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First Session of the District Council

Reeve May Anticipates a Prosperous Year

The newly-elected reeve and council for the municipality convened in the district hall last night and were duly and formally sworn in. After the taking of the oath, Reeve May mounted to the official dias and tendered his congratulations to the six councillors on the successful issue of last Saturday's elections. He further congratulated the ratepayers on their choice of representatives. They were, said the Reeve, mischievously, a good looking bunch of men, and also good business men. He was evidently pleased to have three members of the old council to support him. In fact, he would liked to see it included in the statutes that only three councillors should be relieved each year. It would save probably thousands of dollars. When half of the council were left behind to give them the benefit of their previous experience ,there was a saving of great time and expenditure. "Let us this year," said the reeve, "do things expeditionsly and at the same time effectively." He looked forward to a year of prosperity during which they would have to deal with various questions of importance. He was sorry in a certain sense to hear that the western portion of the municipality was talking of leaving them; at the same time he was glad they saw their way to standing on their own ground financially. They would have to take up the question of the Second Narrows bridge, which was the pivot of al lthe future success. They would have to obtain the opinions of other municipalities and get a by-law to the people as soon as possible. "We must," said the reeve, "put our shoulders to the wheel and make that bridge an accomplished fact."

The appointment of committeer was then proceeded with. These were arranged as follows:

Finance—Councillors Bridgman and Nelson.

Board of Works—Coun. Loutet and Ward.

Water—in the western part, Coun. Westover. In the Valley, Coun. Lawson and Westover.

Fire and Light—Coun. Lawson and Bridgman

Plans—Coun. Ward and Loutet.

Public Parks and Health—Coun. Nelson and Westover.

Hospital—Coun. Loutet.

Licensing—Coun. Bridgman and Lawson with Messrs. J. B.Cornish and J. C. Keith as Justices of the Peace.

B. C. Electric—Coun. Bridgman, Loutet and Ward.

There was some discussion as to whether reeve should or ...uld not be police magistrate. On his expressing his willingness, however, an affirmative motion was carried.

It was then decided that the council should this year meet every Thursday at 7.30 p.m.

A letter from the provincial deputy minister of public works was read and ordered to be filed. The missive stated that it was contrary to all precedent for the provincial government to release the reversionary interest in the right of way acquired through the Capilano Indian reserve but of course, the gazetting of the road would give the municipality ample protection.

On the motion of Coun Bridgman, the council will at the next meeting be supplied with a statement showing the amount of money the council has now in hand.

The reeve and Coun. Ward and Westover were added to the adjustment committee to help in negotiating the division of the municipality.

Coun. Nelson, in this connection, said the final meeting in respect of this matter would have to take place shortly so it was decided that it should be called in the district hall.

After several minor matters left over by the late council had been referred to various committes, the session was adjourned.

N. V. Yacht Club Entertainment

A Hilarious Evening Promised

The North Vancouver Yacht Club have taken the Lonsdale Theatre for two nights, January 23rd and 24th, when they will provide in the form of a minstrel troupe, an entertainment which promises to give the people of North Vancouver a musical treat and the most laughable two hours in the history of the city. The jokes are real jokes and they are new. The songs are good songs and they will catch your ear. You will be tickled to death with the harmonies of the quartette and the "Barber-shop chords."

Joe and Steamboat, two low-down coon comedians will sing "Aldermen are seeking office allee lifee long," written by a North Vancouver Chinaman. The ears of some local celebrities may tingle as a result but all the others will laugh.

The curtain will rise on a circle of black men in charge of an interlocutor in the good old fashioned way, although the program is essentiallly funny Messrs. Hooley, Stovel and Farmer will render swinging rousing songs. Mr. Percy Ward with his famous quartette will also be there.

The whole program will be sprinkled with humorous hits, gags and allusions of local interest and the audience will only be allowed five minutes' interval in which to recover its decorum.

REEVE MAY REPLIES

In the exigencies of having to condense the account of an unusually lengthy meeting, mention was inadvertently omitted in the last issue of the Express of Reeve May's emphatic reply on Thursday night to certain statements made by Mr. J. C. Keith in his letter supporting the candidature of Ex-Reeve McNaught. In reference to the statement that "Mr. May has asserted that the municipality would have been bankrupt if he had not stepped in and guaranteed the finances with the bank," Reeve May contended that he was merely indicating the splendid progress of the municipality from a financial standpoint and not seeking to derive political capital from this allusion.

HOCKEY TONIGHT

The professional hockey match which will be played at the Vancouver arena this evening promises to be the best exhibition of the game in the season's series to date. The teams have been steadily improving in their play as the season has advanced and are now in position to put up first class hockey. Because of the particular teams which will meet this evening special interest attaches to the match. The Victoria team has forged into first place in the league by good play but the New Westminster team won from them on Victoria's own rink about two weeks ago and as they have been working hard since that time, they expect to repeat their victory tonight and thus check the winning pace of the capitals. The game should attract a record crowd and prove exceptionally fast and exciting.

EPWORTH LEAGUE NOTICE

Last evening the local Epworth League was given an illustrated talk entitled "Strangers within our gates" by the pastor. Mr. Ogle was to have addressed the meeting but owing to illness was unable to attend. The talk gave a good idea of the range of citizens being received and showed the need of support for home missions. Next evening, Monday, January 22nd, being "Citizenship" Messrs. Grey, Weir and Osborn will give addresses on the effect of art, literature and music on citizens." Everybody welcome and bring your friends.

According to the report of Mr. Cosgrove, the district engineer, a little over 21 miles of road have been opened by contract during the past year. Over 8 miles of road have been opened by day work. The total mileage of roads opened has been 29.78, and the mileage of roads macadamised, 1.60. Over 7 miles of sidewalk have been laid and in connection with the waterworks department, mains extending 4.71 miles have been laid, while water connections number 160. Subdivisions considered during the year number 222.

The city of North Vancouver has turned a new page in its history in a real estate transaction just completed with the sale of St. John's college for a considerable sum by the joint firms of Inkster, Ward & Co. Ltd. and the North Vancouver Trust Co. Ltd. to a syndicate of capitalists. Information states that it is the intention of the purchasers to shortly subdivide the college grounds into building lots which will be placed on the market by the above firms for the purpose of forming a new ersidential section. The disappearance of this old lond mark is another sign of the rapid growth and advancement of North Vancouver.

David McLelland, Mayor McNeish's ward, who was for a time on H. M. S. "Rainbow" has been placed by His Worship in St. Louis College, New Westminster. The mayor intends to eventually place David in training for a naval career.

