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MORE WATER IS STRUCK

The Last Well Is Providing at Present 160 Gallons a Minute—Will Be Increased.

That Ladner will have an ample supply of water is now ensured. The expectations of the water superintendent have been thoroughly justified. The last well sunk has resulted in a strike at a depth of 122 feet. The strike was made at nine o'clock last Monday night. When struck, the flow was 140 gallons a minute. On Tuesday, when the superintendent tested the flow, it had risen to 150 gallons a minute, and on Wednesday this had been still further increased. The well was still throwing sand when the last estimate was made, but it is expected that when this clears away it is anticipated that there will be a constant supply of at least 175 gallons a minute. The industry and enterprise of the water superintendent should be appreciated and guaged by results. That Ladner will not lack for the most essential commodity in any community is now assured.

RUSHED AT THE KING.

Excited Suffragette Forces Herself on Attention of King George and Queen Mary.

CARDIFF, June 26—A suffragette forced King George and Queen Mary to hear her appeal here today, but was arrested for her pains. The King and Queen were visiting the cathedral when the Suffragette suddenly rushed into the royal presence, demanding, "Votes for Women" and loudly denouncing Home Secretary McKenna for the attempts to forcibly feed Mrs. Pankhurst and Mrs. Lawrence when they declared a hunger strike in Holloway prison. She charged the officials with attempting to murder the suffragette leaders.

The guards quickly rushed to the protection of the King and Queen. The suffragette was dragged out of the cathedral and thrown into jail.

WESTERN RAILWAY CHARTERS.

OTTAWA, June 27.—Hon. Frank Cochrane, Minister of Railways, yesterday afternoon gave his approval to a number of general railway route maps in Western Canada. There was some discussion on the application of the Alberta Peace River and Eastern Railway Company for the approval of its proposed line from Milk River to Peace River and Fort Churchill. The application was opposed by the Alberta and Pacific and the Canadian Northern on the score that they hold charters covering the same territory. It was said to the minister that English capitalists are back of the proposed line. Mr. Cochrane expressed a desire for more information and held the application over. He said he would look into the matter when he is in the West.

H.R.H. DUCHESS OF CONNAUGHT
The Royal Lady Who is Rapidly Improving in Health after Her Recent Illness.

A GREAT SUCCESS

Crescent Island Strawberry and Ice Cream Social Was Pleasant Social Function.

Notwithstanding the electric storm on Tuesday evening, which doubtless considerably decreased both the attendance and the takings, the strawberry and ice cream social was a decided success. Great credit is due to the various committees responsible for the function by their united efforts and the skilful arrangement of tents, tables, flags and flowers, they transformed the schoolhouse grounds into a most attractive pleasure garden.

The Ladner band, under the efficient leadership of Mr. Fred Land, made a splendid show, their fine uniforms blending with the many colored gowns of the ladies, the fresh green of the new mown grass and the glow of the Chinese lanterns combining to make a scene both bright and beautiful.

After a number of musical selections had been rendered, and the booths well patronized, the company crowded the schoolhouse to listen to Mrs. Alma Keeler, who proved herself an elocutionist of considerable merit and an entertainer of much taste and skill. "The Three Lovers," by Will Carson, and "How Miss Edith Helped Things Along," by Bret Harte, were particularly enjoyed.

Rev. C. R. Blunden and Arthur Hodgson gave the concerted selection entitled "Be British," a song and reading born of the recent sorrowful Titanic disaster.

On the return to the grounds the storm had passed and the nearly full moon shone in a clear sky and with the band playing, the tents doing a great business and the young folk playing, the evening wore away until at eleven o'clock the band played "God Save the King," and a very enjoyable evening was brought to a close.

CLOVER COMPETITION.

Results of Keenly Contested Argicultural Competition in Langley District.

On June 19 the entries in the Red Clover field competition, open to members of the Langley Farmers' Institute was judged by Mr. Alfred Eastham, the B. C. rerpesentative of the Dominion Seed branch. This the first of such competitions held in this province was very successful, competition being keen and close, and in consequence a large entry list is assured next year.

The Langley district is one eminently suited to the profitable growing of red clover and it would be greatly in the interests of the farmers particularly in the Langley Prairie district to pay particular attention to this. The department hopes to see a much larger area of this crop grown in the near future, as it not only provides the finest of feed, but also enriches the soil, and it would, it is thought, be particularly useful on some of the soils that have been allowed to run down through constant cropping.

Results.

First prize, $20—J. W. Berry 89½.
Second Prize $15—R. Medd, 86.
Third Prize $12—R. Yeoman, 85.
Fourth Prize; $10—J. Morrison, 84.
Fifth Prize $8—Divided between J. Berry and T. A. Bartlett, 83; Fred Hine, 82; Dr. R. B. Marr, 77½; R. Rennie, 77 1-2; F. Butler, 73.

THE CHINESE LOAN.

LONDON, June 27—The Peking correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says that the bankers were confounded that matters reached a further deadlock at Monday's conference with the Chinese ministers, when the finance minister declared: "But only yesterday the American minister told me that he would not advise us to borrow anything; that, in fact, he saw no need for China to borrow a penny." It is apparent in Peking that the forthcoming loan negotiations will be long and arduous. The government is confronted with violent provincial opposition, which opposes any supervision, and also by the groups of bankers who desire increased control over that acquired in previous advances. It is believed here that the government's acceptanc of the bankers' present proposals would bring a violent outburst on the part of the people. The government officials, however, are confident that some arrangement will be reached, as there is dire need of funds, particularly for the payment of the troops. Opposition to the loan has created a dangerous situation, which requires careful handling. The government is contending also against a growth of sentiment favoring provincial autonomy, and threatening central control which is considered essential to the preservation of the nation.

COMMISSIONERS APPOINTED.

The undermentioned persons have been appointed commissioners for taking affidavits in the Supreme Court, for the purpose of acting under the Provincial Elections Act: Cariboo Electoral District—William Blair, Harry Close and George E. McLaughlin, all of South Fort George; Richmond Electoral District—William Coulter, of Central Park; Delta Electoral District—William Harvey Brown, of Fort Langley, and Charles Ernest Pellat, of Port Kells.

NEW WESTMINSTER HARBOR SCHEME

Feature of the Ambitious Improvement Project Which Will Establish Fraser River as a Great Harbor

The New Westminster Greater Harbor Improvement scheme is thus described in a recent issue of The British Columbian:

Where Annacis channel now exists, between the Island of that name and Lulu Island, a basin four miles long will be dredged. The upper end of the channel will be filled in, and the result will be a body of quiescent water capable of docking the entire shipping of the North Pacific coast at the present time. As it affects the city proper, the plans provide for an unbroken deep water front from Fraser Mills to the city limits on the North Arm, including the straightening and deepening of the latter, in the course of which Poplar Island will be swept out of existence. This will be done to a harbor line which will be fixed by the harbor commission, to be appointed by the Dominion government, and will involve some filling as well as dredging.

The Basin.

