TWENTY-THIRD ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

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To His Honour ROBERT RANDOLPH BRUCE,
Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of British Columbia.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

The undersigned has the honour to present the Twenty-third Annual Report of the Provincial Industrial School for Boys for the year ended March 31st, 1927.

WILLIAM SLOAN,
Provincial Secretary.

Provincial Secretary's Office,
Victoria, B.C., June, 1927.

PROVINCIAL INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR BOYS,
PORT COQUITLAM, B.C., June 2nd, 1927.

The Honourable William Sloan,
Provincial Secretary, Victoria, B.C.

SIR,—I have the honour to submit herewith Annual Report of the Provincial Industrial School for Boys, covering the fiscal year April 1st, 1926, to March 31st, 1927.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,

DAVID B. BRANKIN,
Superintendent of the Provincial Industrial School for Boys.

DEPARTMENT OF PROVINCIAL SECRETARY.

HON. WILLIAM SLOAN, *Provincial Secretary.*

J. L. WHITE, *Deputy Provincial Secretary.*

BRANKIN, DAVID B., *Superintendent.*

BRANKIN, MRS. M., *Matron.*

CLARKE, MISS A. D., *Book-keeper, Stenographer, and Commercial Teacher.*

HOLLAND, MISS A., *Assistant Supervisor and Storekeeper.*

HENDERSON, J., *Tailor Instructor.*

OSBORN, J., *Shoemaking Instructor.*

STEWART, D. E., *Carpenter Instructor.*

MCDOWELL, J., *Agricultural Instructor.*

SCOTT, W., *Plumber and Engineer.*

WELLS, MISS W., *Senior Teacher.*

MUTRIE, MISS J., *Junior Teacher.*

HUGHES, R., *Chief Attendant.*

TRERISE, W. J., *Night-watchman.*

SCOTT, W. J., *Attendant, Poultryman, and Blacksmith.*

PROVINCIAL INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR BOYS.

SUPERINTENDENT'S ANNUAL REPORT.

The Honourable William Sloan,
Provincial Secretary, Victoria, B.C.

SIR,—I have the honour to submit herewith the Twenty-third Annual Report of the Provincial Industrial School for Boys, Coquitlam, B.C., covering the fiscal year 1926–27.

I find it somewhat difficult to give expression through purely statistical data to my deep appreciation of the work accomplished during the year by both the staff and the boys in my care.

It is really wonderful the changes that have been carried out, which not only add to the beauty of our surroundings, but assists in making this institution a place where its inmates can be prepared to face the world better equipped in every way than they were when they came to us.

It is admitted by those who have visited Biscoq that the Government of the Province of British Columbia has endeavoured to carry out the prime purpose of industrial schools, which is to surround its inmates with influences which will result in their reformation, and if a boy fails to make good while in our care it is due largely to causes of heredity, mental or physical disabilities, or due to the fact that the boy was either not sent at a younger age or there was too much interfering by parents or friends while the boy was in our care, resulting in his being released before learning the lesson on citizenship and the sacredness of other people's property.

Well-meaning friends should kindly remember that no boy is ever sent to this institution merely because he is an orphan, homeless, or a first offender, but that he has, in nearly every case, committed a series of offences against the law, and has proved to be a problem to the Judge and officials who sought to guide him aright. He has usually failed while on suspended sentence or while on probation. His friends and relations have in most cases thrown up their hands in despair, leaving the Judge no other alternative than that of committing him to this institution, and they should not expect us to accomplish in a few months what parents, teachers, pastors, and courts failed to do in previous years of effort. A change of environment sometimes works both ways, that is, both for and against a cure.

During the year we found several boys around 18 years of age rather trying and difficult to handle. Fourteen of these either escaped or attempted to do so. We did not have one runaway from amongst the smaller boys; in fact, it is nearly two years since one attempted to escape from No. 2 Cottage, which would indicate that the 17- and 18-year-old boy requires sterner measures and less coddling.

I have of late met a number of people who did not even know where the school was situated, how to get there, or what kind of buildings we had. For the benefit of others like these I herewith give a description of our location, the layout of each building, and the particular use these are put to, together with an account of the work done by each department.

Location.—We are situated on the Dewdney Trunk Road, 1 mile from Port Coquitlam, and reached by British Columbia Motor Transportation.