District Polling—Revised Figures

The following is the revised statement of the polling in the municipality on Saturday last:

For Reeve—

W. H. May 502
J. Y. McNaught 354

For Councillors—

Ward 1.

Charles Nelson 56
W. A. Thompson 23

Ward 2

John Lawson, returned by acclamation.

Ward 3

Jack Loutet 134
George Wagg 63
Alexander Philip 21

Ward 4.

Peter Westover 161
T. A. Allan 149

Ward 5.

E. H. Bridgman 93
C. D. MacKenzie 39

Ward 6.

Percy Ward, returned by acclamation.

Councils Past and Present

New Aldermen Take Oath

A brief valedictory session of the "old" city council took place at noon yesterday The new pen-nibs, shining ink-wells and flake-white blotting paper placed in readiness for the new council made the three retiring aldermen almost regretful that it was not to b theirs to soil with usage.

Certain minutes having been formally passed, Mayor McNeish intimated that he had received a telegram from Mr. H. H. Stevens M.P. acknowledging the joint entreaty for a 30 days' delay of the pending application of the C. P. R. Company. Mr. Stevens' reply was: "Application will be adjourned about thirty days. Advise other organizations."

On the suggestion of Ald. Dick it was agreed that the clerk should communicate this message to the district council, Board of Trade and Ratepayers' Association.

Ald Dick further moved that all questions involving sidewalks, roads and water connections that had not been seen to during the past year be referred to the next council with a recommendation that they be attended to as soon as funds are available. Carried.

The mayor then expressed a sincere hope that the city had benefitted by the actions of the past year's council. "I also hope," continued His Worship, "that although you are leaving this body we shall still enjoy the benefits of your interest and advice, as a council cannot do everything as you are aware and it is through the unbiassed assistance of members of the community that we can hope to make things go ahead successfully."

Ald. McRae said that they would assuredly miss their retiring colleagues and certainly they would miss Ald. Kittson's genial smile!

The proprietor of the said smile facetiously expressed a hope that the relics of the old council would not take undue advantage of the innocence of the new members.

Ald Henderson then made a motion of congratulation, responded to by the mayor, who said it was a source of great gratification to him to have the confidence of the ratepayers He would promise to faithfully discharge his duties.

By this time the three newly-elected aldermen, Messrs. Foreman, Irwin and Fraser had arrived upon the scene and the mayor forthwith read aloud to each individually the formula by which aldermen are sworn into office.

This done, His Worship congratulated the city on its choice of the personnel of the council for the coming year. They were all men of experience and men who would benefit the city. "There is a great deal of work to be done,' 'said the mayor, "and doubtless we shall all endeavor to carry it out in a manner which will make the city better fixed financially."

His Worship exhorted the aldermanic sextette to pay every attention to the work that came before them. During the year they could not all expect to see eye to eye with each other on all questions, and the mayor entreated them to be considerate of one another. The following committees were then appointed for the ensuing year:

Finance—Ald. McRae (chairman) Ald. Irwin, Ald. Foreman.

Board of Works—Ald. Biss (chairman), Ald. Foreman, Ald. Fraser.

Waterworks—Ald Dick (chairman), Ald. Biss, Ald Fraser.

Fire and Light—Ald. Irwin (chairman), Ald. Dick, Ald. McRae.

Parks, Cemetery and Boulevard—Ald. Foreman (chairman), Ald. Irwin, Ald .Biss.

Land, Lanes, Public Safety and Public Transportation—Ald. Fraser (chairman), Ald. McRae, Ald. Dick.

The mayor ex-officio member of each committee.

Court of Revision—His Worship Mayor McNeish (chairman), Ald. Foreman, Ald. Irwin, Ald. Dick, Ald. McRae.

Board of School Trustees

Presentation to Mr. A. B. Steacy

That progressive and important body the school trustees of this city, yesterday placed figurative laurels on the brow of Mr. A. B. Steacy, whose retirement from the board means to anyone who has followed his work in the past, a distinct loss to the educational department.

In recognition of the fact Mr. Steacy's colleagues convened yesterday and surprised him with the gift of a gold-mounted cane. The presentation address, uttered by Trustee McDowell, was as follows:

"Your retirement at this time from the position you have so ably and courteously filled on the Board of School Trustees presents a suitable opportunity of expressing our grateful sense of your faithful services, and our esteem for your personal character. You have continuously served on the board since 1905, and the thanks of the community are due to you for the capable and impartial manner in which you have uniformly performed your public duties in the interests of education during these seven years. Your late associates in office regard your determination to retire from public life as a subject of sincere regret, and, although deprived of your valuable services, will not cease to remember with gratitude the interest you have always taken, and still continue to take, in the educational prosperity of North Vancouver. You have filled the position of chairman with dignity and acceptance ,and to you, sir, by your tact in so-guiding the deliberations of the Board in channels of harmony, is due, in great measure, the presence of that spirit of unison and concord which ever prevailed in our discussions, and by which all our transactions for the attainment of educational facilities have been consummated

We who have labored with you on the board of school trustees, desire to offer you a tangible token of the sentiments we express. We ask your acceptance, therefore, of this gold-mounted presentation cane, not as a reward for the splendid services you have rendered in the cause of education, but as a memento of our appreciation of them ,and as a spontaneous offering of genuine attachment and regard from those who have had ample opportunities of truly estimating your character and abilifies, both as a public man and a private citizen As such an emblem this souvenir is presented to you, sir, and along with it our earnest wish that you may long live in health and happiness to use it and may the possession of it revive pleasant recollections of your service on the school board and of your relationship with your colleagues whose names are hereto subscribed"

Mr Steacy made a brief reply, embodying sincere thanks and appreciation of the action of his colleagues

Mr E A. Morden having been cordially welcomed as a member of the board, the appointment of officers and committees, etc. for the ensuing year was proceeded with as follows:

Chairman—Mr. M. S. McDowell.

Secretary—Mr. Geo. Campbell.

Building and Grounds Committee—Messrs Hay (chairman), Fraser and McDowell.

Finance Committee—Messrs. Perry and Morden.

School Management—The entire board, Truant Officer Chief of Police Davies.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tuesday, Jan. 16th—Annual Meeting of Horticultural Society 8 p.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 17th—Meeting of Board of Trade, City Hall, 8 p.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 17th—N. V. Fire Department Ball, K. of P. Hall, 9 o'clock.

Thursday, Jan. 18th—Meeting of District Council, Lynn Valley, 7.30 o'clock.

Monday, Jan. 22nd—Meeting of City Council, 8 o'clock.

