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MARKETING CONDITIONS

Ranchers of Delta Moving to Improve Position of Consumer—Co-operation Proposals.

The subject of better marketing conditions for the ranchers of this locality was introduced at the annual meeting of the Conservatives of Delta riding in Cloverdale on Monday last and a resolution asking for equal duties on hay imported from the state of Washington drawn up. That the determination of the producers in this regard is no weak one is evidenced by the consistency with which they are presenting their arguments in the proper quarter. For some time past the wholesale produce merchants have been forcing the prices of farm produce down until now the ranchers have to sell at a very small profit while the consumer is paying just as much as ever he did.

To remedy this state of affairs is now the aim of quite a representative number of Delta's leading ranchers, and interesting developments may be expected. So far the different parties have not formed any association but the consolidation into one company is only a matter of time and it is held that for more good will be accomplished by such an organization.

The prohibitive tariff on the import of agricultural products into the United States in conjunction with the smaller tax on importation into British Columbian points has been a source of much adverse criticism for some time past and it was with a view to making the tariffs equal that the matter was mentioned at the Cloverdale convention.

Mr. E. Hutcherson, introducing the subject, referred to the injustice which was being endured by the producers in allowing their market to be open to foreign produce while the prohibitive tariff of the United States prevented their competing in the Washington market. The matter had been brought up before on numerous occasions, but it was only by keeping at such matters that any good could be accomplished.. He thought if the matter were taken up by kindred political associations more good could be effected than by leaving the matter entirely in the hands of their agricultural societies. The prosperity of the country depended largely on the healthy condition of the rancher, and if that individual were crowded to the wall the whole country must inevitably suffer. He was of the opinion that if a resolution asking for equal privileges of competition were drawn up and endorsed by the different bodies in all sections of the community, sufficient pressure could be brought to bear upon the government to obtain redress of this grievance.

Mr. Frank J. MacKenzie, M.P.P., in supporting the remarks of the previous speaker, explained that this matter had on previous occasions been brought under the notice of the Dominion government, but that was under the Laurier administration. He thought that with the two present governments working harmoniously together the looked for redress would be secured. The government had long recognized the unfairness of this tariff. He promised his assistance.

Other speakers supported the previous speakers and the secretary, Mr. E. T. Wade, was requested to send a resolution embodying Mr. Hutcherson's remarks to the Dominion and Provincial members and to kindred associations throughout the province.

Another matter bearing on the same question is the suggestion finding favor among the Delta ranchers, that with the completion of the ferry scheme a co-operative body on this side of the river institute an automobile passenger and freight service. This would enable the producer to deliver direct to the consumer doing away altogether with the profits of the middle men. The wholesale firms of Vancouver propose on their part buying direct from the land and sending their own trucks over to transport the produce hoping thus to be able to further reduce the initial cost. If this proposal of the Delta ranchers is to come into effect, it is urged that something should be done immediately, as the first on the ground would naturally get a big lead on any opposition.

It is to be hoped that this suggestion will take some tangible form as it is one that will greatly benefit the producers of the community.

WAS VALLEY PIONEER.

Mrs. James Lockie-Brown, Whose Death Occurred Last Week, Well Known in Surrey.

The death of Mrs. James Lockie-Brown, wife of James Lockie-Brown, J. P., Yale road, Surrey, occurred Thursday. Mrs. Brown, besides a husband leaves one son, George Lockie-Brown, of New Westminster, and two daughters.

The family has lived in the Surrey home for more than twenty years, coming here from England. Two or three years ago Mr. and Mrs. Lockie-Brown celebrated their golden wedding anniversary. They are among the best known families of the Fraser Valley. Mrs. Brown was a communicant of the Anglican church, Surrey Center.

A SOCIAL EVENT.

Dance on Eve of St. Patrick's Day in McNeely Hall was Greatly Enjoyed.

A very enjoyable dance was held in the McNeely Hall on Monday, March 17th, the eve of St. Patrick's Day. English, Scotch and Canadian joined with the representatives of the Emerald Isle to celebrate in honor of the patron saint of Ireland, and made merry until the small hours of the morning. It might have been expected though when such honor was being tendered to St. Patrick that he would have seen to it that the weather for the occasion had been more fitting. An incessant downpour throughout the day flooded the roads and made travelling unpleasant, keeping many from attending who would have otherwise been present.

Shamrock and other green favors were very much in evidence, and those present did not fail to enjoy themselves, remembering that this would probably be the last dance of the season. Music was supplied by the Howard Brothers' orchestra and as each lady present brought a cake a very enjoyable supper was served. At three o'clock the musicians called a halt and could not be induced to continue, greatly to the disappointment of those present. However, a collection was taken up and music was supplied until all agreed that the time for dispersal had arrived.

CONSERVATIVE CONVENTION.

Annual Election of Officers—Resolutions Approving of Government Policy.

The annual convention of the Conservatives of Delta riding was held in the Surrey Municipal hall, Cloverdale, on Monday, 17th inst., Mr. Frank J. MacKenzie, M.P.P., presiding. Officers were elected for the ensuing year and Mr. MacKenzie then reviewed the work of the legislature during the past session giving special attention to any act which affected the welfare of the constituency. In the absence of the secretary, Mr. W. H. Smith, minutes of the last meeting were not available and Mr. E. T. Wade was elected to take the secretary's chair pro tem.

The voting for officers resulted as follows:

Honorary Presidents, Rt. Hon. R. L. Borden, Sir Richard McBride, J. D. Taylor, M.P., and F. J. MacKenzie, M.P.P.; President, D. Harris, of Langley Prairie; Vice-President, Frank Kirkland, of Westham Island; Secretary-Treasurer, E. T. Wade, of Surrey. It was resolved that three members from each municipality should constitute the executive committee and the following gentlemen were elected to that office: Delta, E. Hutcherson, R. Kittson and Geo. Dennis; Surrey, S. H. Shannon, L. Davis and J. Johnston; Langley, Alex Vannetta, S. Towle and G. Blair.

The gathering endorsed the stand being taken by Premier Borden and his colleagues on the naval question and a resolution to that effect was passed to be forwarded to the Premier, through the member for the riding, Mr. J. D. Taylor, M.P.

Mr. H. J. Hutcherson, of Vancouver, an old-time Conservative of the district, was appointed to represent the central executive at the provincial conference to be held in Nanaimo next fall.

Mr. MacKenzie's address will appear in the next issue.

C. N. R. AND VANCOUVER.

Citizens Endorse False Creek Agreement by Vote of 5032 to 3647.

VANCOUVER, March 17.—The C. N. R. bylaw was Saturday ratified by the citizens by a vote of 5032 to 1385, a majority of 3647. It received a majority in every ward of the city.

The three-fifths majority was necessary. The result of the voting was that the measure was passed by a percentage of 78.4 of the total votes cast, as against the sixty per cent. required. This means that the total vote in favor was about three and a half times as great as the votes recorded against the agreement.

The details of the votes cast are as follows:

	For	Agst.	Maj.
Ward I	504	323	181
Ward II	223	100	123
Ward III	289	58	231
Ward IV	1214	168	1046
Ward V	1220	148	1072
Ward VI	793	438	355
Ward VII	427	111	316
Ward VIII	362	39	323
Total	5032	1385	3647

In accordance with expectations, the votes cast were many, in fact a record for any bylaw which has been submitted to the people of the city

The votes recorded in reference to the Great Northern Railway agreement in 1910 were 3374, made up of 2717 for and 657 against. The votes on Saturday doubled this number.

DEATH OF ARCHDEACON.

General regret has been expressed throughout the Delta at the death of Dr. E. S. Pentreath, Archdeacon of Columbia, which took place at Paso Robles, California, on Wednesday last. The deceased clergyman had worked in B.C. for over fifteen years and was well known throughout the province. He had visited Ladner frequently and preached in All Saints' church as recently as November last. Intimation as to date of funeral will probably be given in Vancouver papers.

LACROSSE FOR THE SEASON

Lower Fraser Valley League May Not Be Re-organized This Year —Would Be Supported.

From present indications there is little likelihood of there being any lacrosse competition in the Lower Fraser Valley League this summer. To date the only club to organize for the coming season has been the Shamrocks of East Delta, and from information gathered, there is little probability of either the Ladner or Westham Island aggregations coming together again. This is a very regrettable state of affairs, as the healthy rivalry engendered between the different sections of the community over matters of an athletic nature has done much good in bringing together individuals separated by long distances and has taught them to respect the better qualities of their opponents.

Ladner has been unfortunate in losing so many of the players who put up such a splendid fight for the MacKenzie Cup last year. R. Wilson, Frank Smith, V. Guichon and C. McLeod were all players of high calibre, and their absence from the Beavers lineup would greatly lessen the chances of Ladner repeating last year's performance. Yet there are a lot of promising youngsters around Ladner who only require a little experience to develop a pennant-winning combination. The main trouble in re-organizing this club seems to be the inability to locate a capable manager, as Mr. J. Williamson, who so successfully looked after the affairs of the club last season, is prevented by business duties from performing in a like capacity this year. It would be in the best interests of the sport if someone would come forward and take this matter up, as undoubtedly a strong enough team could be gotten together to make things interesting for the opposition.

Just why the Westham Island club do not intend re-organizing is not quite clear, as they still have possession of the MacKenzie cup, and if Ladner does not compete would have the sole privilege of defending the silverware. The members of their team have just completed a strenuous football campaign, and doubtless are weary of athletic contests for the time being, but it is to be sincerely hoped that they will not surrender the cup without at least putting up the struggle of which their combination is capable. Lacrosse was accorded splendid support last summer, and this paper is only voicing public sentiment when it asks that something be done to rouse enthusiasm amongst the players and officials of the defaulting clubs.