When completed as ultimately provided for by the plans, the basin will have a row of piers on the north side projecting a distance of six hundred feet, and of a width and distance apart as may be required by the concerns using them. On the south side there will be an unbroken line of quay wall, the distance between this and the pier heads being a thousand feet. It is suggested that to commence with, this basin be dredged only two hundred and fifty feet wide, with a turning basin at the upper end, and one or two piers; but this is a matter which will rest with the harbor commission.

Annacis Island is controlled by an English syndicate, which bought this land some years ago before the harbor scheme was thought of; and which is now under agreement with the city to deed them all the land necessary to the scheme, thus placing New Westminster in a position to give the harbor commission the power it requires to control the harbor.

For Shipbuilding.

At the mouth of the basin, a reserve is laid out for shipbuilding purposes, the location being such that it will be possible to launch vessels into a natural bay of more than sufficient depth and width to accommodate vessels of a large type.

Its Advantages.

The advantages of the scheme are many and various. The location of the basin is the exact centre of a circle including the peninsula from Boundary Bay to Burrard Inlet. From its lower end to deep water beyond the Sandheads, the distance is only a fraction over thirteen miles, by an almost straight channel, as it will be when the big Sandheads jetty is finished.

In the basin itself, the water will be practically quiescent. This will enable vessels of the largest type to dock under their own steam, the great width of the basin making turning a matter of no difficulty. The row of piers, slanting out from the harbor line, is according to modern harbor practice. They will be 600 feet long, a length capable of handling vessels larger than anything now in the Pacific trade. It is proposed to build these piers with a sunken track in the middle and one on either side, with a double row of warehouses.

Rail Transportation.

The rail transportation which will be the complement of these harbor facilities is amply provided for. With the widening of Front street to 192, feet, it is proposed to make provision for all the transcontinental railways of Canada, and some of the American lines to pass through the city and make use of the harbor. The plan proposed to the Canadian Northern Railway by Mayor Lee, and which there is reason to believe will be adopted, is to come off the bridge on a high level track over the property bought by them on Front street. Their passenger depot will be built on a level with Columbia street opposite the City Hall, and this will be the terminus for their big transcontinental trains. Here the trains will be broken, one section going to Vancouver by whatever route may be decided upon, and the other to their point of departure for their Vancouver Island ferry, wherever that may be. At the same time, low level tracks will be laid on Front street, the wharves being projected out to the harbor line, and provision made for spotting and shunting tracks, and all the necessary facilities.

From the west end of Front street, the tracks will be carried to Lulu Island on a new bridge to be built almost in a straight line with the street, as shown on the plan, and thence to Annacis Island on the made land where is now the upper end of Anacis channel; and from this point the tracks will branch out on either side of the basin.

Negotiations are also proceeding for bringing the Great Northern into the city on a new route, crossing from the south shore of the main channel to Annacis Island by a bridge over City Reach, thence to the city by the same route by which the C. N. R. will leave it, rejoining their present lines at the bridge. This plan will also offer adequate facilities for entrance of the Chicago, Milwaukee & Puget Sound and the Harriman lines, which are beyond the shadow of a doubt headed this way.

Some Details.

The natural facilities of the Fraser river render the work of executing this scheme easy in comparison to the immensity of the undertaking. The cost of dredging is estimated at about ten cents per cubic yard, and it is anticipated that it will be worth twice that amount to owners of land on Lulu Island where this silt will be deposited, which will make it ideal for industrial sites, when drained. In this manner, the dredging can be made to balance the filling and practically pay for itself.

In the made land at the upper end of Annacis channel, sluices will be built for slucing out the basin, where it is estimated the rate of deposit from back wash will be six inches per annum. In order to arrive at this estimate, the most painstaking experiments have been carried out by competent engineers. Mr. A. O. Powell, consulting engineer, is the man under whose directions the plans have been drawn.

The pivot on which the success or failure of the entire scheme is the action of the people of New Westminster. While there remains no doubt, in view of the assurance given to Mayor Lee at Ottawa that the Dominion government will take over the control of this harbor, by the appointment of a harbor commission such as in control of each of the large eastern ports—assurances which have been repeated by Mr. J. D. Taylor, M.P., it rests with the city to give this undertaking the necessary impetus by passing the by-law for $500,000 which will be submitted on Wednesday.

The plans show two separate parts of the undertaking: That which applies to the improvement of the city's waterfront, for which the sum now asked provide the initial expenditures; and the greater harbor scheme which can only be carried by the Dominion. It is imperative that the city should first take the initiative and by voting this comparatively insignificant sum, which will unquestionably later be reimbursed when the harbor is turned over to the commission, shoulder the first cost of the undertaking.

The fate of New Westminster and the Fraser harbor, rests in the hands of the people.

CARNIVAL OF CRIME.

MERRITT, B. C., June 24—Merritt is in the throes of the greatest excitement in its history. At an early hour yesterday morning Squamisken, one of the best known Indian hunters in the valley, was murdered at his house at Springs rancherie, having his brains beaten out with a club. George Toodlakein, an Indian, twenty-four years old, charged with the murder, is now in the provincial jail. Toodlakein's wife, whom the imprisoned man is said to have attacked, is in a dying condition.

News of the murder was brought here at an early hour by Chief Tom Petor, of Springs rancherie, who says Toodlakein and Squamisken had been drinking on Saturday night and had an argument.

COMMITTED SUICIDE.

LONDON, June 25.—The coroner today decided that Baroness deReinach-Werth, formerly Miss Diana Morgan Hill, Washington, D.C., society girl, who was married last September, committed suicide on June 21, by jumping from the window of a nursing home where she had been suffering from hysteria.

MAY CANCEL FRANCHISE.

West Vancouver Council Tells Railway Company It Must Build Lines in Municipality.

WEST VANCOUVER, June 25.—The municipal council yesterday afternoon initiated active measures to compel the British Columbia Electric Railway to build in West Vancouver on pain of having their franchise in that district cancelled. On motion of Councillor J. B. Mathers, chairman of the transportation commitee, the following resolution was passed: "That our solicitor be instructed to make the formal request to the British Columbia Railway Company to build and operate lines through the district of West Vancouver in accordance with our letter of April and that this request be in accordance with the notice necessary to be given according to the terms of the franchise."

MURDERER GRANTED REPRIEVE

OTTAWA, June 25—The governor-in-council has granted a reprieve in the case of murderer Eberts now in jail at Nelson, B. C., under sentence to be hanged July 1. Execution will not take place until after the trial of one James Wick, alleged to be an accomplice.

CORONATION CELEBRATION

On Wednesday, June 26th, Ladner Had a Day and Night of Festivity.

Ladner was enfete on Coronation Day, June 26th, and people gathered from far and near to assist her in her celebrations. The good ship "New Delta" was carrying her capacity when she left Steveston wharf, with a huge crowd of Vancouver and New Westminster holiday-makers. The number of automobiles that arrived in the city was quite remarkable and the support that Ladner got from the big centres of population is an indication of how large the Delta looms in the minds of the public at present.

