

P. G. E. RAILWAY SITUATION THOROUGHLY DISCUSSED

REPRESENTATIVE CONFERENCE MET WEDNESDAY NIGHT AND PASSED STRONG RESOLUTION

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS TO BE WRITTEN TO REGARDING WEST VANCOUVER DECISION

The Pacific Great Eastern Railway situation was thoroughly discussed on Wednesday evening when a representative conference took place in the city hall among those present being the Hon. F. L. Carter-Cotton, Mr. A. H. B. MacGowan, M.P.P., Vancouver, Mayor McNeish, Reeve May, Reeve Nelson, Ald. McRae, Ald. Foreman, Ald. Biss, Ald. Dick, Coun. Bridgman and Coun. Mathers of West Vancouver.

At the outset Mayor McNeish read letters from the secretary of the Vancouver Board of Trade, stating that the board would be represented; from the clerk of Vancouver, stating that in the absence of Mayor Findlay Ald. Baxter had been appointed the city's representative, and from Dr. McGuire, M. P.P., C. E. Tisdale, M.P.P., and from H. H. Watson, M.P.P., each expressing regret at inability to attend.

In opening the meeting Mayor McNeish briefly outlined the purpose for which the conference had been called. The Pacific Great Eastern bill made certain provisions relative to construction on the north shore, but compliance with these provisions had been delayed on the part of the railway company. It was evident that the matter must be pressed. The importance of North Vancouver demands these conditions be adhered to since the industries of the north shore are being seriously handicapped because of delay in providing railway facilities. In order that this meeting might prove of service it would be necessary, to draft resolutions wherewith to make representations to the provincial government relative to their prevailing upon the railway company to go ahead with construction on the north shore.

Reeve May stated that the basis of his previous utterances on this question was to be found in actual facts, in the pledges which the government had made as to their railway policy during the last election. The north shore was so well pleased with that policy that no opposition was offered to the government candidate, which showed the loyalty of the north shore to the government. The case of the north shore is contained in certain documents which refer firstly, to the incorporation of the firm of P. Welch, Foley & Co., and secondly to an agreement entered into by that firm and the Pacific Great Eastern for railway construction of the P.G.E. lines. The speaker recited the terms of this agreement mentioning firstly the route of the railway, secondly, the time of commencement of construction, thirdly, the locality in which commencement should be made, and fourthly, continuance of construction from that point. A diligent search of the agreement had failed to reveal any clause which provided for commencement of construction under any circumstances at any point other than that designated as within ten miles of Vancouver. Notwithstanding its utmost efforts the progress of North Vancouver had been seriously obstructed through inability to obtain railway facilities, and it was now proposed to ask the government to make the company act in accordance with the pledge uttered at the

last election. The financial aid which the Pacific Great Eastern had received in London had been obtained on representations made to the effect that Burrard Inlet would be the terminus of the new railroad. The financial world expects that the word of a government shall at all times be found to be as good as gold. The whole transaction was, therefore, based upon the government keeping its promise.

Ald. Foreman declared he was not altogether satisfied with the government in respect to this railway policy. The province had returned an almost unanimous vote in the implicit confidence that the government would fulfill its pledges. The first sod was to have been turned on the North Shore on July 1st. The Pacific Great Eastern asked for a change of date and upon its own initiative the ceremony was postponed until Labor Day. Labor Day had come and gone and the first sod was still unturned. The speaker considered that it was now up to the government to tell why the railway company was not doing what had been promised. Considerable money had been invested on the north shore as a result of the railway policy of the government and some effort should be made to get the government to make the railway company fulfill its pledges. He felt that the government was open to criticism in respect to this matter.

Coun. Bridgman, speaking as president of the Board of Trade, stated that the position of the board was that it expected the pledge of the government to be made good, but the board withheld judgment in the matter pending the premier's reply. The speaker was of opinion that North Vancouver was being made a catspaw in the matter by the railway company. The government should decide the matter of the right-of-way through West Vancouver from the standpoint of the good of the province, even if this meant a decision unfavorable to the district itself. On Sept. 26th the final date with respect to the right of way had been presented to the government but still no decision had been handed down. It appeared to the speaker that the policy of the government was one of masterly inactivity, and in the meantime the north shore was suffering. This policy was one of the government's own offering and it should be carried out.

Reeve Nelson had no apologies to offer either on his own behalf or on behalf of West Vancouver. When the P. G. E. first submitted its route map the district had asked for time to consider it. The conclusion was come to that the route chosen by the railway company was not a good one for the district. Being asked to provide a better one, the district had selected a route which, while not entirely acceptable to the council, was hoped to meet the railway and the government half way. They claimed that West Vancouver was a residential district and proposed to protect its interests as such, but endeavored to meet the railway company in every reasonable way. The council had submitted its route to the minister of railways who had objected to the same as being impracticable.

Therefore time had been given and the district had produced the opinion of an expert railway engineer, who had shown conclusively that the district's route was feasible. The council understood that they had assurances that if such proof was given the route selected by them would be approved. The P. G. E. had ultimately admitted that this route was feasible

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INDIANS INSIST ON PRICE OF RIPARIAN RIGHTS

GENERAL BUSINESS OF LAST NIGHT'S DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETING

The district council met as usual last evening, Reeve May presiding.

A letter was received from the Attorney-General informing the council that a minute-of-council authorizing the transfer of certain road allowances in the municipality for land expropriated for road purposes had gone through. Regarding the problem of the riparian rights, in Squamish reserve number three, the secretary of the Indian department, Ottawa, wrote informing the council that a letter had been received from Inspector Tyson to the effect that he had been able to get a meeting of the Indians, and that they were very decided in their opinion that \$125 per foot of frontage should be demanded for their riparian rights and that if this was not accepted the money already paid to the department by the municipality should be returned. They claim, however, that the municipality had cut a number of piles which they value at \$1.75 each. The letter suggested that the municipality should make a final offer of the total sum it is willing to pay for the right of way and the necessary frontage.