Buildings.—These consist of three cottages, administration building, kitchen block, auditorium, barn and poultry buildings, and temporary workshops, and are used as follows:—

Cottage No. 1 consists of three dormitories, holding thirteen beds each, with dressing-rooms and lavatories attached, a large reading and rest room, one section of private rooms for star boys, and staff quarters, assembly-rooms in basement, and one room for refractory boys. All newcomers over 16 years of age are placed in this cottage upon their admittance, and kept there until examined by our Medical Officer and for at least sixty days after. This is for the purpose of observation and to get them accustomed to their new surroundings. These are the diamonds in the rough class, but are about the same stuff we have made our star boys out of.

Cottage No. 2 consists of four dormitories, holding thirteen beds each, with dressing-room and lavatories attached, reading and rest rooms, staff quarters, and assembly-rooms in basement. This cottage is set aside exclusively for the younger boys, who must attend school all day and who are kept apart from the boys belonging to the other cottages.

Cottage No. 3 is identical in construction as Nos. 1 and 2, but one dormitory is used as a hospital ward and one assembly-room as an isolation ward. This cottage is used by boys who have proven themselves worthy of a little better consideration, and who are attached to some vocational class or are members of the School Band.

Administration Building consists of Superintendent and staff quarters, offices, surgery and visitors' rooms, and store-rooms.

Kitchen and Dining-room Block.—This building consists of kitchen and store-room, four dining-rooms, dental, first-aid, and band rooms, tailoring department, shoemaking-shops, and several small rooms used for stores.

Auditorium Building consists of large auditorium (seats 300), two class-rooms, rooms set apart for religious worship, swimming-tank, and gymnasium.

Workshops (temporary) consist of carpenters, plumbing, electrical, and blacksmith departments.

Farm buildings consist of dairy-barn, silo and feed-rooms, bull-pens, horse-barn, piggery, and poultry-houses.

POPULATION OF THE SCHOOL, MARCH 31ST, 1927.

On roll, March 31st, 1926	132
Boys admitted during year, March 31st, 1926, to March 31st, 1927	56
	188
Releases during the year	58
In school, March 31st, 1927	130

LIST OF BOYS IN SCHOOL AT MARCH 31ST, 1927.

No.	Place of Birth.	Parentage.	Residence previous to being admitted to School in	
			British Columbia.	Canada.
			Years.	Years.
662	Rossland, B.C.	Canadian	18	18
691	Michel, B.C.	Hungarian	14	14
703	St. Eugene Mission, B.C.	Indian	12	12
716	Scotland	Scotch	15	15
728	Russia	Russian	6	6
730	St. Eugene Mission, B.C.	Indian	12	12
735	England	English	10	10
739	Saskatchewan	English	2	17
741	Nanaimo, B.C.	English	11	11
746	Cobalt, Ont.	Canadian	2	16
747	Saskatchewan	Russian	14	14
748	Victoria, B.C.	Scotch	14	14
749	Vancouver, B.C.	Newfoundlander	15	15
750	Victoria, B.C.	American	15	15
754	Summerland, B.C.	Canadian-English	10	10
755	Summerland, B.C.	Canadian-English	11	11
764	Vernon, B.C.	Canadian	10	10
776	Edinburgh, Scotland	Scotch	3 mos.	16
778	Teline, B.C.	English	12	12
780	China	Chinese	6	6
782	Minnesota, U.S.A.	Indian	5	7
784	Minnesota, U.S.A.	Canadian	4	4
785	Esquimalt, B.C.	English	13	13
786	Russia	Ukranian	8 mos.	14
787	Nanaimo, B.C.	Scotch	15	15
788	London, Ont.	Canadian-English	1	17
789	Alberta	Canadian	13½	13½
790	Portage la Prairie	Canadian	15½	15½
791	Vancouver, B.C.	Canadian	15	15
792	Sweden	Swedish	11	11

