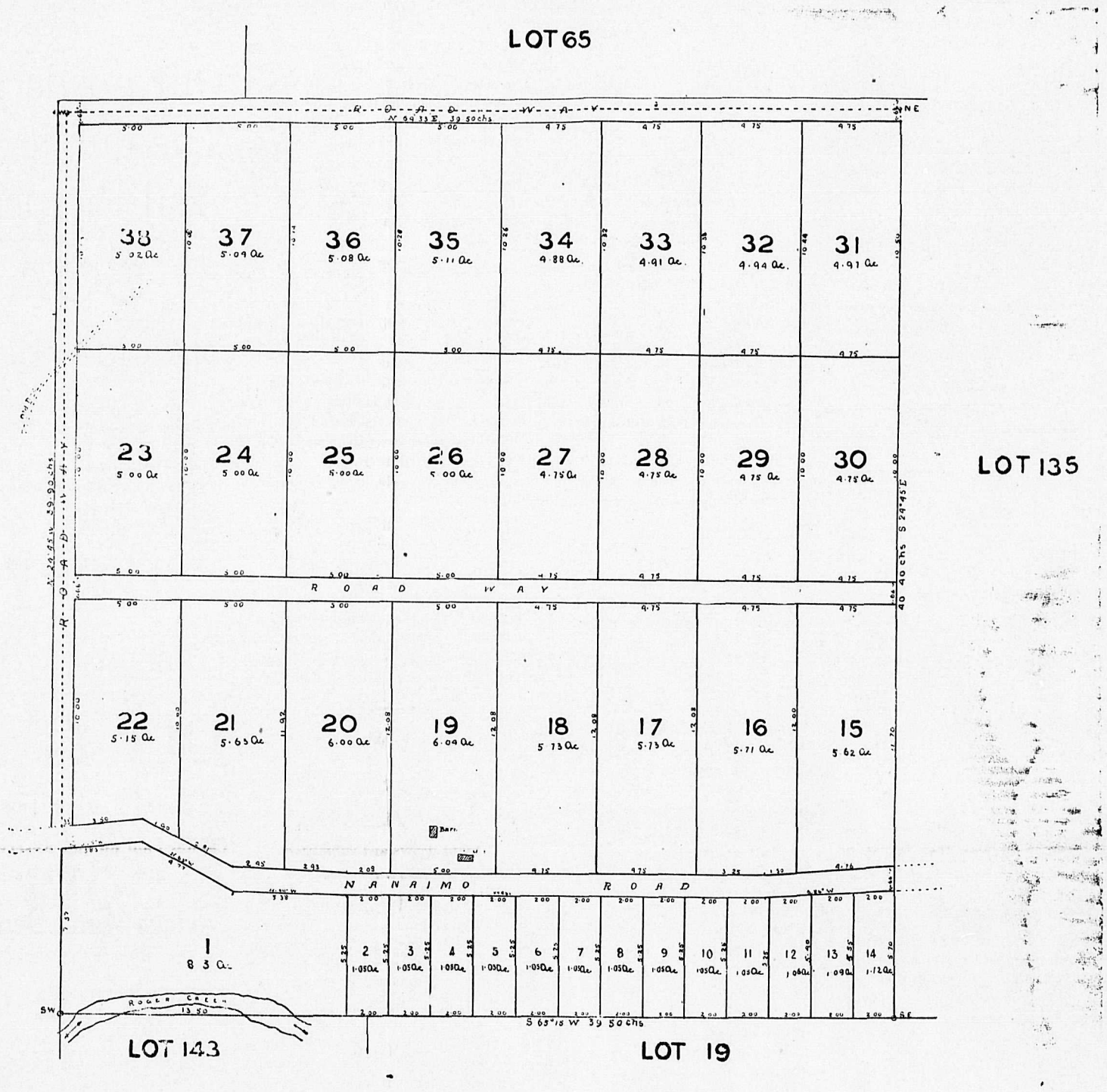
And further take notice that action under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this 28th day of February, A. D., 1908.

mar 7 BERNARD FRANK.

PLAN OF SUB-DIVISION OF

LOT 18, ALBERNI DISTRICT



The best residential or speculative buy in Alberni to-day. Main wagon road to Nanaimo runs through this property, assuring you of quick access to and from the City. All choice land, free from rock, hills, gullies or other objectionable features. Blocks all of good size, running from one to six acres. Prices are low enough to assure a profit in the near future.

