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B. C. FARMERS IN CONVENTION

Fifteenth Annual Meeting of Farmers' Institutes at Victoria—Part Taken By Valley.

At the opening of the fifteenth annual convention of Farmers' Institutes of the province on Monday last, in Victoria, the president, Mr. W. E. Scott, deputy minister of agriculture, gave an interesting address on the agricultural conditions in British Columbia during the past year, which, he said, had on the whole, been a satisfactory one to farmers and fruit growers.

The debates on the resolutions presented by the resolutions committee also formed a feature of the first day's proceedings, and in these discussions many Fraser Valley farmers took part.

Mr. Scott's Address.

Mr. Scott, in the course of his address on agricultural conditions and progress, said that during the past year crops of nearly all descriptions had been good, and the prices realized for nearly all farm products showed a material advance on those of the previous year, this being especially noticeable in the case of fruit and vegetables. He said that owing to unsuitable weather conditions during the shipping season some damage had been done to small fruits, but that hay and grain crops were exceptionally heavy throughout the province and were harvested in good condition. Owing to the large crop and low prices of 1912 the acreage planted in potatoes last year showed a material reduction with a consequent improvement in prices.

In referring to the labor situation as regards agriculture, he said, that it showed an improvement over previous years being more plentiful with prices paid showing a slight reduction. He attributed this to the halt which has been called in land speculation, many people having been driven out of this means of livelihood seeking work on the land, or devoting their attention to making the soil productive.

Increasing Production.

In dealing with the progress of agriculture in the province he challenged the statement that there had been lately a retrogade movement, saying that while production had decreased on farming lands contiguous to the large cities resulting from the land speculation, rapid progress had been made in other parts of the province.

"Production is also materially increasing," said Mr. Scott, "as will be shown by the statistical information which has veen collected by our large staff by means of personal visits to the farmers throughout the province."

He referred briefly to the increasing interest among farmers with regard to livestock, which he called the basis of all successful farming, urging that all farmers, no matter how small their places, should keep some stock.

"Specializing may be alright for the right man but the average farmer will do far better along mixed farming lines."

He said that during the year nine sales of pure bred stock imported by the government had been held in different centres, the number of head being 453 and that it was only due to the impossibility of securing further cattle that the sales were discontinued.

He gave a splendid report of the work of inspection of bovine tuberculosis, saying that the disease had practically been eliminated on the Gulf islands and on Vancouver island, and urged the members to continue to give their hearty co-operation to the efforts of the government in eliminating this dread disease.

Exhibition Successes.

Mr. Scott detailed at some length the successes of the Provincial government in exhibitions, both in the Northwest provinces, in Chicago and throughout Great Britain, especially mentioning the exhibits made of the Royal Horticultural Society's show in London, when the 300 bottles of fruit won the gold medal for the sixth consecutive year, and attracted considerable attention throughout England. He said that His Majesty, King George, had been pleased to accept six boxes of fruit, and that selected fruit had also been sent to other members of the Royal family.

In concluding, Mr. Scott spoke of the harmonious relations existing in the past, and said that it was the earnest wish of the government that the institution should prosper even more than they had done in the past.

The report was referred to a committee consisting of Mr. J. Bailly, of Chilliwack; Mr. C. W. Griffith of Metchosin, and Raymond T. Hicks of West Kootenay for report.

Mayor Stewart's Welcome.

Mayor Alex. Stewart welcomed the delegates on behalf of the city. He urged that farmers should do all in their power to make the Dominion fair, which is to be held this year in Victoria, a complete success.

INSTALL OFFICERS MONDAY.

At Ladner last Monday evening a post of the Native Sons was organized by Mr. Harold Leamy, of New Westminster, with about 35 members. The following officers were elected: Mr. C. Brown, chief factor; Mr. John Guichon, past chief factor; Mr. J. F. Greene, vice chief factor; Mr. Robt. Kitson, chaplain; Mr. F. Guichon, historian; Mr. R. Hutcherson, inner guard; Mr. H. Burr, outer guard; Mr. R. E. Kitson, recording secretary; Mr. Vernon Taylor, financial secretary; trustees, Messrs. C. Brown, F. Guichon and J. Greene.

The officers will be installed on Monday evening, February 2, by a number of the members of the New Westminster post, who will make the trip to Ladner by special boat. After the installation an entertainment will be given by the members of the newly-organized lodge.

EXCLUSION OF ORIENTALS.

Fruitgrowers Unanimously Resolve to Petition Dominion and Provincial Governments.

VICTORIA, Jan. 24.—The convention of fruit growers of the province passed a resolution unanimously petitioning the Provincial government to use every effort to persuade the Dominion and Imperial governments to the total exclusion for the future of all Orientals, and meantime to relieve a siuation which is becoming intolerable.

They re-elected their officers and directors yesterday with the following exceptions: Mr. Thomas Abriel becomes vice-president. Mr. James Rooke, of Grand Forks, succeeded Mr. W. F. Somers on the executive. On the directorate Mr. J. J. Thornton replaces Mr. J. A. Coatham for the Lower Mainland (south of the Fraser); Mr. A. J. Clarke succeeds Mr. R. M. Palmer for the Lytton to Kamloops district, and Mr. Bulman is replaced in the Kelowna district by Mr. J. Reekie. Mr. R. M. Palmer, who retains his seat on the executive, now represents Duncan and Nanaimo.

Representative Gathering.

The following delegates were those appointed to be present at the convention and a full representation is in attendance:

J. Bert, Alberni; G. H. Gardner, Arrow and Slocan Lakes; Alfred Tracy, Arrow Park; J. G. Hough, Aldergrove; D. H. Haage, Bella Coola; W. Gidding, Burton City; McDonald, of Cranbrook (proxy), Baynes District; C. W. Sillence, Cowichan; Bailly, Chilliwack; F. E. Harmer, Central Park; W. B. Jackson, Creston; S. McDonald, Cranbrook-Fernie; F. Cockerill, Coquitlam; J. McGregor, Crawford Bay; R. Carter, Comox; William Thompson, Celista; C. S. Wady, Cape Scott; J. Harris, Delta; J. Mizon, Eagle River Valley; W. A. Halden, Fire Valley and Lake Shore; C. C. Heaven, Grand Forks; W. Purkis, Graham Island; H. Whiting, Greenwood; J. F. Leighton, Glenside; F. L. Mitchell, Golden District; W. W. Winn Howe Sound; J. H. Collins, Islands; A. Morrow, Kent; W. Wansboro Jones, Kelowna; E. S. Wood, Kamloops; A. Goldsmith, Kootenay Lake; W. W. Hippsley, Kitsumkelum; K. Young, Kootenay River; Chas. E. Hope, Langley; J. Latrenouille, Louis Creek and Mount Olie; C. W. Griffith, Metchosin; F. Duncan Campbell, Maple Ridge; H. R. Phillips, Matsqui; J. G. Fraser, Martin's Prairie; E. A. Lythgoe, Moyie Valley; Joseph Randle, Nanaimo-Cedar; G. W. Sugden, North Vancouver; John H. Collett, Nicola; J. C. Harris, New Denver; C. S. Handcock, Northern Okanagan; W. McCauly, Notch Hill and Shuswap; E. R. Freeman, Needles; J. H. Pushman, Naramata; S. P. French, Okanagan; M. P. Williams, Okanagan Centre; J. McLughlan, Peachland; Alexander Hamilton, Pender Island; S. S. Fraser, Procter and District; W. A. Duncan, Pend d'Oreille; R. J. Walker, Quadr; W. H. Buckingham, Richmond; H. P. Golder, Robson; J. Redman (for Mr. Shannon), Rosehill; F. E. Glossop, Rock Creek; A. Clark, Rossland; W. E. Smith, Revelstoke; Geo. Stewart, South Saanich; C. Stanley Hall, Salmon Valley; J. Johnson, Surrey; W. Brett, Spallumcheen; J. Tait, Summerland; E. Milne, Sooke; J. C. Johnson, Salmon Arm; E. R. Still, Strawberry Hill; Matthew Hill, South Kootenay; J. W. Winson, Sumas; E. W. Dawney, Slocan; H. M. Riddle, Silver Creek; P. J. Devine, Shirley District; W. Armstrong, Ucluelet; W. C. Wilcox, Welcome Harbor; C. A. Carruthers, Westbank; Raymond T. Hicks, West Kootenay; H. E. Forster, M.P.P., Windermere.

Forty-Five Resolutions.

The resolution committee presented their report on the resolutions submitted to them from the various institutes. Altogether 186 resolutions were received. Many of these covered the same subject and in the report submitted only forty-five were brought forward.

The report of the committee was signed by F. E. Harmer, Central Park; C. S. Handcock, North Okanagan; C. W. Sillence, Cowichan, and C. E. Heaven, Grand Forks, and read as follows:

"Your resolutions committee recommend that in view of the fact that the government will take no action until the report of the Agricultural Commission has been presented, while endorsing the same, recommend that no action be taken at this time."

ENVOYS CONFER AT VICTORIA

Improvements to Ferry Service Are Asked—Request for Opening of River Road Submitted.

As a result of the visit of the Delta delegations which interviewed the Provincial authorities on Monday last with regard to the betterment of the ferry service and the opening of the river road, connecting Ladner with New Westminster, it is confidently predicted that a boat, capable of handling all traffic without the aid of a scow, will be placed on the route shortly and also that the river road will be opened and properly finished this coming year.

Ferry Service Discussed.

The ferry question was taken up by the Board of Trade delegates, and the road matter by the council, but as two delegations were at the Capital with practically one object in view, the members joined forces and were received by the Premier simultaneously. The facts as disclosed by the delegates were closely followed by Sir Richard, who showed keen interest in both suggestions and promised to do all in his power to meet their demands.

Sir Richard recognized the need of improvement to the existing ferry service, and while not understanding that an absolutely new ferry would be put on, the delegates feel confident that improvements will be made to obviate the necessity of carrying a scow alongside as at present. They also have reason to believe that an hourly service will be established when summer arrives.

A suggestion by Sir Richard that the municipality take over the operation of the ferry was not enthusiastically received by the delegates and the matter will not be pressed further, unless the municipality through the council, see fit to adopt the suggestion. During the discussion the question of the amount necessary for the establishing of a proper ferry came up and was placed at $25,000. Reeve Paterson thought that $15,000 would be sufficient, but whatever the cost be it is possible that the municipality may be called upon to bear a portion.

River Road Opening.

The question of the opening of about two miles of the river road, which would complete a circuitous route joining Ladner with New Westminster, Vancouver, or any portion of the Lower Mainland was next taken up.

