TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

PROVINCIAL INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR BOYS

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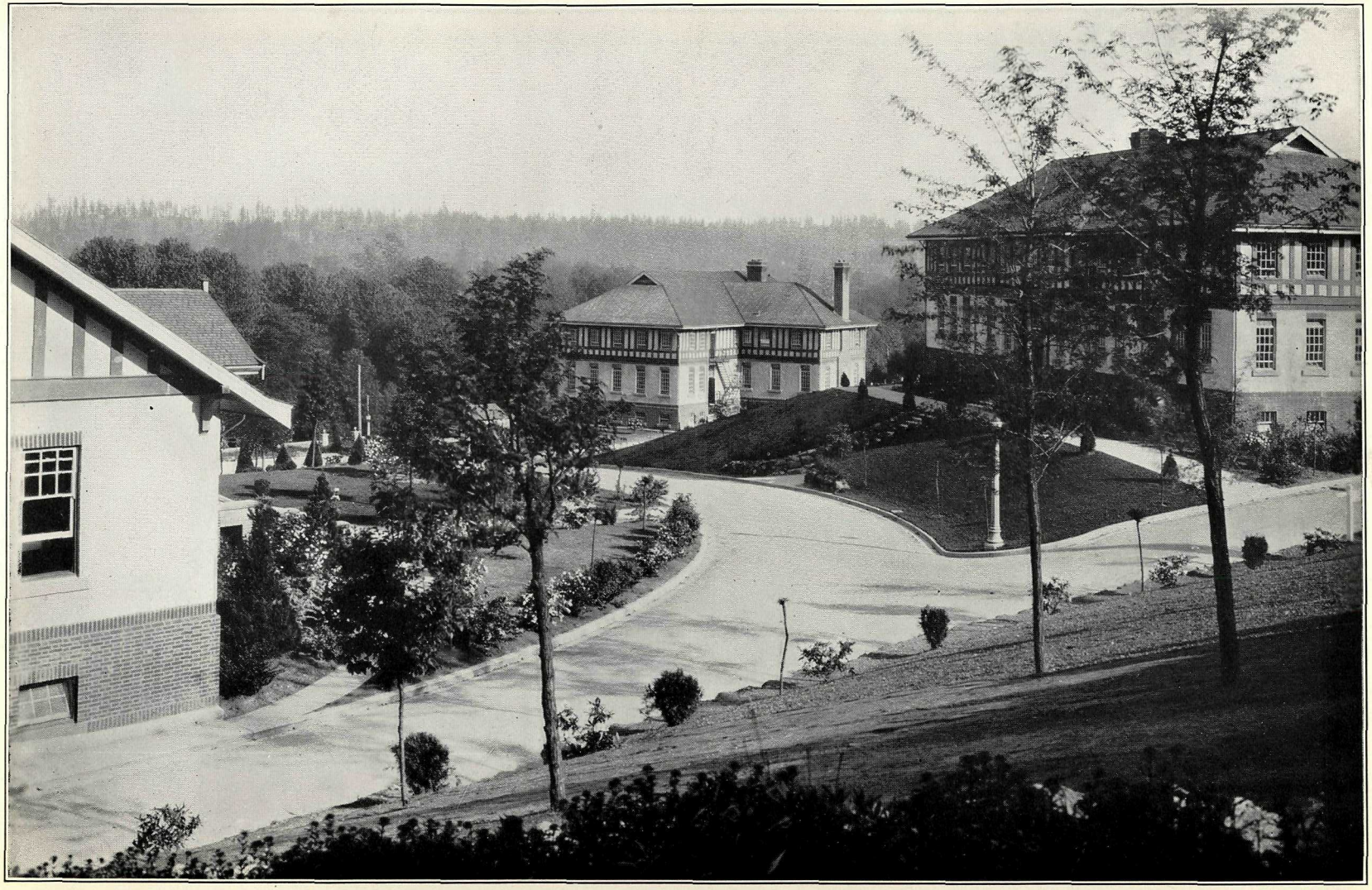

A VIEW OF BISCOQ.

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-fourth Annual Report of the Provincial Industrial School for Boys for the year ended March 31st, 1928.

T. D. PATTULLO,

Provincial Secretary.

Provincial Secretary's Office,

Victoria, B.C., June, 1928.

PROVINCIAL INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR BOYS,
PORT COQUITLAM, B.C., June 2nd, 1928.

The Honourable T. D. Pattullo,
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, 1927, to March 31st, 1928.

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. T. D. PATTULLO, *Provincial Secretary.*

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OSBORNE, J., *Shoemaker Instructor.*

STEWART, D. R., *Carpenter Instructor.*

JOSE, C., *Farm Instructor.*

SCOTT, W. J., *Plumber and Engineer.*

HOLROYD, H., *Poultryman.*

MUTRIE, MISS JEAN, *Senior Teacher.*

MUTRIE, MISS E., *Junior Teacher.*

BRAKES, WM. H., *Male School-teacher.*

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

PROVINCIAL INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR BOYS.

SUPERINTENDENT'S ANNUAL REPORT.

The Hon. T. D. Pattullo,
Provincial Secretary, Victoria, B.C.

SIR,—I have the honour of submitting to you the Twenty-fourth Annual Report of the Provincial Industrial School for Boys, Coquitlam, B.C., covering our activities for the fiscal year ended March 31st, 1928.

OUR DIFFICULTIES.