LIST OF BOYS IN SCHOOL AT MARCH 31ST, 1927—*Continued.*

No.	Place of Birth.	Parentage.	Residence previous to being admitted to School in	
			British Columbia.	Canada.
			Years.	Years.
793	British Columbia	Indian	15	15
794	Melville, Sask.	Canadian-Austrian	25 mos.	15
795	Melville, Sask.	Canadian-Austrian	25 mos.	16
796	England	English	11	11
797	British Columbia	Norwegian	16	16
798	Winnipeg, Man.	English-Welsh	5 mos.	17
799	Prince George, B.C.	Canadian	11½	11½
802	Penticton, B.C.	Indian	17	17
803	Dorset, England	English	3	3
804	Grand Forks, B.C.	Scotch-Irish	14	14
805	Nelson, B.C.	Polish	12	12
806	Prince George, B.C.	English	15 9 mos.	15 9 mos.
807	New Westminster, B.C.	Scotch	17	17
808	Victoria, B.C.	Canadian-American	15 9 mos.	15 9 mos.
809	England	English	5	8
810	British Columbia	Canadian	14	17 8 mos.
811	Alberta	Swedish	9	16
812	Vancouver, B.C.		13	17
813	Montana, U.S.A.	American	6	6
814	Montana, U.S.A.	American	6	6
815	Cranbrook, B.C.	Canadian	16	16
816	Nanaimo, B.C.	Scotch	12	12
817	Trail, B.C.	Canadian	14	14
818	United States	Canadian-American	10	10
819	Vancouver, B.C.	Canadian	14	14
820	Vancouver, B.C.	English-Canadian	13	13
821	Chilliwack, B.C.	Indian	15	15
823	Saskatchewan	Irish	9	12
824	Vancouver, B.C.	Servian	12	12
825	Nelson, B.C.	Scotch	14	14
826	Regina, Sask.	Canadian	3	11
827	Vancouver, B.C.	Italian	15	15
828	Russia	Ukranian	5 mos.	15½
829	Alberni, B.C.	Indian	16½	16½
830	British Columbia	Indian	13½	13½
831	Bridesville, B.C.	American	12	12
832	Victoria, B.C.	English	17	17
833	Vancouver, B.C.	Canadian-Irish	16	16
835	Wales	Welsh	14	14
836	Eyelander, Wis., U.S.A.	American	8	8
837	Vancouver, B.C.	Canadian	13½	13½
838	Epsom, Surrey, England	English	5	5
839	England	English	5	5
840	Vancouver, B.C.	Montenegro	16	16
841	Vancouver, B.C.	Irish	12½	12½
842	Duncan, B.C.	English	13	13
843	Victoria, B.C.	Scotch-English	15	15
844	Warwickshire, England	English	15	15
845	Innisfail, Alta.	Canadian	14	18
846	New Westminster, B.C.	Canadian-Irish	13	13
847	Toronto, Ont.	Canadian	6	12
848	Vernon, B.C.	Indian	16	16
849	Grand Forks, B.C.	American	13	13
850	Regina, Sask.	Canadian	5	15
851	Edmonton	English	2	15
852	Vancouver, B.C.	Canadian	13	13
853	Port Moody, B.C.	American	9	9
854	London, England	English	13	13
855	Vernon, B.C.	English	15	15
856	Edmonton	Canadian	....	12
857	Vancouver, B.C.	English	12	12

