THE DELTA TIMES

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ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the congregation of St. Stephen's Church, East Delta, was held there on the 14th inst. The Rev. J. H. White, minister of the charge presided. Excellent reports were presented by the Session, Managing Board, W. F. M. S. and Sabbath School. The finances of the congregation are in a flourishing condition and an excellent spirit pervaded the meeting. The ladies of the church provided light refreshments, and a pleasant social time was passed, after the business part of the meeting was over.

Everybody come to the Town Hall Friday, February 12th.

S.S. SONOMA RETURNS.

G. W. Brewster states that he will return to the Ladner-Steveston run this afternoon with the S.S. Sonoma. The boat has been properly repaired, ironed on the hull and her engines thoroughly overhauled and all she is lacking now is a little paint and a new set of cushions. However, these things will all be attended to soon as possible. We congratulate Mr. Brewster upon his return to business so soon after his mishap, and hope he will now be able to withstand all the knocks which might come his way.

Mrs. Alex. Davie is visiting friends in the Terminal City.

RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

There was a small turnout, on Saturday evening last, at the initial meeting of those wishing to form themselves into a Rifle Association, and nothing was done outside the reading of the instructions forwarded by the Militia Department authorizing the formation. After some discussion it was decided to meet again on Saturday evening next, at 8:30 o'clock sharp, and everyone present was constituted a committee to bring someone else along. It is hoped there will be a large turnout of those interested in this laudable undertaking.

Are You Interested in Good Music?

What We Need.

EDITOR DELTA TIMES:

Sir: I have been waiting for some time past to see a reference in your paper to the utter inadequacy of our transportation facilities, but as no one has taken the matter up, will you permit me to make a brief reference. One hears a good deal of quiet complaining amongst all classes of the people, but evidently no one cares to broach the subject publicly. Now, sir, I believe that something should be done to improve matters, and it is for this reason that I write. You must admit that, at the best, even in the summer months, the means of transportation between an important and growing centre like Ladner and the city of Vancouver is altogether insufficient. We are away behind the times and far in the rear of places that are not half as old as we are.

The inadequacy of our travelling facilities was brought forcibly home to us of late when the Fraser river (which is at present our main line of communication between the cities) was frozen over and all boating completely tied up. We were practically isolated from town and city life; our mail business was totally disorganized; the farmers who ship their cream to the city were put to great inconvenience, if not actual loss, and in ways too numerous to mention the village and surrounding country were put to endless trouble. It is true there are two other ways of reaching Vancouver and Westminster. One way is to stage it to Westminster and take the car to Vancouver, which means a consumption of at least three and one half hours, the alternative route is to hang around Port Guichon for an indefinite period of time, take the train when it comes and get off when it arrives in the city. There is a glorious uncertainty about all the movements of this G. N. train, and everybody knows that it takes from four to six hours to make the journey, a distance, as the crow flies, of 18 miles. Sir, I want to ask you, are we living in the twentieth century, with its many quick means of transportation, or are we back to the old stage-coach days of the eighteenth century? Are we living in the hustling, bustling provinces of the west? Or are we away in the far backwoods of Muskoka? We are certainly not alive to our rights and to our interests, and are the townspeople of Ladner to sit quietly still and accept just what is offered them. Are our merchants willing to submit to the present conditions without a word of protest, or without making a united effort to secure more efficient service? Are the rich farmers of the Delta, whose barns are groaning with the burden of hay and oats, to rest satisfied with the desultory service of the G.N.R.; a railway that cannot even afford an agent to look after our interests at the Terminus; and are the members of our new Municipal Council to allow this question, that means so much for the future prosperity of Ladner and vicinity, to drag along without an effort to improve it? Better facilities are needed and they can be had. Why not get right after them. This is a too-important centre to be longer neglected. We ought to have a ready and daily access to the markets of Vancouver, which would mean an immediate appreciation in the value of

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The Farmer's View

EDITOR DELTA TIMES:

Sir: May I ask you to insert the enclosed letter (taken from the Chamber of Agriculture Journal, London, Eng.), which at the present time I feel sure will interest your readers.

