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FORTY-THIRD YEAR—No. 5. CUMBERLAND, BRITISH COLUMBIA SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1924 SUBSCRIPTION PRICE: TWO DOLLARS PER ANNUM

Quickly Organized Orchestra Creates Great Impression

The Whist drive and Dance of the Social Committee of the Anglican Church held their most successful affair of the season on Monday evening last. Whist commenced shortly after 8, 14 tables being required to seat all the players. Mrs. A. R. Gatz was the successful winner of the ladies' first prize with Mrs. Frank Dalby obtaining the second. Mrs. W. A. Owen, playing as a gentleman, won the gentleman's first prize, with the Rev. E. H. Nunns gaining the second. Refreshments were served by the ladies' auxiliary, after which the room was cleared for dancing.

The social committe found it hard to engage musicians and as the Cumberland Orchestra refuse to be split up, it means that small social affairs either have to engage the full orchestra (4 pieces), or rely on friends to come to their assistance. A small hall like the Anglican Hall and the Veterans' Hall can not accommodate enough dancers to pay for a 4-piece orchestra. Rumor has it, however that this state of affairs will soon be overcome as another orchestra is being formed and we understand, will make their debut shortly.

The difficulty of obtaining music for their dance however, was speedily overcome as Mrs. Finch at the piano, Miss Howard ,violin, Mr. H. E. Murray Cornet and Mr. Alf. Pilling with traps and drums, generously came to the assistance of the committee. They had one practice only before Monday night but the excellence of the dance music supplied was evidenced by the prolonged applause which greeted a vote of thanks tendered to this "Impromtu" Orchestra during the course of the dance. Mr. J. Vernon—Jones was floor manager for the whist with Mr. W. P. Symons looking after the dance.

ST. JOHN'S AMBULANCE ASSOC. LADIES' HOME-NURSING CLASS

Dr. E. R. Hicks will lecture to the Ladies Home Nursing Class of the St. John's Ambulance Association on Wednesday evening, February 6th at 7 o'clock in the Association Hall.

COURTENAY TO HAVE LARGE NEW GARAGE

Courtenay workmen are busily engaged in removing the house from the lot which Messrs Meredith Bros. and Bell Irving have recently purchased from Dr. Millard. On the lot, which stands on Union Bay Road, the present owners intend to build a large garage, modern in every respect, so that automobile ownes will soon get immediate service in all respects.

DEATH CLAIMS EDWARD BAILO, OF UNION BAY

Died at the Vancouver General Hospital on Saturday, January 26, Edward Bailo, of Union Bay, in his thirty-second year.

The deceased had been a resident of Union Bay for 16 years as an employee of the Canadian Collieries and Robert Dollar Logging Co.

He leaves a wife and family to mourn his loss.

The funeral took place from Banks' undertaking parlors on Wednesday to the Cumberland Cemetery, Rev. Walker officiating.

Choral Society Preparing For Second Concert

The Cumberland Choral Society has commenced to practice for the second concert when they intend giving Hiawatha's Wedding Feast as one of the items.

We understand that the newly formed Choral Society at Courtenay which is also under the able leadership of Mr. C. W. Sillence, is taking the same work and that these choirs making a total of about ninety voices, will amalgamate for the concerts at Cumberland and Courtenay, thereby assuring the music lovers of the district of a real treat and a choir of which any of our larger cities would be proud.

The Cumberland Society will be very pleased to welcome at the Anglican Hall on Wednesday evening, anyone desirous of joining.

THE ROAD OF A THOUSAND LAKES

The Provincial Government says it has kept pace with the increase in motor traffic and during the five years ending March 31st next, will have spent on Provincial Highways, the sum of $7,750,000.

We might inform the Hon. The Minister of Public Works, that a little of that seven million would be well spent on the Cumberland, Courtenay and Royston Roads, better known as the Road of a Thousand Lakes. It is nothing but pot holes from start to finish and a disgrace to the District Engineer that represents the Public Works Dept., in this portion of the province.

FIRST AID ELECT OFFICERS

The ladies of the First Aid met for their first lecture on Tuesday, January 29. After the lecture a meeting was held for the election of officers. Mrs. Farmer was elected President and Mrs. Parkinson Secretary.

The next meeting on Home Nursing will be held in the First Aid Hall on Monday, February 4, at 7.30 p.m

Don't forget to keep the date open for the Firemen's Masquerade Ball. Bigger, Brighter, Better than ever.—March 17th, 1924.

COURTENAY FIREMEN IN HAPPY MOOD AT ANNUAL BANQUET

On Thursday the Courtenay Volunteer Fire Department held a banquet which was attended by forty persons, representatives of the business life of both Courtenay and Cumberland.

At the head of the table sat chief Len D. Piket, at his left being Mayor Chas. Parnham, of Cumberland, and at his right Mayor Frank McPherson, of Courtenay.

Honors of the toast list went to "The King." "Canada' was proposed by Alderman C. Pierce and responded to by Alderman Hagarty. Courtenay Volunteer Fire Department was proposed by Deputy Chief John Cameron, of Cumberland and responded to by Deputy Chief Back of Courtenay. Cumberland Volunteer Fire Department was proposed by Capt. Sam Watson, of Courtenay and responded to by Chief Parnham, of Cumberland. The City of Courtenay was proposed by Mr. Jos. McPhee, response being made by Mayor McPherson. An address was delivered by Mr. W. Eadie. The Press was proposed by Alderman Simms, response being made by Mr. Ben Hughes. The Guests, the last of the list, was proposed by Driver MacIntyre and was responded to by Alderman Fielder, Cooke and Embleton.

Songs were rendered by Messrs J. McIntyre, Percy Booth and J. Thomson, and humorous stories were told by Deputy Chief Cameron of Cumberland, Mr. Hough, of the B.C. Telephone Co., also addressed the banquetors.

The catering for this event was in the hands of N. H. Bravender, of the Riverside Cafe.

CANON J. A. LEAKEY PASSED AWAY AT COMOX HOSPITAL

The Rev. Canon J. A. Leakey, who has resided in Comox Valley for the past three years passed away at the Comox Hospital on Sunday morning at six o'clok, where he had been taken after suffering a paralytic stroke on Saturday afternoon at four o'clock. The late Canon Leakey was widely known on the Island, having served his church for about fifteen years at St. Peter's, Quamichan, (Cowichan District) and Ladysmith. It was from the latter place he came to Comox. He was seventy-two years of age and leaves a wife and daughter of ten years, besides a brother in the Cowichan Valley. To those who knew the late Canon Leakey the news of his death will come as a great shock, for, even in his later years he continued to do his duty to his fellowman, never overlooking an opportunity for well doing where the physical requirements were not too great. His life was given devotedly and unselfishly to the work of his people and church. On that account his passing will be deeply regretted. The body of the aged cleryman was sent on Monday to Duncan, the funeral taking place to St. Peter's cemetery, Quamichan, where he was stationed for so many years. The service here was held at the funeral parlors of John Sutton, and conducted by the Rev. J. W. Flinton, of Sandwick and Courtenay.

IS H. E. MURRAY'S ADVANCE TO BE A WEEKLY OCCURRENCE?

CHAIRMAN OF TRUSTEES DECLARES WOMEN SHOULD WORK FOR LESS THAN MEN

The Board of School Trustees held a special meeting on Tuesday to consider the question of increased salaries for the teaching staff and the 1924 estimates.

Several of the teachers were present, including Geo. Apps, H. E. Murray, Miss Gallivan, Miss Mordy and Thos. Mordy, an interested spectator.

Secretary McKinnon read several letters of thanks from Misses Carey, Richardson, Hunden, Aspesi and Mrs. Gatz, for the increase of salary.

Miss Gallivan appeared in person for an advance in salary and in an able manner defined her duties in the Entrance Class of sixty pupils and with chalk in hand, immediately proceeded to explain to the Board of School Trustees the subjects she taught, also the subjects that Vice-Principal Murray took care of and that the work of the Entrance Class was evenly divided between the two, although she did not expect as large a salary as a male teacher and suggested $1500.00.

Miss Mordy's application was for a similar salary to that of the lady teachers and addressed the Council in support of her application.

H. E. Murray addressed the Board thanking them for their kind consideration in giving him an increase of salary, making it a total of $1600.00. He thought the salary question should be kept private and contended he was getting $160.00 per month for 10 months. The amount should be divided by 12 instead of 10. Mr. Murray made the statement that if he wanted to go back to his home town, he could command a salary of $1850. Considerable discussion then ensued going back to the time of Mr. Burbridge and the schedule arranged by Mr. Charlesworth.