This matter met with the unqualified approval of Sir Richard, who thought that a thoroughfare at least 20 feet wide would be necessary, in view of the traffic which might be expected over that road, completing as it would a circuitous road from New Westminster suitable for the tourist or motorist. He would be in favor of making the road a first-class one and he concluded by assuring the delegation that he would do what he could towards the securing of the necessary appropriations to assist both schemes.

The municipal delegates were: Reeve A. D. Paterson, Councillors Jas Savage and J. Harris. Representing the Board of Trade were: D. A. McKee, president; S. W. Fisher, secretary; ex-Reeve H. D. Benson, D. B. Grant and H. J. Hutcherson.

In a report of the delegation's visit, a Victoria despatch says:

Important Project.

"The project is considered one of prime importance to the city of Vancouver and for that reason the Vancouver members were exceedingly earnest in their efforts to induce the minister to make a definite promise that he would recommend the construction of a new ferry. It will be remembered that some time ago a ferry service was inaugurated between the two points mentioned following an agitation promoted by Mr. C. E. Tisdall, M.L.A., and others, with the idea of having produce from the Delta taken into Vancouver in as quick and economical a way as possible, thus assisting in reducing the cost of farm produce in the Terminal City.

Already a Success.

This ferry, a rented boat and hardly suitable for the requirements of the situation, has been of good service and the growing traffic has demonstrated that the construction of a large new boat would be a step in the right direction.

Hon. Mr. Taylor informed the delegation that he was satisfied that the move in establishing a ferry service there was just what was needed. He would not make any final promise as to his estimates, but gave the deputation to understand that his engineers would take up the matter and prepare cost estimates.

The members were not ready to say just what type of boat should be built although the consensus of opinion appeared to favor a paddle wheeled ferry steamer with a powerful engine for the purpose of bucking the tide at that point in the Fraser river.

Orders for Milk.

"The ferry has already shown its value, declared Mr. Tisdall, "and it is not yet serving the purpose for which it was intended. It was planned to establish a service there in order to feed Vancouver from the Delta and although the ferry was too late to handle the produce of last year there is a great deal of traffic upon it. I am told that the results during the present year will be far beyond what we have yet seen. Vancouver milk men had simply flooded the Delta with requests for more milk for the city and there is no reason why all of the farm produce of that district can not be taken into the Terminal City via Ladner, the ferry across the end of Lulu Island and down Fraser street.

Mr. Watson spoke of the fact that at present 5000 cans of milk per day are being brought into Vancouver from the State of Washington. The Delta was unexplored territory from a Vancouver point of view and every assistance should be given by the government in bringing the home farmers and the home market into closer touch.

Complaint was made that the Richmond municipality had not yet fulfilled its promise to bear one-third of the cost of the ferry approach and the road on the Woodward's Landing side, with the result that the government had been forced to put up the full amount of $18,000.

Mr. Carter-Cotton declared that he was certain Richmond would keep its promise.

Cheapen Cost of Living.

The representatives of the Delta Board of Trade discussed the situation and gave Hon. Mr. Taylor information with regard to the growth of the district, the existing ferry traffic into and out of Ladner and the type of government ferry desired. They stated that they needed a ferry boat with ample freight and team accommodation, with a powerful engine and a much larger craft than the ferry across the Fraser at Mission.

Judging from the remarks of the minister the deputation felt inclined to believe that the forthcoming estimates will show a substantial appropriation for the construction of a ferry boat, designed to do much in cheapening the cost of taking produce from the rich Delta section into Vancouver. The delegation members said yesterday that they saw no reason why Delta should not supply the entire amount of milk consumed by Vancouver as well as practically all of the other produce.

Interesting figures relative to the traffic on this ferry since its establishment some two months ago were given in the House yesterday by Mr. F. J. MacKenzie, member for Delta.

COUNCIL HELD LIGHT SESSION

Correspondence and the Usual List of Requests Only Features —Accounts Passed.

The usual gist of correspondence with the reading and passage of the monthly accounts occupied the full council in a routine session on Saturday last.

The meeting was a comparatively short one, the entire proceedings ending after about an hour's time. Reeve Paterson and the full board of councillors attended.

The request of the W. C. T. U., who asked that a room in the basement of the municipal hall, which they could fit up as a reading room, be allowed them, while not actually refused, the clerk was instructed to inform them that no heat would be available, but it seemed, no opposition would be forthcoming from the board, if the ladies wished to heat the room themselves.

The objection of John Morris, of Strawberry Hill, regarding the imposition of wild land tax on his property, was sustained by the council, and the clerk ordered to rectify the mistake.

Mr. Geo. Dennis will be allowed to proceed with the installation of an underdrain across the Matthews road, under the supervision of Road Foreman Ormiston.

Clerk McDairmid was authorized to procure the necessary books and supplies for the year, and the following accounts were approved: Fashion Stables, $10; T. Elliott, $9.50; Clement & Lambert, $15.16; T. E. Ladner, $1.50; Gilley Bros, $309; G. T. Baker, $30.10; T. W. Ottewell, $34.50; A. deR. Taylor, $130; Galt & Son, $33.57; Arrow Press, $62.55; Wilson & Wheeler, $26.25; Wing, $15.80; Gee, $15.80; Tom, $15.80; Lee, $15.80; Pong, $15.80; Dolpho La Preto, $7.50.

SCHOOL BOARD MEETS.

Beyond the swearing in of the new board and the setting of the date on which the by-election will take place, there was very little business transacted by the school trustees at their inaugural session on Saturday morning last.

A petition from settlers along Slough road was received, but was laid over for future consideration and will come up at the next regular meeting, some weeks hence.

The date of the by-election was set for Saturday, February 7, and Mr. N. A. McDiarmid was appointed returning officer.

Mr. Smith Wright was appointed chairman, Mr. A. deR. Taylor being secretary in lieu of N. A. McDiarmid, resigned. Mr. J. McCallan is the other member and one other is necessary for a full board.

AMATEUR DRAMATICS.

Local Players Delight Large Audience in the "Parson's Vacation" —Proceeds Handsome.

A capacity audience assembled in the McNeely hall on Friday last to witness the performance by the Ladner Dramatic Society of the "Parson's Vacation." The hearty congratulations of those present were well earned for seldom have Ladner people had the pleasure of watching a comparatively large caste of amateurs who were so uniformly good, and who throughout the whole length of a four-act comedy held the attention of the entire audience from front to back of the hall. This is the supreme test of good acting with unflagging action on the part of each individual and an ability on the part of all to get over and make themselves heard in all parts of the auditorium.

To particularize in a case of this kind where all were so good would not only be invidious but unjust, and attention might be drawn to a few of the many really brilliant moments of the play. In the first act, without a doubt the members of the "sewing circle" and "committee men" made their several individualities felt and in the succeeding acts sustained their characters well without overdoing it, and should have special praise for their work in the third act, which called for much action, and broken and short dialogue always a stumbling block with amateurs, but, which on this occasion went off beautifully. Dr. Banbury and Mr. Sharp carried their parts well, their action being well considered and full of meaning. Mrs. Thurston, Ben Bilkins, and the sheriff filled their several positions adequately, and Judith Jones in a long and at times trying part played well. All hope to see more of her on the Ladner boards. Of two old friends, B. H. Weare and C. O. Lambert, the former in the dual roll of the Rev. John E. Smith and his twin brother, Tom Smith, and the latter as Jack Hanley, it can only be said that they sustained the previous reputation that they have already gained in local dramatic circles. General praise is also due for the excellence of the stage management, which allowed no unduly long delay between the acts, for the excellent scenic setting and incidental music played by Miss Olga Kirkland. The following was the caste:

Rev. John E. Smith and Tom Smith (twin brothers), Bernard H. Weare; Jonathan Hopkins, Eben Stout, Jereh Jones (deacons), W. Lander, E. Brodie and J. Kirkland; Dr. Banbury, W. R. Ellis; Mr. Sharp (lawyer), Cecil Weare; Jack Hanley, C. O. Lambert; Jerry Willson (sheriff), Roy Hutcherson; Ben Bilkins, L. Kirkland; Judith Jones, Miss R. Kirkland; Sally Williams, Miss G. Gillanders; Eliza Cromby, Miss V. Gillanders; Amantha Brown, Mrs. W. R. Ellis; Mrs. Thurston, Miss W. A. Kirkland.

The proceeds, which are to be donated to paying for an organ in the Methodist church, totalled some $100.

HARTNELL.

After an illness lasting only a few days the death occurred on Wednesday evening, January 21, of Mrs. Elizabeth F. Hartnell, one of the old-time residents of Ladner, who passed away quietly at her home in this city. Deceased had reached the ripe age of 81 years and was the daughter of Captain Nathaniel Florence, and was born in Poole, Dorsetshire, England, November 2, 1832.

She was married to Frank Hartnell in Chaldon, England, and to this union was born six children. From England the family emigrated to America and located in Kenosha, Wisconsin, going from there to Hamilton Co., Nebraska, coming to Ladner from there. In 1905 the deceased lady had the misfortune to sustain severe injuries from a fall in which her thigh was broken and her knee fractured, rendering her a hopeless cripple for the balance of her life. Deceased was a member of the Episcopal church and was a kind mother and a devoted wife. She is survived by her five children, T. F. F. Hartnell, of Milwaukee; Miss Selina Hartnell, of Wetaskawin, Alberta; Mrs. Olivia Stratton, of Ladner; Wm. F. Hartnell, of Portland, Oregon, and Chas. E. Hartnell, of Lulu Island.

Funeral services were conducted from All Saints' church, Ladner, on Friday, the Rev. C. C. Hoyle officiating. A large number of friends of the deceased lady attended to show their last respects and the floral tributes were generous and beautiful.

W. C. T. U. MEETS.

The regular meeting of the Women's Christian Temperance Union will be held in the Municipal Hall on Tuesday, 3rd inst., at three o'clock, when the proposal to establish a reading room in the town will be discussed pro and con.

CONSERVATION EXPERT.

VICTORIA, Jan. 28.—O. W. Price of Washington, D. C., regarded as second only to Gifford Pinchot as a conservation expert on the continent, is in Victoria in conference with Hon. W. R. Ross, minister of lands, and W. R. McMillan, chief provincial forester. Mr. Price is retained by the Provincial authorities for consultation purposes.

FLOODS CAUSE GREAT DAMAGE

Westham Island Completely Inundated—Lulu and Sea Islands Affected.