It is somewhat difficult to get the average man in the street to realize what it means to have a group of about 200 boys assembled together, not as eager pupils in a school of their choice, but who have been forcibly taken from their former evil associations and sentenced to remain in a home of correction for a long uncertain period, in order to be made over into the best possible citizen. In many of these boys the ordinary courtesies of life are absent; amongst them interesting difference of personality exists; deeply rooted vices to be reckoned with; a dislike for authority is soon evidenced; clever deception and lying is freely resorted to at first, as though it were second nature; the love of stealing remains a long while with some; steady work appears to them as an enemy, judged by the amount of persistent oversight required on any little job. A perverted knowledge of sex affairs is so common that a young boy of reasonably innocent mind is hard to find. The cruel and bullying type is more common than is supposed; then there is a sprinkling of those social problems whose physical or mental conditions makes them misfits in the world, and their stay with us is very uncertain in its duration. It certainly falls to the lot of few people in pursuit of their life's calling to be brought into intimate association with such a group of boys for twenty-four hours every day the year round. This comes only to the institutional workers, whose task is very little known and often, I am afraid, their contributions to the public cause are much undervalued; their work does, however, carry with it a peculiar charm, that is also a challenge to receive boys *just as they are* and endeavour to give them the training and example they have needed but did not get outside the school. One of the first things we try to impress upon a new boy is that work is honourable and that no one able to earn his own living has a right to sponge upon others. We accordingly lay out for every boy a busy, useful programme of work, with a reasonable amount of time appointed for recreation; this and being well-nourished, comfortably clad, well-housed, observing regular hours, living under kindly but firm restraint, with home-like environment, produces a response from many that is very pleasing indeed. A few do not appreciate these things and are for ever looking for an opportunity to escape and take others with them; experience has, however, taught us that this disturbing element is largely confined to boys who have been fooled with too long by unwise sympathizers and foolish parents, or those who have the mistaken notion that they are tough and hard-boiled, which indicates that boys of tender years are more amenable to a form of discipline than those who are older.

IS IT WORTH WHILE?

This is a question often put to me by visitors and friends, and my reply is, "Yes, undoubtedly"; and if it were permissible to cite cases or give names of our successes, it would make very interesting reading. Unfortunately, we have had a few complete failures and some of our old boys are to-day in either the Prison Farm or the Penitentiary; but, if the truth must be told, the fault was not altogether theirs, broken home conditions and scarcity of employment being contributing factors, coupled with the influence arising from the pernicious doctrine that the world owes every man a living and that it is not necessary to recognize the law of exchange to get through life.

In the statistical data which follows under the various vocational department activities, it will be readily seen that we have at the present time at Biscoq a very efficient and loyal staff of instructors, the majority of them having been with us several years. This also includes our old and tried cottage attendants, who have at times a difficult task to perform and mostly behind the scenes. It is very true that the training of young life is not one person's work, and most

efficient is that institution where each officer works loyally with those in charge, and who looks upon his position as an opportunity to better serve his country and the less fortunate youths of to-day.

POPULATION OF THE SCHOOL, MARCH 31st, 1928.

On roll, March 31st, 1927		130
Boys admitted during year, March 31st, 1927, to March 31st, 1928		85
		215
Deaths during the year	2	
Releases during the year	62	
Transferred to Oakalla Prison Farm	2	
	—	66
Total in school, March 31st, 1928		149

This constitutes a record in new admissions and of boys who have previously passed through our Juvenile Courts and other reforming agencies.

LIST OF BOYS IN SCHOOL, MARCH 31st, 1928.

No.	Place of Birth.	Parentage.	Residence previous to being admitted to School in	
			British Columbia.	Canada.
			Years.	Years.
741	Nanaimo, B.C.	English	11	11
754	West Summerland, B.C.	Canadian	10	10
755	West Summerland, B.C.	Canadian	11	11
764	Vernon, B.C.	Canadian	10	10
778	Teline, B.C.	English	12	12
796	England	English	11	11
802	Penticton, B.C.	Indian	18	18
808	Victoria, B.C.	Canadian-American	14	14
812	Vancouver, B.C.	Canadian	14½	17
813	Montana, U.S.A.	American	6	6
814	Montana, U.S.A.	American	6	6
816	Nanaimo, B.C.	Canadian	10	10
826	Regina, Sask.	Canadian	3	11
827	Vancouver, B.C.	Italian	14	14
828	Russia	Russian	5 mos.	15½
833	Vancouver, B.C.	Canadian-Irish	14	14
835	Wales	Welsh	7	14
837	Vancouver, B.C.	Canadian-American	14	14
838	Surrey, England	English	5	5
841	Vancouver, B.C.	Irish	12	12
843	Victoria, B.C.	Scotch-Irish	15	15
844	Warwickshire, England	English	15	15
846	New Westminster, B.C.	Canadian-Irish	13	13
847	Toronto, Ont.	Scotch-Canadian	6	12
849	Grand Forks, B.C.	American	13	13
850	Regina, Sask.	Canadian	5	15
851	Edmonton, Alta.	English-Irish	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, Alta.	Canadian	12	12
857	Burnaby, B.C.	English	12	12
858	Dundee, Scotland	Scotch-English	8	8
859	Belfast, Ireland	English-Irish	14	14
860	Portland, Ore., U.S.A.	American	....	....
861	Winnipeg, Man.	Canadian-English	8	13
862	Grand Forks, B.C.	Austrian	15	15
863	Prince Rupert, B.C.	French-Canadian	13	13