LIST OF BOYS IN SCHOOL AT MARCH 31ST, 1927—*Continued.*

No.	Place of Birth.	Parentage.	Residence previous to being admitted to School in	
			British Columbia.	Canada.
			Years.	Years.
858	Dundee, Scotland	Scotch-English	8	8
859	Ireland	Irish	14	14
860	Portland, Ore.	American	....	....
861	Winnipeg	English-Canadian	8	13
862	Grand Forks, B.C.	Austrian	15	15
863	Prince Rupert, B.C.	French-Canadian	13 4 mos	13 4 mos.
864	Rexham, North Wales	Welsh	1½	2
865	South Vancouver, B.C.	English	12 8 mos.	12 8 mos.
866	Kilgard, B.C.	Half-breed	12	12
867	Fairview, B.C.	American	10	10
869	Edinburgh, Scotland	Scotch	4	5
870	Bucks, England	English	7	7
871	New Westminster, B.C.	Canadian	11	11
872	Vancouver, B.C.	English	13	13
873	Cardston, Alta.	Scotch	....	15 9 mos.
874	Port Simpson, B.C.	Three-quarter-breed	15 5 mos.	15 5 mos.
875	North Dakota, U.S.A.	American	2	15
876	Earlton, Ont.	Scotch	6	16 9 mos.
877	Vancouver, B.C.	Canadian	16	16
878	Vancouver, B.C.	Scotch	17½	17½
879	Anyox, B.C.	Indian	14	14
880	Vancouver, B.C.	Servian	8	8
881	Vancouver, B.C.	Servian	11	11
882	York, England	English	2	2
883	Vancouver, B.C.	Newfoundlander	16	16
884	Vancouver, B.C.	Canadian	15	15
885	Prince Rupert, B.C.	Italian	11	11
886	Winnipeg	Scotch	4½	11
887	Vancouver, B.C.	Canadian	13	13
888	Penticton, B.C.	Indian	15	15
889	Saskatchewan	English	3	13
890	Saskatchewan	Canadian	14	16
891	Vancouver, B.C.	Scotch	16	16
892	Calgary, Alta.	Canadian	18	18
893	South Vancouver, B.C.	Welsh	16	16
894	England	Irish	12	12
895	New Westminster, B.C.	Quarter-breed	15	15
896	Glasgow, Scotland	Scotch	14½	14½
897	Calgary	Scotch	6	14

Total No. of boys, 130.

WHERE THEY WERE BORN.

British Columbia	73	England	11
Alberta	6	Ireland	1
Saskatchewan	11	United States	8
Manitoba	4	China	1
Ontario	4	Russia	3
Scotland	5	Sweden	1
Wales	2		
		Total	130

WHY THEY CAME TO US.

Theft	70	Forgery	1
Incorrigibility	21	Indecent acts	4
B. E. & S.	26	Assault	4
Receiving	2	Violation of "Railway Act"	1
Trespassing on C.P.R. property	1		
		Total	130

LENGTH OF SENTENCES.

Sec. 16, J.D.A., 1908	50	Indef. and undef.	23
2 years	44	6 months (transferred from Oakalla)	1
3 years	5		
4 years	5		
5 years	2	Total	130

PLACES OF APPREHENSION.

New Westminster	8	Nelson	2
Vancouver	44	Trail	1
North Vancouver	6	Chilliwack	1
South Vancouver	1	Point Grey	1
Burnaby	4	Powell River	2
Port Haney	1	Vernon	5
Nanaimo	1	Penticton	4
Terrace	1	Oliver	1
Alberni	2	Grand Forks	2
Port Coquitlam	1	Sumas	2
Victoria	20	Summerland	2
Michel	1	Creston	1
Cranbrook	3	Keremeos	1
Abbotsford	1	Ladysmith	1
Prince Rupert	6	North Bend	1
Smithers	1		
		Total	130

AGES OF BOYS IN INSTITUTION.

10 years	2	16 years	26
11 years	2	17 years	19
12 years	8	18 years	19
13 years	12	19 years	8
14 years	16	20 years	4
15 years	14		
		Total	130

Average age of boys, 16 years.

RELIGIOUS STATISTICS.

Roman Catholic	31	Russian Church	3
Methodist (United)	30	Christian Science	1
Presbyterian	29	Lutheran	1
Church of England	18	Pentecostal	1
Baptist	8	Salvation Army	2
Greek Catholic	3	Seventh Day Adventist	2
Chinese Mission	1		
		Total	130

MEDICAL AND DENTAL REPORTS.

The following reports of our Medical Officer, Dr. Stanley Paulin, M.D., and our Dental Surgeon, Dr. Emery Jones, D.D.S., show that every effort is put forward to remove the boys' physical handicaps.

In addition to those mentioned in these reports, the following received attention: 154 received first aid for minor ailments and spent short periods in our hospital wards and rest-rooms.

Medical Report.

"During the greater part of the year ended March 31st, 1927, the health of the boys has been fairly good.

"During the latter part of December, 1926, and extending well into January, 1927, there was an epidemic of severe influenza, with twenty-eight of the boys in bed for varying times and necessitating the taking-on of a trained nurse. Resulting from the influenza, there were three cases of otitis media and two of pneumonia, one of whom developed empyeura, and the other, an Indian, has since shown signs of tuberculosis of the lungs.