CO-OPERATION.

To the Editor:—I believe a few words on this important question at the present time will be opportune, for I see no chance of the farmers and fruit growers of this province obtaining a fair share of the results of their labor without the closest and most far-reaching co-operation. The problems crying most loudly for solution at the present moment are mainly connected with the marketing and distributing of the produce of our farms.

I know something of the struggle and disabilities under which the primary producer labors. In my mind it has always ranked as one of the most unmitigated injustices humanity tolerates that the man that feeds the community so far has had but little to say in fixing the price they shall receive for their labors.

The crying need for the man on the land is organization. Let the farmer recognize the community of industry, which naturally brings them together. Let them be fully seized of the fact that genuine reforms do not come from those who have profits to lose by their consummation. The farmers must work out their own industrial salvation. The farmer must begin to reform his industry as all other adherents to any fixed reforms have done, by sinking certain immediate personal advantages to enable the good of the whole body of growers to be realized. In other words the advantages and disadvantages must be pooled to enable the former to be magnified and the latter to be more readily overcome. No system of co-operation has been achieved without some struggle and sacrifice and one cannot hope that the case of the farmer will prove an exception.

I repudiate any ideas of setting one section of the industrial community against another section; that has been brought already into existence by the stress of the trade. Bodies that are ever on the alert to take advatage of the disunion of the farmers to absorb the lion's share of the value of what the farmer raises. To secure fair play the competitors must stand on equal terms.

Personally, in matters of purely local trade, I believe it is only by organization that a better system of distribution can be achieved.

E. HUTCHERSON.

Ladner, March 19th, 1913.

PREPARING FOR FALL FAIR

Directors of Agricultural Society Take Up Matters Concerning Ground and Next Show.

A meeting of the directors of the Delta Agricultural Society has been called for Saturday, 22nd inst., at 2 p.m. The main item of business to be discussed is what use to put the grounds during the coming summer.

A communication from the B. C. Dairymen's Association, allotting prizes for the Delta Fair in the milk department, also came up for discussion.

In past years it has been the practice to receive tenders for the use of the grounds for pasture during the growing period, and when the grounds are not required for purposes connected with the annual fair. Quite a considerable revenue is thus derived from what would have otherwise been allowed to go to waste. A large portion of the grounds this year will no doubt be required for pasture by the training establishments, which lease the society's horse stabling accommodation. The balance will most likely be rented for hay to the best tender.

Messrs. E. Hutcherson and R. A. Coleman, with the secretary, Mr. A. de R. Taylor, on Saturday last visited the grounds to select a suitable site for the two new buildings which are to be constructed this summer. In past years the exhibits in the cattle, hog and sheep departments have had to be shown in corrals in the open, which has on previous occasions caused some dissatisfaction from exhibitors. The society now proposes erecting suitable buildings for these exhibits and the contract has been let to Mr. J. B. Elliott.

The hawthorne hedges bordering the grounds have been neatly trimmed, greatly improving their appearance.

A communication has been received from the secretary of the B. C. Dairymen's Association, allotting prizes for the best gallon of milk exhibited at the autumn fair. The exhibits are to be shown in either one half gallon and two quart or in four quart bottles, and must be on hand before the opening day of the fair.

The prizes awarded to Delta are: First, spring dial scales and sanitary milk pail; second, spring dial scales; third, sanitary milk pail.

The winners will be required to become members of the B.C. Dairymen's Association before receiving prizes.

In order to make this department as instructive as possible, the milk will be stored in a cool place till judging occurs. After the prizes have been awarded the different exhibits with score cards attached will be exposed to public view in as cool a place as can be secured, in order that the appearance and keeping qualities of the different samples may be carefully noted.

DEATH OF JOHN LIVINGSTONE.

The death of Mr. John Livingstone, a well-known and respected settler of Langley Prairie for the past twenty-five years, took place at the residence of his mother, at Murrayville, on Sunday, March 16, in his fiftieth year.

The late Mr. Livingstone was the son of James Livingstone, of Mitchell, of Ontario, who became a resident of Langley Prairie, dying there some eight years ago. John came to Vancouver in 1887 and took up a homestead in Langley the same year.

Besides his mother he is survived by five brothers: Robert, of Langley; William, of Vancouver; Frank, of Langley; James, of Vancouver, and George, of Seattle; and by four sisters, Mrs. C. C. Ralstone, of Vancouver; Mrs. Thos. Henderson, of Calgary, Mrs. Alex. Smith, of White Rock, and Miss Mamie, of Calgary. He was unmarried.

The late Mr. Livingstone was a thoroughly public spirited citizen and did much to promote the advancement of the municipality, taking a keen interest in all its affairs, both commercial and municipal. He was a Conservative in politics and of the Church of England faith in religion. He was of a genial disposition, had a wide circle of friends being universally respected for his sterling worth and strength of character.

LIES IN STATE.

SALONIKA, March 19.—Late this afternoon the body of King George was embalmed and taken to the Palace here. Prince Nicholas and former aides of the dead monarch carried the stretcher on which the corpse lay. The body will lie in state in the main chamber of the Palace, surrounded by a guard of honor, including Greek priests, until it is put on board a warship to be taken to Athens. Schinas, the assassin, was examined this evening. The authorities now think he is not a Greek, but declare that he is feeble minded.

Those who had the pleasure of hearing Mrs. F. G. West (known as Sister Ethel) on her former visits to Ladner, will be glad to know she is engaged to conduct special services in the Baptist church during Easter week, commencing on Monday, 24th inst. Notice of services will be given next week.

NEW WESTMINSTER MARKET.

Demand Good and Prices Firm in Fish, Meat and Vegetable Sections.

A fairly brisk Easter market characterized by a good supply of eggs, poultry and Easter lilies was realized at the regular weekly market Thursday. The market was held today because tomorrow is a Dominion holiday. For the first time this season fresh sturgeon was placed on the market, the supply which was obtainable finding a ready sale at 15 cents a pound. Meat and vegetables remained about the same as last week, the market for these commodities being very steady.

The demand throughout was very good considering that it was a holiday market. The egg and poultry market was mediocre and it is expected that eggs have now reached the rock-bottom price, from henceforth a tendency to strengthen being predicted. The hens are laying well but the demand is ever increasing and the supply will shortly not be equal to the demand.

Two live turkeys were offered for sale at 35 cents a pound, while poultry was the same as last week, pullets selling for from $12 to $15 per dozen. The supply of ducks still remains small and the high prices which are being paid for them do not show any signs of weakening. At present ducks are selling for from $14 to $18 per dozen.

Potatoes and vegetables did not find a much brisker demand than last week, and although the supply has somewhat increased the prices remained the same, potatoes selling for from $8 to $12 per ton. The supply of fresh fish is ever increasing and the demand is likewise on the increase. Salmon, oolichans and halibut were the fresh fish offered this morning, all selling at the prices which obtained last week. Fresh sturgeon sold for 15c a pound.

The supply of cut flowers, especially daffodils and hyacinths, was very good this morning and the purchasers were eager to procure the choice Easter lily blooms which were offered. The prices in this department also remained steady.

The Prices.

The following prices were quoted:

Pullets, per doz.	$12 to $15
Young birds, per doz.	$6 to $8
Chickens, per doz.	$12 to $13
Broilers, per doz.	$4 to $6
Poultry, live weight	20c to 23c
Ducks, per dozen	$14 to $18
Ducks, per pound	20c to 22c
Poultry, dressed, per lb.	30c
Vegetables.	
Potatoes, ton	$8 to $12
Beets, per sack	$1.00
Carrots, per sack	75c
Cabbage, wholesale, lb.	1 1-2c to 2c
Cabbage, per head	10c. to 15c.
Onions, per sack	$1.25
Turnips, per sack	75c
Parsnips	$1.00
Small Fruits.	
Apples, per box	$1 to $1.25
Apples, 5 lbs	25c
Eggs and Butter.	
Eggs, retail, dozen	30c
Eggs, wholesale	25c to 27c
Eggs, duck, per dozen	35c to 40c
Butter, retail, per lb.	35c to 40c
Honey, per comb	25c
Wholesale Meat.	
Pork, per lb.	13c to 13 1-2c
Lamb, per lb.	12 1-2c
Mutton, per lb.	12 1-2c to 13c
Veal, per lb.	14c to 16c
Retail Meats.	
Beef, best rib roasts	20c to 22c
Beef, loin	26c to 27c
Beef, short loin	28c
Beef, round steak	20c to 25c
Boiling beef	14c
Beef, pot roast	18c
Pork	20c to 25c
Mutton	20c to 22 1-2c
Sugar cured corned pork	20c
Homemade pork sausage	15c to 20c
Salted Pigs' head, lb.	8c
Pickled pigs' feet, per lb.	8c
Pickled pigs' shanks, lb.	10c
Sugar cured hogs' heads, lb.	8c
Sugar cured corned beef, lb.	15c
Pure lard	15c to 16c
Sugar cured bacon	20c
Fish.	
Spring Salmon, red, lb.	20c
Spring Salmon, white, lb.	15c
Steelhead salmon, per lb.	15c
Oolichans, 3 lbs for	25c
Cod, per lb.	10c
Herring, 3 lbs.	25c.
Halibut, per lb	12 1-2c
Salmon, frozen, per lb.	15c
Whiting, per lb.	10c
Sturgeon, per lb.	15c
Flowers.	
Tulips, pot of 7 bulbs	25c
Hyacinths, pot of 4 bulbs	25c
Carnations, cut, per dozen	40c
Daffodils, cut, per dozen	30c
Daffodils, potted	25c
Primroses, potted	25c
Violets, per bunch	25c
Shamrocks, per pot	25c
Easter Lilies, per bloom	25c
Spirea, per plant	$1.00
Azelias, per plant	$1.75

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH.