LIST OF BOYS IN SCHOOL, MARCH 31st, 1928—*Continued.*

No.	Place of Birth.	Parentage.	Residence previous to being admitted to School in	
			British Columbia.	Canada.
			Years.	Years.
864	Rexham, Wales	Welsh	1½	2
865	South Vancouver, B.C.	English	12	12
866	Kilgard, B.C.	Quarter-breed	12	12
867	Fairview, B.C.	American	10	10
869	Edinburgh, Scotland	Scotch	4	5
870	England	English	7	7
871	New Westminster, B.C.	Canadian	11	11
872	Vancouver, B.C.	English	13	13
873	Cardiston, Alta.	Dutch-Scotch	....	15
874	Port Simpson, B.C.	Quarter-breed	15	15
875	North Dakota, U.S.A.	Icelander	2	15
877	Vancouver, B.C.	Canadian	16	16
878	Vancouver, B.C.	Scotch	17	17
879	Kincolith, B.C.	Indian	14	14
880	Vancouver, B.C.	Serbian	8	8
881	Vancouver, B.C.	Serbian	11	11
883	Vancouver, B.C.	Canadian-South American	16	16
884	Vancouver, B.C.	Canadian	16	16
886	Winnipeg, Man.	Scotch	5½	11
887	Vancouver, B.C.	Canadian	13	13
888	Penticton, B.C.	Indian	15	15
889	Saskatchewan	Canadian	3	13
890	Mortlach, Sask.	Canadian	14	16
891	Vancouver, B.C.	Scotch	16	16
892	Calgary, Alta.	Canadian	8	18
893	Collingwood, B.C.	Welsh	16	16
895	New Westminster, B.C.	Quarter-breed	15	15
896	Glasgow, Scotland	Scotch	14½	14½
897	Calgary, Alta.	Scotch	14	14
898	Vancouver, B.C.	French	13	13
899	Vancouver, B.C.	Italian	17	17
900	Toronto, Ont.	Canadian	14	16
901	Vancouver, B.C.	Canadian	17	17
902	Cranbrook, B.C.	Indian	14	14
904	Everett, Wash., U.S.A.	American	8	8
905	Nanaimo, B.C.	Canadian	17	17
906	Seattle, Wash., U.S.A.	American-Canadian	3	3
907	Regina, Sask.	Irish	3 mos.	17
909	China	Chinese	6	6
910	London, England	English	8	8
911	Tide Lake, Alta.	American	13	13
912	Glasgow, Scotland	English-Scotch	13	13
913	Chilliwack, B.C.	Indian	16	16
914	Drumheller, Alta.	Irish-Canadian	3	15
915	Edmonton, Alta.	Canadian-Irish	3	18
916	Vancouver, B.C.	Italian	13	13
917	England	Scotch	7	7
918	Kitchener, Ont.	French-Canadian	12	13
919	Duck Creek, B.C.	Norwegian	13	13
920	Point Grey, B.C.	Canadian-English	12	12
921	Victoria, B.C.	English	11	11
922	Lillooet, B.C.	Quarter-breed	16	16
923	Vancouver, B.C.	Quarter-breed	12	14
924	Prince Rupert, B.C.	Italian	12	12
925	Kaslo, B.C.	Canadian	17	17
926	Nelson, B.C.	Polish-Roumanian	12	13
927	Nelson, B.C.	Polish-Roumanian	10	11
928	Nelson, B.C.	Polish-Roumanian	9	10
929	Wisconsin, U.S.A.	Scotch-American	14	14
930	Ottawa, Ont.	German-Canadian	8	15

LIST OF BOYS IN SCHOOL, MARCH 31ST, 1928—*Continued.*

No.	Place of Birth.	Parentage.	Residence previous to being admitted to School in	
			British Columbia.	Canada.
			Years.	Years.
931	Victoria, B.C.	French-Belgian	13	13
932	Ladner, B.C.	Canadian-Austrian	6	6
933	Ottawa, Ont.	Scotch	11	16
934	Calley, Alta.	English	14	16½
935	Nanaimo, B.C.	Canadian-English	15	15
936	Burnaby, B.C.	English	14	14
937		English	2	....
938	South Vancouver, B.C.	Canadian	14	14
939	Vernon, B.C.	English	14	14
940	Regina, Sask.	Irish-English	16	16
941	Walla Walla, Wash., U.S.A.	American	1	1
943	Glasgow, Scotland	Canadian-Scotch	8	8
944	Winnipeg, Man.	Canadian	9	14
945	Rossland, B.C.	Swede-Canadian	....	....
946	Vancouver, B.C.	Italian	15	15
947	Winnipeg, Man.	Irish-Swede	6	15
948	Port Coquitlam, B.C.	English-Canadian	13	13
949	North Vancouver, B.C.	Japanese	15	15
950	Glasgow, Scotland	Scotch	8	8
951	Youngstown, Sask.	American	8	13
952	Stuart Lake, B.C.	Half-breed	16	16
953	Grand Forks, B.C.	Scotch-Irish	15	15
955	Prince Rupert, B.C.	Spanish	13	13
956	Saskatoon, Sask.	English	4	15
957	Hazelton, B.C.	American-Half-breed	16	16
958	Metlakatla, B.C.	Canadian	16	16
959	Rosthern, Sask.	Russian	1	13
960	Klezkowsko, Sask.	Russian	1	17
961	Vancouver, B.C.	Canadian	17	17
962	Vancouver, B.C.	Russian	15	15
963	Calgary, Alta.	Canadian	17	17
964	Calgary, Alta.	Irish-Canadian	12	12
965	Calgary, Alta.	Irish-Canadian	11	11
966	New Westminster, B.C.	Canadian-Scotch	13	13
967	Welland, Ont.	Canadian	6	14
968	Winnipeg, Man.	Polish	11	14
969	Canora, Sask.	Russian	2	16
970	Glasgow, Scotland	Scotch	1½	1½
971	Glasgow, Scotland	Scotch-Irish	6	6
972	Cranbrook, B.C.	Indian	17	17
973	Cranbrook, B.C.	Indian	16	16
974	Bisbee, Ariz., U.S.A.	American	7 mos.	7 mos.
975	Vancouver, B.C.	American	11	11
976	Lethbridge, Alta.	Canadian	9½	16
977	Victoria, B.C.	Scotch	15	15
978	San Francisco, Cal., U.S.A.	English	15	15
979	Duncan, B.C.	Irish-English	10	16
980	Vancouver, B.C.	Luthanian	15	15
981	Calgary, Alta.	English	7	17
982	Armstrong, B.C.	American	13	13

Total number of boys, 149.

NATIONALITY OF PARENTS.

Canadian (both)	27	Scotch-Irish	5
Canadian-American	3	English-Irish	4
Canadian-Scotch	3	Quarter-breed	5
Canadian-French	1	Icelander (both)	1
Canadian-Austrian	1	Chinese (both)	1

NATIONALITY OF PARENTS—*Continued.*

Canadian-English	4	French-Scotch	1
Canadian-South American	1	Polish-Roumanian	3
Canadian-German	1	Scotch-American	1
Canadian-Swede	1	French-Belgian	1
Canadian-Irish	6	Irish-Swede	1
English (both)	20	Japanese (both)	1
American (both)	13	Luthanian (both)	1
Italian (both)	3	French (both)	1
Scotch-English	2	Norwegian (both)	1
Russian (both)	5	Dutch-Scotch	1
Austrian (both)	1	Serbian (both)	2
Irish (both)	2	Half-breed-Indian	1
Scotch (both)	11	American-Half-breed	1
Welsh (both)	3	Polish	1

WHERE BOYS WERE BORN.