Coun. Bridgman, characterizing the situation as still very unsatisfactory, moved that an application be made for the conveyance of the property as expropriated, the question of the piles to be looked into by the engineering department. In the meantime the other portions of the work are to be gone ahead with.

The North Lonsdale Ratepayers' Association wrote drawing the council's attention to the state of Mahon Ave. during the recent rains.

The council was notified in a letter from the secretary of the North Vancouver Ratepayers' Association of the resolution relative to the P. G. E. situation passed at a recent meeting.

A petition was received for an arc lamp at the corner of Lynn Valley and Ross Road. This was referred to the fire and light committee.

Mr. J. C. Heaven, manager of the Bank of Hamilton, wrote advising the council that a wire had been received from the general manager authorizing an additional advance to the district of \$20,000 on call at 7 1/2 per cent. subject to the approval of the bank's solicitors. In reply to a wire informing him that the council would not consider less than 90 net for their debentures, the general manager replied "no demand at 90, if they will accept 87 1/2 net cable me. Am sailing for England on Saturday."

On motion of Coun. Bridgman it was decided to write thanking the bank for this letter and accepting the call at 7 1/2 per cent., and further notifying them in regard to the debentures that a further effort will be made to get the bonds sold at 90 net.

The North Lonsdale Ratepayers' Association was represented by Messrs. J. Johnson, Miller and Wilson, who addressed the council upon the matter of an arc light on corner of King and Chesterfield. The matter was left with the fire and light committee with power to act.

The report of Chief of Police Liffon for November revealed the fact that 5 prosecutions had been instituted, and 5 convictions obtained. There had been one case of housebreaking. The chief outlined one or two of the more serious cases which have occupied the department's attention recently. The chief and two constables have been sworn in as special constables to act in co-operation with the West Vancouver force.

It was moved by Coun. Ward and duly seconded and carried that a wagon road be constructed along Bridgman Avenue as soon as the district recommended work of that nature.

LOCAL CONSTRUCTION ON LINES OF P.G.E. RAILWAY

REPLIES RECEIVED FROM MINISTER OF RAILWAYS

DELAY DUE TO FACT THAT CHIEF ENGINEER NOT READY TO REPORT RE-WEST VANCOUVER ROUTE

STRONG DELEGATION TO GO TO VICTORIA

No time is being lost by those to whom was entrusted the duty of approaching the government at Victoria with a view to securing the enforcement of the Pacific Great Eastern agreement as to the construction of their lines on the North Shore. Matters have moved forward considerably since the meeting on Wednesday evening. The city ratepayers' association and the Board of Trade has each received a letter from the Minister of Railways acknowledging receipt of their letters of inquiry. The letters briefly review the whole situation and intimate that the deadlock existing relative to the right-of-way through the district of West Vancouver is accountable for the delay. Concerning this situation the letters state that the department of Railways is not yet in position to give a decision in the matter.

Following the meeting on Wednesday evening Hon. F. L. Carter-Cotton on Thursday morning wired the Minister of Railways requesting to be advised with regard to the probabilities of a decision being forthcoming at an early date. Thursday afternoon Mr. Carter-Cotton received the following telegram signed by Hon. Thomas Taylor, Minister of Railways: "Re your wire even date. Chief Engineer advises not in a position to report. Will do so as early as possible."

Mayor McNeish was promptly advised of the contents of the telegram and immediately arranged with Hon. F. L. Carter-Cotton to meet a delegation from the respective public bodies at ten o'clock this morning. The meeting convened accordingly in Vancouver. There were present His Worship Mayor McNeish, representing the city of North Vancouver; Reeve May, representing the district of North Vancouver; E. H. Bridgman and J. Wythe Donaldson, representing the North Vancouver Board of Trade, and H. C. Wright representing the N. V. Ratepayers' Association.

After thoroughly canvassing the situation in the light of the communications received from the Minister of Railways, it was decided that a delegation be appointed to proceed to Victoria to urge upon the Minister the extreme urgency of this matter and that Hon. F. L. Carter-Cotton be requested to arrange an interview with the minister on Thursday, December 12th if possible. The delegation will consist of one representative from each of the public bodies interested. Mayor McNeish personally interviewed Mayor Findlay of Vancouver, who has requested Alderman Baxter to represent the city of Vancouver on the delegation. His Worship also interviewed Mr. A. B. Erskine, president of the Vancouver Board of Trade, together with the secretary, Mr. Blair, and was requested to briefly address the Board, at a meeting to be held on Tuesday evening next in order to bring before them the matter of their likewise appointing a representative on the delegation. Mr. Carter-Cotton is already in communication with the Minister with a view to arranging a date for the reception of the delegation.

N. V. Kennel Club's First Show Tomorrow

IN THE FISHERIES BUILDING AT HASTINGS PARK

The initial bench show of the North Vancouver club which will be held tomorrow will be a two-point show. There are 380 entries and 170 dogs will be benched. The club, instead of holding the show in the Horse Show arena, have secured the Fisheries building on the grounds of the Vancouver Exhibition Association, Hastings Park, where the benches have undergone a thorough disinfecting and cleaning and every means have been taken for the comfort of the dogs. Visitors will be permitted to take their dogs away at 5:30 p.m.

Light refreshments will be served to exhibitors and visitors on the grounds and a banquet will be given to the judges at the Elysium Hotel, Pender street west. Members and their friends can obtain tickets from the secretary. Some particularly good dogs will be seen at the show.