Thanking you, I am yours truly,

A. DER. TAYLOR.

Primrose McConnell, B.Sc., was the lecturer before the Royal Society of Arts in London recently, his subject being "London Milk Supply from a Farmer's Point of View." The chief object of his paper was to place before the meeting some of the conclusions those of us who are in the thick of the fight have come to as to what should be done and what should not be done to enable us to produce clean, healthy milk as a matter of business. The speaker criticised attempts made by "our official masters" to enforce ideas which were not a bit of good to the consumer, while causing no end of trouble and expense to the producers. Of the 130 or so species of microbes which infest milk, he said only five, according to the text-books, were labelled "pathogenic," namely, those causing scarlet fever, diphtheria, typhoid fever, epidemic diarrhœa and tuberculosis. With regard to the first three, they were not ordinarily met with in cowsheds or in milk; they were introduced from the outside, and it was for the local authority to prevent their presence in a locality altogether. With only these five species of microbes that can possibly be injurious to public health, where was the sense in all this scare about microbes? Sterilisation and Pasteurisation were failures because all the microbes in the milk were killed. Milk ceased to be palatable or a good digestible food when deprived of the life action of its microbes, and the babies fed on it became stunted and ricketty, while those who got a liberal supply—microbes and all—throve on it. This result ought to prove that excessive and impossible sanitation was not only not wanted, but did actual harm to the consumers.

As to tuberculosis, he said it was strange that the slum-dwellers and others who were the worst affected with tuberculosis seldom used milk at all, while well-to-do people, who were the greatest consumers of the product, were completely immune. It was significant, too, that while deaths from consumption had been reduced 40 per cent. during the last generation, the consumption of milk had probably doubled. On the question of the alleged cause by milk of epidemic diarrhœa, he said the fact had to be explained away how it was that children who drank the most milk had the lowest rate of infection, and, conversely, how it was the babies who never tasted milk died of this disease like flies. Until this was explained the opinions held to the contrary could only be treated with contempt.

What about the 12th Feb. in the Town Hall?

Mrs. Kirby, of Fleming, Sask., is visiting her uncle, Jas. Pearson.

It is rumored around that the Str. Transfer has been purchased by private parties and that she will be placed upon the lower river run in about ten days.

Informal Meeting.

At an informal meeting of the subscribers and shareholders of the Ladner Branch of the Farmers' Telephone Co., held in the Council Chamber, on Wednesday last, the following extract from the report was read by the Treasurer:

"Although at the beginning of the year our prospects were not of the highest through a lack of subscribers. I am now pleased to report that we have the requisite number to comply with our conditions of the contract with the B. C. Telephone Co. which requires at least a guarantee of 60 subscribers. We have now 55 subscribers on party lines and 13 on single lines. Our endeavors must be to further increase this number and so add to the usefulness and strength of the service.

Complaints have been made that non-subscribers, especially on the party lines, are getting permission to use our service free of cost. This is strictly against the rules and subscribers allowing this are rendering themselves liable to have their service cut off. I would recommend that cards be printed showing these rules and that subscribers strictly adhere to them.

I would further recommend that the subject of making this service into a metallic circuit be carefully discussed to-day, as at present we have not a first-class line and I consider that by improving the service we shall strengthen our position and have a service equal to any in B. C.

The B. C. Tel. Co. are intending shortly to metallic their lines here and I feel sure it is in order for us to join them in having a good service.

The matter of arranging a night service with the exchange here is one I would like to see taken up and I feel sure if you require it it can be arranged.

We need a better toll service with Vancouver and Victoria, as at present much wearisome waiting is caused by the service going through New Westminster.

It has been suggested that the B. C. Co. be asked to open their office at an earlier hour than 8 a.m. in the winter months.

These matters, I trust, you will thoroughly discuss at your meeting.

The above suggestions were acted upon as suggested and the directors authorized to metallic the system provided sufficient stock be subscribed for to do the work.

On motion the old directors, with J. B. Burr to fill the position vacated by the late J. A. Paterson, were recommended as directors for the current year.