British Columbia	83	United States	10
Alberta	15	England	7
Saskatchewan	10	Ireland	1
Manitoba	5	China	1
Ontario	7	Russia	1
Scotland	8		—
Wales	1	Total	149

It will be seen from the above that 47 of the parents and 120 of the boys are Canadian-born.

WHY THEY CAME TO US.

Theft	92	Vagrancy	2
Incorrigibility	20	Assault	6
B.E. & S.	24	Violation of "Railway Act"	1
Receiving	2		—
Trespassing on railway property	1	Total	149

LENGTH OF SENTENCES.

Sec. 16, J.D.A., 1908	60	5 years	1
1 year	1	Indef. and undef.	20
2 years	59		—
3 years	7	Total	149

PLACES OF APPREHENSION.

New Westminster	12	Chilliwack	2
Vancouver	53	Point Grey	2
North Vancouver	5	Vernon	1
South Vancouver	9	Powell River	1
Burnaby	4	Penticton	2
Port Haney	1	Oliver	1
Nanaimo	3	Grand Forks	3
Fort St. James	1	Sumas	2
Maple Ridge	1	Summerland	2
Port Coquitlam	3	Kamloops	3
Victoria	15	Lillooet	1
Cranbrook	3	Cumberland	1
Abbotsford	1	Kootenay	5
Prince Rupert	6	North Bend	1
Smithers	2	Hazelmere	1
Burns Lake	1		—
Ladner	1	Total	149

AGES OF BOYS IN INSTITUTION.

10 years	1	17 years	22
11 years	2	18 years	10
12 years	8	19 years	8
13 years	17	20 years	2
14 years	24		—
15 years	27	Total	149
16 years	28		

Average age of boys, 15 years.

RELIGIOUS STATISTICS.

Roman Catholic	28	Russian Church	1
Methodist	19	Christian Science	2
Presbyterian	28	Lutheran	1
Church of England	23	Salvation Army	4
Baptist	12	Seventh Day Adventist	2
Greek Catholic	4	Pyramid Temple	2
Chinese Mission	1		—
Doukhobor	1	Total	149
United Church	21		

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 physical handicap of every boy.

Medical Report.

"Sir,—The following is my medical report for the year ended March 31st, 1928:—

"The health of most of the boys during the past year has been very good. There have been no epidemics. However, in June and July, 1927, a case of diphtheria developed, from whom three other contacts proved positive on examination of throat-swabs. Later in the year a fifth case developed. All were taken to the infectious-diseases ward of the Vancouver General Hospital, where they were kept till free from infection.

"I have to report the death, from tuberculosis, of the Indian boy mentioned in last year's report. He was in the hospital for a considerable time before his death at that institution. One other Indian boy, with gland tuberculosis and lung involvement also, was released from the school for that reason. The diabetes case was carried over into this year and was in hospital on several occasions.

"Admissions to the General Hospital were for the following conditions: Tuberculous glands of the neck, 4; removal of tonsils and adenoids, 6; circumcision, 2; inguinal hernia, 1; abscess of shoulder, 1; diphtheria, 5; gonorrhœa, 2; diabetes, 1.

"The following conditions not requiring hospitalization were noted as well: Rheumatism, 4; rheumatic endocarditis, 1 (included in previous condition); conjunctivitis, 2; impetigo, 2; otitis media, 2; pleurisy, 1; hæmaturia, 1; balanitis, 1; acute flat feet, 1; Schlatter's disease, 1; sprained knee, 3; traumatic synovitis of knee, 3; dislocated toe, 1; crushed toe, 1; fractured finger, 1; severe cut of thumb, 1.

"The medical examination of the 85 new boys admitted disclosed the following defects: Valvular heart-murmurs, 3; enlarged tonsils, 9; defective sight, 4; blepharitis, 1; impaired hearing, 2; marked subnormality, 3; marked undernourishment, 1; slight varicocele, 1; hydrocele, 1; phismosis, 1; scabies, 3.

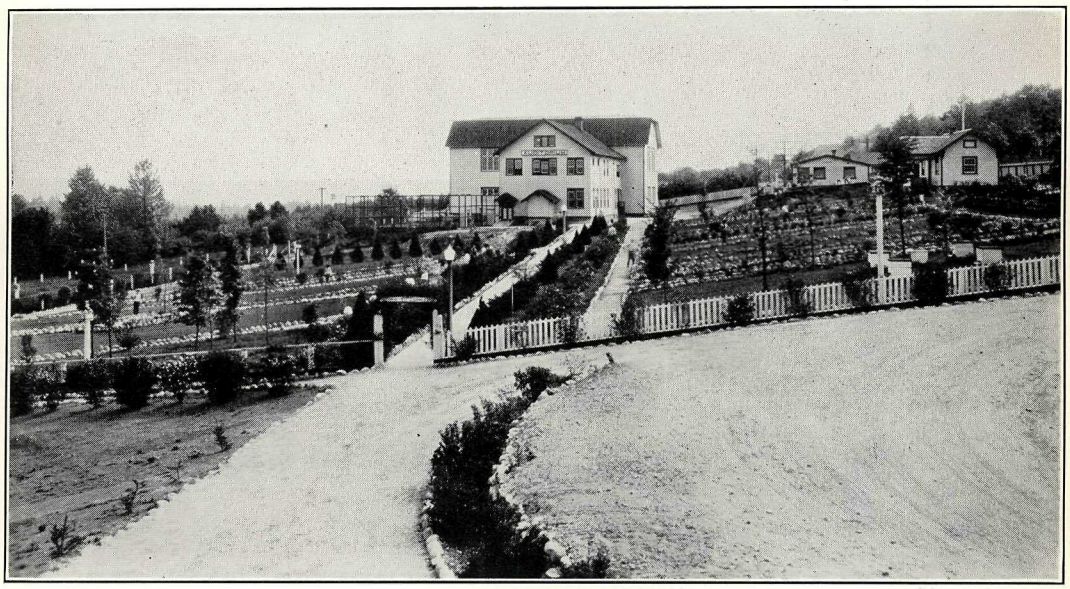
"(Signed) Stanley Paulin."