The District and C.P.R. Application

COUNCIL REPUDIATES STATEMENT OF ITS ATTITUDE IN B. I. T. & B. RESOLUTION

With no little emphasis, Reeve May made reference last evening at the district session to the last meeting of the directors of the Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Company, whereat the secretary, Mr. J. Y. McNaught had been instructed to write to the minister of railways at Ottawa that all the municipalities of the North Shore were opposed to the application of the C. P. R. for approval of its route map on this side of the Inlet unless running rights were granted to other lines. The reeve pointed out that the district of North Vancouver had merely been helping the city to obtain a single right-of-way from its western boundary to the Indian reserve for all its railways. There was not enough room along the waterfront of the city for more than one railway line, but the district more advantageously situated, was in a position to welcome all lines. Mr. J. Y. McNaught stated, however, that he had interviewed many district property owners and they had protested against the approval of the application of the railway. The chairman of the board and Mr. E. W. McLean concurred in the statement contained in the resolution. "I told the meeting," said the reeve, "that we were not in any way going to oppose the C.P.R.'s application. Ra-

ther we will welcome the C.P.R. or any other railway for we have plenty of room for them to run side by side. Mayor McNeish said at the meeting that I was right."

Coun. Bridgman concurred with everything the reeve had said and done. Unlike the district the city could not afford to give more than one right-of-way. In the matter the city was being given the district's support, but it was certainly untrue that the district was opposing the C. P. R.'s application on its own account. The councillor then moved the following resolution, which was seconded by Coun. Ward and carried: "That this council must request the Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Company to correct that portion of their objection forwarded to Ottawa, that the district of North Vancouver is strongly opposed to the application of the C. P. R. unless the company grants running rates to other railroads over their right of way, this council having no intention of opposing the C. P. R. on these grounds; and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the minister of railways."

Coun. Ward, in seconding, remarked that it was very regrettable that this misrepresentation of the district's attitude towards the application should have occurred.

FORTY MINUTE FERRY SERVICE ON CHRISTMAS DAY

At the meeting of the ferry directors yesterday afternoon it was decided to maintain a forty-minute service on Christmas Day, the first ferry to leave North Vancouver at 7:20 a.m.

After the board meeting a general meeting of the shareholders of the company was held to ratify the proposed money by-laws and endorse the action of the directorate regarding restrictions proposed in the qualifications necessary for membership in the board of directors.

Mr. A. R. Steacy Asked to Contest Ward II

Mr. A. R. Steacy has been approached by a delegation who are desirous that he shall contest Ward II at the forthcoming election. So far Mr. Steacy has come to no absolute decision, being in doubt as to whether, in the event of election periods of absence from the city might interfere with his aldermanic office. Interviewed this morning, Mr. Steacy said that in a few days time he would know better what the future movements of himself would be, and would then be in a position to decide whether he could reply favorably to his petitioners.

Mr. S. D. Schultz May Run for Mayor

PRESIDENT OF CONSERVATIVE ASSOCIATION HAS BEEN ASKED TO STAND AT PENDING ELECTION

Information is to hand from an authoritative source, that Mr. S. D. Schultz, president of the North Vancouver Conservative Association, will enter the field for the mayoral election next month.

While Mr. Schultz has not yet rendered a definite decision in this regard, his friends have reason to believe that he will yield to their persuasions and consent to his name being submitted to the electorate.

Professional Ice Hockey

SEASON OPENS TUESDAY EVENING NEXT AT VANCOUVER ARENA—VANCOUVER VS. NEW WESTMINSTER

The first match of the season in the Pacific Coast Hockey League will take place at the Vancouver Arena on Tuesday evening next beginning at 8:30 o'clock. The New Westminster team, which won the championship last season, will meet the Vancouver team in what promises to be an unusually fast and hard fought initial game. The Vancouver team has been strengthened by the acquisition of Fred "Cyclone" Taylor, who is said to be the best man in the game in his position, while the New Westminsters are fully as strong as they were last season and possibly stronger. The teams have been putting in hard, steady practice for the past few weeks and may be expected to play a top notch game from start to finish. The sale of tickets is now on at Godfrey's and at the arena and tickets are going very rapidly.

Obituary

Mrs. E. McC. (Colonel) Currie

The death occurred on Wednesday evening of Mrs. Mary Currie, wife of Colonel R. McC. Currie of this city. Colonel and Mrs. Currie had but recently returned from a trip of over a year through Great Britain and had taken up their residence in their home at the corner of Sixteenth street and St. Andrew's avenue. Mrs. Currie had

not been in robust health for several years, but it was only during the past few weeks that symptoms of a serious nature manifested themselves. Notwithstanding all that could possibly be done, she continued from that time to steadily decline until her decease. During a period of twenty years' residence divided between Victoria, Vancouver and this city, Colonel and Mrs. Currie had gained hosts of friends, all of whom will entertain the most heartfelt sympathy for Colonel Currie in his heavy bereavement.

The interment will take place at Inverness, Scotland. There will be a short service at the undertaking parlors of Messrs. Harron Brothers tomorrow afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, after which Colonel Currie will take his departure on his sad journey by the C. P. R. to reach New York in time for the next sailing of the SS. Caledonian for Glasgow.

Wedding Bells

COGSWELL—MILLWARD

The marriage took place at the manse 244 5th street east, on Saturday, November 30th, of Mr. John Cogswell, of Connaught, Wales, to Miss Dorothy Millward of Rhyl, Wales. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Ronald Macleod in the presence of the immediate relatives of the bride. The bride looked very pretty in a pale blue silk dress with hat to match. The happy couple will reside for the present at 829 Ridgway Avenue, North Vancouver.

The wedding took place on Sunday of Mr. William Ferrard Clapham, son of the late John Arthur Clapham of Bradford, England, to Miss Mary Grace Scott, daughter of Mr. James Scott of Winnipeg, Man. The Rev. J. K. Unsworth, M.A., officiated. Mr. and Mrs. Clapham have located in North Vancouver until their new home in West Vancouver is completed.

The wedding took place on Tuesday of Mr. John Keith Stewart of Mt. Vernon, Wash., and Miss Opal Marie Hison of North Vancouver. The Rev. W. C. Schlichter officiated.

HOCKEY

The North Vancouver hockey club tomorrow afternoon engages in a match with the Public Schools team. The game is timed to commence at three o'clock on the Boulevard ground, and should be an exciting and well-attended one.