Sanitarium for North Vancouver

Local Doctor's Project

It is the intention of Drs. Newcombe and Martin of this city to shortly open a private hospital—one which will be thoroughly modern in every conceivable respect. For this purpose they have acquired an admirable site on Second and Third streets between St. Patrick's and St. Andrew's whereon there already stands a building suitable in the opinion of the two doctors, to their project. The building has undergone a process of renovation and remodelling, and in its metamorphosed and modernised state is destined to be known as the Harbor View Sanitarium. Both Dr. Newcombe and Dr. Martin mutually intend this institution to be second to none in the province. In ten days' time it will be in readiness to receive all cases save those of infection and alcoholism .

The building itself is replete with up-to-date conveniences, has several rooms immediately facing in a sunny direction, and is surrounded by a verandah commanding, both to the south and to the west, a splendid and uninterrupted view of the Inlet.

The sanitarium will be under the management of Miss McLeish, a nurse particularly well known in Vancouver and this city, who will be assisted at the outset by a staff of three trained nurses and an orderly.

The annual meeting of the Horticultural society takes place this evening in the hall at 8 o'clock.

Mr. J. H. English is pleased to inform many inquirers that Master Charles English is out of danger and improving satisfactorily.

Mr. R. D. Cumming of Ashcroft is visiting his brother, Mr. W. S. Cumming of this city. Mr. Cumming has recently sold his business at Ashcroft and is enjoying a well earned vacation.

LONSDALE THEATRE

A varied and excellent program is on the boards at the Lonsdale theatre this week.

Mr Kingsburgh is certainly the King of Kards. His wonderful tricks border on the miraculous.

The youngsters greatly appreciated the ventriloquism of Mr. Brown.

The piece de resistance was the most amusing one-act farce entitled "a pair of lunatics." Mr. Fearnley and Miss Van Dusen did ample justice to this extremely funny piece.

All the new pictures are excellent, but the "Shooting Star" is one of the most beautiful films ever shown. This will appear on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings for the last time.

The North Vancouver Yacht Club are to grace the theatre on the 23rd inst. and most of the tickets for that evening have been already sold.

Don't forget the Firemen's Ball to be held in the K. of P. Hall on Wednesday, January 17th, 1912. 16-1

LOST AND FOUND.

FOUND—Gasoline boat. W. C. Thompson, Hollyburn . 2-2

WANTED

WANTED—To excavators! Earth. Apply Wallace Shipyards Ltd. t.f.

WANTED—General servant, experience not necessary. Apply Mrs. Myers, 7th and Ridgeway. 18-1

WANTED—Girl to assist with housework, old country girl preferred. Mrs. W. B. Shakespeare, 4th street east. 19-1

WANTED—A girl to do general housework. Apply first house west of Boulevard on 15th street, Mrs. M. W. Clements. 23-1

We have money for the purchase of Agreements of Sale. Canadian Financiers Ltd., Bank of Hamilton Building. t.f.

Agreements for Sale discounted. Money waiting. Lonsdale Realty Co., 535 Lonsdale Avenue. Phone 317. t.f.

WANTED—A lot for homesite, North Vancouver, Capilano or Lynn Valley. Must be within two blocks from car. State cash price and size of same. Apply Box 2054, North Vancouver. P. O. 19-1

NORTH SHORE RESIDENTS—IF you desire to sell your business or property of any kind call or write us, we have clients for close-in acreage for subdivision. We can get results. McIlwaine & Delbar, 9 Jones Building, 407 Hastings St. W., Vancouver, B. C. t.f.

Express Classified Ads.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Thoroughbred P. R. Rooster. Apply P. O. Box 2002.

FOR SALE—Thoroughbred Belguim Hare cheap. Apply Box A, Express Office.

FOR SALE—First growth dry wood for $4.75 per cord, 4 ft. O. McDade, Phone 91. General teaming. t.f.

FOR SALE—Fir wood $4.50 per cord. Apply John Campbell, 227—5th street west, or phone 361. 19-1

FOR SALE—Lots 8, 9, 10, block 53, D. L. 550. Price $2850 or separate, 1-3 cash, 6 and 12 months. Apply Box A16 Express Office. 18-1

FOR SALE—Wood, 16-inch fir, $3.25, cedar blocks, $3.25, cord wood, $4.50. Leave orders at barn, 7th and Ridgeway or P. O. Box 2014. 16-1

FOR SALE—Three 50-foot lots on Queen street, five minutes' walk from Lonsdale avenue, $350 each, one-third cash, 6, 12 and 18 months. Apply K., "Express" Office.

FOR SALE—Light delivery horse, weight 1,000 lbs. Good all round vanner. John Alexander & Co., 121 Lonsdale Avenue, N. Vancouver. t.f.

LUMBER FOR SALE—The H. C. Wright Lumber Co. 9 Lonsdale Avenue, can give you prices on all material when you are building. See them t.f.

FOR SALE—50 shares in Imperial Car and Drydock Corporation for $400 cash. Projected line of C. P. R. runs right through the "Imperial Townsite." Apply Imperial, Express Office. t.f.

FOR RENT

ROOMS FOR RENT—Housekeeping. 218 2nd Street east.

FOR RENT—Six roomed house. Pantry and bath, Jones and Keith road. P. O. Box 2291, N. Vancouver. 26-1

FOR RENT—One suite, Colonial Apartments. Telephone and heat included. t.f.

TO LET—Nice large unfurnished room, $5 per month, 1549 Chesterfield Ave. 19-1

TO RENT—Choice modern suites on 3rd street. Apply Alex. Smith & Co., North Vancouver. Rents $17.50. t.f.

Brondsbury Rooms, beautiful new and heated rooms, hot water. Terms moderate. 134 1st street west. 12-1

TO RENT—Choice modern suites on 3rd street. Apply Alex. Smith & Co., North Vancouver. t.f.

FOR RENT—Light housekeeping suites of rooms in Mt. Crown Block, 1st street. Hot and cold water, heat, telephone, etc., etc. Also good janitor service. 30-1

FOR RENT—The old ferry boat "Surrey" standing on beach near Lonsdale Gardens. Furnished suitable for residence. Rent, $12.50 per month Gillespie's Limited, 331 Pender St., Vancouver. Phone Seymour 5098.

MISCELLANEOUS

Get it at Lonsdale Pharmacy Phone 29

Room and board at the corner of Queensbury and 6th on car line. 19-1

Mrs. Adams, maternity nurse, near Hotel, Lynn Valley Road. 16-1

North Lonsdale

B. C. Livery and Board stables—Light rigs and ladies' saddle horses for hire. Stabling for horses. General delivery and heavy teaming. H. Dumas, 4th street west. Phone 347 t.f.