Chairman Banks, in addressing the Board, said that an increase in salary was due to years of service and thought that females should not draw as much as a man even if they do the same work—that it made women too independent. Women should work for less salary than men.

Miss Gallivan in reply to Chairman Banks, objected to her remarks and said, we face the same examiner and at the end of the term we must produce results.

Trustee Maxwell thanked the teachers for the able manner in which they had presented their case and were asked to retire while the Board considered the increase in salaries, with the following results.

H. E. Murray goes up another $100 making him a total of $1700.00.

Miss Gallivan is raised to	$1400.00
Mrs. Drader to	$1300.00
Miss Harrison to	1250.00
Miss Robertson to	1250.00
Miss Mordy to	1150.00
Mrs. Gatz to	1100.00

FIRST MEETING OF NEW COUNCIL

The recently elected City Council held their first meeting in the Council Chambers on January 24.

After sworn in by City Clerk Albert J. Merry, His Worship Mayor Parnham in his opening remarks extended to the Aldermen elected for the year 1924 a hearty welcome and hoped that the business of the Council would be transacted in peace and harmony. There was one difficult problem to be taken care of and that was the Returned Soldiers' Houses.

Alderman Maxwell appreciated the confidence of the Electorate and dealt with the Mordy Election Dodger in no uncertain manner.

Alderman Mumford was highly gratified at the confidence placed in him by the Citizens of Cumberland.

Alderman Ledingham appreciated the results of the election and was out to do his best for the people he represented.

Alderman J. J. Potter, chairman of the Board of Works, promised to work to the best of his ability as usual.

Alderman A. E. Jeffrey was pleased to receive honor and would study carefully the interest of the Ratepayers.

Alderman Mordy in a brief statement promised to do his best and assured the Council he had no axe to grind, but he was there for the benefit of the City.

Auditor Porter wired the City Clerk that he would complete the audit as early as possible.

P. P. Harrison was voted the usual retainer of $200.00

Albert J. Merry was re-appointed City Clerk, Treasurer and Assessor for the year 1924.

James Baird was re-appointed City teamster at a salary of $135.00.

A Court of Revision on the assessment roll will be held in the Council Chambers on February 8, at 7.30 p.m. The Council as a whole will sit on the Court of Revision.

It was decided to open a separate account at the Royal Bank of Canada to be known as the Board of School Trustees Account, and that suplementary amount of $3,000.00 be placed to that account.

The account of $147 for removing Fire Bell was laid over until next meeting.

The regular meeting of the Council will be held on February 4, and every two weeks thereafter.

The committees appointed were as follows:

Finance—Alex Maxwell, Chairman. T. H. Mumford, John Ledingham.

Board of Works—John J. Potter, Chairman, Alex Maxwell, John Ledingham.

SCOTS HONOR ROBBIE BURNS ON NATAL DAY

The birthday of that immortal bard, Robert Burns, is an occasion for celebration by Scots all over the world and as has been the custom for many years in this city, all loyal Scots turned out on Friday night to honor his memory by assembling in the G.W.V.A. Hall for the Annual Burns' concert, supper and dance, which was given under the auspices of the A.O.F. The banquet proved a greater success than any other ever held in Cumberland and the concert was very ably given and well received.

Mr. Robert Strachan acted as chairman and with all due ceremony the haggis was brought to the head of the table where the address to the "Chieftain o' the Pudden Race," was given by Mr. Strachan. One hundred and seventy-five people then sat down to tastefully decorated tables and enjoyed a wonderful appetizing supper, after which the concert began, the program being as follows:

Concertina Selection by Mr. Wm Robertson and followed by a toast "The King," by the chairman, after which came "God Save The King." The toast 'The Immortal Memory," by Mr. Robert Strachan, was excellently given and drunk with enthusiasm. Appropriate songs were successfully rendered by Mrs. Blair and Mrs. Johnston and by Mr. Spittal and Mr. Goodall. The next toast, the "Memory of Bonnie Jean," was ably handled by Mr. James Robb and was followed by "Scotland, the Home of the Bard," proposed by Mr. James L. Brown. Both toasts were well given and well received. Mr. Charles Graham was greeted with enthusiasm when he proposed the toast "Canada, the Land of our Adoption." This toast was excellently given and his comments on the advantages of Canada were eagerly listened to by everyone present. Mr. James Robb then gave one of Burns' favorites in masterful style, "Man Was Made To Mourn," after which Dr. G. K. McNaughton proposed the toast that is never forgotten at any Scotch festival, "The Lassies O," and judging by the enthusiasm with which it was drunk the "lassies" will always be an important factor in the lives of the "laddies."

At the conclusion of the banquet "Auld Lang Syne" was sung and then everyone turned to the dance hall upstairs where a very enjoyable dance brought to a close one of the best Burns' times that has ever been held in this district.

To all those who assisted in making it so, the chairman, Mr. Robert Strachan, and the A.O.F. tender their gratefulness and sincere thanks.

ALL ANGLES OF APPEAL IN "THREE WISE FOOLS"

King Vidor's First Goldwyn Picture Has Comedy, Drama, Romance And Spectacular Jail-Break

A photoplay that has angles of appeal for every picture-goer is King Vidor's First Goldwyn production, "Three Wise Fools," adapted by the director from Austin Strong's successful stage play produced by John Golden and Winchell Smith. It will be the attraction at the Ilo-Ilo Theatre on Friday and Saturday. The picture is a blending of charming comedy, romance, reality and spectacle. It retains in full the quaint comedy of the play, but develops and strengthens the dramatic story and depicts in detail some episodes that were but hinted at, or which took place off the stage in the original.

The story concerns the crusty old bachelors, to whom is confided, on the deathbed of the woman they had all vainly loved in their youth, the care of her daughter. One of the three wise fools, Judge Trumbull, fifteen years before, had sent the notorious criminal Benny the Duck, to the penitentiary for burglary. Benny had vowed to get the judge when he got out and now word comes that he has broken jail with Crawshay, a man who has been sentenced on the charge of forgery, and other convicts. Sydney, the girl who was confided to the care of the three men, is greatly interested when she hears that Crawshay was one of the men to escape with Benny. A message is conveyed to her through the personal column of a newspaper to come to a Mott Street address, and there she finds Crawshay, who is in reality her father, and Benny the Duck. When Benny decides to make his attempt on the life of Judge Trumbull, he finds that Sydney lives at his home. As he is still determined to accomplish his purpose, Sydney blows the police whistle which summons the detectives guarding the house. Frightened by the danger to her father, she helps Benny to escape, and in trying to explain his escape gives herself away. She is trailed to the Mott Street address and is taken to jail, but Gordon, the nephew of Findley, who is head over heels in love with Sydney, arrives in time to effect her release. Benny, seeing that the game is up, confesses that he forged Crawshay's name to a check. With her father thus proved innocent, Sydney accept Gordon's love and the picture ends on a note of general happiness.

A big spectacular scene in the picture is the jail-break on the part of Benny the Duck and other convicts who use an armored motor car. This armored car later dashes over an embankment and is wrecked, adding thrill to the picture. The production is one of the most entertaining and artistic of the season's photoplays. It is a picture which can be counted upon to prove satisfactory to every person who sees it because of the variety of its moods and action.

MRS. CASTLE AGAIN APPEARS ON SCREEN

Makes First Public Appearance in Period of Two Years

Mrs. Irene Castle, famous danseuse and actress ,appears again on the silver sheet for the first time in more than two years, in the picture called "French Heels," which comes to the Ilo-Ilo Theatre Monday and Tuesday.

It is difficult to estimate in advance the welcome that local theatre patrons will accord this celebrated and popular artiste. Suffice to say that the Ilo-Ilo Theatre will no doubt be crowded to capacity. In her first appearance in this city Mrs. Castle has always been favored with capacity when appearing here and it is safe to assume, therefore, that "French Heels" will draw record houses at each performance.

The story of "French Heels" introduces Mrs. Castle in a series of whirlwind events. She dances, rides, swims, and wears a number of stunning wraps and gowns that will no doubt be the envy of every woman in town. The action of the story takes place in New York City and in the lumber camps of the far north. It is a modern story, written especially for the star, and is said to provide her with some of the best opportunities of her career.