N. S. Literary and Debating Society

OFFICERS ELECTED FOR SECOND SESSION

On Tuesday evening the North Shore Literary and Debating Society entered upon its second session. Proceedings commenced with a business meeting for the discussion of the society's affairs and the election of officers for the ensuing period. These were chosen as follows:—President, Ald. G. W. McRae; vice-president, Mr. G. H. Morden; secretary, Mr. J. H. White; treasurer, Mr. A. Barclay; auditor, Mr. A. E. Anders. The president, in his report, touched appropriately upon the progress of the society which has now grown numerically from about five members to twenty, and this within a period of about six weeks. New members were weekly being enrolled. The speaker was certain that the society would one

day become a great factor in the life of the city, that its work alone in turning out good speakers and debaters and equipping its members with the confidence and skill necessary to the successful fulfillment of public positions would be appreciated in the future.

The balance of the evening was occupied with a farcical debate upon a resolution to the effect that mothers-in-law as a class were a deterrent to conjugal bliss. The affirmative case was submitted by Messrs. B. C. Hilliam and T. F. Rowe, who, despite having under a misapprehension prepared a speech for the negative, delivered a strong plea for the abolition of mothers-in-law. The opposition, however, led by Mr. G. H. Morden and Mr. Percy Ward, put up a strong defence, and the president, who was appointed judge, eventually decided that the victory was with the pro-mothers-in-law. Some excellent little speeches were made by other members of whom there was a splendid gathering.

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but objected to it on the ground that they would have to buy the property involved. Mr. D'Arcy Tate had described it as a real estate scheme. The matter was referred back in order that the district and railway company might show the government what would be the relative cost of the two routes, and such data had been in the government's hands since Oct. 1st.

So far West Vancouver had done nothing to interfere with the government's saying which route should be accepted. When Mr. Tate alleged that West Vancouver was holding back the railway scheme, he stated what was absolutely false. In point of fact there was not much difference between the two routes. The council's opinion was backed by two-thirds of the property owners of the district.

Coun. Mathers of the West Vancouver council, endorsed what the reeve had said. The council, he said, had done all that it could do, short of allowing the railway to take away the waterfront of the district. He was of the opinion that the situation was simply being used as an excuse for delay.

Mr. H. C. Wright alluded to the advertisements which were claiming Newport to be the terminus of the new line.

Ald. Dick adopted a rather sympathetic attitude towards the government and the P. G. E. It was possible that it was believed at the time the pledges were made that it would be easy to accomplish certain things, and that it was not expected that difficulties would be encountered in raising the necessary money. If such a position had developed and suitable assurances given as to the cause of delay, the speaker did not think that adverse criticism should be directed at the government and the railway company.

Ald. Dick considered that if West Vancouver would ask for a reconveyance of all riparian rights taken along the waterfront to individual owners they would have no trouble in securing same, which would do away with the chief objection to the railway building along the waterfront. He could not just understand how if money was available for building from Lillooet it was not available for building from North Vancouver.

Coun. Bridgman then moved that the government be asked, if the right-of-way through West Vancouver along the foreshore be granted, whether the government and the railway company would guarantee that the riparian rights of individual owners would not be disturbed, except where the railway might buy property for wharfage or similar purposes. This, seconded by Ald. Dick, was carried unanimously.

The Hon. F. L. Carter-Cotton said that he would like definite information as to whether the minister of railways had agreed that he would give his decision relative to the West Vancouver right-of-way, within a few days, if the data was in his hands. In reply Reeve Nelson said that he understood that as soon as the information was provided the minister would take immediate action.

Mr. Carter-Cotton, in that case, stated that it would be important to know if any decision had been given, and if so, what it was. The government had secured the consent of the legislature to enter into a certain agreement, whereby work was to be started in a certain place by July 1st, 1912, and to be prosecuted continuously. It was just as certain that their terms had not been fulfilled, and the government therefore, could not take offence at any representations being made, pointing out the failure of the railway company to live up to their agreement.

The West Vancouver situation might have something to do with this failure. He would be glad to do all that he possibly could to bring the matter to a satisfactory conclusion for North Vancouver. It was vital importance to the North Shore that railway construction should be proceeded with as early and as rapidly as possible. He had always expected that the agreement would be carried out. If the minister of railways had undertaken to give a decision it was inadvisable that he be ascertained, if he was prepared to do so, or whether he had decided to hand the matter over to the provincial executive for action. It was possible that the absence of the Premier and the Attorney-General had delayed the matter somewhat, but the speaker had no doubt but that if the situation was fairly and properly placed before the government, the government would take steps to compel the railway company to act. In the provisions of the pact relative to the government guaranteeing the railway bonds, the government had a very strong weapon with which to compel compliance.

Mr. A. H. B. MacGowan, M.P.P. of Vancouver, said that financially the situation was certainly different from what it was expected it would be. The reported financial arrangements of the P. G. E. in London may not have been

the West Vancouver right-of-way the price suggested might have caused some delay since the right-of-way of four miles of the road would cost \$360,000. It was probable that the present movement might succeed with the valuable help and support of Mr. Carter-Cotton.

Other speeches were contributed by Messrs. William Knowles, J. P. O'Wood, P. Larson and others.

It was then moved by Reeve Nelson, seconded by Coun. Bridgman and unanimously resolved that this meeting of the representative bodies of the North Shore and Vancouver requests the Hon. F. L. Carter-Cotton to ascertain whether the Hon. Thos. Taylor, minister of railways, intends to sanction either route through West Vancouver.

It was then further moved by Mr. G. H. Morden, seconded by Mr. H. C. Wright, and resolved that Mayor McNeish be requested to ask the public bodies of the North Shore and Vancouver to each appoint two delegates to a conference to be held to carry matters to a conclusion after Mr. Cotton got the desired information from the Minister of Railways.