For plumbing, pipe fitting and connecting see F. B. Hermon, Frederick Road, Lynn Valley, or Phone 184. t.f.

The North Vancouver Dye Works 44 Lonsdale Avenue, guarantee to do as good work at cheaper prices than you can possibly get in Vancouver. Give us a trial, the result will speak for itself Phone 107. t.f.

The Truth students class will meet every Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock at the residence of Mrs. Gallagher, Keith road, near Ridgeway. Students desiring higher spiritual unfoldment are cordially invited to attend. t.f.

The Imperial Car, Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Corporation will consider offers for clearing townsite of 500 acres at Roche Point. Apply to J. F. O'C. Wood, Mount Crown Block, 1st Street east. t.f.

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North Vancouver, B. C.....January 16, 1912.

NORTH SHORE MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

The municipal elections in both city and district are now past and the official lists are filled up for the guidance of affairs during the journey to another milestone in the civic history of the North Shore.

In the city council the mayor and three aldermen have survived the annual upheaval and in this particular Mayor McNeish is to be especially congratulated upon capturing the distinction of being the first mayor of the city of North Vancouver to be elected by acclamation. In the district ,the council just elected presents a new and yet a familiar figure at the head of the council in the person of Reeve May ,who is likewise to be congratulated upon the conspicuous manner in which he has "come back" after retiring at the end of eighteen years of public life. Three of last year's council are again in their places and will participate in the administration of district municipal matters, for the ensuing term.

There will necessarily be some changes in the personnel of the district council when West Vancouver municipality is created out of the western portion of the district, an event which will probably transpire within a few months, but it is scarcely to be anticipated that beyond the retirement of the representative of that section who now sits at the council board the present council will undergo, material change, if any.

These years which are passing at present time are all years of exceptional importance in the history of the North Shore, because they are formative years. The foundations are now being laid which in an essential sense must exercise a controlling influence over the development of the North Shore, for all time. It is, therefore, imperative that municipal affairs be entrusted to men who will prove themselves both capable of the task which devolves upon them and worthy of the honor which has been conferred upon them ,by guiding the development of local affairs along lines which are at once safe and progressive.

The councils for 1912 are composed of men who without exception, have been for years, closely identified with North Shore interests, men who have proven their business capacity in the marked success which has attended their operations along lines of private enterprise, while for the greater part they are men of more or less actual experience in the administration of municipal affairs, all of which will be recognized as cogent reasons why the ratepayers of the North Shore may look forward with confidence to the year 1912 as likely to prove a year of able and progressive administration of the affairs of the city and the district of North Vancouver.

RESIDENT AND NON-RESIDENT VOTERS

In municipalities situated as are the city and the district of North Vancouver, the proportionate relationship existing between the resident vote and the outside vote, cast at the municipal elections, is a matter of interest to those who follow municipal problems.

The close proximity of a great centre such as Vancouver, within twenty minutes' run, coupled with the comparatively small proportions as yet attained in local population, creates a very large body of non resident ratepayers, who ,when conditions are favorable, muster in numerical strength of such formidable proportions at the polls, as to exert a most potent, if not a controlling influence on the municipal elections

It is an undeniable fact that the local situation is rendered considerably more complicated, because of this feature. The non-resident voter is in every way inherently equal to the resident voter, but it is quite evident that he is not so closely in touch with local issues as is the resident voter, he has not the same acquaintance with the local standing of the several candidates for office, he has not the same knowledge of the real inwardness of the situation and in essaying to mark his ballot paper he is at a decided disadvantage and in fact is frequently quite at a loss and proceeds more or less at random unless he has first applied to some personal acquaintance for disinterested (?) guidance in the matter.

There are, of course, instances, in which a non-resident voter is fully as well informed as any local voter and is, therefore quite as capable of marking an independent ballot, but this is the exception rather than the rule. It is not at all to disparage the non-resident vote, therefore, to say that the rapid development of a resident vote such as will at all times unmistakeably locate the controlling influence in North Shore affairs, with the resident ratepayers is a consummation which would make toward solidifying the foundation of local municipal development

So far as can be learned, the non resident vote was stronger this year proportionately in city elections than it was last year, while with respect to the district it was somewhat smaller as compared with the total vote than last year, although it constituted about fifty per cent. of the vote polled on Saturday.

Shiloh's Cure
QUICKLY STOPS COUGHS, CURES COLDS, HEALS THE THROAT AND LUNGS. 25 CENTS

Don't miss the illustrated lecture trip through the Land of Scott and Burns with the Rev. J. W. Woodside as "guide" assisted by local and Vancouver talent in songs and readings, Thursday, January 18, 8 p.m., St. Andrew's Presbyterian church. Admission 25 and 50 cents. 16-1

WESTMINSTER LAND DISTRICT
District of Coast Range One.
Take Notice that George Verdier of Vancouver, B. C., occupation, timber cruiser, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands: Commencing at a post planted about 10 chains south of the north-east corner of Lot 28; thence east 40 chains; thence south 40 chains; thence east 40 chains; thence north 40 chains; thence east 40 chains; thence north 40 chains ,thence west 120 chains, thence south 40 chains to point of commencement containing 640 acres more or less

GEORGE VERDIER
Date, December 27th, 1911 16-3

WESTMINSTER LAND DISTRICT
District of Coast Range One
Take Notice that Cora King, of Vancouver, B. C., occupation, spinster, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands: Commencing at a post planted about 33 chains east of the point of commencement of Lot T L 30526 and alongside a surveyor's post bearing number 215; thence north 80 chains; thence east 40 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence west 40 chains to point of commencement, containing 320 acres more or less.

CORA KING.
Date, December 27th, 1911. 16-3

WESTMINSTER LAND DISTRICT
District of Coast Range One
Take Notice that Elliott Alexander Haswell of Vancouver, B. C., occupation broker, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands: Commencing at a post planted 40 chains east of the north east corner as given in a description of lot staked by George Verdier and numbered One; thence north 40 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence north 40 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence south 40 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence south 40 chains; thence east 80 chains to point of commencement, containing 640 acres more or less.

ELLIOTT ALEXANDER HASWELL.
Date, December 27th, 1911. 16-3

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

A large city map of North Vancouver has been prepared in the City Engineer's office,showing the dimensions of the lots.

Any person desiring a blue print of the same may obtain a copy at the City Engineer's office by paying the actual cost of blue printing.

GEORGE S. HANES,
City Engineer.