"French Heels", which is a Hodkinson released picture, was directed by Edwin L. Hollywood, who for several years was production manager for Mary Pickford.

If Jiggs lived in Cumberland, he would be our first customer for Corned Beef and Cabbage. Wycherley has the Best.

Hard Game Won By Locals On Sunday Last

Cumberland United again defeated Ladysmith in an Upper-Island League fixture, when they emerged on the long end of a 2 to 1 score on the Recreation Grounds, Sunday, January 26, after what was one of the hardest games the local eleven has had this season. The score was a good indication of the day's play as both teams were very evenly matched, the home team having slight advantage at times, but owing to the condition of the field they could not use their superiority to much advantage.

The game, which was scheduled for 2.30 p.m., started exactly on time, A. S. Jones handling the whistle. Cumberland immediately made tracks for Beatty, Ladysmith's goalie, but were brought up short by Anderson and Campbell. Play contiued in the visitor's part of the field for some time without any great danger until McCormick relieved by letting his forwards away by a long pass to the left wing. Chapman secured and with a neat pice of work he drew the local's backs out, crossed to Heeps, who was in an ungarded position, the latter having no difficulty beating Blair with a short drive into the left of the goal.

With Ladysmith one up Graham again picked off and carried the ball up to the visitor's goal mouth, where Beatty had a hot time for awhile. Graham, taking no chances, was shooting for goal at every opportunity Beatty's remarkable saves being the only thing that saved Ladysmith. Cumberland forced several corners but could not covert. Milligan had hard lines when one of his shots just grazed the top of the cross-bar. Conti, the local's centre half, then took a hand in things and together he and Graham worked the ball up to the visitor's goal where the latter took a hard drive. Beatty could not get his hands on it but managed to save with his feet but Conti received the rebound and put the teams on even terms with a hard low shot. This ended the scoring for the first half.

The second half started with both teams apparently out for blood and fouls came so fast that Referee Jones lost control. Conti made a bad one when he pulled an opponent down by catching him by the ankle with his hand but the worst and perhaps most brutal foul of the day came when Campbell deliberately brought Graham down after the latter had clearly beaten him. Jock, it appears, cannot stand to be beaten but there was absolutely no reason for fouling the local centre after he had got the best of him. Graham had such a hard fall that he was carried off the field and did not return for some time.

Cumberland continued to press and forced a corner. Deluce centred well and with a beautiful jump Turner headed the ball in for the winning goal exactly twenty minutes from time. For the remainder of the game play continued very even, neither team having any marked advantage.

Campbell, Anderson and McCormick starred for the visitors, no cleaner and more good-natured fellow than the latter being seen on the local grounds for some time. For the home team the always dependable Jock Stewart was easily the pick, his kicking and marvelous speed pulling his team out of more than one tight hole. Graham and Turner played well but were closely watched as was Deluce.

A. S. Jones missed a lot of fouls and lost control once or twice but he called them as he saw them.

Whist Drive And Dance In Aid Of Hospital Funds

The Annual Meeting of the Women's Auxiliary of the Cumberland General Hospital was held in the Anglican Hall on Friday afternoon last. The officers elected to control the auxiliary for the ensuing year are as follows:

President, Mrs. Chas. Graham; Secretary, Mrs. A. E. Jeffrey; Treasurer, Mrs. J. Spicer; Buying Committee, Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. J. Baird and Mrs. J. Graham.

In order to raise funds for carrying on the work of providing linen, crockery, etc., for the Hospital, it was decided to hold a Whist Drive and Dance in the Anglican Hall on Monday, February 11th, when the members of the auxiliary hope for the hearty support of the public on this occasion. Further particulars will be announced in next week's Islander.

News of Courtenay and Surrounding District

BOXING

GAIETY THEATRE

Thursday, February 14th.

COURTENAY

AT 8:30 P.M.

PROGRAM

Subject to slight alteration.

SIX 3-ROUND BOUTS

Courtenay		Cumberland
H. Dixon	vs.	H. Jones
A. Monks	vs.	W. Trelour
B. Piercy	vs.	B. Marsh
A. Robinson	vs.	Boffey
H. Stevens	vs.	E. Thompson
W. Thompson	vs.	Marshall

and others.

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CHAMPIONSHIP OF ISLAND AT STAKE

On Thursday, February 14, Courtenay and Cumberland fans will be treated to another excellent boxing tournament, the light-heavy weight championship of the Island being at stake in one of the bouts. The main event, for which the above title is the pize, is between Tommy Tapella of Cumberland and Roy Cliffe of Courtenay and will be preceeded by six preliminary bouts of three rounds each between boys from the two cities. All are local talent and have been training hard so that the public may be assured of getting full value for its money. The main event is to consist of eight three-minute rounds.

MR. LESTER CLARKSON RETURNS FROM CALIF.

Mr. Lester Clarkson, of the Farmers' Produce Store, returned this week from a months' visit to California. He is glad to be home again. After sizing up conditions in the south, Mr. Clarkson has come to the conclusion that the business situation is changing down south and that the bubble of the boom that has attracted thousands to California during the last three or four years is about to break or receive a terrible jar. It is not a country for the common laborer, although skilled artisans are finding work. Living conditions are not any more satisfactory than in the north, for while wages are good the cost of rent is away up in the sky and foodstuffs cost more than other places. Meat is ten to fifteen cents a pound higher than here and house rent all the way from sixty to one hundred dollars per month. There is no such thing as a butcher buying cattle or hogs direct from the producer. This is all secured through the agency of the big packing houses. Our home comer would be quite satisfied to invest here in preference to the south at this time.

MRS. ARTHUR SMITH BURIED ON TUESDAY

The funeral of the late Mrs. Arthur Smith was held on Tuesday afternoon to the Presbyterian Cemetery, Sandwick where the Rev. Thomas Menzies, M.P., conducted the services. The late Mrs. Smith passed away at Victoria, where she had gone to undergo medical treatment. She leaves besides her husband, a family of seven children, the eldest of whom is fourteen years of age. The pallbearers were Messrs. H. Bramley, R. U. Hurford, T. D. Smith, W. T. Wain, W. A. Urquhart and Robert Woods. The sympathy of a wide circle of acquaintances is extended to the bereaved husband and children.

COURTENAY HONORS SCOTLAND'S BARD

One hundred and fifty banqueters sat down to the festive board last Friday night in the basement of the Presbyterian Church to do honor to the Bard of Scotland, Robbie Burns.

The menu was entirely Scottish as was the program of instrumental and vocal numbers rendered in a manner most creditable to the performers. Mr. W. Eadie acted throughout as master of ceremonies and proposed the opening toast to "The King' which was followed by the singing of the National Anthem. The next toast was "Oor Toon and Neebor Bodies" proposed by Mr. Alexander Uruhart and responded to by Mr. Frank McPherson, Mayor of Courtenay and Mr. Joseph McPhee, father of the town. "The Day and A' Wha Honor It" was proposed by Mr. Walter Brown, who, in characteristic Scottish fashion certainly did justice to his subject. The response was made by Mr. Alan W. Neill, M.P., who had come from Alberni on inviation of local Scots in charge of the banquet to take part in the celebration of Burns' birthday. His was, as usual, an interestingly humorous address, though it was apparent throughout that he was paying tribute to the Bard of his native land. "The Immortal Memory" was the toast sponsored by Mr. William Duncan and responded to by the Rev. Mr. Walker, Presbyterian minister from Union Bay. It was a masterly oration and on completion the speaker was tendered rousing applause. "Canada" was proposed to by Mr. Alexander Muir. "Scotland" was proposed by Mr. F. R. Shenstone, response being made by the Rev. W. T. Beattie. To Mr. William G. Stubbs fell the toast to the Ladies. This was responded to by Miss Ina Smith. During the intermissions the banqueters were regaled by musical numbers rendered by Mrs. Harvey, Miss Griffiths, Mr. Herbert Smith and Mr. W. A. W. Hames and Mr. Archie Stenhouse, without whose rendition of Tam o' Shanter, the Burns' banquet would not have been complete, took the honors again this year. Mr. William Stewart was present and delighted his fellow Scots with pipe selections. The banquet broke up at twelve o'clock ,when those in attendance joined in singing Auld Lang Syne.

"Dick" Fraser, a former merchant of Courtenay, was a visitor to the city on Monday. He is now captain of a fishing schooner and has not been in Courtenay for several years.