Easter services will be held tomorrow in St. Andrew's church when the choir will render special music. As decided at the annual meeting of the congregation the Easter offering will be for the purpose of paying interest on the church debt. Contributors are requested to put their offerings in envelopes to be placed on the collection plate or sent during the week to Mr. N. A. McDiarmid, acting treasurer.

Special Easter services will be conducted by the Rev. C. W. Whittaker in the Methodist church on Sunday. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered in the morning at the Ladner church and again in East Delta at the afternoon service.

THE CANTATA A SUCCESS

"The New Minister" Successfully Performed Before Large and Appreciative Audience.

The cantata, "The New Minister," produced by the members of the Epworth League of the Ladner Methodist church, in McNeely Hall, on Friday, March 14th, was an unqualified success from both a dramatic and financial standpoint. The efforts of the various players were loudly applauded by a large and appreciative audience, numbering over three hundred. It is planned to devote the proceeds to the building fund of the proposed new church.

The play itself might be more aptly called a musical comedy as the comic element was very pronounced and time after time roars of laughter greeted some especially witty sally.

The plot of the play dealt with the endeavors of a church committee to select a suitable preacher for their pulpit. After numerous vicissitudes one is at last chosen who is at once besieged with advice from every quarter—from the members of the committee down to the old sexton. The play comes to a dramatic conclusion when the new minister is approached by the committee on the subject of marriage, and it is suggested that he marry from the congregation. After some consideration he decides on an almost entire stranger in the community, the new school teacher, greatly to the chagrin of the Old Maids' Club of the church.

The performers showed fine conceptions of their different characters and considerable talent was displayed in the production.

Mr. B. H. Weare starred in the title role as "The New Minister," his rendering of the musical parts being particularly well received, while Miss Ruby Kirkland as Daisy Summers, the new school teacher, was exceedingly popular with the audience. Messrs. W. R. Ellis, C. O. Lambert and Eldon Brodie made an efficient church committee, and the Rev. C. W. Whittaker deserves much credit for his performance of the part of sexton, which he undertook on very short notice, his two songs, "Shovelling the Coal," and "The Sexton Tolled the Bell," being the best received musical numbers of the evening. Mrs. W. R. Ellis was splendid as president of the Ladies' Aid, while the members of "The Old Maids' Club" created much humor.

The stage had been specially fitted up for the occasion and this with the costumes characteristic to the different parts contributed largely to the evening's entertainment.

After the performance Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Ellis entertained those who had taken part in the cantata at their home where the success of the play was the main topic for discussion at the enjoyable supper.

The repetition of "The New Minister" in Eburne was suggested and though arrangements have not been definitely concluded the cantata will probably be rendered in that town in the course of a couple of weeks.

The cast of characters was as follows: Rev. Homer Alex. Brown, "The New Minister," B. H. Weare; Professor Topnote, "Leader of the Choir," S. W. Walter; Crescendo B. Flatt, Hezekiah F. Sharp, Doctor Hoosick, "Members of the Music Committee," C. O Lambert, W. R. Ellis, E. J. Brodie; Ralphy Bunter, "A Baritone in the Choir," John Kirkland; Seth Perkins, "A Joke," Leonard Kirkland; Daisy Summers, "The New School Teacher," Ruby Kirkland; Odelia Hasbin, "Organizer of the Old Maids' Club," Hazel Hutcherson; Petunia Pimples, "The Milliner," Annie Skinner; Uncle Alec., "The Old Sexton," Rev. C. W. Whittaker; Augusta Wind, "Everybody's Friend," Mrs. C. Nelson; Mrs. DeLaney, "President of the Ladies' Aid," Mrs. W. R. Ellis; Henrietta, "Hezekiah Sharp's Daughter," Winnie Francis. (Members of Choir, Ladies' Aid, Old Maids' Club and Sewing Circle), Greta Gillanders, Nellie Marks, Vera Gillanders, Ruth Simpson, Miss Green, Mrs. Walter, Mrs. W. A. Kirkland, Mrs. E. G. Brodie, and Messrs. Grey and H. Falls. Accompanist, Miss Olga Kirkland.

ENDORSE GOVERNMENT.

VICTORIA, March 19.—Conservatives of the city of Victoria, to the number of nearly 500, tendered their hearty approval of the stand taken by the Dominion government in regard to the naval question now under discussion, on the occasion of their annual meeting, under the auspices of the Central Association, held on Monday night in the A. O. U. W. hall. This sentiment was expressed in the form of a resolution, moved by Former Mayor Beckwith, and seconded by Mr. R. W. Perry, president of the Canadian Club.

The Great Northern train on Monday ran into a mud slide just outside the Vancouver city limits, causing much inconvenience to passengers who were compelled to wait until the line was cleared. Monday being St. Patrick's Day, only a small force of men was available, and the process of clearing away the slide in consequence occasioned considerable loss of time.

DAIRYMEN'S SUCCESS DUE TO COMBINATION

Eighty Per Cent. of Valley Milk Producers Belong to the Shippers' Union.

(From The British Columbian.)

Dairymen of the Lower Mainland have spelled success for themselves through combination and by making contracts direct with the wholesalers' union in Vancouver. The Milk and Cream Shippers' Union has increased its membership by fifty per cent. during the past year, and it now includes 80 per cent. of the milk producers of the lower mainland.

The executive of the Union met the wholesalers last week and the demand of the dairymen for an increase of 12 per cent. in prices for the summer months was accepted. During the season April 1 to October 1, the members of the union will receive sixty cents per pound for the butter fat in their milk, instead of fifty-five cents the price received last year. Average milk contains 3.8 per cent. butter fat, so the average price received by the producers will be $2.10 per hundred charges paid to Vancouver. Milk higher in butter fat will bring correspondingly higher prices.

The farmers of the Lower Mainland have no desire to hold up the public by asking an unreasonable price for their produce. They are willing to co-operate in every way with Provincial or Municipal inspectors, and to safeguard the public health by conforming to the new regulations governing the conditions of milk production. These conditions, however, raise the cost of production very considerably, and the farmers believe that the consumers in the cities would willingly pay the somewhat higher price for milk that can be guaranteed as complying with the stringent requirements of the new "Act Respecting the Production and Sale of Milk for Human Consumption."

As an example of the additional expense entailed on the producer, it is now necessary to wheel away manure at least 50 feet from the stable. Barns must be whitewashed, and in many cases entirely altered. Stables must be made strictly sanitary in every detail, and must pass the inspectors as such—they must be drained, cement floors must belaid, washed out every day, iron stanchion stalls must be fitted up.

It is hoped that some system of government insurance will be arranged to protect the farmers against loss from the infection of cows, which are now liable to be ordered destroyed by the inspectors at any time. If they could be guaranteed to the extent of $100 for a grade cow or $150 for a thoroughbred, the producers of the Lower Mainland would co-operate in every way with the most stringent laws in the interest of public health.

The officers of the Association are as follows:

President, Thomas Forester, Glen Valley; Vice-President, B. Harrison, Langley Prairie; Secretary-Treasurer W. J. Park, Pitt Meadows.

BLOCKADERS ARE BEATEN.

Naval Aid Bill Goes Through After Easter by Force of Closure if Necessary.

OTTAWA, March 20.—Easter adjournment finds the opposition to the naval aid bill dying. It is unwilling, but dying none the less. A big show was put on by Mr. Pugsley and his followers at the bidding of his seatless colleagues. It has been taken off and will not reappear.

The obstruction has failed, and the Opposition knows it. Knows that there will be no forced dissolution and is confronted with the choice of giving up the whole business as a bad job or inviting a closure.

In a semi-official document issued last night, the statement is made that unless the minority abandon all effort to unsurp the functions of the majority, notice of the closure resolution will be given when the House resumes next week.

The situation is one of difficulty. The Liberal leaders for the reason that they have gone so far as to make anything like dignified surrender impossible, do not want a closure. They don't see the advantage of having the Opposition cut off its nose to spite its face and they are disposed to beat a retreat with only a formal show of resistance.

Thus the probability is that after the holidays the naval bill will go through without further trouble. With or without trouble, it is going through.

A Liberal caucus was held yesterday morning, apparently for the purpose of cheering the blockers. This purpose was achieved, but little else was done. The blockers loudly applauded their efforts of the last couple of weeks and then decided to take no definite position as to the future of the naval bill or of supply. They did some talking about a prospective attack on Speaker Sproule for taking the chair during the riot of Saturday night.

The action of the Speaker will be discussed next week on the motion of Mr. Emmerson. The Speaker is not worrying about it, authorities on the subject being absolutely clear.

The Liberal members go back to their constituencies, with much trepidation because of the reception that awaits them.

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Prominent in Naval Debate

ATTITUDE OF GOVERNMENT.

Official Statement Issued From Headquarters on Naval Bill Blackade.

OTTAWA, March 20.—The following authoritative statement of the government was given out last evening:

"In the Speech from the Throne on the 21st of November last, it was announced that a bill for aiding and strengthening the effective naval forces of the Empire would be introduced. Accordingly the Naval Aid Bill was introduced on the 5th of December last, immediately after the conclusion of the debate on the Speech from the Throne.