Bade Farewell to Archbishop McNeil

The parish of St. Edmund's church, North Vancouver bade farewell on Sunday evening to Archbishop McNeil, who is shortly to leave Vancouver for his new seat at Toronto.

After the evening service Mr. J. H. Hanley, on behalf of the congregation advanced to the altar rail and read a valedictory address to his Grace in which the parishioners' expressions of admiration for the departing prelate and their gratitude for his many good works since he came to Vancouver archdiocese were voiced. They thanked him for his virtuous counsel and fatherly advice and expressed the opinion that God had abundantly blessed his work in the province.

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IS PHOTOGRAPHY AN ART?

Around this much vexed question heated discussions have been raised time and again by enthusiastic photographers on the one side and artists or would-be artists on the other.

The artist claims that no picture which is produced by mechanical means can possibly be artistic, whilst the photographer, who is expert in the process, claims that a process which can give such admittedly artistic results as photography undoubtedly can, must of necessity be an art.

The all important question of "what is art?" arises in this connection, and on referring to the dictionary it will be found to read that "art is the employment of means to the accomplishment of some end directed by knowledge and skill." If this is so, and we must accept the dictionary as an authority, it follows as a matter of fact that photography is an art.

The same authority gives the definition of photography as "the art of producing pictures of objects on a chemically prepared ground by the action of light."

The painter claims that art must be creative, that the hand must be guided by the brain and combined with artistic skill be capable of producing by originality and creative genius a picture which can never be copied or repeated exactly in every detail; while he argues that a photograph can be produced indefinitely from one negative by a purely mechanical process. If this were all there was in the question the painter would be perfectly right and justified in his attitude, but forunately for photography, this is not all.

Even in photography we are bound to admit there is free scope for individuality and for artistic expression.

Were this not so any photographer would be able to turn out exactly the same kind of picture from a given negative supplied to him. That such a thing is impossible any photographer of experience will only be too ready to admit.

Let us suppose we are in possession of a good negative, capable of giving a perfect picture if properly manipulated. We give the negative in turn to say twenty expert photographers to print from, each one is to use the same paper and the same developer. Should

we get twenty prints identical in every detail? Far from it. There would be as many different prints as there were photographers. Each man would without a doubt impose his own individuality or personality into his print, and one may almost go so far as to say one could pick out each man's work provided we were sufficiently acquainted with the individual work of each one.

Just as one may know by the handwriting the person who wrote it, so in a lesser degree a man's work may easily be picked out from his fellows.

A walk through any photographic exhibition of note will prove this. One may easily pick out pictures by different workers in photography as easily as can be done in painting.

The photographer of today brings to bear a great amount of artistic skill and experience in order to produce the perfect picture and whilst to some extent the purely mechanical does enter into the operation, the artistic skill which is brought to bear, from the choosing of the subject right through exposure, development and printing, stamps the production as a real work of creative art and a thing of beauty.

Whilst many painters will not agree that photography is an art, there are on the other hand many who regularly use photographs to aid them in their work. Many painters carry a camera in their outfit and on their sketching expeditions will photograph the scene they are engaged upon and thus secure a permanent record of the actual conditions of light prevailing for future guidance in finishing the picture.

Who can doubt, on viewing the work of C. P. Norton, Alvin Langdon Coburn, Chas. Hoppe, Alexander Keighley and a lot of other well known photographic workers that the men behind the pictures, so to speak, are artists?

So much skill is exhibited in producing their work that the mechanical part of the process appears to be entirely lost in the finished production and only the artistic part of the work is realised.

Such rapid progress has of recent years been made in photography with its many and varied new processes that before long it will be futile to question its place among the arts. The beautiful oil process with its exquisite mezzo tint-like appearance cannot fail to charm the eye and captivate the beholder.

Space forbids the enlargement of this topic, but sufficient has been said to show that whatever shortcomings photography may have had in the past owing to lack of knowledge, today it ranks high in the opinions of prominent workers as one of the most beautiful methods of artistic expression.

About that competition. The closing date is Monday, next, Dec. 9th. Let us have a good number of entries, not so much for the sake of prize winning, as from a desire to introduce a spirit of healthy competition among local amateurs.

The intrinsic value of a prize may not be great, it is the pleasure of having excelled in a competition that is the real reward.

There is yet time to complete prints which should be sent to the Express office not later than Monday addressed to "Reflex."

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You have chosen a difficult subject. Indoor photography is not easy, especially at this time of the year, owing to bad conditions of light. A subject may appear to be in good light, but it is the active light which counts and even though the day may appear to be very bright there may be only a very low active light.

The exposure is fairly good and the printing just about right and probably as good as can be got from the negative which is very likely a thin one.

The pose of the figure is not the best. It would have been better had the sitter been more sideways. The book or magazine is rather too large and partially hides the face.

The high light on the edge of the book cover is rather distracting and throws into deeper shadow the other side.

The magazine has acted as a reflector and thrown light on the face and this helped considerably.

The light from the window is also too high in tone. Trim off about 3/4 of an inch from the right and 1 inch from the left and note the result. The print would be better enlarged say to 6x8. On the whole the print is a decided improvement on other work you have shown. Keep it up.

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North Vancouver, B. C., December 6, 1912.

P. G. E. CONSTRUCTION ON THE NORTH SHORE

Although it cannot be said that any actual results have as yet accrued in the matter now in hand, of securing the enforcement of the clause in the agreement between the government and the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company, which calls for a commencement of construction at a point on the North Shore within ten miles of Vancouver, appreciable progress has already been made, nevertheless. The communications which have already passed between local public bodies (either through their officers or through the good offices of Hon. F. L. Carter-Cotton, member for this constituency) have served to bring those bodies in much closer touch with the situation and to place them in position to make a fair estimate of the difficulties by which they are confronted.