Blocks 1 to 14, $100 each	Blocks 15 to 18, $400 each
Blocks 21 to 27, sold	Block 28, - 350 each
Blocks 29 to 32, $300 each	Blocks 33 to 34, 350 each

TERMS: One-third cash; balance, four and eight months.

Look ahead and buy before prices are advanced. If subdivided these 5-acre blocks would make, at least, 30 large lots. Figure out what they will be worth if Alberni only fulfils half the promises credited to its very near future. Buy now.

McConnell & Taylor, Agents, Victoria, B.C.

NEWS GENERAL AND PERSONAL

Next Wednesday is April Fool's day.

A. Stephenson returned on Saturday from Victoria.

The bears are waking up and will soon be on the prowl again.

Phil. Watson was a passenger on the Tees from Victoria last Saturday.

A team of driving horses for M. Tebo arrived from Victoria last Saturday.

A. Sproat, the New Alberni butcher, returned last Saturday from a business visit to Victoria.

Mrs. Dixon and her daughter Gladys, of Beaver Creek, returned last Saturday from Victoria.

The trout fishing season is now open, and good fishing is reported at McCoy and Great Central lakes.

Sixty tons of merchandise were discharged from the Tees at Waterhouse's wharf last Saturday night.

P. Sullivan, of New Alberni, expects to leave shortly for his old home in Ireland where he will spend the summer.

Fred Drinkwater, Alfred Drinkwater and J. Hills have returned from Cape Beale where they were at work on the fog alarm.

George Fraser, of Ucluclet, who had been visiting friends in this neighborhood, left on the Tees for home last Saturday night.

Mrs. Frank I. Clarke, of Victoria, and Mrs. K. S. Hayes (Mary Markwell) of Winnipeg, are guests of Mrs. McCarter, Errington.

P. Nicholas' farm of eighty acres has been sub-divided, and is now offered for sale in five-acre lots. Mr. Nicholas is his own land agent.

A. T. Stephenson, who has been appointed assistant to Chief Constable Cox, will commence his duties on Wednesday of next week.

Leonard Frank, the local photographer, has taken a new and excellent bird's eye view of Alberni which he intends to have copyrighted.

Joseph Garvis and M. M. Stevens have taken a sub-contract for clearing three acres of E. & N. right of way, south of the Nanaimo road.

The first general monthly meeting of the Alberni Board of Trade will be held in Waterhouse's hall, New Alberni, on Monday, April 6, commencing at 8 o'clock.

James Barry, a logger in the employ of the Barclay Sound Cedar company, cut his foot with an axe last Monday. The wound was attended to by Dr. A. D. Morgan.

Capt. Roberts, who for the past three months has been engaged with George Smith, C. E., on C. P. R. land survey work, left last night for Victoria.

Another telephone was installed in New Alberni this week, the firm of Sproat & Broad, butchers, being the latest subscribers to the system. The call is "One long, one short, one long."

Sawmill machinery for F. Brand arrived on the Tees last Saturday, and is now being installed in the new building on F. Cowley's farm. A number of logs are ready and cutting will begin in a few days.

The north half of the Gill farm has been sub-divided into one and five acre lots, and placed on the market at reasonable prices. W. H. Marcon & Co., are the local selling agents. This property is well adapted for fruits some magnificent peaches having been grown on it by Mr. Gill last summer.

J. R. McLaren has for the past three days been confined to his room with illness.

George Forest and E. Folwell are building an addition to the Alberni Trading store.

William Allen, the timberman who has a survey camp on Great Central lake, left last night for Victoria.

The steamer Tees arrived from the north last night. She had a large cargo of oil from the whaling station at Sechart.

Dr. Kerr, the dentist who had been practising in Alberni for the past three weeks, left last night for Victoria. He will return next June.

A. G. H. Potts and J. Dubois who spent a few days in Alberni looking at property investments, left on the Tees last night for Victoria.

R. J. Burde will move next week from the residence, next door to the Royal Bank, to Fred Brand's house, Southgate street and Victoria Quay.

A number of unsightly real estate signs that were tacked to the government warehouse were removed on Wednesday by order of the government agent.

A boat was reported stolen from New Alberni on Thursday, and Chief Cox, on going out to investigate, discovered that two young men had carelessly taken it in mistake for one that had been loaned them.

The council of the board of trade met in the court house on Monday evening and drew up constitution and by-laws to be submitted for adoption at the general monthly meeting to be held in New Alberni on Monday, April 6.

J. S. Rollin has taken a lease of P. Sullivan's house, next door to the Hotel King Edward. The house is now occupied by A. D. Cooper, who will shortly move into a new residence which he is having built on Third ave., New Alberni.