"The necessary resolution to authorize the expenditure was passed through committee on December 10, and the motion to concur in the committee's report came up on December 12. On the last-mentioned day the leader of the Opposition, Liberal, moved an amendment that the resolution be sent to committee with instructions to strike out all the clauses except this clause and substitute other clauses in lieu of the remaining clauses. The first clause of the resolution was, therefore, in common with the policy proposed by the government and to that proposed by the Opposition. That clause is as follows:

" 'From and out of the consolidated revenue fund of Canada there may be applied a sum not exceeding $35,000,000 for the purpose of immediately increasing the naval forces of the Empire.'

Amendment Voted Down.

"Sir Wilfrid Laurier's amendment was voted down on the 13th of February, after a long debate of nearly four weeks.

"The second reading was passed on the 27th of February, after a further protracted debate of nearly two weeks, and the House went into committee on the bill on the 28th of February. After a lengthy discussion, the first clause of the bill, which merely relates to its title, was adopted.

"Since Monday, March 3, the committee has been continuously engaged in the discussion of the second clause, which is in the same terms as the first clause of the resolution, and which forms part of the avowed policy of the Opposition, as well as that of the government.

"This clause has not yet been passed, although from March 3 to midnight on March 15, there had been 232 hours of actual discussion on it, nine-tenths of which had been occupied by the Opposition.

"The perverse attitude of the Opposition is demonstrated by the fact that for two solid weeks they have been obstructing a clause for which they have twice voted .

Up to Present Time.

"Up to the present time the bill has occupied all of the available time of parliament for more than three months. The debate hereon has filled four thousand columns of Hansard and if the proceedings in parliament had been proceeded with the usual fullness the debate would have extended to more than five thousand columns.

"It has been claimed that on Monday night, March 3, when the Prime Minister declined to adjourn unless some progress were made, clause two had been under discussion for only three hours. This is a complete misstatement. The particular clause embodied the principle of the bill and nothing more. It had been under discussion ever since the 12th of December last, and its adoption had been sanctioned and decided by the vote upon the second reading of the bill.

"Further lengthy discussion of that clause was manifestly obstructive as the Opposition tactics during the last two weeks have established beyond any possible question.

Deliberate Attempt to Block.

"There can be no doubt that the Opposition has been engaged in a deliberate and determined attempt to obstruct the bill and to prevent the passage of its provisions for effective aid to the common defence of the Empire.

"That attempt is evidenced not only by the length of the discussion but by the default and insulting avowals of the Opposition members that obstruction would be persisted in, that the majority of the House were helpless and that the minority were determined to prevent parliament from exercising its usual normal functions.

"The present rules of the House being antiquated and out of date, readily lend themselves to the tactics which have been adopted by the Opposition during the past two weeks.

"Under these conditions, if the Opposition should persist in its determination to prevent the House from reaching a vote on this bill, it will be the clear course of the government to press for amendments to the rules, which, while securing reasonable and necessary debate, will prevent persistent obstruction and will permit to provide for the public necessities and to proceed with the business of the country.

Notice of Closure.

"Notice of such amendments permitting debate to be brought to a conclusion after full but reasonable discussion will be placed upon the order paper next week.

"It is not the desire or intention of the government to press these amendments through the House at present, if the Opposition will give any assurance or evidence of their willingness to permit the vote upon the bill to be taken in a reasonable time.

"If, however, they persist in defiant obstruction, the rules must be so amended that the proceedings of the House will not be reduced to a farce and that the work of parliament and the business of the country can be carried on and brought to a conclusion within a reasonable time and under reasonable conditions.'

EXPOSITION NOTES.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 19.—Construction on the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, which is to be held in San Francisco in 1915, is proceeding at a record breaking pace and thousands of men are now employed on the exhibition site at Harbor View. Every one of the fourteen exhibit buildings to be erected will be under construction during the coming July and will all be completed within a year from that date.

The executive committee of the Exposition has approved the plans for the million dollar auditorium, which is to be erected in San Francisco's civic Centre, now under construction, and it will be ready by 1915. The auditorium will be of stone and, with the city hall, will set the key note for the entire civic centre.

The city of San Francisco a year ago bonded itself to the extent of $8,500,000.00 for the creation of the Civic Centre with the construction of a new city hall. The exposition set aside $1,000,000 for the construction of the auditorium, which will house many of the great conventions to be held in San Francisco during the exposition year. The seating capacity is approximately 11,000. There will be minor auditoriums and banqueting halls in the building. It will be the finest of its kind in America. A feature of the main auditorium is to be an octagonal dome of glass, 190 feet in diameter.

DETAILS OF ASSESSMENT.

Richmond Council Adopts Figures Submitted by Mr. John Tilton Municipal Assessor.

CAMBIE, Lulu Island, March 18.—Detailed figures of the 1913 Richmond assessment roll were submitted to the municipal council yesterday by Assessor John Tilton. In detail it is as follows:

Ward 1—Land $774,765, improvements $85,350, total $860,115.

Ward 2—Land $768,160, improvements $71,550, total, $839,710.

Steveston—Land $272,090, improvements $107,450, total $379,540.

Ward 3—Land $822.085, improvements $134,700, total $956,785.

Ward 4—Land $1,377,398, improvements, $77,050, total $1,454,448.

Ward 5.—Land $1,890,736, improvements $71,850, total $1,962,586.

Adding to these figures the assessed property of the B. C. Electric and B. C. Telephone Company, the complete totals are: Land $5,947,234; improvements, $273,975; total $6,221,209.

Owing to the fact that parties have been bringing in for bounty tails of animals caught outside the municipality, the council decided to discontinue the bounty of ten cents on muskrats.

"Richmond is the only municipality for miles around where muskrat bounty is paid now," said one councillor, "what good does our bounty do here? We have more and more bounties to pay every year. A man gets forty or fifty cents apiece for pelts now, and he will catch the rodents whether we pay a bounty or not."

A proposal from Maple Ridge municipality that Richmond co-operate in opening a rock quarry on the Pitt river was endorsed by the council.

To confer with New Westminster relative to making a new arrangement for transporting water across the Fraser at the bridge, a special committee was appointed. Reeve Bridge was authorized to make an appointment with the Point Grey and South Vancouver authorities for an interview to discuss the boundary line along the North Arm of the Fraser to New Westminster.

PROSPECTS FOR HOT CAMPAIGN.

Many Hats in Ring for Coquitlam Municipal Elections—Reverse In City

BURQUITLAM, March 20.—The atmosphere in the newly formed municipality of Coquitlam promises to be torrid from now on until after the dates set for the municipal elections, Saturday, March 29.

The hats are being tossed into the councilmanic ring daily and up to date, at least eight gentlemen will be in the field with probably one or two more nominated on Saturday, which is nomination day. The contest for the reeveship will be between Mr. Peter Barth of Fraser Mills and ex-Councillor L. E. Marmont, while the five seats on the council will be contested for by Messrs. R. J. C. Atkins, W. Whiting, J. Foster, Ewan Martin and E. Braye from the Burquitlam or West End, with Messrs. R. G. Mounce, J. W. Partington and E. A. Atkins from the upper East End.

In the City.

PORT COQUITLAM, March 20.—With the date of nominations for the new city of Port Coquitlam set for Saturday and Friday (a holiday), as yet no names have been brought out against the old council, who are all in the field again with the exception of Councillor R. J. C. Atkins, and it is the general feeling here that there will be no necessity for an election.

The present reeve, James Mars, will be the new mayor and the aldermen will in all likelihood be J. F. Langan, A. R. Millard, E. S. Morgan, R. C. Galef and D. E. Welcher. Of these Mr. Welcher is the only new candidate and from present indications he will be upopposed at the polls.

Three school trustees are also to be elected and for these seats Messrs. W. D. F. Godwin, Ralph Atkinson and R. G. Mounce will be the candidates.

With only the required number of nominees in both the city council and school board it is not expected that there will be any election held.

Mr. N. A. McDiarmid had the misfortune during the week to lose his favorite dog. "Teddy" was a great pet, and after the inquisitive manner of his kind, was inspecting the new building being erected by Capt. Oliver. He managed to climb up to the second floor, where through some mischance he lost his balance, and falling to the ground below, met an untimely end.

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TRIBUTE TO DEAD ARCHDEACON

Bishop de Pencier Has High Praise for Late Archdeacon Pentreath.

"He has been my warmest friend and most able helper since my consecration; he has nobly carried out the promise that he made at the Synod over which he presided when I was elected bishop of New Westminster that he would be as faithful to his new bishop as he had endeavored to be to that bishop's predecessor, and his loss will be deeply mourned throughout the diocese."

In these and other equally cordial words of praise and appreciation, Bishop A. U. de Pencier yesterday paid tribute to the memory of the late Venerable Archdeacon Pentreath, whose death took place yesterday morning at Paso Robles, California, whither he had journeyed recently in the hope of recovery. The archdeacon had been suffering from an affection of the liver for several months.

He leaves to mourn his loss one son, Mr. Harold Edwin Anson Pentreath, and two daughters, Mrs. Geo. Gavin and Mrs. A. E. Henderson, all three of Vancouver.

His Career.

The Ven. Edwin Sandys Wetmore Pentreath, D.D., was 67 years of age, and he had been since 1897 Archdeacon of Columbia in the diocese of New Westminster, to the charge of which archdeaconry he was invited by the late Bishop Dart.