Dental Report.

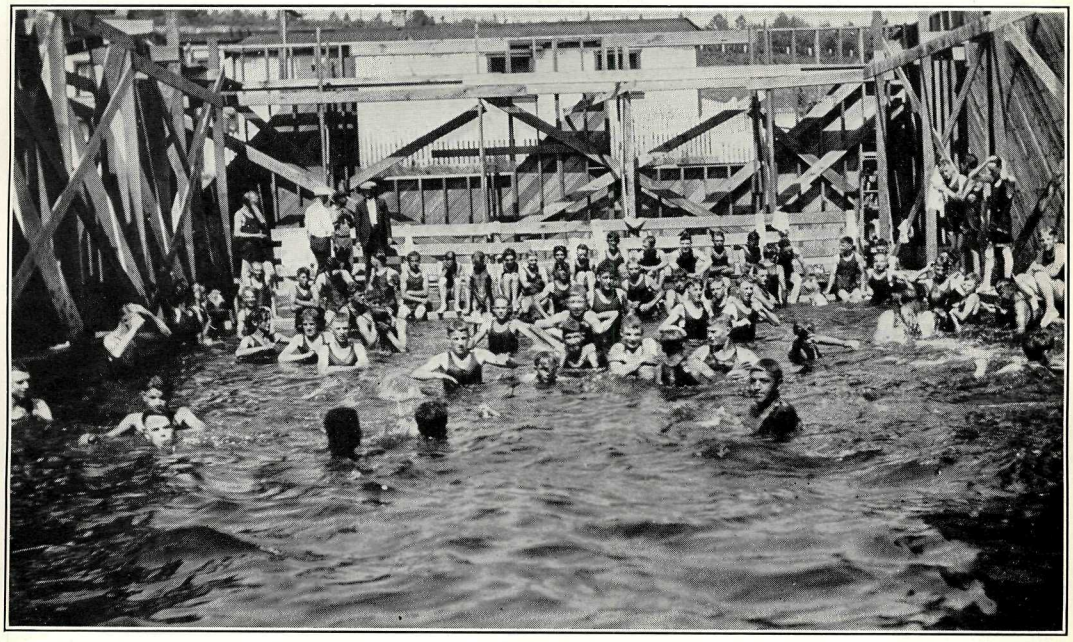
"During the past year I have found it necessary to remove 59 abscessed or badly diseased teeth. I have administered local anæsthetic 73 times for the relief of pain; have examined and made dental charts of the mouths of 62 of the boys; inserted 68 fillings and 32 pulp caps; and treated 9 cases for preventing caries.

"Respectfully submitted.

"(Signed) Emery Jones, D.D.S."



AUDITORIUM AND FLOWER-GARDEN AT BISCOQ.



SWIMMING-POOL AT BISCOQ.

EDUCATIONAL.

Division I. Report.

"The following table shows the movement of pupils in the senior room for the year ended March 31st, 1928.

"Pupils on register, April 1st, 1927	24
Pupils admitted during year	12
Pupils promoted from Division II.	8
Pupils discharged (this includes pupils who were put to a trade and those who were sent home)	13
Pupils transferred to Division III.	12
Total number of pupils on register, March 31st, 1928	19

"The policy of segregating the older boys in a separate room, which was instituted in October, 1927, has proved very beneficial to the work in all grades. Under the old arrangement some of the more hardened older boys were at times a disturbing factor and set a bad example for the younger pupils. I have always found that, in normal cases, the younger the boy the better the results that could be obtained, and now that I am in a position to give each of the younger boys more individual attention the result has been most gratifying. They are more attentive in their work and more amenable to discipline. It must be remembered that these boys differ considerably, as a class, from those attending an ordinary public school. In nearly every case their attendance at school, prior to admission, was intermittent at the best, and though many of them have good natural ability, they are for some time too sullen and suspicious to exercise it. All this must be overcome before any real progress can be made with them.

"Discipline has been well maintained and good progress made in most subjects.

"(Signed) Jean Mutrie."

Division II. Report.

"The following table shows the movement of the pupils of the Junior Division for the year ended March 31st, 1928:—

"Pupils on register, March 31st, 1927	31
Pupils sent home	3
Pupils sent to trades	4
Pupils promoted to Division I.	9
Pupils promoted to Division III.	2
New pupils admitted	15
Pupils on register, March 31st, 1928	28

"Since the removal of the older boys from this division there has been a notable change in the attitude of the younger boys towards their work, and I am glad to report a marked improvement in the tone of the rooms.

"Many of the pupils admitted to the junior grades are subnormal, or have been attending special classes; therefore the progress in this division is somewhat retarded. These subnormal cases demand an amount of time and effort altogether out of proportion to any results that can be obtained from them, and constantly distract the attention of the other boys. Apart from these, the boys have been making satisfactory progress.

"(Signed) Edythe L. Mutrie."

Division III. Report.

"This class was organized during the latter part of October, 1927. The initial enrolment of twenty-three consisted partly of boys transferred from Division I. and partly of boys not previously attending school in this institution.

"During the year six new boys were added to the class and four boys were released and sent to their homes. This left an attendance of twenty-five at the end of the year.

"Eight pupils have been in school half-time only. During one-half of each day they have been employed at various trades. I have endeavoured to give these pupils the maximum benefit to be derived from such attendance.

"The school-room is at present of a temporary nature. Equipment is not quite complete, but this condition is being remedied from day to day.

"Progress has been generally satisfactory, especially in the fundamental subjects, upon which I have placed considerable emphasis.

"(Signed) WM. H. BRAKES."

KITCHEN AND CULINARY SECTIONS.