"Beginning in June, 1926, there was an outbreak of gonorrhœal infection, necessitating the removal of eight boys to the hospital. A very exhaustive investigation failed to disclose the source of infection of most of the cases. In addition to the average run of minor ailments and mishaps, but not sent to the hospital, there were: Fractured arm, 2; rheumatism, 1; impetigo, 1; mumps, 1; discharging ears, 3; scabies, 2.

"In addition to the above, admissions to hospital were as follows: Acute appendicitis, 1; tuberculous glands of the neck, 2; caries of tibia, 1; tonsillectomy, 2; fistula in ano, 1; fractured tibia, 1; diabetes mellitus, 1; fissure in ano, 1; empyeura (post pneumonic), 1.

"There were no deaths in the school during the year.

"Among the boys admitted during the year, the following abnormalities were noted:—

Short sight	4	Pediculosis	2
Blepharitis	1	Ulcer on head	1
Conjunctivitis	1	Eczema	2
Enlarged tonsils and adenoids	7	Evidence of old T.B. glands	1
Discharging ear	1	Phimosis	3
Deviation of nasal septum	1	Balanitis	1
Slight goitre	1	Hydrocele of cord	1
Flat feet	3	General underdevelopment	3

"(Signed) STANLEY PAULIN, M.D."

DENTAL REPORT.

"During the year I have examined the mouths of 112 boys and find that about 80 of that number needed dental treatment of some kind.

"It has been necessary to remove 103 badly abcessed or infected teeth. Fifty-seven fillings —amalgam, cement, or silicate—have been inserted. Local anæsthetic has been used 108 times for the prevention of pain during extraction or filling operations. Twenty cases have been treated for the prevention of dental caries; five treatments for the relief of pain and two acute abcesses treated. In two boys, accidents have caused fractures of the alveolus. These fractures were reduced and treated with satisfactory results.

"The dental work completed should save the boys considerable pain and ill-health and be of great benefit to them.

"Respectfully submitted.

"(Signed) EMERY JONES, D.D.S."

EDUCATIONAL.

INSPECTOR'S REPORT.

"I spent the day of March 31st in the two divisions of your school, and am pleased to be able to state that conditions are favourable and progress definite.

"At the time of my visit fifty-three pupils were enrolled and fifty of these were in attendance.

"The class-rooms are bright, sanitary, and suited to the special conditions under which teachers and pupils are working. As the class-rooms are on the second-floor of the building it is necessary that every precaution be taken to guard against panic in case of fire.

"Equipment is generally suitable. I am pleased to report that modern Silent Readers have been supplied. Coming from all parts of the Province and from varied influences and environments, the pupils composing each group or class are naturally homogeneous. This necessitates much individual instruction. In order that classification be most effective and to enable the teachers to determine the nature of the individual tuition most needed, the use of Intelligence Tests and Standardized Tests should be adopted in your school. In order that effective use be made of information gained from these scientific sources, your teachers should be given an opportunity to attend the summer courses, where they would receive such instructions.

"Your teachers are sympathetic and well suited for the difficult work they are doing. The quality of instruction observed was satisfactory.

"Discipline is better than one would expect, considering the restless nature of the pupils comprising those classes. The majority of pupils in both rooms display interest in their work.

"The influence of the class-room on the lives of these boys will certainly justify the hearty support of your department.

"(Signed) J. T. POLLOCK,
Inspector of Schools."

DIVISION I. REPORT.

"On March 31st, 1926, enrolment was: Grade VI., 3; Grade VII., 8; Grade VIII., 2; seven boys having gone home during this month.

"Enrolment, March 31st, 1927, was: Grade VI., 7; Grade VII., 9; Grade VIII., 7. During the year three boys went home; 14 new boys were received—3 by promotion and 11 by entry to the school.

"This year the moral tone of the school has been noticeably higher than previously and the boys have gained a greater sense of responsibility in the matter of class-room discipline. The organization of a society of their own may have helped in this, as it has in oral composition. All have had a chance to study nature at first hand in the care of plants in the school-room, and many have shown special talent in art and woodwork.

"(Signed) WINNIFRED WELLS."

DIVISION II. REPORT.

"On March 31st, 1926, there were in Grade II. 5 pupils, in Grade III. 11 pupils, in Grade IV. 5 pupils, and in Grade V. 2 pupils, making a total of 23 pupils in all.