He was a native of New Brunswick having been born at Clifton in that province on December 5, 1846. He was the eldest son of Captain Edwin Pentreath and Elizabeth R. Wetmore. In 1875 he married Clara Woodford, third daughter of Mr. Thomas S. Sayre, barrister-at-law, of Dorchester, New Brunswick.

He was educated at the General Theological Seminary, New York. He held the degrees of B. D. and D.D. from St. John's College, Winnipeg. He was ordained a deacon in 1872, and a priest in 1873. From 1872 to 1874 he was the insumbent of Grace church, Rutherford Park, New Jersey, and was rector of Moncton, New Brunswick from 1874 to 1882. From 1882 to 1895 the deceased was rector of Christ church, Winnipeg. He was an honorary canon of St. John's Cathedral, Winnipeg, and chaplain of the 9th regiment. From 1897 to the time of his death he was archdeacon and superintendent of missions of the Anglican church in the diocese of New Westminster.

WIFE OF CANON RIGBY DEAD.

PORT HOPE, Ont., March 19. — Mrs. Rigby, wife of Canon Rigby, headmaster of Trinity College, died here yesterday after a long illness.

$80,000 FIRE.

OAKLAND, Cal., March 19.—Fire gutted the Bacon block here today, causing a loss of $80,000.

RICHMOND ASSESSMENT.

Will Be Increased a Million and a Quarter This Year—Development Plans.

CAMBIE, Lulu Island, March 17—The Richmond assessment roll for 1913, according to the statement of an official to The British Columbian today, will show a total fully a million and a quarter dollars in advance of previous figures.

The principal reason for the advance, which the council and assessor, John Tilton, maintains is justified, is the necessity for extending assistance in the way of improvements to dwellers in subdivisions, many of which have been placed on the market in the last two years. With subdivisions assessed on the same basis with farm lands, Reeve Bridge and the council have persistently maintained that it would be unjust to the farmers to build roads and lay sidewalks in subdivided land.

Local improvement plans have proved themselves cumbersome vehicles for carrying out these improvements. With the assessment this year, however, the small holder will pay increased taxes, but will get in return benefits which he has long been forced to seek in vain.

It is thought that no one will object to the increased assessment. Richmond lands are still assessed the lowest of any within a similar distance from Vancouver and New Westminster.

A large amount of development work will be carried out on Lulu and Sea Islands this year. The municipality is in splendid shape financially.

LEADS AUSTRALIA.

Canada's Trade Expansion More Than Doubles That of the Commonwealth.

OTTAWA, March 19.—Writing to the Trade and Commerce Department, Mr. D. H. Ross, Canadian Commissioner at Melbourne, draws a comparison between the total trade returns of Canada and those of Australia for the last two years In both cases Canada is on top in the matter of imports, but the reverse is the case in export trade. In total trade expansion, however, Canada more than doubled the figures of Australia.

Taking the Canadian figures for the fiscal year ended March 31 and the Australian figures for the year ended December 31, the imports and exports of the Dominion and the Commonwealth in 1911 and 1912 are shown as follows:

Year 1911—Imports: Canada, $472,247,540; Australia, $325,461,991. Exports: Canada, $297,196,365; Australia, $386,283,773.

Year 1912—Imports: Canada, $559,320,544; Australia, $379,557,801. Exports: Canada, $315,317,250; Australia, $383,136,787.

The total of Canada in 1912 showed an expansion of $105,193,889 over 1911, while in the same period the trade of Australia increased $50,948,824.

...LOCAL ITEMS...

Mr. Jos. Jordan was a visitor to Vancouver last week end.

Mr. J. B. Elliott is suffering from a severe attack of la grippe.

Mr. S. Morley paid a business visit to town on Monday.

Messrs. H. D. Benson and Chris Brown were visitors at the Royal City market on Thursday.

Fine assortment of Spring Millinery at Miss Willson's. Come and inspect. **

Mr. Geo. Grauer, an old-time resident of Ladner, was in town on Wednesday last.

Dr. T. W. Ottewell, V.S., paid a business visit to the Terminal City on Thursday.

Messrs. Warren Lougheed and S. H. Brodie visited Vancouver on Thursday.

Mr. Vernon Taylor, of the Taylor Electric Company, paid a business visit to Vancouver during this week.

It is reported that the B.C. Restaurant, which has been closed during the winter months, will shortly open for business.

Mrs. Robert Dean, who has been laid aside for the past two months with a bad foot, is making rapid progress towards recovery.

Messrs. W. Anderson, Geo. Johnston, B. Reynolds and D. Nott paid a visit to the Terminal City on Saturday last, returning Sunday evening.

Mr. Leslie Simpson spent the week end renewing old acquaintances in the district. Mr. Simpson is now residing in Collingwood East.

Mr. Pat McCrae had a photographer take a flashlight of the handsomely fitted exterior of his pool room on Tuesday.

The recent heavy rains loosened more material on the Scott Road Hill, and a smaller slide is reported on the scene of the previous one.

The trout fishing season is now open, and several parties to the Serpentine and Nickomekl rivers are planned.

The new house being erected by Capt. Oliver on the Chalhuckthan street is making rapid progress towards completion. The plasterers were expected on Wednesday.

Dr. Spencer, on Thursday night, delivered his lecture entitled, "Get on the Water Wagon," to an appreciative audience in the Baptist church.

Rev. C. W. Whittaker left for Chilliwack on Monday morning to attend the Sunday school conference in that city. He will return to take charge of the services on Sunday.

Representatives of the Tudhope automobile have been busy during the past week advocating the great advantages of their line of cars to prospective purchasers in this locality.

Mr. S. Thompson, of East Delta, visited the Royal City on Thursday.

Mr. McLeod, B.A., principal of the local high school, left on Thursday for his home in Chilliwack, where he will spend his Easter vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Sheldrake have returned from California, where they spent the past winter. While in the South, Mr. Sheldrake purchased a powerful car, which will shortly arrive in Delta.

Grass Seeds—Timothy, Alsyke Clover, Red Clover, Rye Grass; Bran and Shorts, Dairy Chop, Corn, Rice Meal, Wheat, Chick Feed, Chick Rice, Grain Sacks, may be obtained of H. J. Rich, agent Brackman-Ker Milling Co., Ladner, B.C. *

A very successful minstrel show was held in the Opera Hall, Point Roberts, on Saturday night last. This production met with such popular approval there that it was decided to repeat the performance in Ladner. This will take place on Friday, March 28th, and the management assure a splendid evening's entertainment.

Tuesday night's snowstorm was followed by a most unexpected frost which did considerable damage to potatoes and other roots where the pits had been opened up. Old-timers express the opinion that during the past twenty-five years such severe cold has never been experienced so late as the middle of March.

Misses Mabel Lanning and Maude Hutcherson, of Columbian College, returned home from New Westminster on Tuesday as the result of one of the students of that institution contracting scarlet fever. This additional vacation at Easter seemed to be greatly appreciated by the young collegians.

The weather of the week past has been very unfavorable for the farmers making any progress with their spring work. Owing to the incessant rain during the early portion of the week, the soil became so wet that the majority of the ranchers found it an impossibility to continue. However, as compared with former years work is much farther advanced, this set back will have no serious effect except in isolated cases.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. McKee paid a visit to Vancouver on Tuesday.

Mr. Bert Blakely was a passenger to Vancouver on Thursday.

Mr. Hugh Slater visited friends in the Terminal City on Thursday.

Mr. David Woods, of Cedar Cottage, returned to Vancouver after a visit to his Delta ranch.

Mr. W. Holmes paid a business visit to the Terminal City during the past week.

Miss Ruth Simpson was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Brodie last week end.

Mr. Howard Hill, who has been absent for about two years, paid a visit to Ladner on Thursday.

Mrs. Herbert Wilson is at present enjoying a visit to Californian points.

Mr. H. J. Hutcherson, of Vancouver, attended the Conservative convention in Cloverdale on Monday last.

Mr. Frank Handford, of the Palace Livery Stables, attended the market auction sale in New Westminster on Friday last, buying a nice colt.

Mr. Edgar Fenton spent the week end at the parental home, staying over for the dance on St. Patrick's eve.

Mr. N. S. Slater, of New Westminster, has been visiting his son, Mr. H. W. Slater, of the Ladner Hotel.

Mrs. D. M. Ellis went up to the Royal City on Tuesday and visited Vancouver before returning to Ladner.

The Birdswell was in port on Tuesday, taking a full cargo from the Brackman-Ker wharf for Victoria.

A fair crowd witnessed Keogh's moving picture show on Saturday night, despite the inclemency of the weather.

A gang of men has been busily engaged during the past few days constructing a concrete landing at the foot of the entrance to the new Municipal Hall.

Mr. James Mason, who has been under the weather for some time past, was removed to Vancouver on Monday, where it is thought an operation may be necessary.

Mr. E. S. Knowlton, the popular Vancouver druggist, was in Ladner during the past week, inspecting his string of horses, which are in charge of J. Richardson.

Many of the local automobile owners were caught napping during the recent cold snap, and it cost them several hours labor in some cases to thaw out the internal organs of their machines.

The centenary of Dr. David Livingstone, the intrepid African missionary and explorer, was commemorated at the Crescent Island school house and the Baptist church on Sunday, 16th inst.

All Saints' church, Ladner, will hold their Easter services as follows: 8 a.m., celebration of Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Morning Prayer and Holy Communion; 7.30 p.m., Evensong and sermon.

Work has commenced on the extension of the B.C. Electric high power line from Burns' Ranch into Ladner. Teams are busily engaged hauling the large 60-foot poles required from the Scott Road.