CANADIAN DAUGHTERS COMPLETE ORGANIZATION

On Monday night at Booth's Hall, Courtenay, No 6, Canadian Daughters' League completed organization when Mrs. E. G. Mathieson, of Vancouver, President of the Grand Council, was present and installed the officers of the new assembly as follows:

Mrs. M. S. Stephens, President; Mrs. W. McPhee, First Vice-President; Mrs. George Piercy, Second Vice-President; Mrs. Bannerman, Sergeant-At-Arms; Mrs. W. T. Wain, Secretary; Mrs. Joseph Thomson, Treasurer; Miss Minnie Piercy, Chaplain; Miss Hayman, Inside Guard; Miss Vena McDonald, Outside Guard; Miss Audrey Grieve, Historian.

Twenty-five new members were added to the roll.

After the business of the evening, the meeting was thrown open and a short program, in which Mrs. J. Thomson and Miss Williamson, and Messrs. Herbert Roy, John Carwithen and Robert Sutherland took part. Refreshments were served and a most enjoyable evening came to a close.

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Definite Policy of Immigration for Canadian National Railways

WHEN, a little more than a year ago, Sir Henry W. Thornton, K.B.E., was chosen to head the Canadian National Railways, one of his first acts was to put into motion machinery for aiding in the colonization and development of Canada, particularly along the lines of the National System. He realized that one of the crying needs of Canada was for more population, and he has since been quoted, on several occasions as saying that if Canada had a population of twenty-five million people, Canada would have no railway problem.

Dr. W. J. Black

The organization of a department to look after colonization and development was entrusted by Sir Henry to Mr. W. D. Robb, Vice-President, and Mr. Robb at once proceeded to build up the necessary *organization to look after this most* important national work. Investigations, conferences and careful planning gradually brought into being an effective department, the effort of the year culminating in the engagement of Dr. W. J. Black, Deputy Minister of Immigration and Colonization in the Federal Government, as Manager of the Colonization and Development Department of the Canadian National Railways, with headquarters in London, England. That was early in the Fall of 1923. Dr. Black proceeded at once to Great Britain, where he spent some weeks carrying out a series of investigations. These completed, he returned to Canada and a general conference of all officers of the department was called and a definite plan of colonization and development was drawn up and announced. This was the first definite announcement on immigration to be announced in Canada.

Dr. Black's Career

In engaging Dr. Black, the Canadian National Railways secured an officer who is probably better acquainted with the immigration needs of Canada, and the best methods of remedying those needs, than any other man in the country. All his life he has been connected with the *agricultural* industry and has run the gauntlet of all its intricate phases. He was born and brought up on a farm in Dufferin County, Ontario, and in 1902 graduated from the Ontario Agricultural College with a Toronto University degree. At his graduation he was appointed editor of the "Farmers' Advocate," Winnipeg, Manitoba, and he held this post for two years. In 1905 he joined the *Government of Manitoba* as Deputy Minister of Agriculture, a post which he left the following year to became President of the Manitoba Agricultural College. He remained in this important position until 1916, when he became Commissioner of Agriculture for Canada. At the conclusion of the Great War in 1918, Dr. Black was appointed Chairman of the Soldiers' Settlement Board of Canada, a position he held until his appointment, in 1921, as Deputy Minister of Immigration and Colonization for Canada.

Dr. Black is a man who is thoroughly respected, both for his opinions and his achievements, throughout Canada. He carries a lasting and genuine enthusiasm into his work, and as a quiet but eloquent and convincing speaker he is well fitted to broadcast the message of his important mission.

The Policy.

There are seven points to the programme which has received the approval of Sir Henry W. Thornton, and the principles of policy will be placed into effect immediately. Dr. Black sailed for England again on January 5th, and on his arrival in London his department commenced to function actively. The thorough character of the policy can be judged from a recapitulation of the seven principles, which are as follows:

1—To influence the immigration and satisfactory settlement in Canada of the largest possible number of people of productive capacity that the country can absorb and assimilate.

2—To contribute to the dissemination of information concerning the vast and extensive natural resources of the Dominion and the widespread opportunities for industrial development, so that capital may be attracted from other countries and invested where enterprises will be legitimately rewarded.

3—To promote the land settlement of new Canadians under conditions that will ensure the maximum possibility of success in their farming operations, and enable them to enjoy such social and religious institutions as are necessary to individual happiness and contentment.

4—To encourage improvement in agriculture, that more diversified methods may be employed in farming, and that crop, livestock, and dairy production may be increased in accordance with market demands and prospects.

5—To assist by organized effort in the immigration of young people of desirable type and character, especially from Great Britain, and in their placement in respectable rural homes where they may become qualified to participate in constructive activities and acquire citizenship of distinct value to Canada.

6—To aid in the development of new opportunities for service and to facilitate every effective means of selecting immigrants physically fit and anxious for work.

7—To co-operate with the Federal and Provincial Governments and business organizations throughout the Dominion in promoting all measures calculated to contribute toward an increase in *immigration* of adaptable people, and in their settlement under the most favorable conditions possible.

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St. Charles Milk, large, 7 tins .... .95
Rosedale Tea, reg. 75c. lb. 3 lbs 2.00
Braids Ideal Tea, large size 1.75
Pure Dutch Cocoa, 2 lbs. ..... .25
Fresh Ground Coffee, 3 lbs. 1.35
Empress, Raspberry and Strawberry Jam, 4's 1.00
Empress Blackberry Jam, 4's .... .95
Mrs. Slaney's Strawberry Jam, 4's ..... .95
Orange Marmalade (Malkin's) 4's .90
Del-Monte Pears, large tins, each .50
Del-Monte Peaches, large tins each ..... .45
Empress Mince-Meat, 2 lbs. for .45
Tillson's Aluminum Oats..... .37
B. and K. Rolled Oats, 7-lb sacks .55
Brooms, reg. 75c. Special ..... .60
Van Camps Pork and Beans, 2 tins for ..... .25
Heinz Pork and Beans, reg. 25c. Special, 5 for 1.00
Clarks Pork and Beans, 2's, reg. 20c. 6 tins for 1.00
Limited number of Jap Oranges To clear, per box ..... .40
Clarks Pork and Beans, 3's, large, per tin ..... .25
Horse Shoe Brand Salmon, per tin ..... .20
Fray Bentos Corned Beef, 3 tins .95
Side Bacon, streakey—by the piece ..... .35
Ayrshire Hams, per lb. ..... .25
Burn's Pure Lard, 2 lbs for..... .45
Royal Crown Cleanser, 3 for .... .25
Old Dutch Cleanser, per tin ..... .10
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Fels Naptha Soap ..... .85
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Boys' Brown Grain good strong Shoes, sizes 2, 3, 4, 5, per pair 2.90
Boys' Strong School Shoes, Brown, per pair 3.25
Boys' Tan Bal. Calf, sizes 4½, 5, 5½. reg. $6.00, per pair 4.95
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Introductory Sale Price **$11.25**
Men's Work Shoes, Nailed, Amherst
Introductory Sale Price **$4.95**
Men's Strong Brown Grain Shoes
Introductory Sale Price **$4.95**
Men's Wax Calf Work Shoes, will turn water
Introductory Sale Price **$6.75**
Men's Wax Calf Work Shoes, will turn water, nailed
Introductory Sale Price **$7.25**

We have numerous lines, too numerous to mention. Come in and see them.

Youth's Box Kip Shoes, Amherst, 9, 10½, new stock, pair 2.95
Boys' Box Kip Shoes, Amherst 11, 13, new stock, per pair.... 3.60
Boys' Box Kip Shoes, Amherst, 1's to 5's, new stock, per pair 4.25
Splendid line of Girls' School Shoes, per pair 3.75
Infant's Shoes from 2 to 6 ..... 1.25
Ladies' Felt Juliet Slippers, various colors 2.00
Serviceable Black House Shoes, 1 strap 2.00
Smart Brown Buckle Pump, former price $7.00 ..... 4.25
Ladies' Patent 1 Strap Grey Tops 4.00
Ladies' 1 Strap Cushion Soles 3.95

DEPARTMENT No. 3--GENT'S FURNISHINGS

We have $5,000 new stock on the way for this department. We are determined to make this department a live wire. To induce the men to come and meet us, we are giving some snappy bargains.