The forenoon programme included a lacrosse game and there was quite a turnout to witness the Beavers of Ladner try their strength with the Shamrocks of East Delta. The ground is a shocking example of a bad lacrosse field, and at times both teams would have been better equipped had they carried a shovel as well as a lacrosse stick. The game was keen, but desperately slow, on account of the ground. The passing was bad on both sides and had none of the snap that makes for good lacrosse. The theory of throwing the ball up in the air and trusting to Providence, is an exploded one and both teams should learn to pass with a definite object and not simply to get rid of something that's causing trouble. The final score of two to one about represented the play. The green boys seemed to have more idea of making a concerted attack and boring in than the Beavers, but there are no laurel leaves coming to either until they learn to guage their distances better and pass with greater speed. Tossing the ball into the air, even when accompanied by a prayer that it may drop into the porper stick may be most devout, but it's not lacrosse. There are many good points in both teams. They are very healthy clean-playing boys. There is not an ounce of viciousness in the whole 24. They are entitled to the support of the entire community in their efforts to establish a live amateur lacrosse league in the Delta.

The lineup:

Beavers.	Goal.	Shamrocks.
J. Guichon		F. Weaver
	Point	
H. Guichon		B. Kittson
	Cover Point.	
F. Guichon		F. Dennis
	First Defence.	
R. Hutchison		J. Condy
	Second Defence.	
H. Burr		S. Weaver
	Third Defence.	
V. Guichon		H. Brown
	Centre.	
C. Macleod		L. Dennis
	Third Home.	
L. Kirkland		D. Honeyman
	Second Home.	
F. Smith		G. Dennis
	First Home.	
P. Guichon		D. Honeyman
	Outside Home.	
R. Wilson		R. Kittson
	Inside Home.	
H. Smith		J. Brown

The attendance at the races in the afternoon was up to the average and a good day's sport was witnessed. In some of the heats the finishes were most exciting. The feature race was won by Frisco who took three straight heats in great style. The local favorites were Joe Jordan's Blue Bell and Mr. Hollinshead's Great Northern King. Mr. Hollinshead, who is nearly ninety, got an ovation from the public every time he came round. Cora Brown was a surprise in her race to the general public and so little was she fancied that she paid 13 to 1 to the lucky few who backed her. The results were as follows:

2:35 pace—			
Membrino Earl	2	4	5
Altamont	5	6	7
B. C. King	3	2	3
St. Elmo	7	3	1
King Kassel	4	5	4
J. D. S.	6	7	6
Cora Brown	1	1	2
2:40 trot or pace for pure of $500—			
The Frisco	1	1	1
Grecco McKinney	7	6	6
Willimette	8	8	8
Neerette	2	2	2
Sister Bell	6	7	7
Frank D. Nicol	3	3	3
Great Northern King	5	5	5
Blue Blue	4	4	4
2:14 race—			
Nelly Wilkes	2	3	4
Acrobat	5	4	3
San Jacinto	3	5	5
Olga S.	4	2	2
Katrinka Norte	1	1	1
Three-year-olds—			
B. C. Queen		1	1
B. C. Harvester		2	3
King George		3	2

In the evening there was a dance held in the McNeely Hall. The attendance was large and those present spoke of enjoying themselves thoroughly. The music was supplied by Franklyn's orchestra. Mr. Slater, of the Ladner Hotel, put on a special supper. The catering was most excellent and reflected the greatest credit on Mr. Slater.

THREE YEARS FOR BIGAMY.

WINNIPEG, June 25—John Patric Frederick Fenn drew three years in Stoney Mountain yesterday on a charge of bigamy. He was severely reprimanded by Magistrate MacDonald.

THE "LIONS" WERE HAPPY

The B. P. I. of L. Held a Successful Smoking Concert on Tuesday Evening.

The Smoking concert held at the Odd Fellow's Hall, under the auspices of the B.P.I.O. of Lions, on Tuesday, June 25th, was a great success. There was a good turnout of members and friends, and the evening's programme was thoroughly appreciated. The first item on the card was a three-round boxing contest between E. Brown and H. Jordan, both clever local boys. Both boys showed considerable speed and science and have the makings of first-class boxers in them. Mr. S. W. Walters sang "Genevieve" tastefully and was enthusiastically encored. "Bunnie" Howard, the tall boy, with the "still" small voice, sang in his perfect style.

Mr. Bishop, manager of the Royal Bank, both sang and played to the delight of an appreciative audience. The Howard Brothers orchestra played throughout the evening, both incidental music and the accompaniments. Mr. Hughie Macdonald, Chief of Lions, gave an effective address as to the growth of the Lodge at Ladner, and as to the objects and achievements of the Lion Order. Refreshments were served by Mr. T. Todd, and at the close the audience, after singing the usual national and patriotic songs, went home well pleased with the evening's entertainment.

STEEL AND TARIFF.

OTTAWA, June 27—The steel interests in Canada at a later date will submit anew to the government their views with regard to the tariff on their output, but it will not be done immediately, stated President J. of the Dominion Steel corporation today.

In company with Mr. Hector McInnes, K.C., Mr. Plummer had an interview today with Hon. Frank Cochrane, respecting the new terminal and transportation facilities between Springhill and Wallace, Nova Scotia. When the projected line, provided for in the estimates, is constructed, Springhill coal will be shipped to Montreal.

BANQUET AT STEVESTON

STEVESTON, Richmond, June 26.—The success of Monday evening's meeting of the Richmond Progress Club held here was such as to bring the executive of the organization to a decision to hold a banquet and social public meeting about the middle of next month which speakers from Vancouver, New Westminster and the surrounding municipalities will be asked to attend. Messrs. J. D. Taylor, M.P., Dr. Smith, president of the New Westminster Progressive Association and Mr. F. D. Calvert, Ladner publicity commissioner, last evening explained the system under which these organizations were working.

STRIKING PICTURE OF MRS. ROOSEVELT IN CHICAGO.

It is said that the wife of the doughty Colonel is as anxious to resume the proprietorship of the White House at Washington as Teddy himself.

THE SHEEP INDUSTRY.

New Appointment in the Live Stock Branch of Dominion Department of Agriculture.

OTTAWA, June 15—Two years ago the prospect of any extension of sheep raising in Canada appeared very remote. Except in the case of breeders of pure bred flocks, the prevailing attitude regarding the possibilities to be attained through a development of the industry was largely one of indifference and unconcern. Today, however, a very great change in point of view is manifested, particularly on the part of farmers interested only in the breeding and rearing of market sheep. This change has doubtless been brought about on the one hand by the increasing domestic consumption of mutton and lamb. On the other hand, however it has with equal certainty been hastened and confirmed as a result of the investigations of the sheep commission of the prolbems confronting the sheep farmer in this country and of the manner in which a decadent but attractive business might be revived.