With the dykes at Westham, Lulu and Sea Islands breaking at various points and with unusually high tides and strong winds prevailing during all of Saturday night and the better part of Sunday last, almost the entire surface of Westham and Sea Islands and a big portion of Lulu Island was covered with water varying in depth from 1 to 3 feet, and on Monday last the auto stage, operating over the No. 5 road from South Vancouver to Woodward's Landing, was compelled to convey its passengers by a circuitous route via Steveston and No. 9 road in order to make connections with the ferry, and even this route was only negotiated after great difficulty.

The flood is the worst in years, and although the actual loss of life or limb to cattle or animals is very slight, the damage done to hay and oats and to the land is very hard to accurately estimate, and in this respect it is highly probable that Westham Island farmers will be the greatest sufferers, as are salt water, which has been lying on the land there for several weeks, will sour the land to such an extent that crops there, for probably the next two years, will fall far below the usual high standard for wheat that fertile island has been so long famous.

Great difficulty is being experienced in repairing the broken dykes as the work can only be prosecuted successfully when the tide is on the ebb and as this occurs mostly in the night, a great deal of the workers have been engaged almost exclusively at night and this, coupled with the fact that all repairs are being made by hand, has considerably retarded the rapid culmination of the flooding.

The dykes at Westham first broke a week ago Sunday and at this time last week it was thought the danger was proctically over. However, on Sunday last the storm and wind came on worse than ever and the incoming tide caused a rush of water over the island much higher than the one preceding and by Sunday afternoon, the entire surface of Westham Island was covered with salt water to a depth of between three and four feet.

On Thursday the waters had subsided considerably, but a large portion of the Island was still under water and large gangs of men were still busily engaged in repairing the damage.

Considerable damage to the roads on Lulu and Sea Islands was caused by the unusual flood conditions and a section of the ballast on the B. C. E. R. line from New Westminster to Eburne was washed away by the rush of waters. This occurred at the North Arm road and a number of the trains did not make their running time as usual.

The Great Northern Railway embankments which skirt the sea near White Rock bore the full brunt of the storm, and train service was totally disorganized for several hours. Telegraphic service between Vancouver and Seattle was also disorganized.

Westham Island residents are now certain that the present system of dyking is totally inadequate in the event of unusually high tides and storms, and since the recent floods, overtures have been made, it is said, to both the Dominion and Provincial members and it is hoped that some scheme will be evolved which will provide for some adequate scheme of dyking which will do away with all existing difficulties.

BOARD OF TRADE ANNUAL.

The Board of Trade will meet in regular session on Monday, February 9. As this is the annual meeting the sitting will commence at 3 p.m., as the reading of the annual reports and the election of officers is expected to occupy some little time.

NEW WESTMINSTER MARKET.

Fine weather at the New Westminster market yesterday morning brought out both buyers and sellers in plenty, supplies of meats, fish and flowers being especially plentiful.

The poultry was somewhat scarce, the majority arriving from Chilliwack, and the average price being 23 cents a pound live weight. There were only a few ducks which sold at $1.50 each.

On the meat stalls there was a slight change in beef, the price dropping from 18 to 20 cents for best rib roasts and 25c to 28c for loin, while the others remained steady.

Only a few sacks of potatoes, carrots and turnips were to be seen selling at last week's prices while on the fish stalls the supply was fair and varied at last Friday's quotations.

Owing to the bad weather of the past week the supply of eggs was scarce, but did not change in price, while butter was quoted at 40 cents a pound.

Spring flowers, daffodils, carnations and tulips were in abundance, Brown Bros., of Vancouver, occupying one of the stalls.

CONFIDENCE IN PREMIER.

Conservatives in Convention Give Formal Endorsement to Sir Richard's Policies.

VICTORIA, Jan. 26.—Although the second day of the convention of the British Columbia Conservative Association was not one whit less enthusiastic than the preceding session, a large amount of routine business was transacted and the resolutions brought up by the various district associations were freely discussed by the delegates.

Of the 42 resolutions submitted to the convention the majority were referred to the executive committee for transmission to the responsible ministers of the cabinet dealing with the matters incorporated. Fourteen resolutions were brought up on the floor of the convention and of this number eleven were carried by an overwhelming majority; one was referred back to the resolutions committee and after being amended passed by acclamation, while one resolution dealing with the proposal to urge the government to make arrangements for an official Hansard of the proceedings of the legislature was lost by an overwhelming majority.

Nanaimo Next Year.

When the question of the holding of the next convention was brought forward two places were submitted for the consideration of the delegates, Nanaimo and Kamloops. After the partisans of each location had addressed the house, Mr. R. J. Burde of Port Alberni, in a strong address, urged that the delegates should by unanimous vote agree to assemble next year at Nanaimo. The proposer of the invitation for the next convention at Kamloops courteously agreed to withdraw his suggestion with the consent of his seconder and without balloting the convention unanimously decided on holding the convention next November at Nanaimo.

Executive Council.

The personnel of the executive council was made up as follows: Messrs. H. Cleasby, Yale-Cariboo; J. E. Merryfield, Comox-Atlin; H. Cuthbert, Victoria; A. J. Weeks, Vancouver; J. H. Harvey, Nanaimo; D. E. MacKenzie, New Westminster; Thomas McNeish, Kootenay.

In submitting a resolution endorsing Sir Richard McBride, premier of British Columbia, Mr. J. J. Miller of Vancouver said that such a resolution needed no introduction, and the premier was in no need of formal endorsement, for the great reception which he received the previous day was, he said, a sufficient guarantee of the esteem in which he was held.

"There have been recently several futile and puny efforts to besmirch the character of our premier, but this great convention gathered from every corner of our province knows well the wonderful accomplishments that he has carried through during his tenure of office.

"In spite of all the rumors of financial stringency and the croaking of our Liberal friends that British Columbia is on the verge of bankruptcy, the newspapers this morning give evidence of the confidence which the people of the Old Land have in this province. We who have stood by the premier for many years know his personal character and when the time comes for us to give expression to our confidence we will show by the ballot box the great esteem in which we hold him."

Mr. C. H. Corder of Summerland seconded the resolution of confidence, which read as follows:

Confidence in Premier.

"That this convention places on record its continued and unabated confidence in the government of British Columbia, so ably presided over by the Premier, Sir Richard McBride."

Mr. C. Semlin, former premier of the province, proposed a similar vote of confidence in the Right Hon. R. L. Borden, which was seconded by Mr. R. L. Maitland of Vancouver and carried.

Another resolution moved by Mr. F. S. Logan of Vancouver, and seconded by Mr. J. A. Mellish of Vancouver, extended the sympathy of the delegates to Sir James Whitney in his illness.

In introducing a message of sympathy to the family of Lord Strathcona, Captain Clive Phillipps-Wolley said that Canada produced many and great crops, but of all the crops her harvest of men was the most outstanding.

Telephone Lines.

Mr. James Gill of Kamloops, in urging that a recommendation be made to the government asking that aid should be given for the extension of the long distance telephone lines throughout the province, said he knew of no better means of opening up the unsettled districts than by the erection of lines of communication between the centres of settled communities. The resolution, which was seconded by Mr. H. S. Cleasby of Merritt, was carried.

Tranquille Sanitarium.

In urging that government aid should be given towards the work of the Tranquille Sanitarium, Mr. Charles Keith of New Westminster said that it was not right that the home which was doing so much good work in the province by the alleviating of suffering should be dependent upon private charity. A resolution was carried asking the government to aid this institution.

Mounted Police Force.

Mr. John Redmond of Kamloops, proposed a resolution urging on the Provincial government the desirability of establishing a mounted police force. He said that a single district of 300 square miles which averaged about two families to a mile, between Nicola and Kamloops, had not seen a policeman since the abolition of the poll tax, and that the establishment of a small body of mounted men would go a long way towards ridding the country of lawlessness that periodically broke out in the unsettled districts.

In seconding the resolution, Major H. Matthews of Nicola, said that he knew the attorney general was about to introduce some plan for the better policing of the unsettled districts and he hoped that this plan would include the establishment of a mounted force.

The resolution was carried without a dissenting voice.

Dower Act.

The next problem brought up was the Dower Act. The resolution in its original form did not meet with the approval of the delegates and several amendments were offered on the matter. Quite a considerable period of time was occupied in the discussion of the rules of procedure in convention and explanations were made by the president, Mr. Shatford, and Mr. W. W. Foster, M.P.P., in the matter.

It was finally agreed that the resolutions committee should reconsider the motion which had been introduced and they met the proposers of the several amendments in consultation. The resolution as finally drawn up, was proposed by Mr. J. J. Miller of Vancouver, and seconded by Mr. A. C. MacMillan, who acted for Mr. J. J. Dougan, who had been called away on business. The resolution read as follows:

"That this association go on record as being opposed to the Dower Act as now in force and recommend that pressure be brought to bear on the legislature at Victoria to change the said law as soon as possible so as to have the rights of widows and orphans more fully protected."

The proposal emanating from the Nakusp Conservative Association suggesting the imposition of a tax on all adult males in the province who are not at present paying school or property taxes was carried by a small majority.

Mineral Claims.

A resolution was next brought forward emanating from the Rossland Conservative Association with regard to the public advertising and submission to the highest bidder of prospectors' claims.

"The law as it at present stands is an injustice," said Mr. Evans, "as it takes away from the prospector the fruits of his labors."

It was resolved that the Provincial government be urged to make such provisions as would allow of such forfeited mineral claims becoming available for being acquired by prospectors or others at a cost equivalent to that of fulfilling all ordinary requirements of the Mineral Act up to and including crown-granting, and to make provision for arranging for deferred payments, so as to make it practicable for prospectors to acquire such mining properties."

Naval Question.

The navy question brought forth a spirited speech from Captain Clive Phillipps-Wolley.

"This is not a party measure, but it is the voice of all Canada. Citizens of this Dominion are saying today: 'For God's sake stop talking and get in and do something.' As an integral part of the empire this Dominion must always rest in the last resort on the British navy. We have slapped our bankers in the face once, and apparently Mr. Borden does not look for another rebuff until such time as conditions in the Senate are changed. British Columbia stands solid for the Borden policy of Imperial defence."

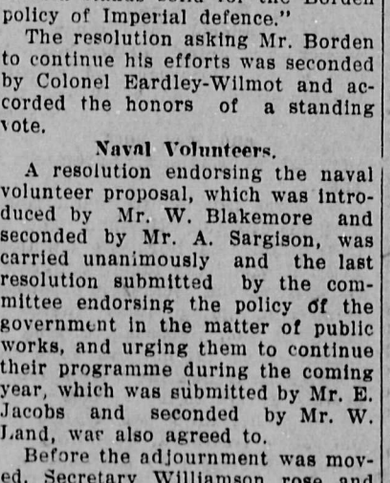
The resolution asking Mr. Borden to continue his efforts was seconded by Colonel Eardley-Wilmot and accorded the honors of a standing vote.