The trustees of the public school have lengthened the Easter vacation this year. School broke up on Thursday last and does not re-assemble until Monday, March 31st. This departure is highly appreciated by the younger students.

Maple Beach Addition, the old Whalen property at Point Roberts, the summer home of scores of Ladner people, has been cut into building lots and offered for sale by Curtis & Dorgan, New Westminster, B. C. *

Mrs. (Rev.) Blunden, who has been suffering with asthma and bronchitis for the past few weeks, is now threatened with a serious nervous breakdown and, ordered to a higher altitude, left for Vancouver and North Vancouver on Wednesday morning with her daughter.

The site of the old Trenant school house and the building itself was sold at public auction by Mr. H. N. Rich on Saturday last. Mr. Nathaniel of Crescent Island being the successful bidder at $1,000. The old Mechanics' Institute building, which still stands on the High School property, was disposed of to Mr. F. Handford, on condition that the structure be immediately removed.

Much inconvenience has been caused residents of Delta as the result of an accident which destroyed the B.C. Telephone Company's central switchboard in New Westminster on Sunday morning. Telephone communication with both New Westminster and Vancouver was totally cut off, and merchants and ranchers who relied upon the telephone in conducting business with town were put to much trouble.

IDENTIFIED BY TWO WITNESSES.

Hearing Creates Much Interest—Alleged I. W. W. Agitator Expelled From Court Room.

THURSDAY, MARCH 19.

Looting ofthe Bank of Montreal of more than a quarter of a million dollars on the morning of September 15, 1911, the attempted theft of Mr. T. J. Trapp's automobile, participation in the latter by John J. McNamara and Charles Dean, and the later escape from the city by means of an automobile stripped of windshield and numbers, were skilfully linked together by four witnesses in police court this morning at the preliminary hearing of MacNamara, who was held for trial and committed to the provincial jail. E. P. Davis, of the firm of Davis, Marshall, MacNeill & Pugh, Vancouver, appeared for the crown, while the prisoner was not represented by counsel. But a few shrewd questions to one witness and later queries put to the court to ascertain his rights, following commitment, of election and re-election and trial, showed that the defendant's case did not suffer from lack of counsel for the defence.

The prisoner was cool, and appeared to be a big, bluff, hearty, heady man of affairs, and, if a crook, is a specimen of a big man gone wrong, the kind of a man who will specialize in crime and whose crimes are startling by their very boldness and magnitude.

The only sign of nervousness was seen in the constant tapping of the prisoner's fingers on the dock rail, and evident annoyance when the court instructed the prisoner to remove his glasses. He underwent the scrutiny of witnesses unflinchingly, and while appearing to take little interest in the proceedings, nothing escaped him.

Identification was positive, and Magistrate Edmonds held the prisoner for trial.

Mr. W. H. G. Phipps, accountant for the Bank of Montreal was first called, and testified to the robbery of the bank on September 15, 1911.

Donald D. Ferguson testified that early on that morning he was on his way to work when he went from Columbia street up Sixth street to Royal avenue. There was an auto on Royal avenue, close to Sixth street. It was the car owned by Mr. T. J. Trapp. One man was engaged in an attempt to crank the machine, while three others were grouped about the car. The man who was cranking the car looked up at him and gave him a good view of his face. He could not see the others distinctly.

He had since seen the man who was cranking the car in New York. He saw him now. He was the prisoner in the dock. He passed eastward on Royal avenue and again got a good view of the man. He looked around a little later and the men had disappeared. Reaching the Trapp garage he saw the machine was not in it and the ground showed where the car had been backed out of the building and run by hand down Royal avenue to the point where he had seen the men trying to start the car.

Mr. Stanley V. Trapp testified that his father's car was found on Royal avenue near Sixth street. That was about 9:30 that morning. The car had not been taken out with permission, since he had seen it safely in the garage at 8 o'clock the night before. The windows were fast locked. The door was closed and apparently locked. The spark plug had been removed from the machine. An expert could disconnect the wires from the switch and join the wires or put in a new spark plug and start the machine, he testified. The wires showed that an attempt to join them and start the car had been made. Footprints covered ground around the machine when found about 100 feet west of the garage.

Mr. George Greenwood, of Alta Vista, an employee of the B. C. Marine Works, then living on Kingsway between McKay and Royal Oak, was called. He testified that he had been ill and on the morning of the 11th was going to Royal Oak to see if any message from his employers had been left for him. About 500 feet from the Royal Oak he met a car containing five men.

Here MacNamara was made to stand up in the bright light from the window, while witness crossed the court room where he could study the prisoner's face. Identification was complete, the witness testifying positively the man driving the car on Kingsway was no other than the prisoner, John J. MacNamara.

There was another man in the front seat of the car with MacNamara while standing up, with his head hunched down was a third man, with two men in back seat. As the auto came opposite him, the man who was standing up, made a motion to his hip pocket.

The man standing up in the auto and who made the motion towards his hip when the witness looked at him, was Charles Dean, now held for trial for complicity in the bank robbery.

The machine was running slowly. He took particular notice of the car and its occupants, later noticing that it had no windshields or numbers. It was a black car and was stripped.

The prisoner here questioned the witness.

"When did you report this to the authorities?"

"About two months afterwards," the witness replied. He did not think it was five months later, but was not positive. He had reported it to Chief Bradshaw when he learned that information that might lead to the tracing or identification of the robbers was wanted.

"You are not sure it was two months? You were sure about other things, identification of the driver and of Dean, and his making a movement to his pocket, numbers, windshield?"

The witness said he could not be sure, as he had no thought of reporting the matter at the time he saw the auto.

Mr. Davis moved for the committal of the prisoner on the evidence, informing the court that they had corroborative witnesses to put on the stand if the court wished.

The prisoner had nothing to say, no objection to make to this course.

The court ruled that the evidence presented was sufficient and committed the prisoner for trial, explaining to him that in a short time he would be brought up for election, and if he took speedy trial before a judge, his trial would be held probably within three or four weeks, but if he elected to be tried by a jury, it would likely be some time in May, during the spring assizes. The date had not been fixed.

The prisoner here questioned the court about his rights, and was told that he had a right to re-elect at any time before trial.

The commitment was signed and the prisoner removed to the cell in the city jail, and later this afternoon was taken to the provincial jail.

Superintendent Ahearn, of the Pinkerton agency, who has been engaged for months in tracking down the robbers, was in court this morning and breathed his relief that the matter was now largely out of his hands.

Fred Payne, an alleged I. W. W. organizer, was ordered from the court room, with threat of jail for contempt if he repeated his offense of commentiing on the proceedings to spectators. The magistrate insisted that such conduct would not be tolerated and the the next offender would go to jail. Chief Bradshaw says Payne has been taking an active interest in the Dean and McNamara cases and has bothered them by attempting to see the prisoners.

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HOTEL ARRIVALS.

Guests at the Ladner Hotel during the past week were as follows: N. L. Slater, New Westminster; G. H. Cane, New Westminster; W. Teggin, New Westminster; Bruce McNaughton, New Westminster; Geo. Haynes, New Westminster; Geo. Hassall, Ladner; G. Muir, Vancouver; Lieut. McCarville, Vancouver.

Delta Hotel.

Arrivals at the Delta Hotel during the past week were: F. W. Jacobs, Vancouver; B. H. Rudd, Vancouver; P. Hager, Vancouver; W. J. Henry, Vancouver; J. D. Caverhill, Vancouver; Tom Keogh, Vancouver; L. Simpson, Collingwood East; E. McNally, Vancouver; E. Taylor, Vancouver; J. H. Berry, Vancouver; Jas. C. Paulin, Vancouver; A. Restoule, Vancouver; Mr. and Mrs. Carl S. Weacham, Tudhope Cars; Frank Crower, Vancouver; E. P. Julien, New Westminster; E. P. Conway, Vancouver; D. Murchison, W. Thompson and wife, J. C. Brown, Vancouver; C. B. Whitney, Vancouver; G. J. Reid, Vancouver; B. P. Wise, New Westminster; N. McPhaden, Vancouver; T. J. Elliott, Vancouver; D. Adamson, Vancouver; John A. McLeod, G. L. Allan, Victoria; Wm. Beattie, A. Hopkins, Tom Olsen, New Westminster.

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Livestock Commissioner at Ottawa Solicits Information From Every Systematic Breeder.

As a means of furthering the policy of developing the poultry interests of the Dominion in which the live stock branch of the department of agriculture is actively engaged, the live stock commissioner is anxious to secure the name and address of each breeder of poultry in Canada who is systematically endeavoring to improve the quality of his stock, particularly from the standpoint of increased egg and meat production.

The information is desired in order that the live stock branch may be brought more closely in touch with progressive poultrymen throughout the Dominion and with those whose names might be eligible for inclusion in a Dominion poultry directory.

As a means of securing this information, in part at least, all those who are interested are requested to write the live stock commissioner, Ottawa, indicating:

(a) The breed, variety and strain or family of poultry they are breeding.

(b) The extent to which selection for increased egg and meat production is being practised.

(c) A brief but specific statement of what has been accomplished.

(d) Whether or not they are actively engaged in trap-nesting at the present time. If not, what means are being used to select the most desirable individuals for the breeding pens.

Letters giving the above information should be addressed to the live stock commissioner, Ottawa. Such communications do not require postage.

SLIDE AT ARROW LAKES.