"The bridegroom," remarked the minister's wife, after the happy couple had departed, "seemed to be rather shy."

"Yes," rejoined the good man. "He gave me only a dollar."—Chicago News.

Premier at Nanaimo.

Premeir McBride delivered an address before a meeting of Conservatives in Nanaimo on Wednesday evening. There was a large turn-out and the premier received a magnificent reception.

The Nanaimo correspondent of the Victoria Colonist says of the meeting:

"The visit of Premier McBride to this city tonight marked the first milestone of a grand Conservative rally to be carried on in this district. Conservatism in Nanaimo has never seen such a large and enthusiastic audience as that which assembled to hear the Conservative leader, the hall being filled to capacity.

"The Premier dealt with the different public questions and outlined the policy of the Conservative government in such a convincing and excellent manner that at the close of his remarks every man present became an enthusiastic working member of the party."

"A conservative club was organized and a committee appointed to canvass the city. Mayor Nicholson and other members of the party in Ladysmith were also in attendance, and arrangements were made to carry on organization work in that city."

"Altogether the visit of Premier McBride and Mr. Woodworth to Nanaimo was a pronounced success, and everything points to a Conservative victory here at the next election.

"At a largely attended meeting of the unemployed, a committee was appointed to interview Premier McBride and present a resolution passed at the meeting. The Premier stated in reply that he would call a meeting of the executive tomorrow afternoon at Victoria to consider the demands of the unemployed."

Football Match a Tie.

A football match was played Thursday afternoon on the field across the river, the teams being representative of the new and old towns. The result was a score of one goal each. The teams were:

New Town—Goal, W. W. Moore; backs, H. Porritt, R. S. Wood; half backs, T. Sproat, S. White, T. Broad; forwards, Alex Wood, R. Brydon, W. Piggott, F. Rollin, R. F. Blandy.

Old Town—Goal, George Hyne; backs, W. Norton, C. J. Harison; half backs, George Ward, E. Ward, G. M. Bird: forwards, R. Erickson, W. Erickson, H. Bishop, W. Ash, H. Davie.

Referee—W. Russell.

Automobile Arrives.

The first automobile to come over the summit this year arrived last night with the old reliable, Walter Thompson, at the helm.

The trip from Nanaimo was made in six hours, and the road was found to be in good condition nearly all the way, the worst parts being between Alberni and the top of the hill.

Mr. Thompson has made a number of improvements to his car and can now carry six passengers comfortably.

Skies Illuminated.

A broad streak of light across the heavens was quite visible last night and attracted considerable attention from people on the streets during the early hours of the evening, says the Nanaimo Herald of yesterday. The light referred to was the aurora borealis, commonly known as the northern lights. Telegraphic despatches state that it extended clear across the Dominion, somewhat affecting the wires in the east.

Capture a Humpback.

The Pacific Whaling company's steamer, at Sechart, captured a humpback whale on Wednesday. The crew of the whaler report stormy weather on the west coast.

Indian Brings Furs.

An Indian arrived from Nootka on the Tees last night with twenty marten skins and other furs which he is offering for sale today.

$600

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MONDAY, MARCH 30.

Our goods are fresh.
The quality is of the best.
And the prices are right.

SOAP. SOAP.

Special Bargains In Soaps

Pure Castile soap, 25 cents a bar.
Klero Glycerine soap, Olive Oil and Cucumber soap, Albert Tar soap, 5 cents per cake.
An especially fine line of Scented soaps at 10 cents a cake; 25 cents a box.
Piver's and Rogers' and Gallet's Perfumed soaps, 35 cents per cake.
Ox gall stain soap, 15 cents per cake.
Pear's soap, shaving soaps, Bon Ami, etc.

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DO IT NOW

We have just received onr new Spring Stock of

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So come and purchase early while there is plenty of choice.

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Seasonable Footwear:

Just opened out: A fine assortment of Ladies' and Gents' Boots and Shoes, comprising Ladies' Box Calf Blucher Balmorals, Dongola Blucher Oxfords and Balmorals; Men's Kip River Drivers, Tan half-cut Bluchers and Oxfords, and other lines usually in stock.

In Gent's Clothing Dept.:

The made-to-order suits still keep coming in. Now is the time to order your summer suit. Give us a call and look over the patterns.

Alberni Pool Room.

The Place to spend an hour or two and get a run for your money. Any Live Man can tell you where it is.

Cigars and Light Beverages in stock.

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Steamer For Hire.

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.