Naval Volunteers.

A resolution endorsing the naval volunteer proposal, which was introduced by Mr. W. Blakemore and seconded by Mr. A. Sargison, was carried unanimously and the last resolution submitted by the committee endorsing the policy of the government in the matter of public works, and urging them to continue their programme during the coming year, which was submitted by Mr. E. Jacobs and seconded by Mr. W. Land, was also agreed to.

Before the adjournment was moved, Secretary Williamson rose and proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the president of the association, Mr. W. T. Shatford. The resolution was carried unanimously, the entire audience rising to their feet and cheering for several minutes, concluding finally with an enthusiastic rendering of "He's a Jolly Good Fellow."

After singing "God Save the King," the convention adjourned, having arranged to hold the next session at Nanaimo during November.



LADY MOUNT-STEPHEN.

She and Lord Mount-Stephen are childless, but they adopted a girl, who married Lord Northcote, and is now a widow and childless.

THE B. C. LANDS QUESTION.

Premier McBride in Legislature Answers His Opposition Critics—Provincial Finances.

VICTORIA, Jan. 24.—Premier McBride made his contribution to the debate on the address in the legislature yesterday and took the opportunity to answer in full the Socialist and Liberal criticism of the manner in which the affairs of the province are being conducted. Replying to the charges dealing with the land policy now being made by Mr. H .C. Brewster and Mr. M. A. Macdonald in their political tour, the premier said that no lands had been given away and none had been alienated to colonization companies.

All the crown lands that had been disposed of had been sold and the government had got for them their market vaule. The sales had resulted in useful and profitable settlers being added to the population of British Columbia. The revenue out of which trunk and lateral roads had been constructed was mainly derived from the proceeds of land sales.

What Substitute?

Where, he asked, would this money be forthcoming if the province had not this source of revenue? If the Liberals were elected to office did they propose to put an end to land sales and derive their revenue from direct taxatoin. They would either have to do this or abandon the programme of public works which was being carried out from year to year and which was instrumental in increasing the prosperity of the province. The whole economic policy of the government was based upon the idea of so pruning and paring down the present taxation that the time would come when all the revenue was derived directly from the natural resources.

In replying to those who have cast aspersions on the financial stability of British Columbia, the premier said that ten and a half years ago, when the present government came into power the net debt of the province was over eleven millions and the revenue scarcely two millions. Today the revenue was over ten millions while Provincial debt was a little over eight millions. Criticism had been directed at the fact that it was deemed advisable some weeks ago to secure $1,500,000 by the issue of treasury bills on the London market.

Measure of Precaution.

This was purely a precautionary measure and was by no means necessary to maintain the financial balance. As a matter of fact, the province now had a credit balance in the bank of upwards of two millions. But the policy of the administration was to be prepared lest a sudden call, brought about by disaster, or some such occurrence, should eventuate.

One result of the treasury note issue upon which all could congratulate themselves was that it had proved that at a time of world wide stringency, the financial stability of British Columbia was on a firm and solid basis. In the amount of money outstanding on land sales the government possessed an immense asset. The arrears due the province from this source were now $9,664,582.62, and in townsite and suburban sales $3,133,753.92. All this money was bearing interest at six per cent, so that the revenue derived was of a very substantial character.

Time Inopportune.

The government did not consider that at a time like the present it would be advisable to call in this money. Such a procedure would inflict hardships which were unwarranted by the circumstances. One of the most interesting announcements made in the course of his speech was to the effect that the Provincial administration was prepared to discuss ways and means whereby it might be possible for the legislature to do something that would lead to a reduction in the cost of living.

The premier said that while at present this matter was under consideration by the Dominion authorities, it was possible that some remedy might lie in the hands of the legislature and he hoped before the present session was over that the matter would be fully discussed.

Before concluding he foreshadowed some further railway legislation during the present session and took occasion to remark that the programme now being carried out here exceeded in its pretensions anything hitherto attempted in any other province of Canada. It was well to know that the work was progressing speedily and successfully.

CONSERVATIVE CONVENTION

Premier Addresses Delegates on Provincial Political Topics—Scores Calamity Homeless.

VICTORIA, Jan. 24.—Premier McBride yesterday addressed 400 Conservatives, who had gathered from all over the province to attend the opening session of the great convention in the Empress Hotel. Sir Richard outlined the growth of this province and defied calamity. The full quota of fifty delegates were present from Vancouver. Mr. W. T. Shatford, who presided, and Col. J. D. Taylor, M.P., respectively moved and seconded a resolution of sympathy in connection with the death of ex-Mayor Lee, of New Westminster, who had been president of the association, but whose death occurred since the last meeting at Revelstoke.

Mayor Stewart, of Victoria, made a brief speech of welcome to the convention gathering, announcing that the keys of the city had been lost.

The following credentials committee was named: J. B. Williamson, Vancouver; Dr. Schardsmidt, Victoria; D. E. McKenzie, New Westminster; G. Walker, Victoria; Sweeney, Kamloops; Kincaid, Revelstoke; Rolston, Golden; Cordy, Summerland.

Resolutions: W. W. Foster, Islands; Leonard Tait, Victoria; A. E. Planta, Nanaimo; J. A. McKelvie, Vernon; S. Pyke, Vancouver; T. McNeish, Slocan; Y. T. Kilpatrick, Revelstoke; J. W. Whitney, Vancouver; J. E. Merrifield, Prince Rupert; E. Jacobs, Victoria.

The reports of Secretary J. B. Williamson and Treasurer R. E. Mills indicated that despite the general financial stringency the affairs of the association were in good condition.

Just as the treasurer was concluding the presentation of his report, Premier McBride, Attorney-General Bowser and Provincial Secretary Young entered the assembly hall. Their arrival was the signal for an outburst of cheering that continued for several minutes to be resumed again when the Premier rose to speak.

Recognition at Ottawa.

Referring briefly to the death of Mr. Lee, of New Westminster, and also to that of Lord Strathcona, he passed on to a review of what the Borden administration at Ottawa had done for the province, declaring that never before in history had this province received such recognition from Ottawa as had been obtained when Premier Borden assumed office. British Columbia did not ask for favors, he told the delegates, but simply sought what is fair and legitimate from the authorities for the Dominion. This had been withheld until within the last two years when the Borden administration, acting on the advice of the solid seven from this province, provided for British Columbia a programme of public works fairly equal to the exactions which this province could rightfully claim from the national treasury. The wrole programme of federal works here would be in full swing within a few months, he announced, this covering among other things, harbor facilities in preparation for the completion of the transcontinentals and the opening of the Panama Canal.

Oriental Question.

Premier McBride said that he was sorry progress had not been so rapid with regard to the demands of British Columbia for Oriental exclusion. While the Provincial Government believed in the constitution and in refraining from any action which would be beyond its bounds, nevertheless the Conservatives of the province were banded together to leave nothing undone to conserve this portion of the Empire for the white race. There was no desire to be offensive to the Japanese, Chinese or Hindus and the inhabitants of the Oriental countries should feel free to keep their own boundaries shut against the whites.

"But we have the duty placed upon us of peopling and governing this country and we should be free to choose the elements which will make up the character of our population," he observed.

Dual Responsibility.

He spoke of the cautious manner in which the Provincial government had felt forced to proceed because of the fact that the lack of Liberal opposition placed upon it a dual responsibility. Questions of great importance had been referred to commissions before policies were adopted.

He urged that the public-spirited citizens of the province should join in promoting the interests of the provincial university so that its board of governors and faculty would be filled with enthusiasm. The university would open its doors in September, 1915, he said. Good reports had been received for the year from the forestry, water and fisheries departments as well as from the agricultural branch in which the government had expended a large sum during the past year, particularly in the Okanagan Valley in a co-operative project which had apparently produced good results.

Coal Strike.

Turning to consideration of the mining troubles on Vancouver Island, he commended Attorney-General Bowser for his prompt action for preservation of law and order among the strikers.

"The time has arrived for the resignation or the destruction of the government when it does not provide first of all for law and order," he said. "While no one deplores conditions more than members of the government, and while no one realizes better than we the right of the workers to strike, yet they must obey the laws."

The Premier pointed out that in many cases press and pulpit had united in placing the blame of the whole disturbance upon his shoulders.

"I am ready to take all the responsibility that is mine," he declared, "but these statements were manufactured mainly for political purposes, and to assist the propaganda of the Liberal party."

Scores Calamity Howlers.

He severely scored the Liberal opposition which had existed in the House, and also the party organization, saying that it was evident that it had become so impotent that the rank and file of the Liberals in the province had rejected both opposition and organization. He decried the Liberal papers for being "calamity howlers," painting dark pictures of the conditions in British Columbia and "printing twaddle" which could not but have a bad effect upon intending settlers or investors.

"As a matter of fact this province has come through the general financial crisis in splendid shape. We are getting through the severest portion of the test. This year gives a promise most inviting. Business is picking up everywhere, and with the completion of the through railway lines, the opening of the Panama Canal and the putting into effect of the Wilson Alaska policy, British Columbia should profit greatly.

"It is true that the corner lot traders are not doing a great deal, and some of them declare that the country has gone to pot, but that kind of men are not wanted here anyway. This is the place for the optimist. We bid defiance to calamity. We look to the future with faith and optimism that can suffer from no disqualification. All is well with British Columbia."

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CHILLIWACK BOARD OF TRADE.

CHILLIWACK, Jan. 26.—The officers elected to conduct the affairs of the Chilliwack Board of Trade for this year are: President, W. L. Macken; vice-president, J. H. Ashwell; secretary, Rev. A. E. Roberts. Council—Mayor Barber, J. Hammar, J. Burton, N. S. MacKenzie, H. H. Gervan, J. Harrison, T. E. Caskey, J. T. Maynard and the executive. Board of Arbitration—The foregoing council and executive and J. H. Bowes and F. B. Lyle. The annual banquet will be held on a date to be set by a committee appointed for the purpose.

ARE NOT PROTESTED.

Court of Revision of Personal and Real Estate Assessments Hears No Complaints.

(From The British Columbian.)