Re outsiders using phones, it was decided to have cards printed and posted up at each phone announcing the fact that a fee of 10 cents shall be charged.

The meeting then adjourned.

Keep Friday, 12th Feb., clear.

BRAN, SHORTS, CRACKED Corn, Corn Meal — Brackman-Ker Milling Co., Ltd., H. N. RICH, Ladner, B.C., Agent.

Capt. Bruce has succeeded in hauling his boat, the Str. Favorite, higher up the bank and clear of the water, where she will be repaired, and he expects to be able to return to the Westminster run in about two weeks.

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GEO. R. MANLEY,
Manager.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 26, 1909.

Considerable delay was caused, at the meeting of the Telephone Co., on Wednesday last, by late arrivals who discovered that some meetings are opened at somewhere near the advertised time. How long will it take to convince the people that it pays to start on time?

A RUDE AWAKENING.

According to the Daily News of the 22nd inst., a petition, largely signed by Westminster's business men, has been forwarded to Capt. Troup asking that the Str. Transfer be replaced upon the down-river run.

Sometime ago, when the C.P.R. was considering the question of removing the Str. Transfer from the run between Westminster and down-river points, the business men of New Westminster allowed themselves to be hypnotized by one who had a white elephant to dispose of, with the result that no assistance was given to the appeal from this important centre asking the C.P.R. to continue their steamboat service on the lower Fraser. Now that the IMPROVED service, which they so ignominiously foisted upon the people of this district, has reacted to their disadvantage, and they have partially recovered from their hypnotic trance; and one man who could ill afford it, has been practically ruined, they sincerely pray that the C.P.R. come to their assistance and revert to the "inefficient service with their haughty and disobliging officers."

If Westminster would do the square thing, they would at least see to it that Capt. Bruce is fully reimbursed for the losses caused by being sadly misled into entering upon this service.

While Capt. Bruce has been running his boat between here and New Westminster, he has done all in his power, with the means at his disposal, to accommodate the people travelling on his boat and it was through his anxiety to oblige the travelling public that he met with the unfortunate accident which has put his boat temporarily out of business. It would be more becoming to the people of New Westminster to give Capt. Bruce their sympathy and assistance instead of knocking him when he is down.

GOOD WATER.

By the courtesy of John Oliver, M.P.P., we publish the following extracts from the Provincial Regulations Governing the Sale of Milk and Management of Dairies, Cowsheds and Milk-shops, which we consider to be of great import to our readers at this time:

"7. (1) Every cow-keeper shall keep in, or in connection with, every cowshed in his occupation, A SUPPLY OF PURE WATER, suitable and sufficient for all such purposes as may from time to time be reasonably necessary.

(2) He shall cause any receptacle which may be provided for such water to be emptied and thoroughly cleansed from time to time, as often as may be necessary to prevent the pollution of any water that may be stored therein; and where such receptacle is used for the storage only of water, he shall cause it to be properly covered and ventilated and so placed as to be at all times readily accessible.

12. [1] Every cow-keeper shall cause every dairy in his occupation to be provided with an adequate supply of good and wholesome water for the cleansing of such dairy and of any vessels that may be used therein for containing milk, and for all other reasonable and necessary purposes in connection with the use thereof.

[2] He shall cause every cistern or other receptacle in which any such water may be stored to be properly covered and ventilated, and so placed as to be at all times readily accessible.

[3] He shall cause every such cistern or receptacle to be emptied and thoroughly cleansed from time to time, as often as may be necessary to prevent the pollution of any water that may be stored therein.

27. Any person who violates any provision of these regulations shall be liable, upon summary conviction, before any Stipendiary or Police Magistrate or any two Justices of the Peace, for every such offence to a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars, with or without costs, or to imprisonment, with or without hard labor, for a term not exceeding six months, or to both fine and imprisonment, in the discretion of the convicting court."