Meals served—

Boys	147,951
Staff	28,782
Total	176,733

COST OF PROVISIONS.

Groceries	$5,864.16
Meat	2,432.83
Bread	3,671.02
Flour, etc.	286.95
Milk from farm	1,925.87
Eggs from farm	2,042.75
Vegetables from farm	692.70
Poultry from farm	453.00
Peanut butter	31.95
Pork from farm	348.70
Average cost per meal, 10½ cents.	$17,749.93

TAILORING DEPARTMENT.

CREDITS.

Value of new clothing (material and time)—		
Overalls, 351 pairs	$513.50	
Tweed pants, 65 pairs	206.00	
Tweed pants, small, 2 pairs	7.00	
White pants, small, 50 pairs	25.00	
White pants, large, 72 pairs	126.00	
Shirts	3.00	
Aprons, 85	29.75	
Carpenters' aprons, 4	7.50	
Shoe-shop aprons, 2	2.00	
Gymnasium strips, 56	46.00	
		$965.75
Value of new work for other departments (time only)—		
Sheets, 82	$20.50	
Curtains for auditorium	10.00	
Curtains for dining-room	6.00	
Car-covers, 2 sets	10.00	
Table-cloths, 98	24.50	
Cow-blankets, 13	8.00	
Pillow-covers, 67	16.75	
Bed-covers, 2	3.00	
Mattress-covers	24.00	
Costumes for concert	25.00	
		147.75

CREDITS—*Continued.*

Brought forward		$147.75
Repairs (general)—		
Overalls	$210.00	
Pants	5.00	
Carpets	9.00	
Uniforms repaired	77.50	
Aprons and white coats	9.00	
Suits repaired	10.00	
Cow-blankets repaired	9.00	
Mackinaws repaired	37.00	
Aprons for dining-room	4.00	
Carpenters' aprons	6.00	
Shirts	16.00	
Pants shortened	.25	
Mats fixed in gymnasium	8.00	
Shoe-shop aprons	5.00	
Binding rugs	4.00	
Repairs to dining-room	6.00	
Suits pressed	14.50	
Uniforms pressed	96.50	
Ties pressed	.50	
Pants pressed	.25	
Small repairs	186.50	
		714.00
Total credits		$1,827.50

DEBITS.

Material used, etc.—	
Denim, 417¾ yards	$105.52
Twill lining, 83 yards	62.25
Duck, bleached, 198 yards	47.43
Tailor's chalk, 2 boxes	1.20
Buttons, white, 4 gross	3.25
Button tacks, 4 gross	9.00
Tape measures, 3	1.39
Intrinsic thread, 1 lb.	2.80
Black Italian lining, 83 yards	40.31
Black cotton, 74 yards	14.42
Thread, 2 gross	21.15
Striped drill, 293½ yards	68.97
White flannel, 50 yards	9.00
Electric iron	13.20
1 No. 31K20 Singer sewing-machine	126.75
Needles, bobbins, etc.	4.10
Total debits	$530.74

SHOE DEPARTMENT.

CREDITS.

New shoes made—	
231 pairs at $7 per pair	$1,617.00
2 pairs of canvas shoes	5.00
Boots repaired, 1,651 pairs	2,128.10
Total credits	$3,750.10

DEBITS.

Shoe-findings and replacements	$1,136.82
1 chain-stitch sole-sewing machine	380.00
1 Singer shoe-closing flat machine	59.90
Brushes, etc., for motor	3.29
Total debits	$1,580.01

CARPENTERING DEPARTMENT.

The work of this department is very varied and the value of same is somewhat difficult to show on paper, as it chiefly consists of repairs to chairs and tables for the dining-room, overhauling and reconstructing wagons and carts for the farm, and general repairs to doors and floors of all buildings.

The new work undertaken and completed during the year was two brooder-houses for the Poultry Department, an implement-shed for the farm, form-work for curbs and sidewalks, new hardwood floors in two of our dining-rooms, construction of a basement for a building required in future, ornamental arches for entrance to garden, and considerable fence-work. In the aggregate this amounts to several thousand dollars in labour alone.

PAINT AND GLAZING DEPARTMENT.

In an institution like ours accidents will happen to windows, and this year was no exception to others. In addition to keeping these in repair, this department had considerable outdoor painting to fences, arches, etc.; also interior work, such as the painting of the new staff dining-room and the decorating of staff bedrooms, besides a great deal of lime-work in basements and outbuildings.

PLUMBING, HEATING, AND BLACKSMITH DEPARTMENT.

This department takes care of the fires in all buildings, repairs to all furnaces, care and upkeep of all plumbing, and all blacksmith-work apart from horse-shoeing. In addition to this, the Plumbing Department has undertaken the installation of a sprinkling system for our front lawn, and at the rate they are working will have it completed in the near future.

This department fills a very useful purpose and its value cannot be estimated in dollars and cents, although they save us thousands of dollars each year.

GARAGE.

During the year our truck hauled nearly 150 tons of manure from Port Coquitlam, which we were able to purchase at a very cheap rate, thus saving several hundred dollars on fertilizer. In addition to this, there were many demands for truck service, such as taking stock to exhibition, boys to camp, stores from city, etc. Total cost for the upkeep of this department, including gasoline for all purposes, oil and repairs, as well as work done at service station, amounted to the sum of $814.54, or an average of $67.88 per month.

FARM DEPARTMENT.

This department is divided into sections as follows: Dairying, piggery, poultry, general farming and kitchen gardens, land-clearing and teaming, and road-work.

DAIRYING.

During the year we experienced a set-back owing to several of our young stock eating poisonous weeds, resulting in their death. We were, however, able to carry on without purchasing others, apart from a young bull.

Credits.

Milk, 481,461.8 lb. at 4 cents per pound	$1,925.85
Sale of stock during year	500.00
	$2,425.85

Debits.

Feed purchased during year	$1,526.66
Veterinary attention	319.00
1 bull purchased, "Brampton's Rosebay Prince"	250.00
	$2,095.66

PIGGERY.

Credits.