Court of Revision of personal and real estate assessments was held in this city Tuesday, and adjourned to sit at Mission today. There were no appeals on file and no one turned up to protest assessments. This, the assessor and officials say, speaks volume for the prosperity of the district and the confidence of the people in it, especially when it is remembered that assessments were in many cases increased last year, the owners evidently believing assessments are equitable and justified by the value of their holdings. Mr. W. S. Hansford is sitting as judge of the court.

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...LOCAL ITEMS...

Miss Edith Rich spent Tuesday in Vancouver shopping.

Mr. A. Lindseth returned home this week after her recent severe illness. She is now almost entirely recovered.

Mrs. Esplin, who has been spending a few weeks in Calgary, returned to Ladner on Tuesday evening after a very enjoyable trip.

The Duchesnay Packing Co. are working overtime these days filling a large order for consignment to the Shushapna country.

Mr. S. W. Fisher, secretary of the Board of Trade, returned from Victoria on Tuesday evening last, well satisfied with the reception given the delegates.

The local delegations from the Board of Trade and municipal council were entertained by Mr. F. J. McKenzie at lunch after the hearing. Mrs. D. B. Grant and Mrs. D. A. McKee also attended.

Mr. George Ormiston, Ladner's obliging road foreman, was granted a week's leave of absence from his multifarious duties last week, and is now spending a well earned holiday in Victoria.

Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Grant returned from a short business and pleasure trip to Victoria on Wednesday afternoon. While in the Capital, Mr. Grant was a delegate from the local Board of Trade and pressed the claims of the residents for a better ferry service.

Mr. J. Bell, manager of the Brunswick Cannery, spent a few weeks this month on a business trip into the Okanagan country. He reports conditions there as being well above normal and states that while the weather has been cold there has been a noticeable absence of snow.

A big tree root, floating down Canoe Pass tangled itself in the cable of the Delta Telephone Co. with disastrous results to the said cable. The damage was promptly repaired, however, and the interrupted telephonic communication was established after a very short period.

Whether the recent fire in Chinatown is responsible or not, is not known, but the fact remains that Chinese New Year was celebrated with less of the usual noise and pomp than has been the case in former years, since the history of Ladner. No fire crackers and no rockets might be borne without question, but the total absence of the usual feasting and imbibing of Sam Suey, so dear to the Oriental heart, is more than passing strange, and one cannot but think that the financial depression must be the "fly in the chop suey."

Mr. W. Montgomery paid a flying visit to Victoria this week, returning to Ladner on Tuesday evening.

Mr. Alex. Davie left for Victoria Wednesday morning and will attend the session of B.C. Stock Breeders in that city.

Mr. F. Sutherby returned Tuesday evening from the Burrard Sanitarium, where he underwent a severe operation. He is now well on the way to complete recovery.

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Reeve A. D. Paterson arrived home from Victoria on Tuesday evening and left Wednesday morning for the same city, where he will attend the convention of the B.C. Stock Breeders' Association.

Mr. Thos. Thirkle has leased his farm on Fairview road to Mr. Parker Berney, of Manitoba. The farm is one of the best in the district and includes over 100 acres of fine arable land. The lease is drawn up for three years.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilmshurst were the hosts at a very enjoyable social evening and dance, held at their home at the race track on Tuesday evening last. A large number of the young people of the district attended and dancing was kept up until a late hour.

The death of the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. James Laurie, of East Delta, occurred after a short illness on Wednesday last. The funeral was held to the Boundary Bay cemetery on Friday afternoon last and was attended by a number of friends and relatives of the bereaved parents.

The question of the ultimate location of the ferry wharf slip was not even mentioned at Victoria by the delegation, and it seems unlikely that any change will be made, but in the event of a change being imperative it is a foregone conclusion that a location just west of the Lanning, Fawcett and Wilson store would be preferable to one as far down the slough as Chinatown.

"Why don't Ladner people realize that opportunity is knocking at their doors, when they have a chance to purchase some of the municipal bonds now being thrown on the market?" said a prominent real estate dealer yesterday. "There are $15,000 worth of twenty-year debentures drawing five per cent., lying in the bank for the past year," he continued, "yet not one dollar has been offered for their purchase locally."

NOT READY TO DISCUSS TARIFF

Hon. Robert Rogers Says Even Then Free Wheat Advocates Will Need Better Reasons.

OTTAWA, Jan. 29.—The demands of Western Liberal members for free wheat as expressed in an amendment to the address moved by Dr. Neely, the member for Humboldt, Sask., held the attention of the Commons yesterday. The amendment expressed regret that the government had not taken advantage of the offer of free trade in wheat contained in the Wilson tariff.

Is Out of Place.

No definite pronouncement was made by the government as to what its ultimate action would be in regard to the question. Hon. Robert Rogers who, in the absence of Premier Borden, was the spokesman for the administration, contented himself with declaring that an amendment dealing with the tariff should not be brought until budget time. He added that even when the discussion does take place on the budget the government would have to have better reasons than those advanced by the Humboldt member before it could make such an important change as the one proposed.

Apart from the minister of public works the only other government speaker was Hon. T. W. Crothers, minister of labor, who did not touch on free wheat.

Speaks for the West.

In addition to the mover of the amendment the opposition speakers were Hon. Frank Oliver, Mr. George McCraney, Mr. Thompson and Mr. Mulloy.

They all agreed that the vast majority of the farmers in the West are in favor of free wheat and willing to compete in the open market with the world. Much was made by the Liberal speakers of the unanimous resolution adopted by the Manitoba legislature.

The vote on the amendment will probably be taken on Thursday.

Criticizes Mr. Pelletier.

Hon. Mr. Murphy took exception to remarks of Hon. Mr. Pelletier yesterday in which the latter made reference to South Bruce by-election, and charged Mr. Murphy with making appeals to the Germans on the navy question and to the Irish Roman Catholics on the ne temere decree, telling them that the Conservative party had promised to bring in a bill to render the marriage law uniform in the country.

Mr. Murphy declared that these statements were misleading and untrue.

Hon. Mr. Pelletier said that the statements were quoted by him from the Mildmay Gazette, which he had in his hand at the moment.

Cattle Into U. S.

Mr. Neely (Humboldt) then rose to move his amendment in regard to free wheat. He prefaced the motion with a speech lasting about an hour and twenty minutes. It was apparent, he said, that despite the bountiful crop in the west which afforded an unusually large amount of wheat for export that the government had paid no attention whatever to the financial revolution across the line by reason of which a number of articles which Canada has for export had been placed on the free list. By the Wilson tariff, Canadian cattle are admitted duty free to the United States with the result, whether the government likes it or not, that they are being compelled to see thousands of Canadian cattle being shipped across the border.

Mr. Neely said it was a matter of regret that under the Wilson tariff it is impossible to ship wheat to the United States until Canada gives the Americans free access to their wheat into Canada.

Amendment Untimely.

Hon. Robert Rogers said that he did not propose to venture into any extended discussion in his reply to the address from the throne, as he did not consider it necessary at this time, as he was satisfied that when the vote was taken last night, it meant the adoption of the speech from the throne.

"The honorable gentleman knows," said Mr. Rogers, "that the proper time and place to discuss tariff changes is when the minister of finance makes his annual statement. It will be time then for us to deal with all the financial questions which may present themselves. As a government, we don't propose to make any statement of our intention in respect to tariff matters in advance of the budget speech. Then we will be free to discuss this question or any other tariff matter and the government will submit its decision."

SHELBY CULLOM IS DEAD.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—Senator Shelby Cullom of Illinois died this afternoon at his home in Washington.

THINKS LUMBER IS OVERTAXED

Mr. MacKenzie Draws Attention to Productive Status of His Constituency.

VICTORIA, Jan. 28.—Yesterday was the sixth day of the present session which has been devoted to the debate on the reply to the address from the throne, and the end is apparently not in sight yet.

Mr. H. E. Foster representing Columbia riding, resumed the debate and made a strong plea for a lessening of taxation in the lumber industry, which, he said, was already bearing too heavy a burden. He was followed by Mr. MacKenzie, of Delta, who quoted figures showing the wonderful prosperity of the Fraser valley during the last ten years.

Mr. Cawley, of Chilliwack, who was the third speaker, congratulated the government on the splendid record of last year, and broke a lance with the member for Nanaimo whom he accused of representing only one section of his constituency, according to Mr. Place's own confession, made in the house last week.

Regrets Poll Tax.

Dealing with the lumber industry in the province, Mr. Foster took up the question of taxation. He regretted that the poll tax had been rescinded as it was the only means they had of making the transient pay his share in the upkeep of the country. While these were exempt the lumber industry was bearing a considerable burden, he said. The boast was made that the industry paid the largest proportion of taxes of any industry in the province. He ventured to say that the high rate and uneven way in which the lumber industry had been taxed was responsible for the great proportion of the loss of revenue to the government last year, as the people concerned could not stand such taxation during a period of financial depression.

In Praise of Delta.

Mr. F. J. MacKenzie, member for Delta, then took up the discussion. He opened with a reference to that part of the address relating to municipalities and the agricultural interests therein. He pointed out that the three municipaltes comprising the Delta riding were of the food-producing class, and held a high position as such in the province. He referred briefly to the difficulties that faced the early settlers in his district and stated that by a system of co-operation the lands had been dyked and reclaimed and were now as productive, if not more so, than any in the province. He claimed that in a single season the 30,000 acres comprising the riding had yielded as much in produce as represented a valuation of $1,350,000.

Experimental Truck Farm.

"This municipality is a model farming section, and the Dominion government would be well advised should the Provincial Agricultural Department induce them to spend some of the Dominion aid to agriculture in British Columbia by establishing an experimental truck farm so that the wants of the adjacent cities could be met," said Mr. MacKenzie.

Mr. MacKenzie proceeded to say that if the government's policy of expending was based along the lines of helping those who help themselves the Delta riding would loom large in the Provincial estimates.

Referring to the question of land settlement Mr. MacKenzie said he was heartily in accord with the policy of the government and congratulated the minister of lands upon the economical manner of carrying out the duties of his office.

Advocates Model Tracts.

Mr. S. A. Cawley, the member for Chilliwack, congratulated the government on its recent importations of dairy stock and suggested that in future the cattle should be sold on time payments in order to give the small farmer the same opportunity as his richer neighbor.

In dealing with the proposed loan act, Mr. Cawley said that he hoped that appropriations for agriculture and mining would be made from this sum as he considered them the two great industries of British Columbia. He urged the enforcement of the wild lands tax on those who held large sections of land and before concluding outlined a suggestion for throwing open model tracts of land by the government with roads cut through and built, the whole area after subdivision being thrown open to the public for auction.