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land and other property. The distance between Ladner and Vancouver ought to be cut in two. Instead of going round by Steveston, there should be a direct route to Woodward's Landing and thence a straight run into Vancouver. We ought to have several cars a day carrying passengers to and from the city, and we ought to have at least one freight car per day to meet the needs of this rich and important community. This service will undoubtedly be granted some time in the future, why not press for it at the present time?

I have still another grievance, Mr. Editor, to which I will further refer. I mean the high rates charged passengers at present. My remarks do not apply to the river service, I believe that the rates charged are in proportion to the amount of business done and that the genial owners do the best they can for their patrons, but can any of your readers tell me why the people of Steveston and passengers from Ladner to Vancouver are charged at the rate of 85 cents return fare, while from the first station out of Steveston, which is only one mile distant, the rate is 65 cents return. Why this discrimination? Will those in authority seek to bring these matters prominently into the limelight and greatly oblige a tolerant public.

Yours,
VIATOR

Friday, February 12th.

When you wish to buy visiting cards call on the Delta Times who will sell the best money can buy. If you need them printed, why you are money in pocket by calling on the Delta Times first.

Mrs. A. W. Carter returned home, yesterday, from a visit to the Royal City.

Remember the Auction Sale, by H. N. Rich, at Woodwards, tomorrow at 1 p.m.

D. Gunn, of Boundary Bay, left, yesterday, on a trip to California, in search of a cure for rheumatism from which he has been suffering for the past two months.

On the island of Oahu (Hawaii) there are about 400 drilled wells varying from 6 to 12 inches in diameter and from a 100 to 1,200 feet in depth. The drillings are through various strata, generally in this order from the surface: earth, coral, hard lava, and porous or so-called water rock. This last is an ideal formation for a well, the water entering freely and without sediment. Water in these wells rises generally about 40 feet above sea level.

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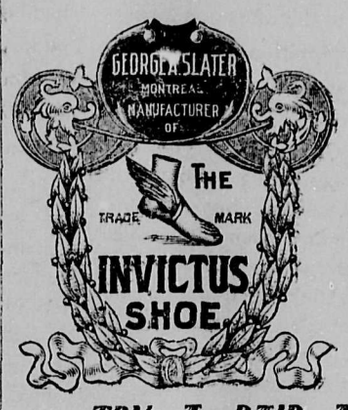

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WOES OF CONDUCTORS.

Red Tape Corruption Over Old Time Methods.

Perhaps the traveling public seldom stop to think of the vast amount of red tape is now wound around the work of a passenger conductor," remarked an old railroad man.

"In the old days all the passenger conductor was required to do was to place a punch and around a bundle of tickets he collected and send them in to the office. The cash collections on an average train in those days were large, because tickets were sold after 6 o'clock, the hour when all ticket offices closed. The cash collection on a train often amounted to $300 in one night. The conductor at the end of a round trip would hand this money to the cashier's window and would write a report on a sheet of paper and would read something like this: 'Sir—Please find inclosed $300 for cash collections on trains Nos. 5 and 6 of the 16, 1890.' The conductor did not even take a receipt from the cashier. All the cashier did was to smile and say, 'Good morning.'

"But a passenger conductor today has more trouble sometimes than a boy fighting a yellow jacket's nest. Red tape has been piling around him for years, until today he spends about all his time in punching mysterious holes in tickets, writing delicate checks and making out tedious reports. The coupon tickets are all bound up with red tape. Cash collections mean an immense amount of tedious work. Today. The conductor must now account for every cash fare collected by giving the passenger a drawback, or else a duplicate check in the presence of other passengers at the time the fare is taken.

"Then, too, the conductor has to sort all kinds of tickets in station order and turn them in that manner, filling out a blank giving the number of each kind of ticket lifted on the train. This report must be sent in by the conductor before he goes out on his next run. Therefore he is compelled to make out his report as he goes from station to station, and this means from one to two or more hours' hard work on the report alone on a run. It would take half a day for me to give all the details of this red tape. For instance, a certain number of punches must be in a ticket of one kind and a certain number in another style of ticket. If one punch mark is not made, the conductor receives a letter calling his attention to the discrepancy, and he is liable to be suspended if it occurs again."—Topeka State Journal

Talking With Foreigners.