Pork, 2,318 lb. at 15 cents per pound	$347.70
Sale of pigs during year	342.70
19 young pigs born, value $7 each	133.00
	$823.40

Debits.

Feed purchased during year	$545.51

POULTRY.

Credits.

Eggs produced at 35 cents per dozen (73,380)	$2,140.25
Poultry for table use, 466 birds	466.00
Young chicks hatched, 1,457 at 25 cents each	364.25
Hens sold, 12 at $1 each	12.00
Cockerels sold, 9 at $1 each	9.00
Hatching-eggs sold	60.00
Eggs sold to grocer	140.05
	$3,191.55

Debits.

Feed purchased during year	$1,033.10
Coal	48.00
Medicine	4.15
Hatching-eggs bought and day-old chicks	259.25
2 St. Helen's incubators	205.60
Charcoal	26.25
Leg-bands	7.00
Straw from barn	7.10
2 thermometers	3.00
Egg-crates, etc.	47.44
Chick-founts	12.60
Coal-oil	11.63
	$1,665.12

GENERAL FARMING AND KITCHEN GARDENS.

Credits.

Parsnips, 2,335 lb. at 2 cents per pound	$46.70	
Parsley	.30	
Potatoes, 360½ sacks at $1 per sack	360.50	
Peas, 106 lb. at 6 cents per pound	6.36	
Onions	11.20	
Carried forward		$425.06

Credits—Continued.

Brought forward	$425.06	
Broad beans	4.30	
Radishes	3.25	
Lettuce	14.25	
Corn	19.35	
Beets	5.25	
Cabbage	54.73	
Cucumbers	11.82	
Carrots	75.40	
Curly kale	2.90	
Leeks	1.60	
Bush-beans	4.20	
Tomatoes	1.65	
Marrows	18.21	
Turnips	36.74	
Chives	.30	
Swiss chard	3.20	
		$682.21
Timothy-hay grown on farm	$120.00	
Oats grown	80.00	
Green oats for silo	160.00	
Corn and sunflowers for silo	200.00	
		560.00
		$1,242.21

Debits.

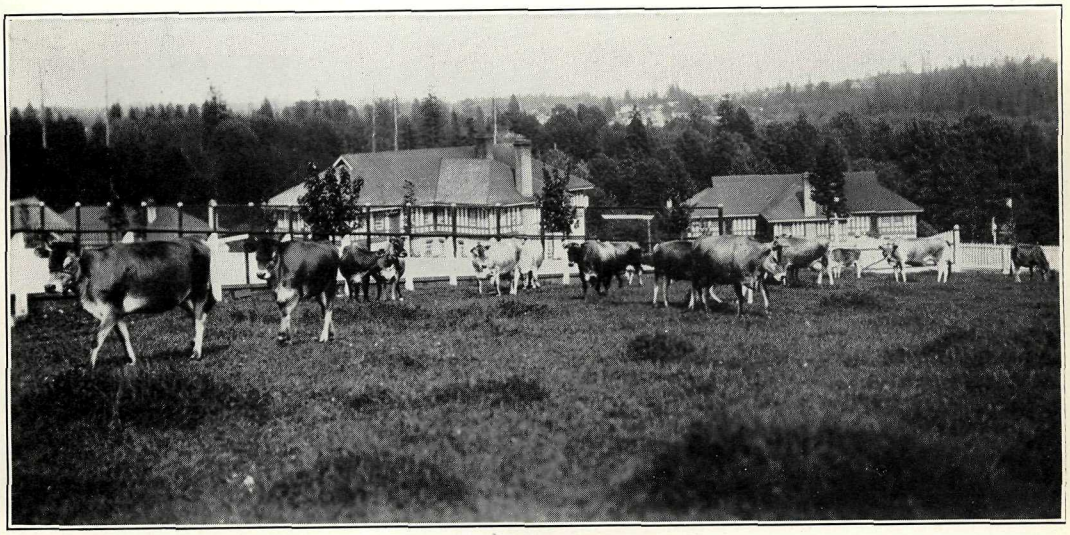
Feed purchased during year	$1,141.12
Seed (potatoes)	45.00
6 new wheelbarrows	67.50
Rakes, shovels, etc.	260.60
1 steel truck-wheel	16.00
1 Adams dump-cart	123.48
Harness, etc.	203.15
General repairs, horse-shoeing, etc.	226.00
Manure for fertilizer	211.56
	$2,294.41

LAND-CLEARING, GRADING, AND TEAMING.

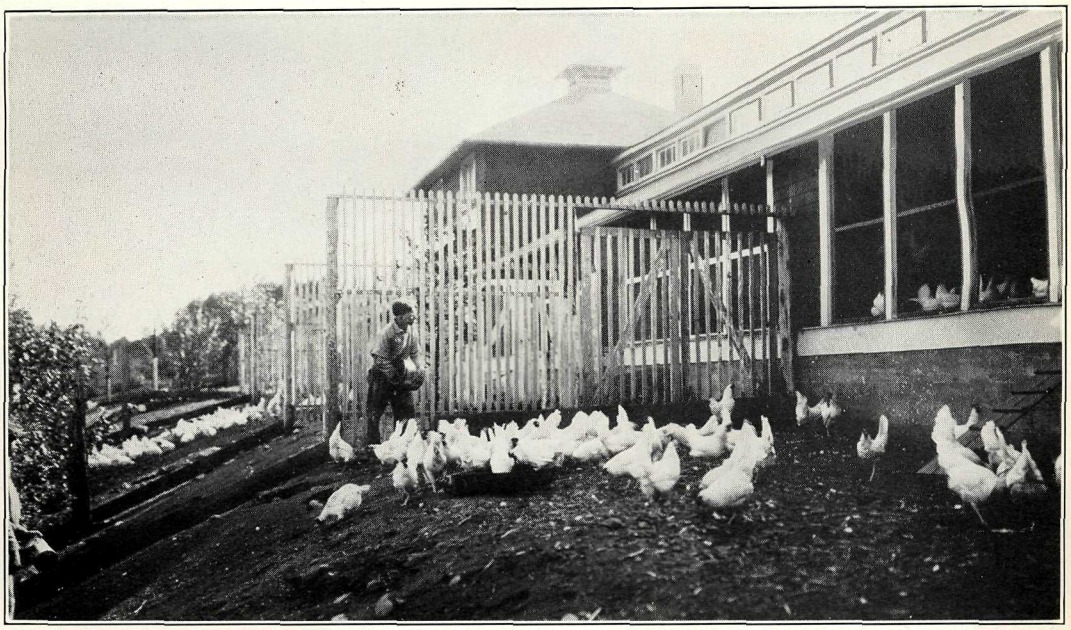
During the year considerable land-clearing and lawn-making was accomplished by the united effort of the Farm Department and the General Work group, which required the services of several teams, for which the Farm Department is entitled to the following credits:—