"During the above period the following changes occurred in the classes: Number of boys sent home, 4; number of boys sent to trades, 1; number of boys promoted, 4; number of new boys admitted, 15; making a total of 29 boys on the register at April 1st, 1927.

"With the exception of one or two subnormal cases, I am glad to report a decided improvement in the morale of my pupils. They take more interest in their work and are making satisfactory progress in practically all subjects. It takes a little longer to win the complete confidence of these boys, but, this once acquired, there is no lack of application. Owing to the fact that most of the boys admitted here do not attend school regularly outside, they are usually at least two years over age for the grade. It is my constant endeavour to devote more than usual attention to those subjects which should prove of greatest value to them in later life. Discipline, on the whole, has been excellent.

"I find that the majority of my pupils show considerable aptitude for and take a keen interest in making small articles in wood, and I would respectfully suggest that more facilities be provided for them in this direction.

"(Signed) JEAN MUTRIE."

COMMERCIAL COURSE.

During the year there has been only one student in this class studying shorthand, typewriting, and general office-work under the supervision of the stenographer.

During the year $220 was spent for stationery, books, etc., supplied to our class-rooms for educational purposes.

TAILORING DEPARTMENT.

CREDITS.

Value of new clothing (material and time)—		
Overalls, 368 pairs	$549.00	
Tweed pants, 24 pairs	169.50	
Tweed school pants, 91 pairs	211.50	
Uniform pants, 9 pairs	63.00	
Uniform coats, 3	45.00	
Carpenters' aprons, 10	17.00	
Gymnasium pants, 104 pairs	37.25	
		$1,092.25

CREDITS—*Continued.*

Brought forward		$1,092.25
Value of new work for other departments (time only)—		
Sheets, 336	$79.75	
Table-cloths, 35	10.50	
Bed-covers, 8	15.00	
Pillow-covers, 75	22.20	
Mattress-covers, 4	2.00	
Curtains for Auditorium	8.00	
Concert clothes	20.00	
		157.45
Repairs (general)—		
Overalls repaired, 881 pairs	$222.00	
Uniforms repaired, 26 pairs	40.00	
Uniforms pressed, 76	74.00	
Mackinaws repaired, 31	31.00	
Suits pressed, 21	26.00	
Shirts repaired	79.00	
Miscellaneous repairs	203.50	
Tweed pants repaired	4.00	
Suits repaired, 3	8.00	
		687.50
		$1,937.20

DEBITS.

Material, etc., used—	
Denim, 535 yards	$184.57
Denim, striped, 330 yards	94.05
Canton, 64 yards	14.08
Buttons	16.00
Tags, etc.	4.00
	$312.70

SHOE DEPARTMENTS.

CREDITS.

New shoes made, 228 pairs at $7 per pair	$1,596.00
Boots repaired, 1,532 pairs	2,124.60
	$3,720.60

DEBITS.

Shoe-findings and replacements	$1,181.94

CARPENTERING DEPARTMENT.

During the year this department erected a gymnasium and swimming-tank building, 90 by 42, receiving a special letter of commendation from the Deputy Minister of Public Works and the Supervising Architect on the workmanship and finish of both the exterior and interior of the building.

In addition to erecting this structure, considerable repairs to existing buildings were carried out, bird-houses built, fences repaired and erected, gates made, besides many useful and ornamental articles in fretwork.

The whole in the aggregate amounting to hundreds of dollars and served the twofold purpose of teaching boys practical construction and saving money to the school.

PAINT AND GLAZING DEPARTMENT.

This department during the year painted the exterior of the new gymnasium building, also stained and varnished the interior walls and floors, making a very creditable showing indeed. In addition to this, all fences around barns were painted by them, broken glass replaced in windows; the last named can be better appreciated by remembering we have over 8,000 panes of glass to take care of, and 130 boys all able to throw stones. In every way this department justified its usefulness.

PLUMBING DEPARTMENT.

This department, in addition to the regular work of attending to the heating and lighting system, kept our plumbing and water systems in repair, also most of the necessary repairs to things electrical at a considerable saving to the institution.

GARAGE.

We do all our own minor repairs and cleaning of cars, which means a considerable saving during the year.