"I am frequently amused," said a gentleman who notices things, "in remarking the tendency of most people to raise the voice when addressing a foreigner who has an imperfect knowledge of the language. The impression seems to be that the louder one yells the more likely one is to be understood, whereas the proper way to speak to a foreigner is to use a low, distinct tone, and, above all, pronounce each word separately. What makes any strange language hard to understand is the habit which natives fall into of running the last syllable of one word into the first of the next.

"For instance, you might make a sound like this, 'Ice awm is terb lanket ooday,' and while I would know perfectly well that you said, 'I saw Mr. Blank today,' no Frenchman or German, even with a good theoretical knowledge of the tongue would have the faintest idea what you were driving at. Then, the chances are, you proceed to repeat the sentence faster and faster and louder and louder and go away marveling at the stupidity of our cousins across the pond."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

German In Milwaukee.

In Milwaukee, of course, the English language is used in the conduct of business, although at least from 50 to 60, if not a greater, per cent of the people have command of the German language, which is taught in the public schools.

In almost every business, in nearly all the commercial houses, which are for the most part conducted by Germans, the German language is used along with the English, and so ignorance of German is regarded as great a fault as ignorance of English, if not a greater one. Recently an attempt was made to remove the German language from the curriculum of the public schools, but the inquiry instituted for this purpose produced a result very vexatious to the innovators. The overwhelming majority of the non-German parents decided in favor of having their children taught the German language. Thus Milwaukee, in this case also, has made good her reputation as the German city of America.—Chautauquan.

Did English a Good Turn.

Bismarck was no lover of England or of the English language, yet he did them both a good turn at the famous congress of Berlin at the close of the Russo-Turkish war. Before that time the diplomatic language of the world had been French, and it was expected that the discussions of the congress would be conducted in that tongue. Lord Beaconsfield flatly refused to use any language but English, and Bismarck, who was president of the congress, thought it would be inconsiderate to let Beaconsfield stand alone in so doing, so he spoke English, too, and English was thus made the official language of the congress. It has not become the universal diplomatic language, but French has ceased to be that, and English seems to have the best title to the succession.—Youth's Companion.

Perils of Divers.

Scientific investigations have demonstrated the fact that the great depths of the ocean are inhabited by species of fish that cannot live in the upper levels. Their flesh is so loose in texture that it falls apart when the great pressure of water is reduced. A report concerning the sponge fishermen of Tripoli gives evidence to the effect that similar causes will produce similar results in men. The divers frequently die of paralysis of the limbs caused by pressure on the spine through working at too great depths. Those suffering from this complaint are said to become perfectly well when they redescend, to be again attacked when they emerge from the sea.—San Francisco Argonaut.

He Was Moved.

"Did the notes of a bird ever move you?" asked the poetic girl.

"Yes," replied the young man. "I used to call on a young lady, and every time the cuckoo announced the hour of 10 I went home."

BLUE BELLS.

Sweet, dost thou hear the ringing
Lady, merrie as thy singing,
In the haunted dells
Where the merry elves are playing,
While the fairies were swaying
Amid their soft blue bells?
Came not mirthy notes forth straying
Or carols light or knells?

Yet why ask if thou canst hear
Fairies that never to mortal ear
Alas, let be known?
Well I know that mortal eye
Reads in each flower a lullaby,
Sweet and all its own.
Shall I count that night and sigh
And brood unheeded, alone?
—Eugene Renwick in Latin Quarter.

TWO OBLIGING MEN.

Each Was the Victim In a Street Car Fare Transaction.

It was in a Boston street car. When the car stopped at a crossing, a lady got up and went to the door. As she rose there was the chink of a coin on the floor, but before it occurred to any one to stop her she was out of the car and across the street. Two ladies who had sat next to her looked with anxious indifference on the floor. One of them leaned slightly forward, but said nothing. Just as the conductor was reaching for the bell rope a young man spied the coin and dashed out of the car. He caught the lady who had left the car, handed her the coin, ran back, caught the step of the car as the motors began to sing in crescendo and sat down breathless. One of the two ladies opposite him leaned forward and said coldly, "Young man, what did you do with the nickel I dropped?" The passengers tittered. An old man at the other end of the car turned to his neighbor. "That reminds me," he said, "of something that happened to my wife years ago.