19-1

District of North Vancouver.

Court of Revision of Assessment Roll

NOTICE is hereby given that the Council of the District of North Vancouver have appointed Saturday ,the 3rd day of February, 1912, at the hour of 2 o'clock p.m. at the Municipal Hall, corner of Lynn Valley Road and Fromme Road in said district as the time and place for hearing complaints against the Assessment for the year 1912, as made by the Assessor.

Any person complaining against the Assessment must give notice in writing to the Assessor of the ground of his complaint at least ten days before the date of the first sitting of the Court of Revision.

Dated at North Vancouver, B. C., this 15th day of December, 1911.

JOHN G. FARMER, C.M.C.
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Scott and Burns by Rev. J. W. Woodside, enlivened by song and story—Vancouver and local talent. St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, Thursday, January 18, 8 p.m. Price 25 and 50 cents. 16-1

NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS

Sewer Connections

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that all owners of real property fronting or abutting upon a street or lane in which or under which a main or common sewer is laid is hereby required to connect any building or premises upon such property with such main or common sewer.

Permits may be obtained from the Plumbing Inspector at his office at the City Hall between the hours of 9 a. m. and 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. and 2 p.m.

The following regulations govern the construction of house or building connections with sewers:

No house sewer pipe shall have a less fall than 1 to 40, unless special permission is granted in writing by the Council. Said pipes between the iron pipe, to the connection of the public sewer to be of the best quality standard salt-glazed vitrified clay sewer pipe, and shall have a diameter of not less than 4 inches. All pipes shall be sound and well burned throughout their thickness, impervious to moisture, with a clear ring, smooth and well glazed on interior and exterior surfaces, free from flaws, cracks, blisters, fire checks or other imperfections.

The pipes must be so laid in the trench that after the sewer is completed, the interior surface thereof, shall be to a true and even grade.

In making the joints, a gasket of oakum or hemp, freshly dipped in cement grout, must first be used and packed into place. The joints shall afterwards be tightly packed full and bevelled off with mortar, composed of one part by volume of approved Portland cement to one part by volume of approved sand.

All joints shall be made water tight, so that they will stand a head of 10 feet of water, when tested by the Plumbing Inspector at the owner's, plumber's or contractor's expense.

By order of the Council:

THOMAS SHEPHERD,
City Clerk. tf

N. A. KEARNS
ARCHITECT
Telephone 276
127 LONSDALE AVE
NORTH VANCOUVER

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(a) The name, address and occupation of the applicant—Corporation of the City of North Vancouver.

(If for mining purposes) Free Miner's Certificate No. .....

(b) The name of the lake, stream or source (if unnamed, the description is)—Creek flowing out of Rice Lake into Seymour river.

(c) The point of diversion—2,000 feet down stream in a northerly direction from outlet of Rice Lake, said point being in D. L. 857.

(d) The quantity of water applied for (in cubic feet per second)—Three cubic feet per second.

(e) The character of the proposed works—Small dam.

(f) The premises on which the water is to be used (describe same(—City of North Vancouver.

(g) The purposes for which the water is to be used—Municipal and domestic purposes

(h) If for irrigation describe the land intended to be irrigated, giving acreage. .....

(i) If the water is to be used for power or mining purposes describe the place where the water is to be returned to some natural channel, and the difference in altitude between point of diversion and point of return .....

(j) Area of Crown land intended to be occupied by the proposed works

(k) This notice was posted on the 22nd day of December, 1911, and application will be made to the Commissioner on the 25th day of January, 1912.

(l) Give the names and addresses of any riparian proprietors or licensees who or whose lands are likely to be affected by the proposed works, either above or below the outlet.

CITY OF NORTH VANCOUVER,
(Signature) THOMAS SHEPHERD,
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TO THE ELECTORS OF THE DISTRICT OF NORTH VANCOUVER

I wish to express my sincere thanks and appreciation for the generous vote accorded me on Saturday last. I hope to justify your confidence by fidelity ti your interests in the municipality at large.

WM. H. MAY.

TO THE ELECTORS OF WARD THREE

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Please accept my vote of thanks for your unsolicited votes in the late elections Wishing you all a Happy New Year. I beg to remain,

Yours truly,
GEO WAGG.

CARD OF THANKS

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I wish to thank you all for your hearty support in re-electing me as your councillor for ward 5 for 1912 and I can assure you that it will be my honest endeavor to further the interest of the district in every possible way.

Yours faithfully,
E. H. BRIDGMAN.

CARD OF THANKS

To the North Vancouver Electors:

I wish to convey my sincere thanks to those whose support placed me on the list of successful candidates for alderman.

It will be my ambition to retain the confidence thus placed in me.

Yours faithfully,
J. D. FRASER.

North Vancouver,
January 12, 1912

CARD OF THANKS

Ald. R. C. Biss wishes to take this opportunity of conveying his appreciation to the electors of the city of North Vancouver for their support in the recent election and will endeavor by constant attention to his duties as alderman to see that their confidence has not been misplaced 16 1

CARD OF THANKS

T. L. Kennedy desires to thank the electors of the city of North Vancouver for their generous support in the recent election.

APPLICATION FOR BOTTLE LICENSE

NOTICE is hereby given that at the next meeting of the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the city of North Vancouver I shall apply for a bottle license on 1st street east, lot 7, block 166, D. L. 274.

J B. TEEVENS.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

BETWEEN

WILLIAM FULLER ACKLAND HOOD, of the City of Vancouver, B. C., PLAINTIFF

AND

WALTER HENDRICKSON of the City of Vancouver, B C (c/o Richards, Akroyd & Gall) DEFENDANT

BEFORE THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE MORRISON IN CHAMBERS, Thursday the 21st day of December, A.D., 1911.

UPON the application of the Plaintiff for leave to serve the Writ of Summons herein substitutionally on the Defendant and upon hearing read the affidavits of Thomas Shirley dated the 19th day of December, A.D., 1911, and Arthur J. Kappele dated the 21st day of December, A.D., 1911, sworn and filed herein and the exhibit therein referred to;

IT IS ORDERED that service upon the Defendant, Walter Hendrickson of the Writ of Summons and Statement of Claim in this action by publishing this Order together with the Notice thereon endorsed, in the Vancouver Daily Province and in the Express, published in the City of North Vancouver for a period of two weeks from the date of the first publication, be deemed good and sufficient service of said Writ and Statement of Claim;

AND IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the said Defendant do enter an appearance and file his statement of defence to the said Writ of Summons and Statement of Claim as aforesaid on or before Monday, the 29th day of January, 1912

AND IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the costs of and incidental to this application be costs in the cause.