FERRY ASHORE.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 16—The Northwestern Pacific ferry steamer Tiburon ran ashore on the rocks near Fort McDowell on Angel island shortly after eight o'clock last night. She was crowded with passengers all of whom were taken off, as was the crew.

PRINCESS SOPHIA ASHORE.

SEATTLE, Jan. 26—Messages received here at noon today said that the Canadian Pacific steamship Princess Sophia, southbound, Skagway to Vancouver, is ashore at Alert Bay, Vancouver Island. The steamer Alki of Seattle is reported taking off passengers. The number aboard is not known.

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WASHINGTON STATE.

Sumas County Leads Ports.

SUMAS, Jan. 26.—Surpassed only by Seattle, Tacoma and Spokane in customs business and totaling receipts four times that of all other ports of the county combined, Sumas stands out as not only the important and leading port of this county but as one of the important ports of the northwest. It had a total $2,265.27 in customs receipts for December as against $504.97 at Blaine and $173.29 at Bellingham.

Aliens Barred.

SEATTLE, Jan. 26.—Eight nets belonging to unlicensed fishermen were confiscated in the harbor Saturday and one arrest was made. State Fish Commissioner L. H. Darwin has instructed his deputies to enforce the law forbidding aliens who have not declared their intention of becoming American citizens at least a year ago to fish in the waters of this state. The law has been in effect for several years, but has not been enforced.

Sumas Fair Assured.

SUMAS, Jan. 26.—At a spirited meeting in the city hall Tuesday evening, tentative plans for a Sumas Valley Fair were formulated and an organization committee chosen. The sentiment of business men was unanimous in favor of a fair of some kind this year, the extent and nature of the same to be arranged by the organization committee.

Ruling Favors Bellingham.

BELLINGHAM, Jan. 27.—After holding its decision in abeyance since June, 1913, the state supreme court handed down a ruling sustaining Judge John A. Kellogg in his decision favorable to the City of Bellingham in what is locally known as the trunk sewer case. The ruling of the court applied only to the section of the sewer on C street, between Laurel and Holly.

Oysters for Table Use.

OLYMPIA, Jan. 27—For the first time in the history of the state one of the state oyster reserves is serving oysters for table use and not for seed purposes only. A bid of $8.90 per sack of 120 pounds was accepted.

Will Discuss Powder Plant.

BELLINGHAM, Jan. 27.—To discuss the establishment of a state powder factory and kindred subjects of vital moment to the residents of Whatcom county and the state at large, a meeting has been called to be held at the Chamber of Commerce on Friday, February 6, at 11 a.m. The call has been sent out by President W. P. Brown, of the Chamber of Commerce, at the request of a large number of ranchers of the county who are interested in the matter.

Shoots Mother, Kills Himself.

EVERETT, Wash., Jan. 27.—The bodies of Mrs. Ada Mead, 75 years old, and her son, E. W. Geiger, aged 45, were found in the kitchen of their home here yesterday, each having been shot through the head, apparently by Geiger. The shooting is believed to have occurred Sunday. Failure in business, and his inability to obtain work are believed to have prompted Geiger to end his own and his mother's life to save them from want.

Investigate Shingle Industry.

BELLINGHAM, Jan. 28.—William H. England, special agent of William C. Redfield, secretary of the Department of Commerce, is in Bellingham making a hasty investigation of the shingle industry of this vicinity, following the filing of a complaint against the working of the new tariff law. Congressman William E. Humphrey recently made the direct charge that the removal of the tariff from shingles made in British Columbia and marketed in this country has paralyzed the shingle industry in Washington State.

Mills Are Busy.

BELLINGHAM, Jan. 28.—With the announcement made by the Whatcom Falls Mill Co. of the opening of its big waterfront plant on Monday, all the mills on the bay are in operation after the close-down over the holidays except the Bloedel-Donovan mills, and the only reason this big plant is not running is that extensive improvements are under way. These improvements include electrifying the entire plant, placing it on a better running basis. All the logging camps in the county are busy and gradually the shingle mills are resuming operations.

W. T. Clark Re-Elected.

WENATCHEE, Jan. 29.—W. T. Clark and his fellow directors were re-elected at the annual stockholders meeting of the Wenatchee Valley Fruit Growers' Association on Monday.

Honor "Drummer Boy."

BELLINGHAM, Jan. 29.—The funeral of J. W. Brier, who died Saturday night, father of Drs. E. C. and U. G. Brier, of Seattle, was held yesterday, attended by G. A. R. veterans and Odd Fellows. He was seventy-one years old and had lived here since 1888. He was known far and wide as "The Drummer Boy of Shiloh." He was an officer in the G. A. R. department of Washington and Alaska for a number of years.

WHITNEY IS IMPROVING.

TORONTO, Jan. 27.—Sir James Whitney may yet return to comparative health and strength should his progress be as continued and steady in the future as it has been during the past few days. The buleltin issued yesterday reads: "Sir James Whitney is doing as well as possible under the circumstances. He is taking nourishment today.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to express our thanks to friends and relatives for all kindness shown us during the illness and death of our beloved mother.

MRS. STRATTON AND BROS.
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The Ladner - Steveston Ferry Service

WINTER SCHEDULE

Beginning Monday, September 15, the steamer New Delta will run on her fall and winter schedule, as follows: Leaves at 8.30 a.m. and 3.30 p.m. Vancouver passengers can make connection by taking the 8.30 a.m. and 3.30 p.m. cars at Granville street station. New Westminster passengers should take the Eburne cars at 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. and the Steveston cars at Eburne.

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For Sale, For Exchange, Wanted to Purchase, To Let, Lost, Found, Work Wanted, Situations Vacant, 1 cent per word. Minimum, 25 cents for any one advt. These rates for cash with order. All Want Ads. must be in by 2 p.m. on Thursday.

WANTED.—Elderly man, single, seeks situation as help; service for board. Must move residence immediately. Address, 1., Post Office, Ladner.

TO LOAN.—$3,000 on first mortgage, improved Delta farm land. E. F. Douglas, Ladner.

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RICHMOND NEWS.

STEVESTON, Lulu island, Jan. 24.—By the Victorian Order of Nurses, a ball will be held in the Steveston opera house on February 13.

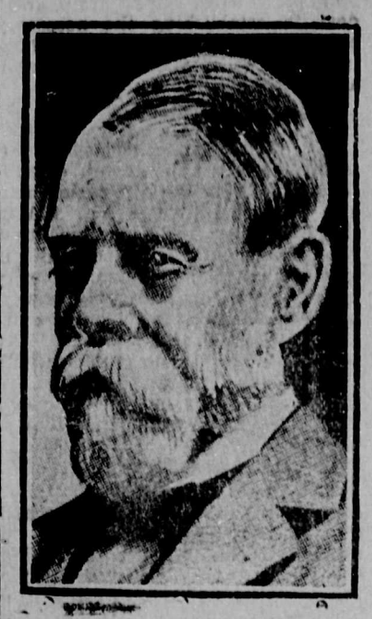
The Eburne Minstrel Club is engaged at present in preparing a vaudeville entertainment with which it proposes to tour the neighboring municipalities. Early in February the first performance will be staged on the boards of the Steveston play house. Clog dances, monologues, sleight-of-hand and musical numbers, will give variety to the affair.

AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

PORT COQUITLAM, Jan. 23—At a meeting of the directors of the Agricultural society held last night it was decided to call the annual meeting for the first Thursday in February when the election of officers will take place. Mr. T. J. Routley was appointed to attend the convention in Victoria and he was instructed to ask for one day for the annual fall exhibition and in addition to this event the society purpose holding the usual flower show some time in July.

WAIT ON EXECUTIVE.

PORT HANEY, Jan. 26.—The annual excursion of the Maple Ridge council delegation who will wait upon the Provincial authorities with priation to be received this year regard to the amount of the appro- and also to take up the Lillooet bridge matter, took place from here on Sunday last when the following gentlemen left for Vancouver en route to the capital: Reeve N. S. Lougheed, Councillors G. H. Fulton, W. H. Ansell, J. M. Dale and Clerk D. C. Webber.



LORD MOUNT-STEPHEN.

A remarkable old man and multi-millionaire, cousin and associate of the late Lord Strathcona. He too started in a small way in Canadan trading. He is 85 years of age, and is among those mentioned as successor to Lord Strathcona as high commissioner for Canada.

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PESSIMISM IS UNWARRANTED

Member for Vancouver Commends Policy of Maintaining Industry for the White Races.

VICTORIA, Jan. 29.—The debate on the reply to the address to the throne was continued at yesterday's session of the legislature.

Mr. C. E. Tisdall, who was the first speaker, condemned the issue of statements emanating from Hon. Mr. Lemieux as to the amount of unemployment existing in Vancouver and said that although there had been some depression in the building trade, the returns of the mercantile houses showed very little diminution of business during the past year.

In dealing with the prosperity of the Fraser valley and the general improvement in the agricultural industry, Mr. Tisdall quoted figures to show the great increase in the fruit industry of recent years and predicted that with the opening of the railroad lines now under construction this advance would be even more marked.

Growth of Dry Farming.

Mr. Shaw of Kamloops, who followed the member for Vancouver, gave some interesting statistics of the progress made in dry farming during the past year, telling the house that within the last twelve months more than 250,000 bushels of grain and 1000 tons of hay that had been grown in this arid belt had been shipped to Western markets.

Believes in Moderation.

Mr. C. E. Tisdall, member for Vancouver, continued the debate. He prefaced his remarks by saying that when the province was experiencing a period of remarkable prosperity, he refrained from expressing too much optimism, and he thought that now, when the period of depression existed in the province, it was only right and proper that he should discountenance the unwarranted pessimism that appeared to be the principal stock-in-trade of a number of people.

Not More Than 2000.

He criticized the statements made on the floor of the House of Commons at Ottawa by the Hon. Mr. Lemieux to the effect that there were 17,000 unemployed in the city of Vancouver, and pointed out that as there were only 28,000 names on the voters' list, it was scarcely likely that 17,000 male adults were unemployed. As a matter of fact, he was satisfied from his personal observation and investigation that 2,000 unemployed was much nearer the mark.

Deep Sea Fishing.

The question of deep sea fishing engaged the attention of the member for Vancouver, who stated that the industry had been expanding rapidly, although little notice had been taken of it officially. He believed that there were great possibilities in the deep sea fishing on the West Coast, and as it was well-known that there was an almost limitless market for such produce, he considered that it would be a wise policy for the government to give special attention to the question of developing this wonderful asset of the province.