REVELSTOKE, Mar. 20.—Freight and passenger traffic on the Arrow Lakes branch of the C. P. R. is badly demoralized by the snow slide which occurred on Monday night at Greenslide station, eleven miles south of this city. The slide is a mile and a quarter in length and about 40 feet in depth, and contains a large amount of ice and timber upon which the rotary snowplows have little effect. The C. P R.. have purchased all the dynamite available and are making every effort to get the track clear.

TEN YEARS FOR BURGLARY.

VANCOUVER, March 19.—James Hinds, leader of a gang of three yeggmen who early last Sunday morning blew the safe of the Diamond Liquor Company on Main street, just north of Hastings, and rifled it of $1069, was this morning in police court sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary on a charge of burglary.

BRIDGE LINE AND YARDS.

For Benefit of Passenger and Vehicular Traffic Crossing Lines at Port Coquitlam.

PORT COQUITLAM, March 19.—It is stated here on good authority that the C. P. R. have plans under way for the construction of an overhead bridge for passenger and vehicular traffic over their main line and yards here.

The proposed structure will start from a point just above Mars' store on School House road and will pass over all the tracks connecting with the Dewdney Trunk road just east of the Commercial hotel.

This bridge will be a great boon to residents on the north side and also to the people in the First Division property, and it is expected that actual construction work will be started on the structure this summer.

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"PROVINCIAL ELECTIONS ACT."

Notice is hereby given that the list of voters for the Delta Electoral District has been cancelled, and that applications to be placed on the voters' list will be received at my office at the Court House, New Westminster City, where printed forms of affidavit to be used in support of an application to vote will be supplied.

The list of persons claiming to vote will be suspended from and after the seventh day of April, 1913, and a Court of Revision will be held on the nineteenth day of May, and notice of objections to the insertion of any name on the register of voters must be given to me thirty clear days before the holding of the Court of Revision.

Dated this 3rd day of March, 1913.

S. A. FLETCHER.

Registrar of voters for the Delta Electoral District.

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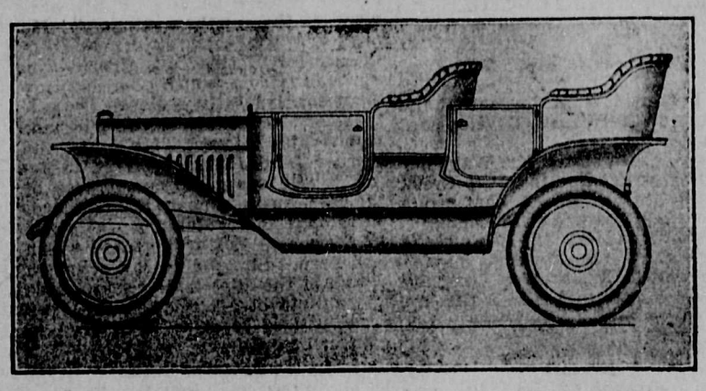

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WASHINGTON STATE

OLYMPIA, March 20.—According to H. L. Bowby, former state highway commissioner, now executive officer of the Pacific Highway Association, the road plan developed by the last legislature "could not have been much worse." He says that Washington has mapped out a comprehensive road plan and appropriated enough money to accomplish some results, but he insists the spending of the money should be left entirely with a highway commission and should not be determined by the legislature. He characterized as foolish the spending at this time of money for the Snoqualmie pass road and a highway into the national park, insisting the money should be spent on the Pacific Highway, so as to get the benefits of the California fair visitors. He is now busy urging the different counties on the west side to spend the money for permanent highways during the next two years on the connecting links of the Pacific Highway.

State Gets Lands.

OLYMPIA, March 20.—Gov. Lister today placed his signature on the senate bill authorizing the land commissioner to negotiate with the federal government for securing lieu lands in place of the 730,000 acres of granted lands now tied up in the national forests, in lake bottoms, river beds, and in appropriated school lands, and the house bill making it a misdemeanor to allow noxious weeds to grow upon any lands of the state save timber, brush and logged-off lands. Bull thistle is not considered a noxious weed for the purpose of the act. Under the granted land reclamation act, it is believed that lands valued at $20,000,000 may be acquired by the state.

Women to Advise Mayor.

SEATTLE, March 20.—Mayor Cotterill's advisory board of councilmen and heads and assistants of various departments will hold its regular monthly meeting and dinner at the Seattle Commercial club's rooms. The invitation issued yesterday by Secretary Frederic B. Chandler includes wives of the members and other women who wish to attend. The feature of the evening will be addresses by Sergt. R. L. Boggess, in charge of the humane and juvenile division of the police department, and Miss Mary E. Brown policewoman, on work in that department, and "Municipal Protection for Girls and Women."

Widow Head of Family.

OLYMPIA, March 20.—A family once established remains one so long as one head of it survives, holds the state tax commission in a letter to the assessor of Snohomish county informing him that a widow is entitled to an exemption under the Washington statutes. The commission says that because the husband is no longer in existence that the same does not prevent the woman from having the same advantages vived.

Money to Be Assessed.

OLYMPIA, March 20.—Money, whether it be in an old stocking, in a safe deposit box, in a bank subject to cheque or buried in an old tin can, is to be assessed if its presence is known, says the tax commission in a letter to the assessor of Snohomish county. As a rule money is not assessed in Washington, but where it is declared it is to be taxed the same as other property.

Stop Pay Roll Frauds.

SEATTLE, March 20.—An intention to put an end to wholesale payroll padding and false claims against King county is indicated by statements made yesterday by County Commissioners, Kris Knudson and Daid McKenzie, both of whom charge that much of this work has been going on in the past, and that it has amounted to an abuse by which the county has lost many thousands of dollars. Prosecuting Attorney John F. Murphy has promised to aid the commissioners in every way possible and began the campaign yesterday by filing criminal information against J. E. Brockway, road supervisor for the Vashon Island district, who was formally charged with presenting a false claim to a public officer.

Prisoner Set Jail on Fire.

CHEHALIS, March 20.—W. C. Brown, on trial in the Superior Court tonight was found guilty of arson in the third degree. He is the logger from Pe Ell who, when locked up in the town jail at that place, set the prison on fire and had a narrow escape from being burned to death.

PEN D'ORIELLE POWER PLANT.

Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars to Be Expended—Will Supply Current to Operate Mines.

NELSON, March 14.—Seventy-five thousand dollars is to be expended on the power plant at the junction of the Salmon river and the Pend d'Orielle river is the announcement made by David Walmsley one of the directors of the Waneta Development Company.

It is planned, stated Mr. Walmsley to build a power line to Sheep Creek to supply the mines of that camp and possibly to extend to Salmo.

American capital is behind the project, which was originally mooted by the Pacific Exploration Company some years ago, said Mr. Walmsley.

SURREY'S DECISION.

CLOVERDALE, March 17.—The Surrey Council decided at its Saturday session not to join in the proposal of the Maple Ridge municipality that the Provincial government be approached to establish a municipal rock quarry at Pitt River in order that all points in the river could be supplied with crushed rock for road purposes. The clerk was instructed to reply, as this does not materially affect Surrey, the council did not see its way clear to join in the request.

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JUDGMENT IN KELMER CASE.

Judgment Renders Foreclosure Action Only Safe Means of Recovering on Non-Payment.

VANCOUVER, March 19. — Full text of the important judgment of the privy council on the appeal of John H. Kilmer vs. the British Columbia Orchard Lands, Limited, has been received in this city. This judgment of the Law Lords places upon an entirely new basis the status of agreements for sale, and makes a foreclosure action the only safely tenable position for a vendor of property under an agreement when the purchaser fails to meet his payments. The practice in British Columbia and in the Northwest up to the present time has been for the vendor to send a registered letter or telegram to a purchaser who has not kept up his payments informing him that in a certain number of days, if the payment is not met, the agreement will be null and void and the monies paid confiscated. This method will no longer be effective, as the purchaser could, under the new decision, within a reasonable time, go to court, offer the money due with interest, and claim for specific performance, with a fair chance of success.

In foreclosure proceedings the court considers the circumstances as regarding the purchaser failing to meet the payment punctually and sets a date wherein the purchaser must meet his indebtedness on pain of confiscation of monies already paid in.

At the different stages of the case counsel and solicitors were as follows: Mr. S. S. Taylor, K.C., for Kilmer in all courts but privy council, where the appellant was presented by Mr. Buckmaster, K.C.; solicitors for Kilmer throughout, Messrs. McLellan, Savage and White; for B. C. Orchard Lands, Limited, Mr. E. P. Davis, K.C., briefed in all courts; solicitor, Mr. F. J. Fulton, K.C.

Text of Judgment.

The text of the judgment which includes a succinct description of the cause of action follows:

The question on this appeal arises out of a claim by the respondent company—an unpaid vendor of a tract of undeveloped land in British Columbia—to enforce a condition of forfeiture contained in the agreement for sale. By the terms of the agreement the purchase money was to be paid together with interest by specified installments at certain specified dates. Time was declared to be of the essence of the agreement. In default of punctual payment at an appointed date of the instalment of purchase money and the interest then payable or any part thereof, the agreement was to be null and void, all payments made under the agreemen were to be absolutely forfeited to the vendor, and the vendor was at liberty to resell the property immediately. The appellant Kilmer, who was the purchaser, and who had been let into possession upon payment of the first instalment on the execution of the agreement, met the company's claim by a counterclaim for specific performance, and the money then due was paid into court to the credit of the action The trial judge dismissed the action. On the counterclaim he decided in favor of Kilmer, with costs. Then there was an appeal. The Court of Appeal, consisting of three judges, by a majority allowed the appeal and dismissed the counterclaim. Hence this appeal.

Trial Judges Decision.