The communication received from the Minister of Railways by the secretary of the North Vancouver Ratepayers' Association, cites, as the cause of the delay the situation which has developed in West Vancouver relative to the right-of-way of the railway through that municipality and advises that the department is not yet prepared to give a decision with respect thereto. The reply from the Minister received through the efforts of Hon. F. L. Carter-Cotton goes one step farther and states that the Department is not in position to give a decision because the chief government engineer states that he is not in position to report with reference to the matters touching the right-of-way which were referred to him.

The next step upon the part of the municipal councils and other public bodies which have the matter in hand, would appear to be to endeavor to ascertain why the engineer is not in position to report and whether these councils and public bodies can be of any assistance to his department in the matter. So far as is known at present, all parties have furnished the engineer's department with all information which has been required. The united efforts of all parties either would or would not succeed in discovering a way out of the present predicament. If a way were found, then the problem would be solved, as for that particular phase of it, but if on the other hand these efforts revealed the fact that matters have reached an actual impasse it would then be necessary to devise some other procedure.

In the last analysis, the Minister of Railways has the necessary authority to take the matter in his own hands and make a ruling which would be binding on all concerned or (as was intimated by the local member, at the meeting on Wednesday evening) the minister may prefer to refer the matter to the executive council for final decision. In either event it is reasonable to suppose that opportunity would be given the councils and public bodies or any of them, to submit such additional facts and information as they might desire, in confirmation of such action upon the part of the government.

Once the location of the right of way through West Vancouver has been decided however, the way has but been cleared for getting at the main problem. It would then remain for the councils and other public bodies interested to prevail upon the government to exert such influence as might be found necessary, to procure immediate purchase of that right-of-way and immediate commencement of construction upon the North Shore by the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company, according to the spirit of the agreement. Just what difficulties may beset this portion of the undertaking does not yet appear, but in any event, it would be wise policy for those who have the matter in hand to endeavor to anticipate every contingency, to prepare to meet every argument as far as possible and to get in readiness the strongest possible case for presentation from the standpoint of the interests, not alone of the North Shore, but of the lower mainland and of the province itself, all of which are closely interested in the construction of that section of the new railway lines, which will connect Burrard Inlet at North Vancouver with the head of Howe Sound and the splendid country beyond.

THE MAGNITUDE OF THE MEAT INDUSTRY

The Cantor Lecture before the Royal Society of Arts, London, 1912, was a lecture on "The Meat Industry," by Mr. Loudon M. Douglas. During the course of the lecture Mr. Douglas gave some late statistics with reference to the meat industry which convey some idea of its vastness. In Europe alone there are over 121,000,000 cattle, in North America there are approximately 80,000,000; in South America about 43,000,000; in Asia 97,000,000; in Australia 12,000,000, and in Africa 1,250,000.

The greatest market in the world for the purchase of meat is the United Kingdom, which has the greatest consumption of meat per head of its population, and it is remarkable that while the importation of meat from overseas increases from year to year the British cattle population remains pretty stationary at about 11 1/2 millions (7,114,264 head in Great Britain and 4,688,888 in Ireland, according to the agricultural returns of 1911), of which it is computed that about 25 per cent. or something under 3 millions are slaughtered yearly. But the cattle so handled are utilized almost exclusively from the point of view of the meat purveyor and not from that of the packing-house which has not yet developed in the United Kingdom.

In the United States there are 936 packing houses, many of which ship their products to Europe and principally to British markets. Of cattle alone they handle something like 8,000,000 per annum, and while this number is constantly on the increase, the exports are becoming smaller and smaller, owing to the increase of the population of the United States and the local demands. While the meat supplies from North America into the United Kingdom have dwindled, those from South America have increased enormously. Nevertheless, the packers of North America endeavour to keep their hold on the British trade, and a number of American packers have recently purchased 9,000,000 acres of land in Brazil for the purpose of ranching cattle and other live stock so as to supply the increasing demands in Europe and the British markets.

A very large proportion of the meat supply of the United Kingdom is imported from other countries and the lecturer gave interesting statistics as to the sources of this supply. Great Britain imports meat principally from the United States, the Argentine Republic, Uruguay, Australia and New Zealand but the Argentine Republic far outdistances all competitors, having provided in 1911 approximately 85 per cent. of the beef thus imported. The total importations for that year amounted to 7,362,434 hundredweight of 112 pounds or somewhat over 800,000,000 pounds of beef of which total over 6,000,000 hundredweight came from the Argentine Republic, Australia comes second with slightly over 1,000,000 hundredweight, and New Zealand third, with about 500,000 hundredweight.

It is a most regrettable circumstance that Canada, notwithstanding her advantageous geographical location relative to Great Britain, does not share in this valuable meat trade with the old country to any appreciable degree. It is moreover humiliating, from a national point of view, that it has further to be acknowledged that Canada, with all her magnificent natural advantages for extensive cattle raising does not provide a sufficient amount of meat to supply even the needs of its own population.

The manner in which the live stock industry in Canada has been allowed to languish is one of the most unfortunate features of Canadian economics at the present time. Energetic efforts are now being made to re-establish the industry upon a permanent basis and to promote its development. In point of fact, this was one of the features of the platform of the present government during the elections and the success of the efforts which are now being put forth to implement the promises then made, is a matter of prime importance in national affairs.

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In seven years the forests have made money enough to pay for all roads, wharves and bridges constructed throughout the province as public works.

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The preservation and continuance of our water powers, irrigation advantages, soil fertility and stability and an equable climate, is largely dependent on the existence of the forests on the watersheds.

The forests may be said to be the backbone of British Columbia's development, but at the same time they constitute a resource constantly in danger and which is of all others, most liable to quick destruction.

Fire can destroy in a single day that which it has required centuries to produce and which (once destroyed) it will require centuries to restore.

For most cogent reasons, therefore, for the promotion of the welfare of all interests enjoyed by the province and the people who dwell therein, it is desirable that "Forest Conservation" be made a household word and with this end in view the government, through the forestry department is inaugurating a campaign of education in order to advance "Forest Conservation" to that position which it rightly deserves in the public thought.