NOTICE

The Plaintiff's claim is for the cancellation of a certain agreement entered into between the Plaintiff and the Defendant dated the 1st day of August, 1907, and registered in the Land Registry Office in the City of Vancouver, the 21st day of July, 1908.

The Plaintiff further claims that the registration of the said agreement in the Land Registry Office at Vancouver, B. C., be cancelled

(Signed) AULEY MORRISON,
Judge.

Vancouver, Dec. 20, 1911
Registry
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CITY COUNCIL

The first business of the new council for the transaction of business was held last evening, the aldermen being all present and Mayor McNeish presiding.

Communications were disposed of as follows: From Mr. J. Stephen, local manager Bank of B. N. A., to the effect that the general manager wished to be advised as to the financial requirements of the city for the year 1912. Finance committee.

From District Clerk John G. Farmer enclosing a letter from the East Capilano Ratepayers' Association with reference to inadequate equipment on tram cars and suggesting a joint committee to deal with such matters. Transportation committee.

From G. D. Hyland, with reference to surface water flowing over lot 5, block 116, D. L. 274 (referred to the engineer) and with reference to the sidewalk in front of new apartment block on lot 21, block 120, D. L. 274, referred to the Board of Works.

From District Clerk John G. Farmer forwarding application of G. M. White side for an arc light at the corner of Keith road and Sutherland drive and stating that district council would pay one quarter of the cost of same. Fire and light committee.

From McLaren and Hughes, asking that stumps be removed from 7th street in order to permit the installation of electric light poles. Board of Works.

From the N. V. City Band submitting financial statement for the year as follows:

Receipts

Cash in hand, Jan. 1, 1911	$116.64
City grant	50.00
City monthly appropriation	425.00
N. V. City Ferries Ltd.	100.00
Proceeds from concert	97.50
Sundry sources	434.00
	1523.14

Disbursements

Uniforms	$352.60
Bandmaster's salary	450.00
Rent	150.00
Instruments	36.00
Tuition	31.50
Furniture, printing, etc.	408.94
Balance in hand	94.10
	1523.14

Referred to finance committee with commendations for the business-like manner in which the report was submitted.

From City Engineer Hanes reporting that he had notified the contractor that imperfect concrete in sidewalk in front of Lonsdale Theatre must be repaired. Confirmed.

From City Engineer Hanes, submitting plans of street ends as follows: Fell avenue, Winch avenue, Bewicke Ave and MacKay road. Committee of the whole.

From G. C. Walker, requesting compliance of council in the application of the North Vancouver Dock and Storage Company for foreshore rights fronting on lots 1, 2, 3, and 4, block 176, D. L. 274, for wharfage purposes. Mr. Walker being present, explained that his company had plans already in hand for a wharf of 100 feet with bunkers with a capacity of 3,000 cubic yards, which would cost complete about $100,000. Arrangements are also paetically completed with the B. C. El. Railway Co. to run their tracks upon the wharf. The company is prepared to proceed at once upon securing the rights for which application is being made. Engineer to report.

From City Solicitor R. L. Reid, enclosing form of application for lease of foreshore frontage on Indian Mission in favor of the city and asking what inducements the council is prepared to offer the Indians in dieu of their hights, if any. Committee of the whole.

From Mr. Geo. Campbell, secretary of the school board, directing attention of council to the suggestion of Coroner Diplock that every boy and every girl should be taught to swim. Parks committee to investigate re bathing beach.

Mayor McNeish advised council that he had received a telegram from H. H. Stevens, M.P. to the effect that application of C. P. R. re bridging North Arm etc. has been laid over for about thirty days as requested of the minister of railways.

On motion of Ald. Dick and Biss a notice will be published shortly notifying all ratepayers wishing employment on city works to register names together with property owned with city clerk.

On motion of Ald. Dick last year's by-law with reference to meetings of the council was re-enacted fo rthe present year.

The several money by-laws sanctioned by the ratepayers at the recent elections were re considered and finally passed.

With reference to the Subway by law the city clerk was instructed to write the city solicitor instructing him to secure the necessary legislation to validate the same and also to notify Vancouver city council of intention to construct the subway.

The matter of the Horticultural society Aid bylaw was referred to the finance committee for completion of agreement to accompany the mortgage, etc.

With regard to the drill hall site, the clerk was instructed to write the city solicitor instructing him to draw up the necessary conveyance for the same.

The by-law re divivding the city into wards was referred to the committee of the whole.

Ald. McRae was of opinion that some those sections which might desire to extension of the city boundaries. Ald. Irwin thought it would be preferable if the initiative in this matter came from thoe sections which might desire to unite with the city.

Council adjourned.

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CONGREGATIONAL SOCIAL

A congregational "at home" in connection with the Methodist church will be held on the evening of Friday, January 26th. At the request of the official boards of the church, the Ladies' Aid Society has taken the arrangements in hand with respect to the program, etc.

LOCAL OPTION CONVENTION

The fourth annual convention of the Local Option League of British Columbia will be held in the auditorium of the Central Mission, Abbott street, Vancouver, on Thursday and Friday, February 1st and 2nd. The morning and afternoon sessions will be devoted to the regular business of the league, consideration of reports, election of officers, etc. The evening sessions will be of a public nature and will be marked by important addresses from leading temperance workers. A detailed program is in preparation and will be made public later.

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course—who hadn't—and during his wanderings through the house the previous night, while he waited for Maillot to finish his business with Mr. Page, he had paused now and then in the vicinity of the library door. Twice he had heard the gem mentioned by those within.

Maillot accepted this statement with an offensive incredulity which was plainly deliberate.

"The house was very quiet," Burke made haste to add.

"Perhaps," Maillot spoke with sneering emphasis, his look frankly hostile, "perhaps you could have heard us; I'm ignorant of the degree of acuteness to which your hearing has been developed; but"—turning to me—"I want to say, Swift, that during the whole time Mr. Page and I were engaged in this room, our voices were not once raised so that a person beyond the closed door could have heard us intelligibly. I think, Burke, I see the imprint of a keyhole on your ear."

"Temper your language, Maillot," said the other, with a touch of asperity. Instantly Maillot was upon his feet.

"Shut up!" he thundered. "Don't you talk to me, you scamp!"

"Here, don't quarrel," I interposed pacifically, pressing the angry, glaring lawyer back into his chair with a persuasive hand upon his shoulder. I then said to him:

"You might appropriately relate what your business last night with Mr. Page was.'

"I will"—bluntly—"to you."

The proposal being a reasonable one, I agreed to defer the matter.