"It was before the days of conductors, when we used to drop our nickels into a slot, and they ran down a groove to the box behind the driver.

"My wife had started out with a little change and one of those troublesome five dollar goldpieces which used to be more commonly in circulation than they are now. Her eyes were not good, and so she was nervous about her goldpiece and had it on her mind all the way downtown.

"When she took a car for home, she met a friend and grew interested in conversation with her. She put her coin in the slot absentmindedly. The driver turned as it struck the box. You remember the coin fell into a glass compartment first, and then the driver pushed a lever which sent it into the strong box below.

"As my wife heard the click of the lever she thought of her five dollar goldpiece. She looked in her purse, sure enough, it was gone. She went forward and spoke to the driver. He told he hadn't looked very carefully, but he thought there were only three nickels in the glass receptacle when he pushed the lever.

"My wife insisted. The driver said if she would ride to the end of the line the cashier at the station would open the box. This meant a journey of two miles beyond our street, and my wife was in a hurry.

"An old gentleman who sat by the door said he was going to the end of the line and offered to give her $4.95 cents and get the goldpiece at the station. My wife thanked him and took the money. When she got home, she found the five dollar goldpiece in the lining of her purse.

"Next day I went to the station. The cashier said an old gentleman had made him open the box. There was no goldpiece. The old gentleman had left in a rage, refusing to give his name. He said he had been swindled and did not want to be known for a fool.

"We advertised in the papers, but we never heard from him."—Youth's Companion.

Was It Hypnotism?

"Had a queer case the other day," said a popular surgeon of this city, "and I don't know yet whether to attribute it to some physical peculiarity or to what the hypnotists call autosuggestion. It was like this I was called in to perform a trifling but usually very painful operation on a gentleman's eye, and before I began I used cocaine freely on the membrane. The job was done in a few minutes, and the patient never winced. He said he felt nothing and was astonished when it was all over. When I returned to my office, I discovered, to my great surprise, that the bottle I thought contained cocaine had nothing in it but distilled water. I had picked up the wrong vial by mistake, but somehow the water did the work just as well as the drug. How do I explain it? I don't explain it at all. There are the facts. You may draw your own conclusions."—New Orleans Times-Democrat

The New Zealand local option bill provides that every man convicted of being a habitual drunkard shall be photographed at his own expense and every publican in the district be supplied with a copy.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

No one has discovered a sure cure for laziness.

The man who preaches revolution is the worst kind of a crank.

Labor's worst enemy is the working man who won't work.

The life work of a wise man may be destroyed by a fool in a day.

The average woman has more listening than speaking acquaintances.

The average man lets good opportunities go by while waiting for a better one.

Low living and high thinking will produce better men than high living and low thinking.

As a rule, the more a man has to say about women the more he doesn't really know about them.

It is said that a burned child dreads the fire. Probably that's why the newly married man tries to avoid his old flames.—Chicago News.

Then She Remembered.

Near the elevated road in Park place is a news and apple woman. She is very absentminded. Also sympathetic. A ragged street urchin ran up to her.

"Say," he yelled, "your little boy has been run over by a big truck!"

"Where? Where? For goodness' sake, where?" shrieked the woman, rushing wildly down the street. She ran half a block and then stopped suddenly.

"Lord, what an old fool I am!" she said to herself disgustedly. "I have no little boy. I've never been married."

Meantime the street urchin had stolen four apples and a bunch of grapes.

Maid and Mistress.

The social stigma upon housework is partly an inheritance of English class distinctions and partly the result of a great influx of uneducated foreign servants, which has driven out American help from our homes as well as from our factories. Married women, being by law and custom subordinated to their husbands, instinctively save their self respect by treating their help as subordinates to themselves. A keen sighted European critic recognizes in American women a distinct reaction toward aristocracy. There is no class in Europe more exclusive than our so called "society" women, who set the standard for other women who aspire to social distinction. In such circles the distinction between parlor and kitchen is rigid, absolute and insurmountable.