The herring fishing also was well worth looking after, he said. In every inlet of the Coast there is a plentiful supply of this fish for all, and as yet the business has been practically unexploited.

Appreciation of Policy.

He expressed his appreciation of the government's policy in regard to maintaining the fishing industry for the white people of the country. In regard to other markets for British Columbia fish he quoted from the Daily Telegraph, London, to the effect that a consignment of British Columbia fish had met with a ready demand and there was the certainty of a good trade in the Mother Land immediately the industry here was in a position to handle it and supply the demand.

He looked to the opening of the Panama canal to accomplish a great deal in establishing the necessary cheap connection between the fishing grounds of British Columbia and the European markets.

Municipal Act.

Mr. Tisdall welcomed the announcement that the government intended to bring down a comprehensive Municipal Clauses Act, and in this connection he suggested that provision should be made for the government to have some authority to supervise the borrowing powers of the municipalities not only in the general interest of the province but in the interest of the municipalities themselves. Saskatchewan, he said, had legislation of that sort, and Alberta had adopted a similar policy.

Three Bills.

Three bills were read a first time and ordered to be read a second time at today's session; the first introduced by Mr. Williams amending the Masters and Servants Act, the second by Mr. W. W. Foster, respecting the British Columbia Association of Architects, and the third by Mr. MacKenzie amending the Dentistry Act.

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PROVINCIAL ACCOUNTS.

Revenue From Land Sales in New Westminster District—Public Works Expenditures.

The public accounts of the province, as compiled by Mr. W. Allison, auditor general, for the fiscal year ending March 31 last, have now been presented to the Provincial legislature. This bulky compilation of over 350 pages contains in succinct form a statement of the sources whence the province derives its income and to whom moneys are paid, every official's salary, every particle of work done being therein accounted for.

The total amount derived from revenue was $12,510,215. The summary of expenditure including $23,208 paid on account of the Nakusp & Slocan Railway and the Victoria & Sidney Railway is $15,650,014.

Of the revenue, it is of interest to note that land sales in New Westminster district brought in $519,711 and that traffic tolls on the New Westminster bridge amount to $23,000. Revenue from New Westminster city district totals $206,310; from New Westminster district $725,604. This in comparison with Vancouver city district's quota of $777,248 and Vancouver district's $58,344. Victoria city district contributed $819,966.

In the grand total $1,939,437 was derived from timber licences, and $1,723,950 from the working of the Chinese restriction act, while land sales brought in $2,344,596.

Of the expenditures nearly half was disbursed in public works, the total for roads, bridges, etc., being $7,664,468. Miscellaneous grants amounted to $3,912,366. The payments made on behalf of the public debt were $553,929; for salaries in the civil government $857,032; for administration of justice salaries $43,489; for legislation $132,008; for public institutions $495,842; for hospitals and charities $393,369; administration of justice other than salaries $451,205; for education $944,037, for transport $84,428 and for revenue service $94,566.

WILL BE WITNESS.

Mr. F. C. Cook, of the Bankers' Trust Company, who is now serving a term in the penitentiary, will be produced in the Vancouver courts next week to give evidence in the action of Mutrie Brothers, of Vernon, who are applying to cancel a subscription to the Bankers' Trust stock. They exchanged 1082 acres of land for $78,000 of stock in the company. They now claim that as they were induced to do so by misrepresentation they should have the land back. The action is being resisted by the liquidator on behalf of the creditors.

FERRY BOATS COLLIDE.

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—Two thousand ferry boat passengers were badly shaken up last night when in the thick fog which held this city in its grip all day the two municipal ferry boats, Brooklyn and Manhattan, collided. The boats lost parts of their superstructures.

BOOM WRITE-UPS.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—Advertising Manager Washington of the Western Newspaper Union admitted today before the Senate lobby investigation committee that his concern received $42,000 annually from the Canadian government for the past sixteen years for boom write-ups in Canada's interest in "patent insides" for small newspapers.

OPPOSES TOLLS EXEMPTION.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—That President Wilson is opposed to the exemption of American coastwise ships from Panama Canal tolls was flatly asserted at the capital today by those who knew what took place at the conference last night between the President and the Senate foreign relations committee.

DIES AGED 102.

LONDON, Jan. 27.—The death is announced at Tunbridge Wells of Mrs. Sutton, aged 102. She was born in Montreal, the daughter of a British general named Evans, who figured prominently in the American War of Independence.

HEIR-PRESUMPTIVE TO LORD STRATHCONA.

The Honorable Donald Howard, son and heir of Dr. J. W. Bliss Howard, and his wife, who was Lord Strathcona's only child. On the death of his mother, who is now Baroness Strathcona in her own right, Hon. Donald Howard will be Lord Strathcona. He has been many times in Canada with his late distinguished grandfather. He is 23 years of age and was born in England.

RESOLUTIONS ON COAL STRIKE

Is Demanded for Provincial Prisons —Judges Are Under Criticism.

(From The British Columbian.)

Two resolutions connected with the Vancouver Island coal strike troubles and subsequent trials were passed by the B. C. Federation of Labor at its session this morning. One of these demanded resident physicians for the provincial prisons and instanced the facts surrounding the death of young Mairs at the Burnaby prison farm, while the other criticized the attitude on the bench of Mr. Justice Morrison and Judge Howay, arranging for the appointment of a committee to consult with the lawyers for the defence with a view to framing charges against both judges and forwarding them to the Minister of Justice, the members of parliament for New Westminster, and Vancouver, and others. The resolution declared its object to be the impeachment of the two jurists.

The resolution regarding the medical inspection of prisons read as follows:

"Whereas, one miner has already died while an inmate of the provincial jail and as others are in a precarious state because of lack of proper medical attention and food;

"And whereas we are credibly informed that one of the prisoners now awaiting trial, Louis Neuanthal, is at present in a deplorable physical condition, in startling contrast with the robust physical health he enjoyed at the time of his arrest; and whereas we find that in the Okalla prison farm there are confined 209 prisoners, and that no medical practitioner is resident at any jail in the province thus depriving those incarcerated therein of competent medical attendance;

"Be it resolved, that this fourth annual convention of the B. C. Federation of Labor demands of the attorney-general of British Columbia that immediate steps be taken to provide competent and regular medical examination of all prisoners now in custody, whether sentenced or awaiting trial or sentence, and that those who are showing symptoms of failing health be immediately released where in the power of the attorney-general, and where they have passed to the control of the Federal authorities recommend parole or pardon to the minister of justice."

GILMOUR GUILTY.

Accused is Seventh of Thirty-Eight Extension Miners Tried at This Assize.

David Gilmour, the young Extension miner was Wednesday afternoon found guilty on the fifth count, that of rioting, by the jury at the special assize with recommendation for mercy. The jury was out for a little over three hours.

Gilmour was the seventh of the thirty-eight Extension miners who are being tried at this assize.

The eighth, John Anderson, was put on trial yesterday afternoon and several witnesses appeared for the prosecution practically giving the same evidence that was brought out in the previous case of the crowds and disturbances in Extension.

CONSERVATIVE CONVENTION.

VICTORIA, Jan. 26.—W. T. Shatford of Penticton was elected president of the Conservative Association of B. C. by acclamation at the convention here on Friday. Other elections by acclamation were H. L. Edmonds, of New Westminster, second vice-president; J. B. Williamson, of Vancouver, re-elected honorary secretary, and R. E. Mills, re-elected treasurer.

Leonard Tait, of Victoria, and A. E. Planta, of Nanaimo, were nominated for first vice-president. Mr. Planta received 223 votes and Mr. Tait, 151.

H. H. Johnson, of Rossland, was chosen third vice-president on the second ballot. The other candidates were R. R. Maitland, of Vancouver, R. S. Pyke, of Vancouver, and Leonard Frank, of Alberni.

For assistant secretary, P. F. Scharschmidt, of Vancouver, received 247 votes and W. N. Carty, of Vancouver, 133.

ACCEPTS POST.

Wires War Department That He Will Take Over Governorship of Canal Zone.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—Goethals has acepted the governorship of the Canal Zone. He sent his acceptance to the war department today, but the text of the message is not made public. Secretary Garrison made it clear, however, that his acceptance is unconditional and for an indefinite length of time, disposing of rumors that Goethals would serve a year in the canal zone and then accept the police commissionership of New York City.

Mitchell Is Confident.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—Mayor Mitchell is still confident that Goethals will be New York's next police commissioner, despite rumors that Goethals has wired acceptance of the Zone.

GOETHALS IS NAMED.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—President Wilson signed today an executive order putting into operation on April 1 a permanent government for the Panama Canal zone and naming Colonel Goethals as the first civil governor.

ELECTION NOTICE

Public notice is hereby given to the electors of the Municipality of Delta that I require the presence of the said electors at the Council Chambers, Ladner, on the 9th day of February, at twelve o'clock noon, for the purpose of electing a person to represent them in the School Board in place of C. H. Davis, resigned.

The mode of nomination of candidates shall be as follows:

The candidates shall be nominated in writing, the writing shall be subscribed by two voters of the municipality as proposer and seconder, and shall be delivered to the Returning Officer at any time between the date of the notice and two p.m. of the day of nomination, the said writing may be in form numbered 5 in the schedule of this Act, and shall state the names, residence and occupation of each person proposed in such manner as sufficiently to identify such candidate; and in the event of a poll being necessary, such poll will be opened on the 12th day of February, at the Council Chambers, Ladner,; School House, East Delta; Post Office, Annieville, and M. Standbridge's residence, Strawberry Hill, of which every person is hereby required to take notice and govern himself accordingly.

The qualification for a school trustee, any person being a male British subject and having been for the three months preceding the day of nomination the registered owner in the Land Registry Office of land or real property situate within the municipality of the assessed value, on the last municipal assessment roll, of two hundred and fifty dollars or more over and above any registered judgment or charge.

Given under my hand at Ladner, this 27th day of January, 1914.

N. A. McDIARMID,
Returning Officer.

APPLIES FOR STATED CASE.

(From The British Columbian.)

Motion for stated case in appeal from the conviction of Joseph Angelo, one of the Extension miners convicted of charges growing out of the Vancouver Island strike riots, was heard on Monday by Mr. Justice Morrison, and refused on all points presented. The application was made by Messrs. Bird and Leighton for the defence, while the Crown was represented by Mr. A. Dunbar Taylor, K.C.