Men's Suits—1 only Man's Indigo Blue Serge 35.00
1 Only Gents' Serviceable Suit 23.00
1 Only Gents' Suit, Snap..... 10.00
Men's Caps, an assorted line, worth $1.50, $2.50 ..... .75
Men's New Seasonable Caps 1.25
Any Men's Felt Hats, all clean, in good condition 50 Per Cent Off.

Men's Hewson Underwear, Nova Scotia Knit, per garment 1.75
Special in Men's Black Denim Work Pants 1.75
Men's Blue Striped Overalls, with bibs 2.25
Boys' Suits, Bloomer Pants, excellent quality blue serge, sizes 33 and 34 ..... 13.50
Boys' Grey Chivoet Cloth, sizes 32, 33, 34, 35, former price $18.50 ..... 12.00
Boys' Grey Suits (Tweed) 28, 29 and 30. ..... 10.00
Little Gents' Suit, size 22 ..... 6.00

Young Gents' Suits, long pants, in assorted cloths, sizes 32, 37 Prices from 17.00 to 22.00
A few odd lines—Men's Underwear, soiled, per garment..... 1.00
Men's Flannel Work Shirts, various colors 2.25
Men's Assorted Shirts, Military Flannel, reg. $3.50 ..... 1.75
Men's Chambray and Assorted Cottons, grey, brown, khaki 1.50
Men's Work Gloves, mule skin .. .40
Men's Work Gloves, lined, splendid quality 1.45
A few odd shirts 14, 15½, with collar ..... .50

Men's Neglie Dress Shirts, reg. $2.50 ..... 1.25
Men's Wool Socks for work, 4 pairs for 1.00
Men's All Wool Grey Socks, reg. 75c. ..... .40
Men's Fine Black Cashmere Socks, reg. $1.50 ..... .85
Men's Black Cotton Socks, reg. 35c. 5 pairs for 1.00
A few pairs of Men's Suspenders per pair ..... .10
Men's Police Suspenders, extra strong, reg. $1.50 ..... .75
Men's High Hi-Press White Rubbers, during sale only 5.95

DEPARTMENT No. 4--LADIES' WEAR

We have on order a small but very select stock of Ladies' Wear, comprising Silk Dresses, Fancy Waists, Bias Corsets, Wholeproof Hosiery, Ladies' Silk Lingerie and White Wear.

A few special introductory prices:—

Ladies Mercerized Cotton Vests, Ribbon Straps, reg. $1.75..... 1.25
Ladies' Cotton Vests, without sleeves ..... .60

Ladies' Cotton Directoire Bloomers, for summer wear, prices right. Buy now ..... .40
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Heather Bloom Wool, 2 for ..... .35
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3 only Ladies 'Summer Hats, to clear, former price $7.00. sale 1.25
Ladies' Cotton Vests, Summer wear, but must clear ..... .28
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Babie's Bootees ..... .35
Infant's Wool Mitts ..... .35
Children's White Wool Toques.... .55
Infant's Matinee Coats 1.15
Children's Gaiters 1.00
Girls' Scotch Knit All Wool Gloves ..... .60
Little Daisy Hose Black and Brown Up from ..... .50

DEPARTMENT No. 5--DRYGOODS

We have a large and various stock of Dry Goods on the way, which will be opened up in a short time. We are experts in this department.

A few introductory bargains:—

Ladies' Grey Homespun, per yd. .65
Black English Sateen, 36" wide per yd. ..... .43
White Flannelette, 36" wide per yd. ..... .29
Blue Chambray, 30" wide, yd..... .33

White Pique, 36" wide, per yd. .45
Pink Striped outing Flannel, yd. 30
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White Bed Quilts, 76"x90" 3.25
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It will repay the thrifty housewife to come and look our bargains over before buying elsewhere.

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AND THAT'S THAT

Here is a little straight-from-the shoulder talk about matters lying near our heart. There seems to be a feeling among some business men that a newspaper has no business to make money. Why not? It is the most exacting business in the world, the *most trying in every way.* It means long hours and the greatest care in its conduct. The newspaper has the entire public to deal with. It is criticised on all occasions. It has to deal with all the cranks in the community, and to do this successfully *requires judgment and patience.* It has power, and that power, to the credit of journalism, is nearly always wielded for the public good. No question of vital concern to the home people fails to find a strong support from the home newspaper, and this, *too, without remuneration.* The publisher spends his money to further these projects and the community never gives a thought to the matter of cost to him . It is not paid out of the public pocket. Every town needs a good newspaper, and the way to *have it is to assist in making the* business profitable. The newspaper wants every concern to prosper. Why should not this good-will be returned. To make a profit, to earn interest on the investment, the newspaper must have a living rate for its paper and *its advertising space.*

GO TO IT, BOY

Young man, there is one thing you cannot do. You cannot make a success in life unless you work. Older men than you have tried it and failed. You cannot loaf around the street corners, smoke, tell stories and sponge on someone else without making a failure in life. You must learn a trade or get into some honest business. If you don't you will become a chronic loafer, and there is no place in this busy world for loafers. The ripe fruit is at the top of the tree and you must climb if you get it, or some smart man will pluck it from you. Do something, no matter how small or how low the wages, it will be a starter. Help yourself and others will help you. There is no royal road to success: Will, grit and endurance are the qualities which lead to it.

LISTEN, LADY

We want to talk plainly to the careless daughter of the home, and many are the homes with such a daughter. We want to speak to you of your mother.

It may be that you have noticed a careworn look upon her face lately. Of course it has not been brought there by any action of yours, still it is your duty to chase it away. We want you to get up tomorrow morning and get breakfast, and when your mother comes and begins to express her surprise, go right up to her and kiss her. You can't imagine how it will brighten her dear face . Besides you owe her a kiss or two. Away back when you were a little girl she kissed you when no one else was tempted by your fever-tainted breath and swollen face. You were not attractive then as you are now. And through those years of childish sunshine and shadow she was always ready to cure by the magic of a mother's caress your little dirty chubby hands whenever they were injured in those first skirmishes with the rough world. And then the midnight kiss with which she routed so many bad dreams as she leaned over your restless pillow have been on interest those long, long years. Of course, she is not so pretty and kissable as you are, but if you had done your share of the work during the past ten years the contrast would not have been so marked. Her face has more wrinkles than yours ,far more, and yet, if you were sick that face would appear more beautiful than an angel's as it hovered over you, watching every opportunity to minister to your comfort, and every one of these wrinkles would seem to be bright wavelets of sunshine, chasing each other over her dear face. She will leave you one of these days. These burdens, if not lifted from her shoulders, will break her down. Those rough, hard hands that have done so many necessary things for you will be crossed over her lifeless breast. Those neglected lips that gave you your first baby kiss will be forever closed and those tired, sad eyes will have opened in eternity and then you will appreciate your mother; but it will be too late.

Many a woman can testify that there is a personal devil, having been married to one for many years.

WINDING UP PROCEEDINGS

At an extraordinary general meeting of the shareholders of the Western Fuel Corporation of Canada, Limited, it was resolved as follows: "That it is desirable to reorganize and reconstruct the company and accordingly that the company be wound up voluntarily under the provisions of the Companies Act, and that G. W. Bowen, Nanaimo, B. C., be appointed liquidator for the purpose of such winding up.—B.C. Financial News.

CANADA'S IMPORTS ARE INCREASING

A summary of Canadian trade shows that for the nine months ending December, 1923, Canada imported $687,211,000 worth of merchandise for consumption, as against $577,260,000 worth imported during the same period of 1922. During the same period of 1923 Canada's domestic exports were valued at $815,861,000 as against $732,576,000 the previous year.

NEW MINING ACTIVITY

J. W. Morgan, mining recorder at Port Arthur, states that the opening of the Long Lac cut-off by the Canadian National Railways, linking up the former main lines of the Canadian Northern and Grand Trunk railways, has meant renewed activity in the mineral situated along the new route. Claims in all sections of that district were filed and licenses renewed during the past year, he states.

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President and Chairman of the Board of Directors, Canadian National Railways

CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF CUMBERLAND
Court of Revision

A Court of Revision will be held on the 8th February 1924, in the City Hall, commencing at 7 p.m.

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JUNIOR VS. SENIOR BADMINTON

The Junior Badminton Club challenged the Senior to a series of games. The doubles took place last Tuesday week, with the following results: Mrs. Owen and L. R. Stevens beat Dando and Yates 5-15, 15-8 15-10; Leversedge and Robinson beat Mr. and Mrs. T. Mordy 15-6, 8-15, 15-8; Mrs. Leversedge and Mrs. Scott beat Hudson and Dick, 15-0, 12-15, 15-10.