The trial judge rested his decision mainly on the view that the conduct of the plaintiff company was oppressive, harsh and vindictive, and such as to lull the defendant to sleep and justify him in assuming that he would, notwithstanding the terms of the contract, have some indulgence in making his payments.

Their Lordships agree to the result at which the learned trial judge arrived, though not exactly upon the same grounds.

In the case of in re Dagenham (Thames) Dock Company ex parte Hulse, VIII, Ch., Ap. 1022, Mellish L. J., expresses himself as follows:

"I have always understood that where there is a stipulation that if on a certain day an agreement remains either wholly or in any part unperformed—in which case the real damage may be either very large or very trifling—there is to be a certain forfeiture incurred, that stipulation is to be treated as in the nature of a penalty." That was a case like this of forfeiture claimed under the letter of the agreement met by an action for specific performance. James, L. J., seems to have been of the same opinion. "In my opinion," he says, "this is a nextremely clear case of a mere penalty for non-payment of the purchase money." He ends by stating that he agreed with the Master of the Rolls that it was a penalty from which the company were entitled to be relieved on payment of the residue of the purchase money with interest. No doubt, the learned Lord Justice referred in detail to the special circumstances of the case, but it appears to their lordships that that reference was made in answer to the arguments which had been addressed to the court on behalf of the appellants. As regards the ground of his decision the two lord justices seem to have been in perfect accord.

Question at Issue.

The question raised by the present appeal appears to their lordships to come within the decision in the case of the Dagenham Docks. The law in British Columbia on such a point must be the same as the law in this country.

The facts of the present case, so far as they are material to the decision, are as follows: By an agreement dated the 14th of December, 1909 the respondent company agreed to sell to the appellant Kilmer, and Kilmer agreed to purchase certain lands therein described for the sum of $75.000, payable in manner and on the days and times thereinafter mentioned. that was to say, $2000 on the execution of these presents, a further sum of $5000 on or before 14th of June, 1910, a further sum of $5000 on or before the 14th December, 1910, a further sum of $60,000 in six equal semi-annual instalments of $10,000 each, on or before the 14th days of June and December in the years 1911, 1912 and 1913, and the balance of $3000 on or before 14th of June, 1914, together with interest on so much of the said purchase moneys as may from time to date of the agreement, and all costs of surveying and subdividing the said lands.

What Happened.

What happened was this: The first instalment of $2000 was duly paid on the execution of the agreement. The second instalment of $5000 with interest as provided by the agreement was not paid on the day fixed for payment. The date of payment, which by the terms of the agreement was to be on or before the 14th of June, 1910, was extended to the 7th of July, 1910. On the 8th of July Kilmer wrote to the secretary explaining the circumstances which prevented his making the payment on the 7th, but promising to pay without fail on Tuesday, the 12th. On the 9th, the secretary of the company sent a telegram saying the deal was off, and on the 1st of August following the respondent company brought this action to enforce their rights according to the strict letter of the agreement. This was met by a counterclaim asking for specific performance, and the money which ought to have been paid on the 7th of July was paid into court and remains in court to the credit of the action.

The circumstances of this case seem to bring it entirely within the ruling of the Dagenham Dock case. It seems to be even a stronger case, for the penalty if enforced, according to the letter of the agreement, becomes more and more severe as the agreement approaches completion, and the money liable to confiscation becomes larger.

Clause 1 is not without a bearing on this view of the case. The purchaser was to be at liberty to subdivide the time remain unpaid at the rate of 7 per cent., per annum, and as well after as before maturity at the same rate, payable with each said instalment or purchase money as aforesaid. Then followed an agreement on the part of Kilmer to pay the said sum of $75,000, together with the interest thereon at the rate of 7 per cent., per annum, on the days and times and in the manner above mentioned, and to pay and discharge all taxes, rates, and local improvement assessments wherewith the said land might be rated and charged, and to take all necessary steps to procure a supply of water for irrigating the said lands, and to defray all the expenses of managing the said lands as from the property, the vendor was bound to assent on receiving three-fourths of the money for which the subdivisions might be sold. And yet the vendor, if his construction of the agreement be right, reserved the power of forfeiting the money paid in respect of these subdivisions, because it will be observed that the conveyance of the subdivisions was not to be made to the respective purchasers, but to Kilmer and the party of the second part.

Other points were raised in the course of the argument, but their lordships do not think it necessary to refer to them.

Their lordships will therefore humbly advise His Majesty that the appeal be allowed, and the judgment of the court of appeal be discharged with costs, and the judgment of the judge at the trial restored. The respondents must pay the costs of this appeal.

GRAIN STORAGE.

Two Local Elevators Have Combined Capacity of 40,000 Bushels Of Grain.

(From The British Columbian.)

The city of New Westminster is adequately equipped with grain storage accommodation both for the retail and wholesale trade in the two local elevators, that of the Brackman-Ker Milling Co. on Front St. with a capacity of 15,000 bushels and the new structure of the Grain Growers' British Columbia Agency on the corner of Columbia and Twelfth street which has a capacity of 25,000 bushels.

For fifteen years the Brackman-Ker Co. has been operating its licensed grain elevator in connection with the mill on Front street, where the grain is not only stored but is also prepared for table use in the form of cereals and flour. A large amount of crushed oats and corn for horse and cattle feed is also produced. This elevator is connected with points throughout the Northwest and from these points grain is shipped direct to the New Westminster eevatlor pending the time when it is either sold or milled.

Nearly all the Brackman-Ker cereals which are consumed in New Westminster are produced by the mill on Front street, including the famous "B. & K." rolled oats, and much of the grain used in this district is handled through its elevator.

The new elevator recently erected at the corner of Twelfth and Columbia streets by the Grain Growers' British Columbia Agency is now a fully licensed grain elevator and already a large quantity of grain is stored there. During the past week twenty cars of grain has been received from the prairies and more is expected daily. This company is in touch with the United Farmers of Alberta and other of the largest agencies in that province which ship grain here for storage or for sale on commission.

In order to protect the farmers any grain grower can ship his produce to the local elevators for storage and the local firms are compelled to accept the shipment and charge for storage only.

During the later stages of the Turkish-Balkan war, according to the statements of independent critics, the Bulgarians obtained their successes largely through the use of their new infantry artillery pom-pom, which was brought into action with terrible effect. These guns can go wherever a man can. They are carried stretcher-like by two men and can fire 600 shots per minute.

HANEY CONSERVATIVES.

Officers Elected at Enthusiastic Annual Meeting of Port Haney Conservative Association.

PORT HANEY, March 20—The annual meeting of the Port Haney Conservative Association was held in the municipal hall on Monday evening last, with the largest attendance present in the history of the association. Officers for the year were elected and a number of important resolutions passed amid much enthusiasm.

Mr. N. S. Lougheed, who has filled the office of president of the association for the past five years, was again elected and the other officers are as follows: Hon. president, Rt. Hon. R. L. Borden, Sir Richard McBride, J. D. Taylor, M.P., W. J. Manson, M.P.P.; honorary vice-president, William Smedley (with privileges of an active member); president, N. S. Lougheed; vice-presidents, G. G. Abernethy and J. R. McMullen; secretary, L. S. Carr; executive, Messrs. D. C. Webber, G. A. Docksteader, G. L. Ewing, J. M. Webster, T. A. Spink and J. Fuller.

PREMIER GOES SOUTH.

Sir Richard McBride Leaves for California—Goes Later to Washington, D.C.

VICTORIA, March 20.—Last night Sir Richard McBride left for California where he will deliver the annual address to the students of the University of California, next Saturday. All the prominent educationalists of the state and many public men of California and other states have arranged to greet Sir Richard at Berkeley.

Sir Richard it is understood will proceed to Washington where he will meet President Woodrow Wilson and discuss the proposal to construct an all-Pacific coast line from Mexico to Alaska. It is thought probable that the line through British Columbia will be the Pacific Great Eastern Railway now under construction.

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. C. R. Blunden.

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.

Cathoic.

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.; low mass the following Monday, 6 a.m. F. Kientz, D.L., parish priest.

Methodist.

Services next Lord's Day at 11 a.m. and 7.30 p.m.; class meeting, after the morning service every Sunday; Sabbath school at 10 a.m. every Sunday; Epworth League every evening at 8 o'clock. 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.

LUMBER MILL BURNED.

Fire Destroys Mill of Thompson River Lumber Company at Kamloops.

KAMLOOPS, March 14.—As the result of a disastrous conflagration at the Thompson River Lumber Company's mill yesterday morning there is not left one stick standing upon another of the buildings, and only by the strenuous efforts of the fire brigade and a host of volunteer assistants were the piles of lumber saved from destruction.

The fire which is thought to have originated, in some way not understood, near the engine room was discovered at about 20 minutes past twelve; and five minutes later the whole building was one mass of flames.

The company will suffer a heavy loss. The destruction of the building involves $20,000 and of accessories an additional $8000. The insurance—so it is understood—unfortunately amounts to only $7000.

The firm has a large quantity of work in hand, and many contracts which call for early completion. Rebuilding, will, therefore, be commenced without delay, and it is expected that very speedily the twelve men at present thrown out of work will be actively employed, together with additional hands which will be necessary to perform the firm's contracts timely.

DESTROYED BY FIRE.

NANAIMO, March 14.—The handsome residence of Mr. M. Sola, at Chase river, was completely destroyed by fire with all its contents and the loss is estimated at $5000. Besides Mr. Sola and family in the house were twenty-five boarders who work at South Wellington.

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 sub-divisions 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 an acre.

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

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