The interest awakened by the latter movement on the part of the Federal government was further strengthened by the suggestive lectures delivered by Mr. Ritch during the early months of the present year at meetings attended by him in the Maritime provinces and later at meetings attended by Messrs. Ritch and MacRae in the provinces of Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia. "The government is doing something," was the appreciative comment of a western sheep man, after the conclusion of one of the recent lectures, and this statement is expressive of the temper of sheep growers, both in the east and in the west, who are gratified to know that in their interests something definite is now being undertaken.

An announcement has already been made regarding the action of the minister in making provision for a special sale, during the months of September and October next, of pure bred rams and grade ewes in the maritime provinces and in British Columbia. It has been ascertained that these provinces have need, not only of selected sires, but also of female stock to serve as the foundation of grade flocks for the production of marketable lambs. The co-operation of the Dominion Sheep Breeders' Association has been secured to assist in this work and a grant of $15,000 has been made direct to the association, to be expended for this purpose, in accordance with certain conditions imposed by the minister. The responsibility for the expenditure of this grant has been delegated to a special committee of the association, in conjunction with the secretary, Mr. A. P. Westervelt, and the members of this committee, acting in association with officers of the Live Stock Branch, are at present engaged in selecting the most suitable centres for the holding of the proposed sales. They are also personally interviewing the farmers of these districts, with the view of securing their interest and co-operation in connection with the sale of the sheep. Subsequent to the distribution of selected breeding stock in different localities, it is proposed that the appointment of one or more experienced sheep men shall be arranged for who shall spend their time in visiting the farms of those to whom the sheep are sold, in order that the latter may have the benefit of competent advice regarding the management of their flocks, the care of wool, marketing of the clip and disposal of their lamb crop. As the result of tis policy, it is believed that these centres will ultimately become distributing points for high class breeding stock and influential agencies in bringing aobut an extension of sheep keeping in the different provinces.

In consequence of the work initiated by the members of the sheep commission, the minister is now in receipt, from time to time, of requests for special assistance in connection wth certain problems relating to both the sheep and wool industries. The final disbanding of the commission has made it necessary that definite provision be made for the effective administration of the policy to which the department is now committed to further the development of the keeping of sheep in Canada. The minister has, therefore, considered it advisable to arrange for the appointment of a sheep export to assume charge, under the live stock commissioner, of the work to be undertaken in furtherance of this policy.

He has been fortunate in securing for this position Mr. T. R. Arkell, professor of Animal Husbandry in the New Hampshire Agricultural College. Mr. Arkell is the son of Henry Arkell, Esq., Arkell, Ontario, the well known breeder of Oxford Down sheep. He received his primary education at the Guelph Collegiate Institute and is a graduate of the Ontario Agricultural College. His early training has made him familiar with every phase of the breeding and management of sheep, and, since his appointment to the position of Professor of Animal Husbandry in the New Hampshire College, he has devoted himself especially to experimental work in feeding and breeding and has made a study, under very advantageous conditions, of problems relating to the production and marketing of wool. He has organized, amongst the farmers of New Hampshire, a co-operative scheme for the sale of their wool clip, and, in addition, has undertaken considerable extension work which has given him very valuable experience. He is now recognized in Canada and in the United States as a specialist in sheep husbandry and has won for his work the attention of some of the most eminent experts in breeding and experimentation.

Mr. Arkell is to join the staff of the live stock branch before the middle of the current month and will proceed immediately to the provinces of Saskatchewan and Alberta to advise with the wool growers regarding the handling of their present season's clip and to make preliminary arrangements for the undertaking of an extensive experimental shipment of Canadian wool to Great Britain in 1913. A systematic collection of wool samples will also be commenced immediately to provide for illustration exhibits of wool, requests for which have already been received from several of our agricultural colleges and winter fair boards. A comprehensie effort to systematize and improve the methods employed in connection with the production and sale of wool will, undoubtedly, greatly assist in encouraging sheep farmers throughout the Dominion and in stimulating a wider interest in the business. This work, therefore, will receive Mr. Arkell's first attention and will constitute the primary step in an active and energetic propaganda which it is hoped may promote the organization of a prosperous and progressive industry.

RICHMOND'S APPROVAL.

Believes That New Westminster Harbor Scheme Means Much to That Section.

STEVESTON, B.C., June 22.—New Westminster's great harbor improvement plan as published in Friday's issue of The British Columbia has created much interest in this district. In an interview today Mr. Wm. Bridge reeve of Richmond, declared himself heartily in support of the whole scheme. He stated that he had always contended that the interests of New Westminster and Richmond were identical and that any developments that may take place at the Royal City are bound to prove advantageous also to Richmond municipality, both as regards the south and north arms of the Fraser. He was especially pleased to know that the construction of the work in connection with the jetty scheme at Point Garry at the mouth of the Fraser is making rapid progress and that the work is also of a substantial nature. In his opinion as in that of the oldest residents of Richmond, its completion will be the means of protecting the district from the effects of the storms that arise from time to time from he Gulf, and as well, be a permanent benefit to the main channel of the Fraser.

In connection with the jetty scheme Mr. Bridge was convinced that it would prove of incalculable benefit to the north of the Fraser, and in fact to all points from Steveston to New Westminster. It would also, he thought, be of great benefit to the municipalities above New Westminster, especially during the freshets.

Reeve Bridge also referred to the substantial progress being made in building and improving the roads of Richmond municipality, which are now in splendid condition for automobiles. Special thanks, he said, were due to Reeve Weart and the Burnaby council for loaning the oil carts and apparatus used in improving the roads of Richmond municipality.

Referring to the waterworks, Reeve Bridge stated that Richmond had now 80 miles of water piping and that the supply was being rapidly extended. At the present time there were over 700 services, which included tre canneries and other industries which have several connections supplied by meter, but which only count as one connection in the above figures.

GUN EXPLODES.

TOULON, France, June 27.—In practice yesterday aboard the French armored cruiser Jules Michelet, off Hyeres Island, a premature explosion of a 16-centimeter gun occurred. Three officers and twenty seamen were injured. One of the latter died and four others are in a critical condition. The charge was exploded as it was being pushed into the gun.

TRIBUTE OF ROSES TO QUEEN MOTHER

LONDON, June 26.—Alexandra Day in honor of the fiftieth anniversary of the landing of the widowed Queen in England, is being celebrated today. There is a display of wild roses in the streets of London the like of which has certainly never been seen here before. It is calculated that ten million blossoms were put on sale.

SON RESIDES IN VANCOUVER.

TORONTO, June 26.—Jas. Thompson, aged 85, died at Jackson's Point, where he lived for 30 years. He came from Scotland 65 years ago, living in York County ever since. He leaves three sons, one being James Thompson, of Vancouver.

AT THE HOTELS.

Delta Hotel.