The singles took place on Thursday with the following results: Murray beat Yates, 15-10. Jones beat Dando 15-7. Leversedge beat Mrs. Apps 15-6. Mrs. Spicer beat Hudson, 15-3. Mrs. Owen beat Dick 15-11. Robinson beat Symons, 15-13.

The Juniors played good Badminton all through, and with a little more experience, there is no reason why one or two of them should not reach championship class.

BURN'S NATAL DAY

The following poem was written especially to commemorate the anniversary of Robert Burns, Scotland's immortal ploughboy poet, whose birthday is on the 25th of January, (last Friday), but owing to lack of space in our last issue we were unable to publish it.

Immortal shade of Robert Burns,
On this thy natal day,
The heart of Scotland to thee turns
Her homage fond to pay.

She clings to thee, thro' woe and weal,
Thy name her proudest boast,
Her loyal heart, tried, staunch and leal
Holds thee he best loved toast.

Her straths and hills, her glens and lakes
Re-echo to thy fame,
Her curling streams, her tarns and brakes
Are hallowed by thy name.

Her daisy prink'd begowan'd lea,
Her blue bells wat wi' dew,
Derive new charms, lov'd bard, from thee
To warm Scotch hearts anew.

The exil'd freen an' brither Scot,
The laddie far frae hame,
Where chance or choice may cast his lot,
Claims kinship with thy fame.

And ever as the day returns,
That gave to thee thy birth,
He greets thy name, O Robbie Burns,
Wi 'songs o' praise an' mirth.

Dwell where he may, the hardy Scot
This night with laurels twine
Unmindful of his rank or lot,
To lay upon thy shrine.

From lands afar his heart returns
This night to classic Ayr;
He roams this night with thee and Burns.

'Mang scenes thy muse make fair.
By bosky dell and purling stream
Whaur fays an' kelpies lurk,
He wonders on with thee to dream,
O' Alloa's haunted kirk.

The banks and' braes o' Bonnie Doon
Thy saint'd Mary's shrine,
Are his to love a' things aboon
For Robbie, they were thine.

Frae Buchanneys to John o' Groats,
At ilka ingleside,
Thou honor'd art, the wale o' Scots.
Auld Scotia's jay and pride.

O, Burns, the heart of Scotland thrills
At mention of thy name,
Her meads, her streams, her vales, her hills,
Thy heritage of fame.

The faults, the follies of her son
She will not closely scan;
She proudly claims her gifted one,
Her Plowboy-Poet Man.

—Author unknown.

SASKATCHEWAN BUTTER PRODUCTION

Creamery butter production in Saskatchewan passed the 10,000,000 pound mark for the first time, according to the November returns. The production for that month was 444,344 pounds, making the output since January 1, 1923, 10,121,702 pounds, an increase of 1,551,795 pounds or 18.1 per cent. over the corresponding period of 1922. The greatest increases in production occurred in the central and northern sections of the province.

FIRST SWEDISH IMMIGRANTS ARRIVE

The first party of Swedish immigrants to land in Canada since the new service inaugurated by the Swedish American line through the agency of the Canadian National Railways whereby all boats on that line call at Halifax en route to New York, arrived in Winnipeg this week and rapidly dispersed to various points throughout the west.

NEW WHEAT MARKET

Considerable quantities of Western Canadian wheat are being shipped to South America through the port of Vancouver. Up to the present, Brazil is one of the largest buyers down there.

ALBERTA WOOL SALES

E. L. Richardson, secretary of the Alberta Sheep Breeders' Association, with headquarters at Calgary, reports that last year the organization marketed 90,500 pounds of wool for 155 sheep breeders ,total receipts for same being $21,849, an average of a little more than 24 cents per pound.

CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF CUMBERLAND

Poll Tax By-Law

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the annual Poll Tax of Five Dollars ($5 payable by every person above the age of 18 years who resides within the Corporation boundaries of the Municipality of the City of Cumberland, or within the boundaries of the Municipal School district of the said Municipality, is now due, on and from the 2nd day of January 1924, and must be paid to the Municipal Collector of taxes.

Persons exempt from the payment of Poll Tax are:—

(1) Persons over the age of 60 years whose last yearly income did not exceed Seven Hundred Dollars.

(2) Duly enrolled members of the Militia, or persons engaged in the active Naval or Military service of His Majesty.

(3) Persons who have paid to the Municipality assessed taxes to the value of Five Dollars on Real property, Land or improvements for the year ending 31st December last. Where the assessed taxes so paid are less than Five Dollars, the amount of the Poll Tax payable by him shall be limited to the amount by which the Poll Tax exceeds the amount of taxes so paid.

(4) Any person who served overseas since the 4th August 1924 in either of H. M. Naval or Military Forces (including Forces raised in all parts of H.M. Dominions, who has, since the date of such service, returned to this province certified medically unfit or temporarily invalided.

All employers of labor shall, on demand of the Collector pay the annual Poll Tax for every person in his employ, whether such persons are employed directly by him, or indirectly through a contractor for labor. Such employer may deduct from the amount payable to such contractor all sums paid to the collector as Poll Tax for any men furnished to the employer by such contractor, and such contractor may deduct the same from the amount due by him to such men respectively.

It must be distinctly understood that the payment of Municipal licenses does not exempt persons from payment of the Poll Tax.

The said Poll Tax may be paid to me at the Municipal Office, or may be mailed to me, in which case a receipt therefor will be mailed per return.

Trades Licenses and Dog Taxes are now due, and must be paid at the Municipal Office.

Dated at Cumberland, 31st January 1924.

ALBERT J. MERRY,
Collector for the Municipality of the City of Cumberland.

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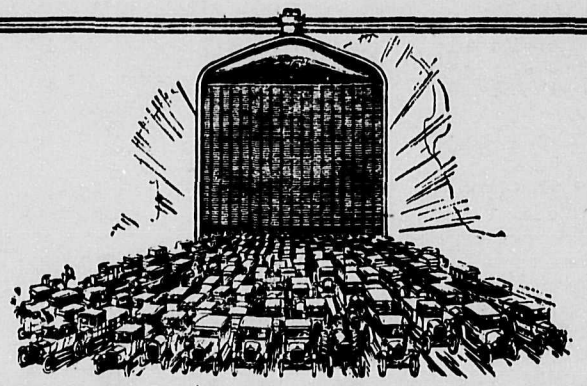

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PREMIER LEVIES CHARGES AT UNSCARRED VET.

VICTORIA.—While the fortunes of the Provincial or Third Party are more or less arousing public attention in this Province, it is interesting to observe the manner in which the leaders of the Government of today are combatting certain statements which General McRae and his henchmen are making at various points in the Province. When at Sidney a few days ago the Premier took occasion to repeat a number of observations which he made recently in the Legislature in connection with the more specific charges contained in the Provincial Party's publicity medium, The Searchlight. In particular Mr. Oliver referred to the General's association with Port Mann townsite proposals and deals, singling out the method of promotion and its particular relation to the Pacific Whaling Company and dealings in certain lands in the Province of Saskatchewan.

Mr. Oliver charged General McRae with exploiting his fellowman and said: "I want to tell that gentleman that I am now talking on the public platform and cannot claim the privilege of a member of the House. If he wants to take action on my statements the Courts are open to him."

Reverting to McRae's statement that he had been an unwilling partner in the Port Mann townsite deal, the Premier stated that McRae had bought on his own account between 1910 and 1913 $373,000 worth of real estate there and later had sold property there for $998,000 to the Fraser River Land Co. and another part of his purchase to the C.N.R. for $571,410.

Referring to charges levelled at the Government, Premier Oliver said:

"During our seven years of office the Public Accounts Committee has never reported that a single dollar or a single cent has been misspent."

Mr. Oliver also pointed out that the Government had been saved $250,000 in the sub-contracting on the P.G.E. railway according to the audit of Price, Waterhouse & Co.

CHARLIE IS HIMSELF AGAIN

HOLYWOOD, Cal.—For the first time in over a year Charlie Chaplin dons the iron kelly, puts on the over size shoes and climbs inside the baggy breeches. And, with his trick coat and cane, and little mustache—Charlie is himself again.

Charles Spencer Chaplin, author producer, director, genius, the arch comic of the screen, has started his first comedy for United Artists, in which he will appear as the Charlie Chaplin of old.