We have been able to used the truck a great deal more this year than formerly, owing to the roads around the farm being in good condition. We purchased a new drag-saw and fitted up an old Ford engine to drive a circular saw to cut cordwood. Still our yearly cost for the upkeep of cars, gasoline, oil, and repairs, including work done at service stations, only amounted to the sum of $567.63, or an average of $47.30 per month.

FARM DEPARTMENT.

For convenience, this department is divided into sections as follows: Dairying, piggery, general farming and kitchen gardens, apiaries, poultry, land-clearing and teaming, road-work, and tree and shrub planting.

Dairying.

We have the following dairy stock, all fully accredited: 12 milk cows, 1 senior bull, 5 heifers, and 2 calves.

We did not show at any exhibition during 1926, but intend doing so this year.

We continue to find our dairy not only a necessary asset, but also a paying proposition, as the following will show:—

Credits.

Milk, 62,690.9 lb. at 4 cents	$2,508.00
Butter, 440.5 lb. at 40 cents	176.20
Beef, 600 lb. at 15 cents	90.00
Sale of stock during the year	700.00
	$3,474.20

Debits.

Feed purchased during the year	$1,880.66
Veterinary attention	55.00
	$1,935.66

Poultry.

Credits.

Eggs produced at 35 cents a dozen (39,659)	$1,154.36
Poultry for table use, 345 birds	345.00
Young chicks hatched, 959 at 25 cents	267.50
1 White Wyandotte cockerel sold	3.00
	$1,769.86

Debits.

Feed purchased during the year	$842.65
Coal	66.50
Charcoal	1.45
Straw from barn	84.00
1 No. 18-500 Buckeye brooder and pipes	21.95
Leg-bands, 300	5.00
Hatching-eggs, 200	10.00
Medicine	8.10
	$1,039.65

PIGGERY.

Credits.

Pork, 1,553 lb. at 15 cents	$232.95
Sale of pigs during the year	118.50
	$351.45

Debits.

Feed purchased during the year	$383.24
1 boar purchased ("Colony Farm Dare Devil")	30.00
	$413.24

NOTE.—We had 26 young pigs ready for sale and awaiting a buyer at the end of the year. These are worth $120.

GENERAL FARMING AND KITCHEN GARDENS.

Credits.

Parsnips, 1,173 lb.	$23.46	
Parsley	2.90	
Potatoes, 11 sacks	111.00	
Peas, 235 lb.	14.10	
Onions, 158 lb.	4.75	
Beet-greens	1.50	
Radish	.25	
Lettuce	19.25	
Corn, 205 doz.	30.75	
Beets, 812 lb.	16.24	
Beans, 276 lb.	16.56	
Cabbage, 315 lb.	11.33	
Cucumbers, 336 lb.	9.84	
Carrots, 2,127 lb.	42.69	
Brussels sprouts, 10 lb.	.50	
Leeks	.50	
Celery, 40 roots	4.00	
Tomatoes, 844 lb.	50.64	
Marrow, 334 lb.	33.40	
Turnips, 360 lb.	7.20	
		$400.86
Fruits—		
Raspberries, 303 lb.	$24.24	
Red currants, 29 lb.	2.32	
		26.56
Hay grown on farm		600.00
		$1,027.42

Debits.

Feed purchased during year	$1,252.63
Seeds (potatoes)	44.00
Seeds (oats)	7.20
1 No. 320 Deere cultivator	11.25
1 No. 1 Royal plough	58.50
1 Wilkinson drill-plough and attachments	41.75
General repairs (horse-shoes), etc.	198.20
Harness, etc.	125.20
	$1,738.73

Apiaries.

During the year we received 108 lb. of honey from our hives, and hope for continued results.

Land-clearing, Grading, and Teaming.

We have had a particularly busy year with our teams on work apart from the usual farm requirements, which the following will show:—

1 team, 31 full days ploughing and grading lawns in front of cottages at $8.50 per day	$265.50
2 single carts hauling rock and soil for grading, 42 days at $10 per day	420.00
1 team, 56 days making new road to barn at $8.50 per day	476.00
239 loads of gravel from the river for roads and concrete-work at $1.75 per load	418.25
	$1,579.75

In addition to the work performed by teams, the general work group made a road 1,800 feet long and 25 feet wide, also a culvert ditch 2,047 feet long, 4½ feet deep, and an average of 5 feet wide. This was covered with cedar slabs out from the bush.