R. D. Stowell, Vancouver.
G. T. Williams, Vancouver.
F. B. Jones, Vancouver.
E. Rouse, Vancouver.
H. M. Fraser, Crescent Island.
Chas. E. Bell, Port Moody.
P. Bellow, Port Moody.
T. A. Morris, Vancouver.
W. E. Marshall, Vancouver.
H. B. Kiln, Ottawa.
C. E. Gholson, Walla Walla.
Robt. Clark and wife, Delta.
Miss Bennis, Vancouver.
E. Johnson, Vernon.
G. B. Anderson and wife, Vancouver.
Wm. A. Dusty, Vancouver.
C. Parsons, Vancouver.
A. Dobson, Vancouver.
E. S. Knowlton, Vancouver.
James Erskine, Eburne.
G. W. King, Vancouver.
Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Armishaw, Vancouver.
W. A. Gibson and wife, Vancouver.
Miss M. S. Rose, Vancouver.
Mr. and Mrs. Shirley, Vancouver.
R. A. Thompson, New Westminster.
M. Fitzpatrick, New Westminster.
P. T. Hartney, Vancouver.
R. W. Doherty, Vancouver.
Joseph Traves, New Westminster.
J. A. Moran, Vancouver.
R. A. Johnston, Vancouver.
C. Barnett, Vancouver.
Leon Fulk, Vancouver.
J. P. Sigmore, Vancouver.
A. Neal, Vancouver.
H. Mayell, Vancouver.
Miss L. Olson, Port Roberts.
Miss R. Mooney, Port Mooney.
John Tiller, Port Roberts.
W. H. Teller, Port Roberts.
B. Williams, Port Roberts.
H. Williams, Port Roberts.
L. Williams, Port Roberts.
J. F. Brennan and wife, Chilliwack.
F. Palmeter and wife, Annacis Island.
W. S. Phipps, Cloverdale.
George J. A. Segard, Vancouver.
E. Cairns, New Westminster.
Jonathan Bone, New Westminster.

Ladner Hotel.

S. Henderson, Vancouver.
F. Blakeley, Australia.
J. H. Anderson, Vancouver.
J. Cohen, Vancouver.
W. M. Tupper and wife, Vancouver.
George Gray, Chilliwack.
Miss Brennan, Chilliwack.
Mrs. Freeman, Annacis Island.
Miss B. Clark, Langley.
John R. Vant, Langley.
J. S. Stewart, Vancouver.
G. Edwards, Vancouver.

JUST BEFORE THE SENSATIONAL OUTBREAK FOR HADLEY.

This picture of a slice of the great crowd at the Republican Convention in Chicago, was taken as Governor Hadley, of Missouri, was speaking on behalf of the Rooseveltians, for the seating of the Roosevelt delegates. Hadley is an eloquent, tactful speaker, he simply thrilled the crowd, even his opponents, giving him a fair hearing. Suddenly one of the delegates, seized with a sudden inspiration, yelled "Three cheers for Hadley, the next President of the United States." The crowd went wild. Photographers had to make sudden exits to avoid the smashing of their cameras and plates.

VALUABLE INFORMATION.

Publications of the Dominion Department of Agriculture Will Be Sent Out By Special Branch.

For a number of years, there has been a constant flow of valuable information on agriculture, in its several lines, going out from the Department of Agriculture at Ottawa. In the forms of annual reports, special reports, bulletins and circulars, hundreds of publications have been issued, considerably exceeding a million copies a year, and the stream is constantly enlarging. Until recently each of the several main branches of the department sent out their own publications. An advance step has lately been taken in the organization of the Publications Branch which is charged with the sending out from one office of all the publications as issued. As a guide to the agricultural public as to what publications may be procured, a full list indicating the subjects treated, has been issued in pamphlet form to be sent out to those who apply for it.

Gems In Verse

OLD FAVORITES.

KEARNY AT SEVEN PINES.

[May 31, 1862.]

So that soldierly legend is still on its journey.
That story of Kearny who knew not to yield!
'Twas the day when, with Jameson, fierce Berry and Birney,
Against twenty thousand he rallied the field.
Where the red volleys poured, where the clamor rose highest,
Where the dead lay in clumps through the dwarf oak and pine,
Where the aim from the thicket was surest and highest,
No charge like Phil Kearny's along the whole line.

When the battle went ill and the bravest were solemn
Near the dark Seven Pines, where we still held our ground,
He rode down the length of the withering column,
And his heart at our war cry leapt up with a bound.
He sniffed, like his charger, the wind of the powder,
His sword waved us on, and we answered his sign.
Loud our cheers as we rushed, but his laugh rang the louder,
"There's the devil's own fun, boys, along the whole line!"

How he strode his brown steed! How he saw his blade brighten
In the one hand still left, and the reins in his teeth!
He laughed like a boy when the holidays heighten,
But a soldier's glance shot from his vizor beneath.
Up came the reserves to the medley infernal,
Asking where to go in—through the clearing or pine.
"Oh, anywhere! Forward! 'Tis all the same, colonel.
You'll find lovely fighting along the whole line."

O Evil, the black shroud of night at Chantilly,
That hid him from sight of his brave men and tried!
Foul, foul sped the bullet that clipped the white lily,
The flower of our knighthood, the whole army's pride!
Yet we dream that he still in that shadowy region
Where the dead form their ranks at the war drummer's sign
Rides on as of old down the length of his legion,
And the word still is "Forward!" along the whole line.

—Edmund Clarence Stedman.

OLD FAVORITES.

THE MEETING OF THE WATERS.

There is not in the wide world a valley so sweet
As that vale in whose bosom the bright waters meet.
Oh, the last ray of feeling and life must depart
Ere the bloom of that valley shall fade from my heart!

Yet it was not that Nature had shed o'er the scene
Her purest of crystal and brightest of green;
'Twas not the soft magic of streamlet or hill—
Oh, no! It was something more exquisite still.

'Twas that friends the beloved of my bosom were near,
Who made every dear scene of enchantment more dear
And who felt how the best charms of nature improve
When we see them reflected from looks that we love.

Sweet vale of Avoca, how calm could I rest
In thy bosom of shade with the friends I love best,
Where the storms that we feel in this cold world should cease
And our hearts, like thy waters, be mingled in peace!

—Thomas Moore.

SPRING BIRD SONG.

I hear from many a little throat
A warble interrupted long;
I hear the robin's flutelike note,
The bluebird's slenderer song.

—William Cullen Bryant.

WARREN'S ADDRESS.

[At Bunker Hill June 17, 1775.]

Stand! The ground's your own, my braves!
Will ye give it up to slaves?
Will ye look for greener graves?
Hope ye mercy still?
What's the mercy despots feel?
Hear it in that battle peal!
Read it on yon bristling steel!
Ask it, ye who will!

Fear ye foes who kill for hire?
Will ye to your homes retire?
Look behind you—they're afire!
And before you see
Who have done it! From the vale
On they come! And will ye quail?
Leaden rain and iron hail
Let their welcome be!

In the God of battles trust!
Die we may, and die we must;
But, oh, where can dust to dust
Be consigned so well
As where heaven its dews shall shed
On the martyred patriot's bed,
And the rocks shall raise their head
Of his deeds to tell?

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...LOCAL ITEMS...