The building of sets, the first actual signs of production activities are in evidence at the Chaplin studio. The filming of the story, which will be based on the days of the "Forty-niners," will commence shortly, so we are assured that again we will see another Charlie Chaplin comedy.

MANUFACTURERS COMPLAIN VIGOROUSLY AGAINST SALES TAX

Reports received by the Canadian Manufacturers Association from its members in all parts of Canada indicate that the new sales tax which came into effect on January 1 is causing a great deal of confusion and is leading to a serious disorganization of business. The operation of the law is working anything but smoothly and is a source of exasperation and loss to business men.

The Special Taxation Committee of the Association has now in preparation a program of taxation, which after receiving the approval of the Executive Council, will be submitted to Parliament as embodying the views of the manufacturers on methods of taxation which should be employed.

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CHAPLIN'S DRAMA BOOKED IN LONDON BREAKS PRECEDENT

An established precedent in the showing of American photoplays in England has been broken by the booking of Charles Chaplin's production "A Woman of Paris," without the usual formality of a public pre-view.

The directors of the New Tivoli Theatre booked the famous Chaplin drama for a four weeks' engagement, starting February 25 ,after only viewing the picture at a private screening, paying the highest price yet paid for an American photoplay in England.

The New Tivoli Theatre is located on London's famous thoroughfare. The Strand, and is the newest and most fashionable of the London picture houses; built on the sit of the old historic Tivoli Music Hall—the theatre in which Charlie Chaplin made his last appearance in England as a variety artist.

C. N. R. COAL MOVEMENT

Of the 5,621,083 tons of coal shipped from Western Canada last year, 3,551,590 tons were carried by the Canadian National Railways ,according to official figures. Of all coal handled 1,782,821 tons or 64 per cent. was from Alberta, the Drumheller field leading in production with 964 tons. Coal moved from western fields for company service amounted to 1,679,000 tons. A total of 101.494 cars were used by the Canadian National to move the year's coal shipments.

HARBOR RECORD

Vancouver harbor created a new record for deep sea shipping on January 12 with 34 deep sea vessels at anchor at wharves loading for all the world. Six of the ships were loading cargoes of wheat for the Orient and ten for full cargoes of lumber to various parts of the globe.

EXPECT INFLUX FROM U. S.

Members of the Winnipeg Real Estate exchange are expecting a great influx of settlers from the United States, especially Illinois, this year, judging by the many inquiries now being made.

SYNOPSIS OF LAND ACT AMENDMENTS

PRE-EMPTIONS

Vacant, unreserved, surveyed Crown lands may be pre-empted by British subjects over 18 years of age, and by aliens on declaring intention to become British subjects, conditional upon residence, occupation, and improvement for agricultural *purposes.*

Full information concerning regulations regarding pre-emptions is given in Bulletin No. 1, Land Series, "How to Pre-empt Land," copies of which can be obtained free of charge by addressing the Department of Lands, Victoria, B.C., or to any Government Agent.

Records will be granted covering *only land suitable for* agricultural purposes, and which is not timberland, i.e., carrying over 5,000 board feet per acre west of the Coast Range and 8,000 feet per acre east of that Range.

Applications for pre-emptions are to be addressed to the Land Commissioner of the Land Recording Division, in which the land applied for is situated, and are made on printed forms, copies of which can be obtained from the Land Commissioner.

Pre-emptions must be occupied for five years and improvements made to value of $10 per acre, including clearing and cultivating at least five acres, before a Crown Grant can be received.

For more detailed information see *the Bulletin "How to Pre-empt* Land."

PURCHASE

Applications are received for purchase of vacant and unreserved Crown lands, not being timberland, for agricultural purposes; minimum price of first-class (arable) land is $5 per acre, and second-class (grazing) land $2.50 per acre. Further infor*mation regarding purchase or lease* of Crown lands is given in Bulletin No. 10, Land Series, "Purchase and Lease of Crown Lands."

Mill, factory, or industrial sites on timber land, not exceeding 40 acres, may be purchased or leased, the conditions including payment of stumpage.

HOMESITE LEASES

Unsurveyed areas, not exceeding 20 acres, may be leased as homesites, conditional upon a dwelling being erected in the first year, title being obtainable after residence and improvement conditions are fulfilled and land has been surveyed.

LEASES

For grazing and industrial pur*poses areas not exceeding 640 acres* may be leased by one person or a company.

GRAZING

Under the Grazing Act the Province is divided into grazing districts and the range administered under a Grazing Commissioner. Annual grazing permits are issued based on numbers ranged, priority being given to established owners. Stock-owners may form associations for range management. Free, or partially free, permits are available for settlers, campers and travellers, up to ten head.

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C. N. R. GRAIN WEST

Canadian National lines have handled more grain into Vancouver from September 1 to date by six hundred cars than was handled in the previous twelve months, according to official figures given out at Winnipeg. J. R. Cameron assistant general manager at Vancouver, states that with the prospect of at least three new big elevators being built at Vancouver before the opening of another grain season, as well as the new cleaning elevator at Edmonton, this year will see all grain records shattered at Vancouver.

ALBERTA LEGISLATURE

The date for the opening of the Alberta Legislature has been fixed for January 28. The new liquor act and a new election bill will be among the important measures to be discussed during the session.

POULTRY EXPORTS

Manitoba this season shows an increase of 300 per cent. over last year in exports of dressed poultry.

Success Prize Winners

THESE ARE THE ESSAYS THAT WIN THE NATIONAL PRIZES IN OUR SUCCESS CAMPAIGN FOR "HIGHER PAY FOR SCHOOL TEACHERS."

FIRST PRIZE ESSAY—By Blanche A. Nagle, Olympia, Washington.

The greatest need in America, today, is for a well-paid teacher in every classroom. An indifferent public has never been fully awake to the vital importance of who are its public school teachers. It has never fully shouldered its burden or responsibility in this matter.

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Teachers have been underpaid as a class, to a greater extent, considering the investment they must make in training, than has any other group of workers.

As a step in the right direction, there should be, in every state, a minimum wage law for teachers which would be sufficient to meet reasonable living and professional needs. Some states are urging that this minimum salary should be one hundred dollars a month for teachers entering the profession. Establishment of salary schedules, based on the three essentials, professional training, experience and efficiency, is being stressed.

Parallel with work for larger salaries, the need is recognized for increased professional training. The demand comes not only from the public but from teachers themselves, who know that the time has come when the teaching profession must become stabilized.

No one questions the necessity for doctors and lawyers to be trained. And yet, how much more vital is the need for teachers to be skilled in the calling which is second to Parenthood in importance. To the credit of teachers, be it said, they are willing to get this training, if they may feel assured of the Public's guaranty of adequate salaries as a legitimate return on their investments.

The quality of future American citizenship is a direct responsibility which the school must share with the home—not from the economic viewpoint of mere dollars, but to insure the continuance of "a safe and sane Democracy."

SECOND PRIZE ESSAY—By Bertha L. Bard, Mount Vernon, N.Y.

Is there any higher institution, any to which more attention is due than to the school? Within its walls what a magnificent work is in progress—the future of America is being molded. Perhaps a vision of that awe-inspiring edifice ,the Capitol at Washington, comes into your mind. True, the guidance of this splendid nation of ours is directed from there, but with the school there is a body of efficient workers devoting their lives to the children of America, to the future citizens, the voters, the administrators of your government. It is of the teachers I speak, those who have been considered merely a part of the school. They are that and infinitely more—they are allied to your dearest and fondest hopes.

It is to the teacher of today we are indebted—the one who from early morning to late afternoon instructs, helps, and encourages the youth of today in the pursuit of knowledge; who instills into their minds love of home, school, and country, and kindles in them noble aspirations and fine ideals. The dullest subject is made interesting by her skilful hand. She herself is an ardent student of child psychology so that she can understand her students and their viewpoints. Untrained minds are at the root of national decay. If you would better your country—Boost the campaign for "Higher Wages for School Teachers."

THIRD PRIZE ESSAY—By Julian C. Riley, Meeker, Colorado.

The stock expert deals in concrete results. Through his advice the stock breeder is able to raise valuable horses ,cattle, hogs. The owner can compute his gain in dollars and cents. So he does not hesitate to pay the expert the reward which he demands.