"However," continued I, "while you two are together there are some points upon which I want enlightenment. Reserve your personalities for another time. Is it positive that there was no one else in the house besides yourselves and Mr. Page?"

Neither spoke, each waiting, as it seemed, for the other to reply. My glance travelled between the two, and finally settled upon the secretary, whose long, nervous fingers were beating a silent tattoo upon the table.

"How about it, Mr. Burke?" I pressed him. "Your familiarity with the house entitles you to answer."

"I can take oath there was not," he now said. Stodger had already assured me that when he arrived every door and window was fast on the inside. So I net asked:

"When you went to notify the police, did you depart by way of the front door?"

"I did," he replied in a subdued voice. And Maillot immediately added:

"It was fast, Swift—bolt and spring latch, both. I remember because the fact made me think there might be somebody else in the house. As soon as Burke left I went over the whole place, methodically and painstakingly, and I can now swear, if anybody was secreted in here anywhere, why, he's here yet. I inspected every door and window, upstairs and down; all were fast."

The unbroken, spotless mantle of snow outside limited the possibility of ingress or egress without leaving betraying footprints, to either the front or the rear door, where the paths had been kept clear.

Dismissing this nonplussing phase, I turned to the subject of the gem once more.

"Regarding the Ruby, Mr. Burke," said I, "do you know where Mr. Page kept it?"

Maillot fixed a scowling look—not at all relieved by his discolored eye—upon the secretary, while that young man thoughtfully shook his head.

"No," Burke said at length; "not certainly. I never heard Mr. Page mention it; but I have an idea that it is in a small concealed safe in his bed-room, because there is where he keeps those things which no eye but his own ever sees."

Was it possible that Felix Page had any hidden treasures of sentiment? If so, here, in all truth, was a surprising side-light thrown into an unsuspected recess of his character. I was to have a hint presently of what was tucked away there.

But Burke had something more to say. "Perhaps,"—slowly—"you would like to see that safe, Mr. Swift. I know where it is located, and can save you a needless search. It will have to be opened later on, I imagine."

"All right," I said, with much interest. "Lead the way."

Burke rose, with a queer glance at Maillot, and turned toward the curtained alcove.

If he had any intention of moving in that direction, however, he quickly changed his mind; for Maillot and I followed him through the doorway, down the length of the roomy panelled hall, to another door on the same side of the house as the one we had just quitted. I could hear a murmur of voices across the hall, where Stodger was entertaining the reporters.

"The safe," said Burke, as we entered a large, handsome, but very disordered sleeping chamber, "is what decided Mr. Page on selecting this room in preference to one on the second floor. It was placed here, I suppose, at the time the house was built; it is very artfully hidden."

The bed betrayed the fact that it had not been slept in recently, and the room that it was unused to a cleansing supervision. Some soiled clothing lay in a heap in one corner; a pair of trousers were collapsed over the back of a chair; the dresser-top held a lot of linen and cravats, both clean and soiled; half-closed drawers overflowed with garments that had been thrust in any way, and an over-turned ink bottle on a handsome mahogany stand had never been righted. Even a careless housewife would have been driven insane by such deliberate untidiness.

Our guide picked up a half-burned candle, lighted it, and then opened a closet door. Next instant he started back with a queer cry.

Maillot and I crowded forward and saw—nothing, at first, to explain Burke's conduct. But in a moment I comprehended.

A section of the closet floor was up, and now stood on edge leaning against a wall; beneath it was a shallow, cemented hollow, with four wooden steps leading down to the bottom, where, obviously, one might stand to get conveniently at the small safe thus disclosed.

It was also manifest that somebody had been doing that very thing. For the safe door stood open, as well as the inner door; and a flash of the candle, a single brief glimpse, assured me that—whatever it might have held—it was now as empty as on the day it left the maker's hands.

But, stay—there was something, though not in the safe. I took the candle from Burke, and went down the steps. On the cement floor, in the shadow of the open safe door, was a visiting card, yellowed by age. I thought it blank at first; but on turning it over I saw some writing, faint and faded but legible, which had been penned by a feminine hand:

"I pray that you be showered with all the blessings of the season. With love from CLARA."

And in the lower left-hand corner, a date was written—an old, old date: "Xmas, 1857."

Next I satisfied myself that the doors had not been forced, and that every compartment was indeed empty. Then I looked back over my shoulder, to be puzzled by the baffling, indecipherable stare of Burke's tawny eyes. Was he looking at me, at the reaved safe, or at the pathetic little reminder, which I was holding in my hand, of that long-ago Christmas present? Though I could not be certain, I somehow felt that his interest was, at the moment, intense, and that I had been mistaken in thinking him a young man.

As I slipped the time-worn card into a pocket, Maillot's voice broke in harshly upon my meditations.

"So—we have a thief to deal with as well as an assassin," he observed, his glance roving casually over the secretary. "Burke, how would you, now, account for the safe being open?"

And for the first time I detected a sign of emotion in the yellow eyes: they darted a look toward Maillot, and away again; but it flickered with a spark of malice—gleamed for an instant with a light of malevolent contempt—which made me feel that the fellow had all along been keeping something in reserve, something which must inevitably come to light presently, to Maillot's utter discomfiture and undoing. It suggested that Burke was patiently biding his time until some sudden turn of events should permit him to triumph over the other. Clearly, there was no goodwill lost between these two men.

At once the eyes were again the same blank windows whose scrutiny was so indeterminate. Burke let down the trap-door in the closet floor, and I paused awhile to admire how cunningly it had been designed. Although knowing it to be there, I could discern no trace of the aperture. We then re-entered the bedroom.

I observed a door in the wall nearest the front of the house, and, seized with a sudden fancy to ascertain upon what it opened, went and laid my hand upon the handle. Burke's steady progress toward the hall door seemed to be aimed at diverting my purpose; realizing that he had failed, he turned and called aloud, staying my hand while it was in the very act of turning the knob.

"That's only the conservatory," his voice rang out; "it's empty—save for dust and cobwebs; there's nothing in it."

"Nevertheless, I have a fancy to explore it," returned I; and I opened the door.

A narrow passage was disclosed, across which was another door. Both swung open noiselessly, a circumstance which struck me, in view of the fact that the conservatory was empty and unused, as being rather odd; and as I closed the second door behind me, I turned round as if to make sure the latch had caught.

The hinges had been freshly oiled.

A bay of glass, semi-opaque with dirt, occupied the space of the outer wall, and the glare from the dazzling snow outside brought out the whole interior with a sort of brutal vividness. A number of water-stained shelves; a few shallow boxes disintegrating and distributing their contents of earth over the floor; one or two crisp, brown, dessicated plant-stalks; such was the interior of this apartment set aside and dedicated to flowers and bright growing things.