Mrs. Alma Keeler is the guest of Rev. C. R. and Mrs. Blunden.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Lanning have gone into their summer camp.

Rev. C. C. Hyle will be the preacher at New Westminster Cathedral on Sunday next.

The services on Sunday at All Saints, Ladner, will be conducted by Dr. A. deR. Taylor.

The Peoples' Trust close their local branch today and Mr. Hare will go to the New Westminster branch.

Mr. George Kilpin, formerly of The Peoples' Trust local branch, and now in the New Westminster office was a visitor to Ladner on Coronation Day.

Dr. A. deR. Taylor and Mrs. Taylor visited New Westminster at the beginning of the week. Dr. Taylor was on School Board business.

Mrs. Asahel Smith is recovering from her recent severe illness. She will accompany ehr sister Mrs. Howes, who has been attending on her here, to New Westminster this week.

Many people thought that "Acrobat" looked like winning his race when he fell. The upset must have shaken him up badly for he did not give his true showing in the remaining heats.

Rev. C. R. Blunden was unfortunately prevented from preaching last Sunday and from attending the B.C. Baptist Convention this week, through a fall from which he received a esverely sprained ankle on Saturday last. He is doing well, and hopes to be in the pulpit on Sunday.

The journey from Ladner to New Westminster is a particularly tedious one and when it is considered that the total distance is about twelve miles it seems absurd that by leaving Ladner at 6:30 in the evening it is possible to reach New Westminster at 10 o'clock. The boat trip takes about half an hour and the remainder of the time is spent waiting for the B. C. E. Railway. Many complaints are heard but nothing seems to be done to remedy the existing state of affairs.

It was fortunate the rain kept off as long as it did on Coronation Day.

The schools closed up for vacation yesterday.

The Court of Revision, which sat last Saturday, adjourned without disposing of any of the appeals.

Mr. H. A. Macdonald has purchased a nice automobile and is rapidly becoming a most proficient driver.

The second story of the McLean Lumber Company's new mill is being pushed along at a rapid rate.

Both the Delta Hotel and the Ladner Hotel were packed to capacity on Wednesday night with visitors from Vancouver and New Westminster.

Mr. Hollinshead received an ovation every time he passed the grand stand at the races and many regrets were heard that his horses did not finish further up the list.

The locally trained horses were at a disadvantage compared with those which have been in training in California all winter, nevertheless, they made quite a creditable showing.

There was an almost complete absence of rowdyism at the races and afterwards on Coronation Day. Two slight "scraps" was all that was noticed and in both cases the parties to blame got what was coming to them.

The property owners of New Westminster on Wednesday by a vote of 789 to 108 endorsed the Harbor Improvement Scheme, which calls for an initial expenditure of half a million dollars. to improve the waterfront of the present business section of the city. The complete plan provides for extensive docks and industiral sites in the Lulu Island section of the city and extending into Richmond municipality, with a bridge over the Fraser from Delta at Annacis Island. All the other six money bylaws carried by large majorities. Detla residents will be especially pleased that the hospital bylaw was so handsomely endorsed. The Royal City will soon have a most modern institution, one which will be of benefit to the whole of the Fraser Valley, Delta included.

SUFFRAGETTES AGAIN.

LONDON, June 26—Three suffragettes nearly succeeded in invading the House of Commons last night. They obtained admission to St. Stephen's Hall, where they smashed the glass panels of the door leading to the central hall, when they were seized by police and taken to the station house.

MINISTER LEAVES FOR WEST

OTTAWA, June 27—Hon. Frank Cochrane, Minister of Railways, left last night for Sudbury. From that point he will probably proceed west. Mr. Cochrane expects to be away from the capital for the greater part of the next two months.

REVIVAL OF THE PICTURESQUE BLACK GOWN.

Truly this is a silk season and in many instances black predominates. In the above costume it is shown that the style of the day when so many wore silk for dress occasoins is returning to favor, and this quaint looped affair is a model from one worn by our grandmothers. The top scarf is an attractive feature, as are the fichu collars and turned cuffs of embroidered goods. Large white pearl buttons effect a closing. The same quaint style is shown in the pannier skirt, which, in this instance, is quite in keeping with other parts of the costume.

HER BODY IS FOUND.

Remains of Mrs. Alexander Player, of Sapperton, Discovered in Bush of Burnaby.

The body of Mrs. Alexander Player, who disappeared from her home, 225 Spruce street, Sapperton, on the night of June 4, was found this morning by two men in the woods near the Cumberland road, Burnaby Lake. Mr. Player went out with the police and identified the body, which will be brought to this city as soon as viewed this afternoon by Coroner McQuarrie.

George Smith and Patrick Babbin, working on the Stave Lake Power line had just fallen a tree and were limbing it when one of them stumbled over the gruesome find. The body was badly decomposed, and the hat worn when she disappeared was gone. It is the theory of the police that the

THE LATE MRS. PLAYER.

unfortunate woman had become lost, and finally tired out and hungry could go no further. She had been brooding about financial and legal matters. The New Westminster police were first notified, and they telephoned the Burnaby police, at the same time sending a man from here with Mr. Player.

At the time of Mrs. Player's disappearance several weeks ago, the police and neighbors scoured the country around and north of Sapperton without success, and after a week of futile searching the chase was given up. It was feared then that she might have been drowned. Mr. Player is grief stricken. Their daughter, Mrs. J. C. Creighton, is in such poor health that she has been told nothing of the body being found, a sit is feared the shock would be too much for her.

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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,
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WASHINGTON STATE

SEATTLE, June 27.—In the room where Judge Cornelius H. Hanford of the Western district of Washington, presided for years as circuit judge, he was this morning himself placed on trial by the congressional investigation into the impeachment charges preferred against him.

Leonard Olsson, whom Judge Hanford disfranchised because he admitted leanings toward Socialism, was the first witness called by the special investigating committee, consisting of Representative Graham, of Illinois, chairman, and Representatives E. W. Higgins, of Connecticut and W. I. McCoy, of New Jersey.

The committee arrived Tuesday night and at once prepared for its work. A number of witnesses were subpoenaed yesterday. Judge Hanford has summoned to his defense an array of the best legal talent in the city.

The inquiry is conducted in public sessions and will probably last for two weeks. The charges against Judge Hanford attack both his personal character and his judicial record.

Bonds Held Valid.

OLYMPIA, June 27.—"There being no legal objection to the submitting of the submitting of the question to the people, so definitely outlined in the ordinance and purport, whereby it was called to their attention, their judgment, whether wise or unwise, good or bad, must be upheld," says the supreme court in a decision handed down today affirming the King county superior court Judge R. B. Albertson presiding, in a suit brought by James Lulloch [illegible] appellants, against the city of [illegible] restrain the issuing of $800,000 w[illegible]n of bonds voted to finance a municipality owned and operated street railway.

Chatauqua Buys Site.