Pride, therefore, as some may call it—self respect, as I prefer to term the feeling—will forever more and more exclude American women from helping in other women's houses, unless and until there can be a line drawn between ignorant and skilled labor in the home, as elsewhere.—H. B. Blackwell.

Tame Deer Are Dangerous.

The tameness of the deer in the Duke of Bedford's grounds is very remarkable. Except the acclimatized Japanese from Powerscourt and elsewhere, they are wild creatures, caught in distant islands and continents, from the Moluccas and Formosa to the Altai mountains or the swamps of Canada, yet the difficulty is to keep them wild enough. It is always dangerous to allow stags to become tame and familiar. If they lose their fear of man, they are liable to become dangerous at certain seasons and attack persons in a park or keepers as savagely as they do their own kind, consequently all familiarity has to be discouraged at other seasons when the deer are most anxious to be friendly. With the hinds this is not necessary, and their confidence is very pretty and engaging.—Spectator.

Modest.

Marker—When you saw me a year ago about life insurance, you told me that the company you were with was the best in the word.

Insurance Agent—My dear sir, it was at that time, but the company I am now with, having since had the benefit of my services, has of course taken that honor away from it.

Houses in Mexico.

The principal reason that houses cannot be built rapidly in Mexico is that the walls are always made very thick in order to withstand the occasional earthquake shocks. In the thin walls usually put up in the United States the mortar will readily dry and "set" after the wall is erected, but here, where walls are made anywhere from 2 or 3 to 6 feet thick, they must be allowed to dry thoroughly as they are built, or serious consequences result from the drying of the outer edge while the center is still "green." Thus it is that one sees the walls all over a new building in different stages of completion, and it is often a curious sight to see thin interior walls completed to a point much higher than the thick outside walls.—Modern Mexico.

Poetical Figures.

Common people often use figures of speech which are both poetical and strong. While visiting in Norfolk near the North sea Tennyson was much impressed with the saying which he there heard, "The sea is moaning for the loss of the wind."

This poetical saying he used to compare with another he heard used by an old fishwoman who had lost two sons at sea. On a stormy day she, clinching her fist at the advancing tide, cried out:

"Aye, roar, do! How I hates to see thee show thy white teeth!"—Exchange.

Deeper Meaning.

"I went to the church fair last night, and I think I see a new meaning in that old adage now."

"What's that?"

"It's my idea that none but the brave have any business there."

A Boy's Travels.

Little Reggie—I went way around the world last year with my father.

Little Jimmie (aged twelve)—That's nothin'. I've been around the sun twelve times now, and I'm on my thirteenth trip.

Air All Garments.

All garments should be thoroughly aired after wearing. Under no circumstances should they be hung up in closets or folded away in drawers until they have had every opportunity of drying and purifying by exposure to the open window, if nothing more. Even a bonnet or a pair of gloves should not be set away at once, after the fashion of the overfastidious, who cannot bear to see an article out of place for a moment. If the bedroom is not also a sitting room, this may be arranged by leaving a window open there all through the day and shutting the door upon this disorder, which is the highest type of neatness, because it is essential to wholesomeness and health.

A Homemade Toy.

Buy at any toyshop a small ring or use an embroidery ring of large size. Cover it with muslin and then wind bright ribbons around it so as to completely hide the muslin. From an upholsterer get two dozen small curtain rings of polished wood. Slip these on two lengths of broad ribbon. Mark four points on the ring equal distances apart and sew the ribbon ends to these points, making a bow at each join and another in the center of the circle where the ribbons cross. To each curtain ring fasten a sleighbell with a bit of narrow ribbon, changing and varying the colors, and baby will have a charming toy.

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Matins, 11 o'clock.

Evensong, 7:30 o'clock.

Sunday School at 10 a.m.

Friday evening, Litany at 7:30.

Rev. E. R. Bartlett, M.A., Vicar

CATHOLIC

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Sunday school at 3 p.m.