But boys are certainly not pigs—when it comes to paying for them. Far from it! Why, a farmer will gladly pay two thousand dollars for help in obtaining a thoroughbred strain of pigs. But—a hundred dollars for school advancement! !—a hundred dollars for expert advice in boy-raising! !—silly! And why? The teacher, the child expert, deals not in concrete values, not in 500 pounds of black and white pig; but he deals in abstract values, in hearts, in minds, in souls. Who can say what a child is worth in dollars and cents after it has left the molding hands of the eighth grade teacher; after it has left the building influence of the high school teacher; after it has left the guiding geniuses of his college life?

The home, the one place in all the world where the child should gain an acquaintance with all the best things of life, the one place in all the world where the child should form all his ideals and tendencies of life, the foundation and only hope of civilization—the home, more than ever in these hectic, hurried, money-mad times, is "passing the buck" to another institution, the school, which it thinks can do the job cheaper and better than it could be done at home. In other words, the tendency of foisting upon the school teacher the triple responsibility of the developing of the body, the mind, and the soul of the child, is steadily growing and spreading.

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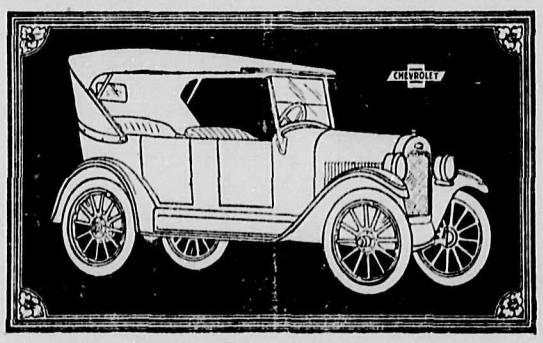

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Local Briefs

Miss Annie Fountain, Provincial Secretary for Girls' Work is a guest of Dr. and Mrs. George K. McNaughton.

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Mrs. Thomas Graham entertained at four tables of Mah Jong on Wednesday afternoon.

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Miss Marjorie Mordy entertained at three tables of bridge last week-end, in honor of Miss Margaret Hutchenson, of Vancouver, who is the guest of Miss Mordy.

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Mrs. Stevens left at the week-end for Kerrisdale, Vancouver, where she will visit with her daughter for the next month.

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Bigger, Brighter, Better than ever—The Annual Masquerade Ball of the Cumberland Volunteer Fire Department—March 17th, 1924.

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Mr. Patterson, of Victoria, of the B. C. Telephone Co., for Vancouver Island, was a visitor in town at the week-end.

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Mrs. G. J. Richardson returned on Monday, after spending the week in Victoria.

Oh, boy! something new, something novel. Leap Year Novelty Dance at the Anglican Hall, February 29th.

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You know the saying: "The New Broom—" Yes, we have them at 60c each. Wycherley's Store.

Do you like the new name of our Store? The "Mercantile," will be on every tongue in the City. Visit our Big Sale.

The British Columbia Telephone Co. are constructing a telephone line from Puntledge to Bevan, which will be connected with the Courtenay Exchange *in place of Cumberland.*

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Miss Alice Watson, a recent arrival from Glasgow, Scotland, has accepted a position as dry goods saleslady with the Mercantile Store Company.

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Miss G. E. Watson has been appointed stenographer and bookkeeper for the Mercantile Store Co., (Wycherley) at the corner of Dunsmuir and First Street.

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Thomas Graham, General Superintendent, and Charles Graham, District Superintendent of the Canadian Collieries (Dunsmuir) Ltd., left for Ladysmith on Monday and returned on Friday.

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George O'Brien, Safety Engineer, of the Canadian Collieries left for Ladysmith on Friday.

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W. A. Owen, Construction Engineer, left for Nanaimo on Thursday.

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It is stated that an experienced grocery clerk will arrive on Monday and take charge of the grocery department at the Mercantile.

WEDDING

Foley - Yarrow

On Thursday evening the Rev. Beattie of the Presbyterian Church, Courtenay, united in marriage Mrs. George Yarrow of Cumberland, and *Mr. Fred Foley of Bevan, Mr. and* Mrs. Alex Clarke, of Cumberland, acting as best man and bridesmaid. After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Foley returned to this city where friends of the happy couple had a sumptuous wedding supper waiting them.

Remember this is the Children's Store. Sister or Brother will receive the very best attention. Don't be afraid to send them.

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"Congratulations on the improved look of your store!" Thanks, Give us two months, then, we shall—. You are alright, Good night. Heard in the "Mercantile."

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Master "Billie" Merrifield entertained a few friends to dinner on Thursday evening, the occasion being his seventh birthday.

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Mrs. A. H. Horne, of Nanaimo, was a visitor in town over the week end, being the guest of her daughter, Mrs. W. A. Owen.

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To "Cap" a great Success—only 75c. at the Big "Introductory" Sale.

BIRTHDAY PARTY WAS SUCESSFUL

Under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid of Grace Methodist Church, a birthday party was held on Wednesday evening.

An excellent musical program was rendered. Those taking part were: Misses Edith Horbury and Edna Gear and Mr. Edwards, piano solos: Miss Howard and Mr. Walker, violin solos; Quartette, Mesdames Mumford and Banks and Messrs. Mumford and Banks; Vocal solos, Mrs. Richardson, Miss Vivian Aspesia and Mr. Ramsell Mrs Finch, Miss Freloni and Mr. Edwards were the accompanists.

The financial results were very gratifying and a most enjoyable social time was spent.

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Sunday, February 3, 1924.
Sunday School 2.30 p.m.
Evenson 7 p.m.
—Rev. W. Leversedge.

GRACE METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday, Febraury 3, 1924.
Morning Service 11 a.m.
Sabbath School 11.45 a.m.
Evening Service 7 a.m. Subject—"Modern Spiritual Healing, Its Origin, Development, Practice and Results." The second in the series.
Everybody welcome.
—Rv. J. R. Butler, Pastor.

If you tell a girl that she dances divinely, she is much pleased; but if you were to tell her that she is a little angel, she would not like it. On the other hand, tell her she dances infernally and she will be offended; call her a little devil and she will think you're wonderful.

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Sunkist Lemons, per doz ..... 25c. and 35c.
California Grape Fruit, 4 for ..... 25c.
Florida Grape Fruit, large size, 2 for ..... 25c.

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ROD AND GUN

There is interesting reading for every sprotsman in the February issue of Rod and Gun in Canada, including as it does stories and articles dealing with deer and moose hunting, fishing and canoeing, photographing wild life, animal stories, guns and ammunition, talks on outdoor life, articles on trapping, and an interesting kennel department.

"A Diary of the Limberlost Hunting Club" by Harold Tarlton is a good account of this flourishing club and is *written in an original style. Bonny*-castle Dale the well known Canadian naturalist of Nova Scotia continues his article on "Camera Hunting before the Season opens in Nova Scotia" which is written with the author's ease and ability which make his contributions outstanding. "An Indian Enoch Arden" by Martin Hunter is an interesting yarn, while "Touring the Wilderness" by Roy Brayley is an article dealing with the outfit necessary for a trip into the wilds which will be of interest to all those who are planning trips. J. W. Winson has his first article "Bird and Man" which opens a series on Canadian Birds, a subject on which this writer is an authority. M. U. Bates, a trapper of long experience has his department filled with interest for the trapper, while F. V. Williams has contributed an amusing account of "A Tale Twice Told." W. C. Motley and F. H. Walker are also represented with good departments, the field trials forming an especially interesting feature of "Kennel"; Guns and ammunition is particularly large this month with first class articles by E. T. D. Francis, Ashley A. Haines, Fred J. Stiff, and a large number of queries *and answers.*

REBEKAHS HELD SOCIAL EVENING

On Monday evening, January 28th, the Rebekah Lodge spent a very enjoyable time at the home of Mrs. J. Walker, quite a number of sisters and friends attending.

During the evening Mrs. Sutworth became the lucky winner of a pretty tea apron, which was raffled in aid of the Order.

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BETTER LATE THAN NEVER

We were instructed to publish this *card of thanks two weeks ago. On* each occasion it was crowded out—

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF CUMBERLAND:

I desire to thank all those who supported myself and the other members *of the same ticket elected to the* 1924 Council. During the year I shall continue to do my utmost to promote the best interests of the ratepayers with a wise expenditure of public money and to give at all times the utmost economy consistent with efficiency It will be my aim to prove worthy of the confidence placed in me.

Yours truly
JOHN J. POTTER,
Chairman of the Board of Works.

George O'Brien has been appointed a Commissioner under the Provincial Elections Act.

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