The road has been fenced on both sides and planted out with trees. There has also been considerable land roughly cleared of rocks and fallen timber, and fences put up in fields already cleared.

The labour value of all this work amounts to not less than $2,000.

Tree and Shrub Planting.

Under this heading considerable work was done by the combined effort of all departments, each coming out as required for a few days at a time. During the year we planted and replanted the following:—

500 shrubs and trees (new).

150 shrubs and trees (replanted).

122 fruit-trees (new).

450 currant-bushes (transferred to new location).

516 raspberry-canes (transferred to new location).

426 raspberry-canes (planted in nursery for future use).

The labour value of preparing the ground and planting was equal to the work of one man and three boys for 53 days at $10 per day, or a total of $530.

FARM CREDITS AND DEBITS BY SECTIONS.

		Cr.	Dr.
Dairy		$3,474.20	$1,935.66
Poultry		1,769.86	957.34
Piggery		351.45	413.24
Apiaries		16.20	.....
General farming	$1,027.42		
Land-clearing and teaming	3,579.75		
Tree and shrub planting	530.00		
		5,137.17	1,738.73
Credit balance		.....	5,703.91
		$10,748.88	$10,748.88

KITCHEN AND CULINARY SECTIONS.

Meals served—	
Boys	137,264
Staff	26,384
	163,648

COST OF PROVISIONS.

Groceries	$6,023.94
Meat	3,168.77
Bread	2,791.60
Flour, etc.	316.40
Milk (from farm)	2,502.52
Eggs (from farm)	1,146.26
Vegetables (from farm)	403.47
Poultry (from farm)	345.00
Peanut butter	39.93
Pork and beef (from farm)	322.95
Butter	203.80
Average cost per meal, 10½ cents.	$17,264.64

MUSIC SECTION.

As in previous years, we found a difficulty in keeping our band up to full strength owing to boys going home just when they are able to play creditably.

Nevertheless, the band was able to play at the unveiling of the Cenotaph at Cloverdale, at the Maple Ridge Exhibition, the New Westminster Exhibition, and the Vancouver Exhibition, and also took part in a contest with other juvenile bands, and came out second, only losing first place by a few points.

In addition, the band played every morning and evening at the flag-raising ceremonies, which are conducted at the school. They also took an active part in our annual concert, receiving favourable press comment.

SPORTS SECTION.

During the year our football team had games with teams from outside and usually held their own.

Our basket-ball teams were in great demand during the winter and had several games with Burnaby Boy Scouts, the Elks of New Westminster, the boys from Jubilee United Church, the St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church boys, New Westminster, and in every instance played a good sporting game, sometimes losing and sometimes winning.

Our baseball teams did not have many teams from outside to meet them, but one cottage played often against the other, and it made at least good practice.

CONCERTS AND ENTERTAINMENTS.

During the year, in addition to our annual concert, which was repeated three times by request, and an Easter pageant put on by the boys, the following gave us much appreciated entertainment: St. Mark's Church, Vancouver; Essondale Concert Party; Salvation Army, New Westminster, Shelly's Minstrels, Vancouver; Kiwanis Glee Club, New Westminster; Jubilee United Church Concert Party, Burnaby; and Mr. Concannon, of Tacoma, U.S.A.

OUR VISITORS.

Dr. E. J. Rothwell, M.L.A.; J. L. White, Esq., Deputy Provincial Secretary (several times); Judge H. C. Shaw, Vancouver; H. W. Collier, Vancouver; Colonel Phillips, Vancouver; A. Capon, Esq., Vancouver; A. DeLong, Esq., Vancouver; S. Lesser, Esq., Vancouver; Police Magistrate Philip, North Vancouver; Mr. and Mrs. A. Blyth, Vancouver; A. Rundle, Esq., Vancouver; New Westminster Ministerial Association; part of Salvation Army officers; Mrs. Harry Duker, Vancouver; Presbyterian Synod of British Columbia; Ministerial Association of Vancouver.

In addition to the above, several visitors from London, England, called upon us, also many from various parts of United States.

We wish it to be widely known that any one interested is at liberty to visit us at any time. All that is required is to call at the office for permit.

DAVID B. BRANKIN,
Superintendent.

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