BELLINGHAM, June 27—The Washington Assembly Chautauqua Association has opened negotiations with the Whatcom County Railway & Light Company for the purchase of no less than 271 fifty-foot lots and has secured an option upon the fifty-four lots belonging to the Carline estate, all adjoining the White City, at Silver Beach. The amount involved in this deal has not been made public, but it is said that the total involved is considerably over $10,000. The negotiations with the Whatcom County Railway & Light Company have been under way for some time past, and it is only a day or two since a concrete proposition was drawn up by the officers of the Chautauqua association and which has now been forwarded to the Stone & Webster headquarters at Boston, Mass., for final consideration.

Decision Saves Money.

SEATTLE, June 27—King county was saved a matter of $1,000,000 in the settlement of claims by shore land property owners or damages by reason of the lowering of Lake Washington or the canal, through the decision of Judge King Dykeman yesterday that the title to shore lands follow the water line with the lowering of the lake. The recession of the waters by reason of a nine-foot dre in the elevation will expose several hundred acres of land valued at from $1,500,000 to $2,000,000.

Nullifies Primary Law.

BELLINGHAM, June 27—That the recent split in the ranks of the Republican party will have the effect of a nullification at least to a certain extent of the direct primary law in this state now appears to be practically a certainty. As far as aspirations to gubernatorial honors are concerned the indication sare that most of the candidates now in the field will form his own party in something after the manner of the recent municipal election in Bellingham, hold a convention on the date of the September primary and thus obtain a place on the final ballot in November. In fact an announcement to this effect has already been made by Otto A. Case, of Seattle.

Rats Are Flealess.

SEATTLE, June 27—The rat colony of Seattle—reduced to a minimum by the department of health and sanitation, under the direction of Dr. James E. Crichton—is enjoying the luxury of a thorough "combing" to procure specimens of various breeds of fleas. More than 420 rats were combed during the past thirty days, but not a single flea of the "low jumping" species, which carries the bubonic plague germ, was found.

Confetti is Barred.

BELLINGHAM, June 27—The city council has passed an ordinance prohibiting the use of conetti, paper spirals and feather duster ticklers during the Mount Baker marathon events, July 23, 24, 25. The council also set aside a portion of the Elk street paving, upon which various automobiles entered in the Mount Baker race may take liberties with the speed ordinance in tuning up for the contest.

Cheerful Prospect.

BREMERTON, June 27—No appropriation having been made for the navy for the fiscal year beginning next month, the navy department today issued orders which will mean a practical suspension of work at this yard until funds for maintenance are provided by congress. The instructions of the department are that after July 1 employees cannot continue working, excepting in case of emergency threatening los so life or destruction of property and in such cases they must agree to work voluntarily without guarantee of pay.

HAS NOT RESIGNED.

TORONTO, June 26—Hon. W. J. Hanna, provincial secretary of Ontario, when asked last night about reports from Ottawa that he had resigned his portfolio preparatory to accepting the chairmanship of the Dominion railway board, refused to discuss the matter further than to state he had not resigned.

Farm and Garden

FARM FAIRS USEFUL.

They Not Only Educate, but They Make Money For the Holders.

That the farm fair is well worth while has been demonstrated in dollars and cents by the department of agriculture. Its report shows that there are in the United States 1,203 county fair associations, with a paid up membership of 95,321, and that the total receipts in 1910 of the various exhibitions were $2,525,750.

The agricultural college and the farmers' institute have been benefited very greatly. The fair gives these institutes and their workers an opportunity to meet farmers personally. It gives an opportunity to secure co-operation in demonstration work, makes it possible to get in touch with farmers and conduct agricultural schools and short courses, not only while the exposition is on, but also in different parts of the country later. It makes it possible to collect in one place the results of field demonstrations all over the state and enables college and station men to secure

HAPPY CROWD AT FARM FAIR.

names and addresses of representative farmers with whom to correspond in disseminating agricultural information.

At certain periods each day demonstrations are given at different parts of the grounds. These demonstrations include packing of fruit, manipulation of the Babcock test, spraying operations, including the mixing of sprays, as well as their application; killing, dressing and packing of poultry for market; sanitary handling of milk; transplanting, budding and pruning of trees; seed selection, cheese and butter making, testing agricultural machinery, cooking, plowing matches, etc.

In exhibiting animals hay and bedding should be provided free if possible, and grain should be sold at a very moderate rate to exhibitors. This matter of feed at fairs has caused a lot of trouble. Grafting very frequently creeps in, leading to intense dissatisfaction and often to unpleasant experiences.

The judging must be done, so far as possible, by wholly disinterested experts. The judge ought to be ready to explain any finding if he is asked to do so. There are plenty of expert judges available in all lines now, as there is no reason why the best of judges should not be secured.

The matter of concessions and amusements has caused more controversy and discussion than any other thing in connection with the state or county fair. Trials of speed, acrobatic and sleight of hand performances, exhibitions of trained animals, moving pictures, military drills, games of ball, foot races and other similar entertainments, are all unobjectionable when properly controlled and provide entertainment for those who come to spend an idle hour.

But they should be very carefully supervised and not be permitted to interfere with the main exhibits and more educational features of the fair. All entertainments should be restricted to certain hours, when it would be possible for all who desire to witness and enjoy them.

It is suggested that all county fairs shall be supervised by the secretary of the state board of agriculture or some one from the department of agriculture. A general meeting of representatives of all the fair associations should be held each year for conference and discussion of important topics.

Value of White Oak.

White oak is now so scarce that the so called white oak timber of our markets is often a mixture of various species, including red oak. It is almost impossible to get an unmixed consignment of white oak.

A MODERN HELEN

By EDWARD EMERSON

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On the frontier of Holland many years ago was a little fort, about which clustered a number of farms. It was used by the Dutchmen to keep the French who lived across the border from coming over to possess themselves of the produce, consisting of butter, eggs, vegetables and especially the cheese, for which the Netherlands have always been famous. There was no regular military garrison, the fort being manned in case of necessity by the Dutch farmers. Those were more troublous times than these, and there was more fighting in a small way; therefore more lawlessness was to be expected near the border, where frequent incursions were made.

The cause of this particular stronghold becoming noted was not one of butter and eggs and cheese. At least these were not the bone of contention. A Dutch maiden had been surreptitiously wooed and won by a young Frenchman, and he had carried her within the lines of France, had married her and established her as the female head of his farm.

The Dutchmen regarded this as by far the greatest robbery their neighbors could inflict upon them. They would much rather have lost a hundred of their best cheeses than this fair daughter with her blue eyes and flaxen braids. She had had many lovers among the young Dutchmen, and they, formerly rivals, now became united in a common cause. One night a dozen of these disappointed wooers made a raid across the border, took the young wife prisoner and carried her into their own country.

When the Frenchmen heard of the outrage they gathered in groups, talking and gesticulating till they worked themselves into a warlike condition. The Dutchmen, hearing what they were doing and inferring that they would likely attempt to repossess the woman, shut her up in the fort and prepared to hold her against all comers. It did not matter to them that she wished to return to her husband. She had not been applied for in a proper way, her parents had not been consulted, and even if all the forms usual on such occasions had been observed she would not have been given up to the hated French beyond the border.