Low Mass and Holy Communion first and third Mondays at 6 a.m.

Rev. Father Wagner, O.M.I., Parish Priest.

METHODIST.

Services next Lord's Day at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p.m.

Class meeting, after the morning service every Sunday.

Sabbath School at 2 p m every Sunday. Prayer meeting every Thursday evening at 8.

Rev. J. F. Betts, pastor.

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Entry must be made personally at the local land office for the district in which the land is situate. Entry by proxy may, however, be made on certain conditions by the father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister of an intending homesteader.

The homesteader is required to perform the conditions connected therewith under one of the following plans:

(1) At least six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each year for three years.

(2) If the father (or mother, if the father is deceased) of the homesteader resides upon a farm in the vicinity of the land entered for, the requirements as to residence may be satisfied by such person residing with the father or mother.

(3) If the settler has his permanent residence upon farming land owned by him in the vicinity of his homestead, the requirements as to residence may be satisfied by residence upon the said land.

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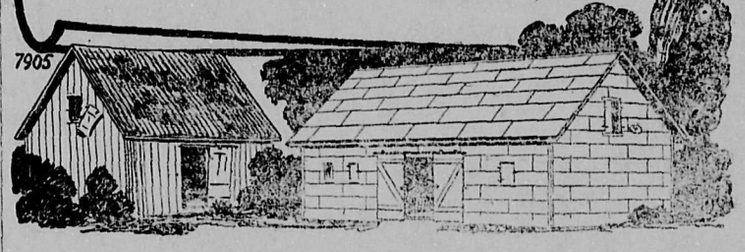

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LOCAL NEWS.

Delta Glee Club Concert, Friday, February 12th.

D. A. McKee visited the Westminster market on Friday last.

Reeve Hutcherson returned Sunday, from a short visit to the Capital City.

We are pleased to note that Mrs. C. W. Nelson is able to be around again, after a long illness.

On Saturday last, Customs Officer E. A. Bown, seized five head of cattle which had been smuggled in from the other side.

Friends of Mrs. (Rev.) J. F. Betts will be pleased to learn that she is able to be around again after her recent severe illness.

The annual meeting of the Farmers' Telephone Co., Ltd., is called for Tuesday, February 9th at 10 a.m. in the Town Hall Steveston.

Mrs. (Capt.) Young, of New Westminster, and Mrs. Alex. McLeod, of Vancouver, spent a couple days here, last week, the guests of Mrs. Jas. Follis.

Rev. J. H. White, of St. Andrews' Church, announces that on Sabbath evening, the 7th February, he will deliver the fourth of the series of lectures on the Reformation, subject: "John Knox and the Luther Reformation."

A meeting of the members of the Delta Agricultural Society is called for Saturday next, 30th inst., to be held in the Council Chamber, at 2 o'clock p.m., sharp. Remember the hour and don't come late expecting to be in plenty of time.

A meeting of the Delta Driving Park Association will be held in Mr. E. A. Bown's office at 3:30 p.m., on Wednesday, the 27th inst., at which the financial statement will be presented and for the election of officers, etc. All interested will please attend.

The annual congregational meeting of St. Andrews' Presbyterian Church will be held in the above church, at Ladner, on Monday evening next, February 1st, at 7:30 o'clock. After the usual business is transacted, refreshments will be served and a little social time enjoyed. All members and adherents of the church are expected to be present.

The S.S. Sonoma leaves Ladner at 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.; returning, leaves Steveston at 9:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

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Saturday, January 30th,

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to be held in the Council Chamber, Ladner.

A. DER. TAYLOR,
Secretary.

Notice.

The annual meeting of the Delta Farmers' Institute will be held in the Council Chamber, Ladner, on

Saturday, January 30th,

1909, at 2:30 p.m., sharp.

N. A. McDIARMID,
Secretary.

Ladner, January 23rd, 1909.

Public Meeting.

By request of the Water Committee, a Public Meeting will be held in the Town Hall, Ladner, on

Saturday, January 30th,

1909, at 3 p.m. sharp.

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