The various means adopted to accomplish this end will include a series of lectures on forestry subjects, in the public schools; a series of lectures for the general public; an information bureau at Victoria; the circulation of forestry books through the provincial travelling libraries; the dissemination of information in pamphlet form and through the columns of the newspapers, together with such additional expedients as may be suggested and adopted from time to time.

It is hoped that the ultimate result of this movement will be the creation of public opinion such as will place British Columbia on a par in this regard with the foremost countries of Europe on forestry, where scientific management of the forests in the interests of the state, and in the promotion of the general welfare is a by word. This movement is one which merits the greatest encouragement and the heartiest co-operation upon the part of the public at large.

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

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

Each application must be accompanied by a fee of \$5 which will be refunded if the rights applied for are not

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The Woman's Auxiliary of St. Agnes' church will hold their first sale of work in the church hall, corner 12th and Boulevard on Wednesday, December 4th. The sale will be opened at 3 o'clock in the afternoon by Mrs. De Pencier, wife of the Bishop of the Diocese, and will continue throughout the afternoon and evening. There will be the usual departments and stalls as well as candies, home made cookery, dairy stall and fish pond for the younger folks. In the evening a programme of vocal and instrumental music and elocution will be rendered.

Tenders are invited of lots or tracts of land suitable for the erection of a City Hall for the City of North Vancouver.

All tenders must be made on a form to be obtained from the undersigned, and must be made by the owner or his Attorney authorized by duly executed power of attorney.

The successful tenderer will be called upon to give an option to the city in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor until the necessary By-laws are passed. The price will be payable, 10 per cent. within thirty days after the passing of the By-law authorizing the purchase and the balance within ninety days thereafter.

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The Robin Found Shelter at Last

JACK and Evelyn had wished daddy to tell them why the trees lost their leaves every fall and had to grow new ones in the spring instead of remaining warmly covered all year like the cedar trees in the garden.

"I will tell you a reason which I once read in a book," daddy said.

"Once upon a time, as the little birds were making their long journey to the pleasant warm countries where birds spend the winter, a little robin was left behind. He had a lame wing, and lame winged birds never can fly far.

"Little robin looked about in the strange woods where, tired out, he had to stop. He crept up to a gnarled old oak tree whose branches soared a hundred feet into the air.

"Please let me stay with you all winter," the little bird pleaded. "Your leaves will shelter me from the winter winds."

"But the oak was proud. 'Go away,' he said. 'I do not want tramp birds like you about my branches.'

"The little bird sped to the beech tree, but the beech tree made believe not to hear the robin.

"The maple is so lovely. Perhaps she is also kind," the little bird said. And he went to the maple tree to ask her for shelter. But the maple tree was not kind.

"He flew to the little stream along which the white birch trees gleamed, but the birches said that they were not strong enough to take lodgers.

"As tired and sorrowful the little bird started away on his lame wing, a dark, shaggy tree standing on the hillside called to him, 'Here you are welcome to shelter, little wanderer.' It was the tall pine tree with thick needles which could turn off the roughest winter wind.

"I, too, have a home for you," called the tall, dark spruce. And the stately cedar whispered that if the little bird cared to live near the dwellings of man not to overlook its sheltering branches in the garden.

"As for me," called the little juniper, 'though I may not be able to offer shelter, my berries will provide you with food to which you are welcome as long as you need them.'

"And so the little bird stayed with these kind ones, and every morning and every evening he sang them a little song of gratitude.

"Old King Winter heard it one day and learned the bird's story. He said to one of his wildest winds:

"Go out into the woods and strip those unkind trees of the leaves of which they are so proud, but the trees that have been kind and willing to share what they had with the unfortunate shall always wear their green leaves all winter."

Passes Examination of Royal Academy of Music and Establishes a Record

THE SUPER-PRODIGY COMES

London.—The super-musical prodigy has arrived. She is Miss Joan Lloyd, and her age is 5. A tiny dot of a golden-haired girl, Miss Lloyd lives at Bellroad, Hounslow. If she progresses at the rate she is going, this remarkable young musician should be a doctor of music at the age of 13.

Joan has just passed the preliminary examination of the associated board of the Royal Academy of Music—an achievement which, for her age, is believed to be a world's record. When Joan entered for the examination she was only 4. The musical test, although very simple to grown-up pianists, is one which children of 14 often have considerable difficulty in passing.

When Mrs. Lloyd took her baby girl up for the examination at the Royal Academy of Music the officials and musicians present were obviously startled at the tiny competitor.

But Sir George Martin, the organist of St. Paul's Cathedral, who examined Joan and gravely made notes of her playing, took the child quite seriously. She played scales, and then, by ear, some simple airs from Brunner, Czerny and Gurliitt.

Sir George asked Joan if she would care to play one of the pieces again, and the mite replied that she thought "that would do."

Some days later came the wonderful news that she had passed. She had received 120 points—twenty more than she need have done to have got through the examination.

Joan told a reporter yesterday that she was very fond of playing, and "loved" practicing. She practices one hour and a half every day. Asked by her mother to play some Beethoven music, Joan tripped to the piano and without any music played a simplified version of one of the master's sonatas.

Her tiny fingers had the greatest difficulty in stretching to play certain passages. Naturally her touch is extremely light.

"My little girl has only been learning the piano about nine months," said Mrs. Lloyd.

"She has been trained by Mr. Warner, the Richmond music teacher, who is entirely responsible for her success."

empty, and knocked at the door. The door was opened by a man of the working-class type, who invited the doctor to step in while he struck a light. The doctor crossed the threshold and was immediately attacked from behind, blow after blow being rained on his head with a poker. The sick hat that he was wearing saved the doctor from the earlier blows, but he was soon unconscious with several severe wounds on the head.

As he sank into unconsciousness he saw a man rush by him into the street. A moment later some men who were passing came in and took him home.