In due time news came that a rescue party was being formed, and the Dutchmen began to make preparations to meet it. The fort was stocked with provisions, and arms and ammunition and a regular garrison were put in. The object of contention being in the fort, the French marched straight against it, and since they had no means of taking it by assault they formed a cordon about it for the purpose of besieging it by starvation.

Meanwhile the Dutch farmers who were not engaged in the quarrel continued to make cheeses and do their other accustomed work. They were shut off from the fort, and the fort was shut off from them. The garrison, having a goodly store of provisions for their maintenance, laughed at the Frenchmen who were besieging them. "Come on with your picks and your staffs and your scythes," they shouted in Dutch, "and take the fort if you can!" But the Frenchmen didn't understand a word that was said. They simply sat around and smoked and drank wine and played games, waiting for the besieged to eat up all their provender.

A long while passed, but the Dutchmen showed no sign of surrender. The Frenchmen knew that by this time, though they might still have food, it must be stale. But since they would not give up the fight their position must be taken by stratagem. After much chattering and gesticulating the Frenchmen at last hit upon a plan which they proposed to put into execution, but they preferred to wait a little longer till their enemies had acquired a special relish for fresh eatables through a prolonged course of privation.

One morning when the Dutchmen awoke and were preparing their breakfast of stale victuals they heard a clatter of tongues and, looking over the ramparts, saw a number of women coming with baskets on their arms. They were too far off for the Dutchmen to hear what they said or in what language they spoke. When they came near the fort its commander hailed them and asked them where they were going. One of the women replied that they were taking butter and eggs and vegetables to the market to sell. When they came directly beneath the fort they displayed their produce to the hungry Dutchmen, who said they would gladly take their whole supply, but they must act quickly, for if the French enemies saw them they would prevent the sale.

So the women were introduced into the fort, and the Dutchmen started to shut the gates, but the women pulled weapons from under their skirts and drove them back. As soon as the fight commenced the Frenchmen, who were hidden behind a barn near by, rushed out, effected an entrance into the fort and captured it.

Thus as a hollow horse filled with armed men was introduced into Troy so did a number of Frenchmen disguised as women enter the Dutchmen's fort. Helen was restored to her husband, and together they began to raise children and country produce, producing an abundant supply of both every year.

STEVESTON'S MANY INTERESTS

Strawberry Festival, Progress Club, Hay Crop, Poultry Industry and Some Real Estate Activity.

STEVESTON, B.C., June 22.—A strawberry festival was held on Friday evening in the Orange Hall under the auspices of the Orange Lodge and there was a large attendance.

In connection with St. Ann's Episcopal Church a well patronized concert was held at the Opera House. Songs were rendered by Miss Violet Sortwell, Miss Lena Wescott and Mr. Atkins, while Mrs. J. J. Wilson accompanied on the piano.

A general meeting of the Richmond Progressive Assoication will be held at Steveston on Monday evening, June 24. Among the matters to be discussed will be the appointment of a committee to co-operate with the council for the bettering of car service and rates of fare to Vancouver, New Westminster and other points. The question also of a new through trunk road connecting with Granville street, Eburne, will also be considered.

The Ladies' Guild of the Steveston Methodist Church will hold a garden party at the home of Mr. Fentenian on Wednesday, 26th inst., for which games and sports have been arranged.

A much needed refreshment room has now been added to Steveston station.

Fishermen are now drifting into Steveston and renewing their licenses.

The crops of the district are well advanced. The hay crop will be unusually heavy, greater than for over 25 years. Strawberries are also exceptionally plentiful and other fruit abundant.

Mr. Wilson, of the White Wings Farm, has been doing great business in chicken raising. This season he has shipped about 75,000 pure bred leghorn chicken to all parts, as far east as Regina, as well as to the States.

Mr. J. M. Steves' heifer "Ptejie Canary" has recently passed the highest tests of the Holstein's Association of any two-year-old heifer in Canada.

Mr. P. S. Falkner, broker and real estate agent, Steveston, reports business good and promising. In the vicinity of Woodward Slough there has been great activity. Prices here average from $1000 to $1500 per acre.

Dr. Hepworth is now building a two-storey block on Monckton and Second avenue for business purposes, costing about $12,000.

Mrs. Ida Steves, of No. 9 road has recently sold ten acres of her ranch for $10,000.

Mr. Goldie Harris, of the slough settlement is building a new residence on No. 4 road.

Mr. J. H. McMillan, of the same district, is erecting a large barn and a new residence on No. 4 road.

In connection with the regular July meeting of the Richmond Progressive Association to be held at the Orange Hall, No. 9 road, the committee desire it to be thoroughly understood that the work of the association is not confined to Steveston affairs, but is of general interest to residents of Richmond. Members for the extension of the executive are specially invited from every district. The permanent place of meeting will be discussed at this meeting.

RICHMOND TAX RATE.

Real Property Tax Will Be 11 1-2 Mills—Looking for Site for Municipal Hall.

CAMBIE, June 18.—The real property tax in the Municipality of Richmond for the year 1912 will be one mill higher than in 1911. The council, at their meeting yesterday, levied a rate of 11 1-2 mills. The additional mill is for a water rate to meet the sinking fund and interest on the new water supply. Two mills on the dollar will provide $9050 for schools; six mills are for general revenues, and two and a half mills for loans and special purposes.

A local improvement maintenance by-law was also given its third reading for the purpose of doing repairs to the dyking and draining works lying east of the No. 5 road. A rate equal to 30 cents per acre, bringing a total of $3000 will be levied.

Reeve Bridge and Councillor Shepherd were appointed a committee to press upon the provincial land department the giving of a deed to the municipal hall property. The deed from Mr. Brighouse, the original owner, has been lost, and though it was suggested at the meeting yesterday that it had probably been burned in the New Westminster fire, the Reeve discounted the suggestion, because he understood the deed had been sent on to Victoria.

In an unofficial way, it is learned that the claim was made on behalf of the Brighouse estate that when the land was obtained from Mr. Brighouse thirty years ago, a condition was made that the municipal hall must always be retained there. The minutes contain no mention of such a condition.

The committee will interview the council's legal adviser and instruct him not to allow the matter to stand in abeyance, as it is at the present time.

The intention of the council to purchase a site more conveniently situated was voiced by Councillor Gay, who proposed that a committee be appointed to arrange for a site near the B. C. E. R line at Cambie. He said that the present property could still be maintained as a site for an exhibition or for a playground. If five acres were bought it would be a good investment.

The reeve thought that, before definite action was taken along that line the committee appointed to get the deed to their existing site should see what the result of their efforts would be.

The Water Superintendent

Requests the public not to waste water during the testing that is going on along the pipe lines.

LOST—June 7th, light brown and white pointer, answering to the name of "Dot." Any information relating to the whereabouts will be thankfully received. E. F. Douglas.

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