And it had been used infrequently as a passage-way, too. In the dust on the floor were footprints; some of them old, where later dust had settled, without quite obliterating them; some fresh, as if made but an hour ago.

As I came up to the next door I observed that its hinges had also been freshly lubricated, and was not surprised when it opened without a sound. When I stepped through it, I was in the curtained alcove off the library. Truly, there had been some secret, surreptitious flittings in this old mansion.

At that moment, in my abstraction, I was humming a little tune. I heard Stodger jovially speeding the departing reporters; and after the outside door closed behind the last of them, I shouted for him to enter the library. Our eyes met; and I indicated the secretary by the faintest of signs.

"Mr. Burke," said I, quietly, "will you please wait with Mr. Stodger while I have a few words with Mr. Maillot?"

The blank, pale face was turned briefly toward me—or Maillot—then the man bowed without a word, and followed Stodger. He paused an instant at the door, and looked across his shoulder at Maillot; enigma that he was, I nevertheless again caught a triumphant gleam in the tawny eyes. Then he passed on.

The fire on the wide hearth had been replenished during our round of the rooms; it was now blazing cheerily and doing its best to drive out the chill and the damp from the library; and it was a relief to get back to the easy chairs once more. I rested my forearms upon the back of one; but the instant the door closed on Stodger and Burke, young Maillot sank with a groan into a chair by the table.

The annual banquet and business meeting of the First Baptist church will be held in the Y. M. A. lecture room on Tuesday evening next. Supper will be served from 7.30 to 8.30, after which the various officers of the church and its auxiliaries will read their annual reports. Mr. Miller, a member of the building committee, will read the report dealing with the receipts and expenditures connected with the building of the new church. He will have a pleasant surprise for those who feared the consequence of such a large undertaking by so few people. The nominating committee will present the slate of officers and committees for the ensuing year. Provisions have been made for about one hundred adults. Any one vitally connected or actively interested in the work of the church is invited to attend.

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

BORN—On Sunday, January 14th, 1912, to Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Lawrence of this city, a son.

Mr and Mrs. B. C. Rainsford of 3rd street east are leaving this week for California where they will sojourn for six months or longer. They will be accompanied throughout their trip by their son, Mr. Clifford Rainsford.

The regular monthly meeting of the local Board of Trade will take place tomorrow (Wednesday) night in the city hall. A session of unusually vital interest is anticipated, both the question of the C. P. R. project and that of the Peace River being included in the agenda.

NOTICE is hereby given that an application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its next session for an Act to authorize the Lieutenant-Governor in Council (without requiring observance of the provisions of the Municipalities' Incorporation Act) by letters patent under the public seal to divide the corporation of the District of North Vancouver by incorporating into a District Municipality under the name of the "Corporation of the District of West Vancouver" all that portion of the Corporation of the District of North Vancouver, described as follows:

Commencing at the point where the east boundary of D. L. 876 intersects the north boundary of the said Corporation, thence west along said north boundary to a point in Howe Sound on the line of the said north boundary produced; distant 1,000 feet west from the easterly shore of said Howe Sound; thence southerly, parallel to, and following the meanderings of the said shore to a point of intersection with the line 1,000 feet distant south from the north shore of Burrard Inlet; thence easterly parallel to, and following the meanderings of the said North Shore of Burrard Inlet to a point of intersection 1,000 feet distant south from the south west corner of D. L. 264, and in line with the west boundary of said District Lot 264 produced, thence north easterly and northerly along the west boundary of said D. L. 264 to the north west corner thereof, thence continuing northerly along the west boundary of D. L. 876 to the north-west corner thereof, said corner being on the south boundary of D. L. 764; thence westerly along the said boundary D. L. 764 to the south west corner D. L. 764; thence north along the west boundary of said D. L. 764 to the north west corner thereof; thence easterly along the north boundary D. L. 764 to the south-east corner D. L. 763; thence north along the east boundaries of D. L. 763, 761, 603 and 606 to the north east corner of D. L. 606; thence west along the north boundary of said D. L. 606 to the south-east corner of D. L. 876; thence north along the east boundary of said D. L. 876 to point of commencement, including all rights and areas of said Howe Sound and English Bay, riparian or otherwise now a part of said corporation of the District of North Vancouver, and by reducing the limits of the said Corporation of the District of North Vancouver accordingly, each of said Corporations to remain subject to the debts and liabilities of the present Corporation of the District of North Vancouver but as between the Corporations the assets, debts and liabilities of the present Corporation of the District of North Vancouver to be divided and assumed upon an equitable basis.

DATED this 11th day of December, A.D. 1911.

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19-1 Solicitor for the Applicants

Mr. C. H. Thurston has been suffering for some days with an abscess in the throat. She is improving under care of Dr. Thompson.

On Tuesday, today, Lynn Valley will be able to boast of a meat market. Bennett and Winters are the enterprising partners and look for the local patronage.

Extensive clearing is being made on the pipe line road between Allen and Frederick roads. The property is owned by the Dominion Stock and Bond Co. of Vancouver.

The Merchants Trust and Trading Co. Ltd. have awarded J. W. Baker the contract for building three modern bungalows on their property on Hoskins road.

The bungalow on the corner of Church and Pipe Line, the property of Mr. Mitchell, is now completed and Contractor Roberts has handed same over to the owner ready for occupancy.

A successful party was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Magennis on Thursday evening last when a number of young people spent a rollicking and enjoyable time until 6 o'clock next morning.

Last week the roads were heavy owing to the recent fall of snow, and the tradesmen had some difficulty in delivering goods. Fletcher's grocery wagon was in great trouble, eventually losing its front wheels. The van of the Sanitary Grocery collided with that of the Pioneer grocery resulting in a smash up.

In connection with the St. Clement's, Lynn Valley Sunday school a children's Xmas tea was given on Thursday, January 4th. There was a large attendance, both of the children and adults belonging to the church.

After tea, games were played and everyone joined in with the children's fun. The vicar thanks all those who helped in making the affair so great a success.

The annual congregational meeting of Knox Presbyterian church is announced for this evening at 8 o'clock. A resolution of the managers will be submitted to the congregation concerning the future policy of the church. Rev. G. A. Wilson, superintendent of missions, will be in attendance and the wish is expressed that every member and adherent will be on hand to give their views regarding so important a step. Officers will be elected and reports of last year's work submitted. Light refreshments will be supplied free.

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