The first point presented was the reading of the Hannay deposition, when proof had not been offered that the witness was not within the jurisdiction of the court. The Crown cited a case where it was held that a reasonable inference only was necessary. The court agreed. Other points grew out of the court's charge to the jury, in which it was contended that the court had erred in referring to the failure of the accused to go into the witness box. The Crown cited several cases where such failure was referred to by the court where the onus had shifted to the prisoner, and such reference was proper.

Altogether the defence raised 15 points which they desired to state before the court of appeal, but not one was allowed by His Lordship. Mr. J. W. DeB. Farris stated that the defence would now appeal to the appeal court direct for permission to present a stated case on these points.

FIERY CAMPAIGN.

British Labor Unionists Are Furious Over Deportation of South African Leaders.

LONDON, Jan. 29.—The irritation, not to say anger, of the Laborites against the government because of the deportation of the South African labor leaders, grows deeper hour by hour. There is no doubt that the parliamentary party will be compelled to exercise their threat of withdrawal of support from the Asquith government if it fails to take any action in regard to the deportations from South Africa.

It is hardly possible to exaggerate the effect of the deportations on the trades unionists here. A big campaign is promised on the arrival of the deportees, who will be sent through the country, should they prove solid men, and not firebrands of the Larkin order, and will truly light a fiery cross with results that cannot now be foreseen.

POINT GREY NEWS.

EBURNE, Point Grey, Jan. 29.—About 200 men are employed by Dixon Bros., Schultz, & Dixon, the contractors who are clearing 154 acres of land on the university site. The tract will be cleared, it is expected, before the end of three, or at the most four months.

Shaughnessy Heights secession will be the chief subject discussed at a meeting of the Kerrisdale Ratepayers' Association tomorrow evening.

Applications are being called by the school trustees for the position of secretary.

A residence costing between $7,000 and $8000 will be erected by Mr. J. Hector in Eburne.

A black mare was found by the police on Magee road this week and impounded.

SOME INSPECTION TRIP.

NEW YORK, Jan. 20.—Through thirteen miles of darkness, relieved only by the lanterns they carried seven New York newspapermen plodded in water and ice yesterday on the first leg of their inspection trip of 127 miles of the water supply aqueduct from Ashokin reservoir in the Catskill mountains to Brooklyn.

PARTNER OF DR. CROSBY.

Rev. A. E. Green Survives His Distinguished College Little More Than Fortnight.

VANCOUVER, Jan. 29.—Surviving Dr. Thomas Crosby, his colleague in Coast Indian Mission work by little more than a fortnight, Rev. A. E. Green, inspector of Indian schools, passed away at his hme, 2616 Point Grey road, last evening, surrounded by the members of his family.

For nearly fifty ears Dr. Crosby and Rev. Mr. Green had carried on work among the natives together, their friendship having been begun 47 years ago when the older man was stationed at Port Simpson and Rev. Mr. Green at the mouth of the Naas river.

FOR SALE BY TENDER

13.92 Acres of first class Delta lands, situate adjacent to the Main Trunk road, two miles east of the village of Ladner, being subdivision 4 of District Lots 138, 181 and 182, group 2, New Westminster District.

Tenders will be received for the above, by the undersigned (as agent for the executors of the late Jessie Eliza Smith) up to the 10th day of February, A.D., 1914, subject to the following conditions: Tenders to be accompanied by a marked cheque for $250.00 as deposit, and if tender accepted, the balance of the purchase money to be paid on or before 24th day of February, A.D., 1914; unsuccessful tenderers will have deposit cheque returned on the 11th February, A.D., 1914.

H. N. RICH,
Box 53, Ladner, B.C.

NOTICE.

Sealed tenders addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Tender for addition and alterations to the Public Building, Victoria, B.C.," will be received at this office until 4.00 p.m., on Monday, February 16, 1914, for the construction of the aforesaid addition and alteration.

Plans, specification and form of contract can be seen and forms of tender obtained at the office of Mr. Wm. Henderson, Resident Architect, Victoria, B.C.; on application to the Postmaster, Vancouver, B.C., and at this Department.

Persons tendering are notified that tenders will not be considered unless made on the printed forms supplied, and signed with their actual signatures, stating their occupations and places of residence. In the case of firms, the actual signature, the nature of the occupation, and place of residence of each member of the firm must be given.

Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted cheque on a chartered bank, payable to the order of the Honourable the Minister of Public Works, equal to ten per cent. (10 p.c.) of the amount of the tender, which will be forfeited if the person tendering decline to enter into a contract when called upon to do so, or fail to complete the work contracted for. If the tender be not accepted the cheque will be returned.

The Department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

By order,
R. C. DESROCHERS,
Secretary.

Department of Public Works,
Ottawa, January 16, 1914.

Newspapers will not be paid for this advertisement if they insert it without authority from the Department.

CHURCH NOTICES

Anglican.

Holy Communion, first and third Sundays at 11 a.m., second fourth Sundays at 8 a.m.; matins, 11 a.m.; Sunday school at 10 a.m.; Evening Service at 7.30 p.m.; Wednesday evening, Litany at 8.30. Rev. C. C. Hoyle, M.A., vicar.

Baptist Church.

Pastor—Rev. D. G. Macdonald. Ladner—Sunday school, 11 a.m.; evening service, 7.30 p.m.; prayer meeting, Wednesday, 7.30 p.m.; missionary meeting every first Wednesday under the auspices of the Ladies' Circle.

Crescent Island—Sunday school, 2 p.m.; service, 3 p.m.; singing practice and Bible reading, Tuesday, 7.30 p.m.

Gulfside Schoolhouse—Union Sunday school, 2 p.m.; singing practice and Gospel service. Friday, 7.30.

Catholic.

Church services will be held every other Sunday, beginning with Sunday, November 14, 1909. Parochial mass at 10.30 a.m.; Sunday school, 2 p.m.; evening devotion, 3 p.m.; a.m. Rev. Father W. Chaput, parish priest.

Methodist.

Services next Lord's Day at 11 a.m. and 7.30 p.m.; class meeting, before the morning service every Sunday; Sabbath school at 10 a.m. every Sunday; Epworth League every Wednesday at 8 p.m. Rev. C. Wellesley Whittaker, pastor.

St. Andrew's Presbyterian.

Services next Lord's Day at 11 a.m. and 7.30 p.m.; week night services on Thursday evening at 7.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 2.30 p.m. Rev. J. J. Hastie, minister.

Any corrections in above names or times should be sent to the office of the Delta Times, Ladner, B.C.

DELTA DIRECTORY

Delta municipality is situated at the mouth of the Fraser River in the finest agricultural district in B.C. The chief interests in the Delta are farming, dairying, fruit culture, market gardening, sheep and horse breeding. There are also salmon canneries in the Delta municipality. There are shipping facilities by rail and boat to the markets of Canada and the United States. The crop yield is the largest per acre in Canada, and the sheep and horses bred are the finest in British Columbia. Along the south bank of the Fraser River there are splendid sites for industries.

Board of Trade.—President, D. A. McKee; secretary, S. W. Fisher.
Justices of Peace—H. D. Benson, H. J. Kirkland, J. McKee, E. L. Berry.
Police Magistrate.—J. McKee.
Medical Health Officer.—Dr. J. Kerr Wilson.
Coroners.—Dr. A. A. King and Dr. J. Kerr Wilson.
School Board.—S. Wright, chairman; C. Davie, A. deR. Taylor, J. McCallum, W. R. Ellis, N. A. McDiarmid, secretary.
Farmers' Institute.—T. T. Harris, president; N. A. McDiarmid, secretary.
Delta Farmers' Game Protective Association.—Wm. Kirkland, president; A. deR. Taylor, secretary.
Delta Agricultural Society.—Dr. J. Kerr Wilson, president; A. deR. Taylor, secretary.
Member of Parliament.—J. D. Taylor, New Westminster.
Member of Local Legislature.—F. J. MacKenzie, New Westminster.
Boat Sailings.—S.S. New Delta leaves Ladner every day for Steveston at 8.30 a.m., 12.30 p.m. and 6.30 p.m., connecting with the B. C. E. R. cars. S.S. Transfer leaves for New Westminster daily, except Sundays, at 7 a.m.; returning, leaves New Westminster at 2 p.m., reaching Ladner at 5.30 p.m.
Railways.—Great Northern leaves Port Guichon daily for New Westminster and Vancouver at 7 a.m.; returning, leaves Vancouver at 2.30 p.m., reaching Port Guichon about 6.30 p.m. B.C.E.R., Lulu Island Branch, E. Stirling, superintendent; Vancouver to Eburne and Steveston—Cars leave Granville street depot (at north end of bridge over False Creek) at 6.30 a.m. and hourly until 11.30 p.m. Special car for Eburne at 6.00 a.m. Cars leave Steveston at 6.30 a.m. and hourly until 11.30 p.m. Sunday service—First car leaves either terminus at 8.30 a.m.; hourly service thereafter until 11.30 p.m.
Post Office.—Hours, 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Mail for Vancouver closes at 12 noon; for New Westminster and up river points at 6.30 a.m.; closed all day Sunday.
Municipal Council.—Meets in the Municipal Hall, Ladner, on the second and fourth Saturdays in each month at 2 p.m. Reeve, H. D. Benson; councillors, A. D. Paterson, W. A. Kirkland, Hanford Lewis, G. Dennis, Chris Brown; clerk, N. A. McDiarmid.

SYNOPSIS OF COAL MINING REGULATIONS.

Coal mining rights of the Dominion, in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the Yukon Territory, the Northwest Territories and in a portion of the Province of British Columbia, may be leased for a term of twenty-one years at an annual rental of $1 an acre. Not more than 2560 acres will be leased to one applicant.

Application for a lease must be made by the applicant in person to the Agent or Sub-Agent of the district in which the rights applied for are situated.

In surveyed territory the land must be described by sections, or legal subdivisions of sections, and in unsurveyed territory the tract applied for shall be staked out by the applicant himself.

Each application must be accompanied by a fee of $5, which will be refunded if the rights applied for are not available, but not otherwise. A royalty shall be paid on the merchantable output of the mine at the rate of five cents per ton.

The person operating the mine shall furnish the Agent with sworn returns accounting for the full quantity of merchantable coal mined and pay the royalty thereon. If the coal mining rights are not being operated, such returns should be furnished at least once a year.

The lease will include the coal mining rights only, but the lessee may be permitted to purchase whatever available surface rights may be considered necessary for the working of the mine at the rate of $10.00 an acre.

For full information application should be made to the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa, or to any Agent or Sub-Agent of Dominion Lands.

W. W. CORY,
Deputy Minister of the Interior.

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NEW ISLAND APPEARS.

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