1 team hauling soil for lawn, 43 days at $8 per day	$344.00
2 single carts, same work, 131½ days at $5 per day each	1,315.00
1 team clearing, grading, and hauling of rocks for implement-shed, 65½ days at $8 per day	524.00
244 loads of gravel from river for roads and cement-work at $1.75 per load	427.00
	$2,610.00

All this is additional to the ordinary farm-work and clearing fields of stones and stumps.



FARM SCENE AT BISCOQ.



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FARM CREDITS AND DEBITS BY SECTIONS.

	Cr.	Dr.
Dairy	$2,425.85	$2,095.66
Piggery	823.40	545.51
Poultry	3,191.55	1,665.12
General farming	1,242.21	2,294.41
Land-clearing and grading	2,610.00	.....
Credit balance	.....	3,692.31
	$10,293.01	$10,293.01

CONCERTS AND ENTERTAINMENTS.

Boys spent July 1st at Coquitlam, where the Diamond Jubilee of Canada was celebrated, and gave a display of drill which was much appreciated.

Biscoq Concert Party gave a good programme at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, New Westminster, on November 24th; it went off well and everybody went away pleased.

Shelly's Minstrels, November 16th, was much enjoyed by all.

Annual concert, December 14th; A. Wells Gray, M.L.A., of New Westminster, acted as chairman.

On Christmas Day Mendelssohn's Messiah was heard over the radio from the Capitol Theatre, Vancouver. This was given by the Vancouver Choral Society.

Salvation Army, New Westminster, gave their annual concert and bags of candy and fruit to each boy.

Grandview United Church's young people gave a fine concert on March 26th, which was thoroughly enjoyed.

Nearly one hundred boys were taken down by the Matron to Crescent Beach during the year as a reward for playing the game.

MUSIC.

On June 15th our band played at the "Pioneers' Picnic" held at Port Coquitlam; they received great credit for their playing and also for their good behaviour.

On July 2nd our band went to Port Moody and Coquitlam and took part in the Diamond Jubilee celebration at both places.

On September 18th, in the band competition held at Vancouver Exhibition, our band was successful in winning the silver cup.

SPORTS SECTION.

Basketball.—St. Andrews Club, Vancouver, and Biscoq; Vancouver team and Biscoq Juniors; Mountain View Church, Vancouver, and Biscoq; Burnaby Scouts and Biscoq; New Westminster Sixth Avenue United Church and Biscoq; Kitsilano Shrimps, Bantams, and Crosby Juniors and Biscoq teams; St. Paul's Anglican Live Wires and Canucks, Vancouver, and Biscoq; W. Marks Team, New Westminster, and Biscoq.

Football.—Shamrocks of North Burnaby and Biscoq Juniors; Knox United Church, Kerrisdale, Soccer Team and Biscoq; St. Paul's Church, Vancouver, and Biscoq.

Baseball.—On June 18th the baseball team from Vancouver played Biscoq; score, 14–8 in favour of visitors; Coquitlam Intermediates and Biscoq Seniors; Ioco Intermediate Team and Biscoq Intermediates; Cardinal Runners-up, competing for champion honours in Senior Baseball League, and Biscoq; score in favour of Biscoq.

GIFTS FROM FRIENDS.

Mrs. Harry Duker, of Vancouver, kindly donated a cup for inter-cottage competition, which was much appreciated. The Kiwanis Club, of New Westminster, graciously forwarded $10 at Christmas-time for gifts to boys not otherwise provided for. Captain I. Harvey, of the C.N.R., kindly forwarded a football for our use that had been used in winning the British Columbia championship.

OUR VISITORS.

Officers and members of T.O.C.H., Vancouver; Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds, Regina, Child Welfare Officers; Mr. K. C. McLeod, Edmonton, Alta.; Judge F. A. E Hamilton, Winnipeg, Man.; Mr.

and Mrs. Hamilton, Vancouver; Mr. and Mrs. McDonald, Vancouver; Mr. W. F. Osborne, Vancouver; Mr. R. M. Osborne, Vancouver; Dr. C. M. Hincks, Toronto, Ont.; G. A. Jickell, Dawson, Yukon; Judge Ethel MacLachlan and sister, Regina; Mr. Walker and party of friends, Victoria; Mr. and Mrs. Jennings, Victoria; Mr. Joe Harward, Vernon; Judge Laura E. Jamieson, Juvenile Court, Burnaby; Miss Elixa Marshall, India; Police Magistrate Findlay, Vancouver; Mr. Willis, Superintendent of Education, Victoria, and party of friends; Mr. W. A. Rundle, Provincial Boys' Work Board; T. Imaseki, Tokio, Japan; T. Sato, Tokio, Japan; A. H. Cox, Civil Service Commissioner, Victoria; J. L. White, Deputy Provincial Secretary, Victoria, on several occasions.

Also delegations from the various societies and associations, such as the Women's Institute, Children's Aid Society, Child Welfare Association, Orange Association, and other friendly societies, who expressed themselves as being well pleased with the manner in which the boys were looked after and the interest shown in their welfare.

In conclusion, I would respectfully point out that during my visit last year to the Old Country and the U.S.A., studying the various institutions for delinquent boys, I found none that were better cared for by their respective Governments than we are in British Columbia and none showing a greater percentage of successes.

DAVID B. BRANKIN,
Superintendent.

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