There is no doubt that the doctor was lured to the house in order that he might be robbed. Doctor Campbell, who is an elderly man, wears two very valuable diamond rings and a gold watch. They were not taken, the robber having evidently been surprised by the man who came along the street as the doctor collapsed.

Police who visited the house afterward found it empty. There was no patient and no furniture. The assailant's bloodstained poker was in the passage.

A man of 29 and a boy were arrested in connection with the outrage, and will be brought before the magistrate on Monday.

Doctor Campbell is progressing favorably.

THE ORDINARY MAN.

Some of the Snags He Struck in His Journey Through Life.

The ordinary man walked into a florist's shop and, pointing to a beautiful flowering plant, asked its price.

"That Dodecatemum floratum?" asked the florist as nearly as the ordinary man understood him. "It is worth a dollar."

He dropped in at his physician's office and requested that gentleman to tell what was the matter with him.

"Oh, you've just got a slight manifestation of Nasopharyngeal cymbiomerus," the doctor said, or words to that apparent effect.

The ordinary man stopped to look at an automobile, and the agent said:

"You see, the differential is set at a tangent to the assigilator, and that brings the obloid paralleling chute in diametric connection with the awiveling trunnion," as nearly as the ordinary man caught the remark.

The ordinary man consulted his lawyer.

"We will appeal to have the decision reversed," declared the attorney, "on the grounds of lex judicatum non contende posse comitatus." At least that is what the ordinary man gathered.

So he became so bewildered over the way things are told to ordinary people that he was careless when he crossed the street and was run down by an automobile being demonstrated by the agent and was picked up and carried into the doctor's office and called the lawyer to make his will, and later the florist got an order.

And, to pursue him still further, they carved on his monument. "Requiescat In Pace"—Chicago Post.

HEM DEUT WORLDO EXODUS FROM THE MOTHER COUNTRY CONTINUES DAY AFTER DAY

SOME FROM SCOTLAND ALSO

Eight Thousand Domestic Servants Have Left Liverpool Since First of the Year

Liverpool.—This is the open door of England. Thousands of men, women and children from every part of Great Britain pass out each month, and we never see them again on this side.

It was a Liverpool shipowner who thus in vivid phrase pointed out to the representative of a London newspaper how wide open England's front door is, as he stood with him on the Liverpool landing stage, where the background of "sky-scraper" buildings and the Mersey elevated railway give England such a strong American flavor.

They had just seen a string of brakes, such as are used by bean feasters on their jaunts swing down through the main streets of Liverpool to the docks from Lime street railway station, and his comment was in answer to an inquiry I had made.

Each long wagonette was crowded with passengers carrying handbags and portmanteaus. There were men of all ages, some bearded, but most sturdy young men; and one brake was packed with thirty young women of the capable-looking healthy kind that is so rare now in domestic service in London and other English cities.

"Are they off for a day's holiday to the Isle of Man?" was asked.

Off to Canada

"They are off to Canada for good," was the reply. "They are C.P.R.'s. Better wages and work for all who are willing to do it are the lures that are drawing them from home."

"We call them 'C.P.R.'s here. You will see the initials on the side of the wagonettes. They are going in the Canadian Pacific Railway Company's steamships—many hundreds of these emigrants leave each week. There is an endless stream of them; and not one in a hundred comes back, except on a holiday visit to spend money among the poor old folks at home."

"You see those girls. They look strong and healthy and cheerful, don't they? Many of them come from Scotch villages, where there is little prospect of a husband or remunerative work. Most of them will be married within a year of arriving in Canada; some of them within a few weeks."

A strong girl with a knowledge of housework and farm life finds many suitors, and the emigration agent who are working so busily in Scotch and English towns do not forget to drop a hint of matrimony when they tell them of the demand for domestic servants in the west.

"You will see men of 60, with their wives and families—in some cases seven or eight children—among the emigrants passing through Liverpool almost any day of the week."

Depopulated Villages

"This constant drain on the old country must be felt very soon. They are slipping away so quietly that it is not felt at the time, but I know parts of Scotland that in the last five years have been almost depopulated. You can walk miles, from Kildonan or Helmsdale to the western side, without meeting a soul."

"We are not only losing the vigorous young men, but the young women, who will be the wives and mothers of the race. They pass out through the open door by thousands—down the Mersey and away across the sea."

"Yes, emigration is very brisk just now," admitted one of the shipping agents. "At least 2000 domestic servants and farm laborers have passed through as passengers, by one line alone, on their way to Canada, since the beginning of the year. The total for the last twelve months must approach 50,000."

So, week by week, the Salvation Army, Doctor Barnardo's Homes, and the Emigration agents scattered up and down the country are shepherding

tic happiness on the far side of the Atlantic.

That is why the brakes that drive down through the streets of moneyed Liverpool past the great buildings of commerce and followed by the bare footed children, who are the outward sign of the underlying poverty, are filled with men and women who are leaving England never to return.

HIRING A FATHER

For Pint of Beer He Agrees to Give Legal Aid to Girl

Vienna.—Frau Leopoldine Zach, a pretty young woman, is being tried for having deceived a parish priest near Vienna in order to get married. Being only 23, she was, according to Austrian law, under age, and required the consent of her father. He however, refused to give it unless she induced her stepmother to agree. The girl considered beneath her dignity.

She declares that a police official told her that the permission of any man who looked old enough to be her father would suffice. Taking this advice seriously, the young woman obtained the services of an elderly man in return for a pint of beer.

After the wedding the imposture was discovered and the bride arrested.

SHAKESPEARE AS AN ACTOR.

He Evidently Was Not a Player of Any Great Power.

It was probably in 1508 that Shakespeare first appeared as Adam and as the elder Knowell, and it was probably in 1602 that he first personated the ghost, being then thirty-eight years old, says Brander Matthews in the North American Review. He was to remain on the stage ten or twelve years longer, but there is no reason to suppose that the parts he played to later life were any more important.

We do not know what characters he undertook in the plays which he wrote after "Hamlet," nor do we know what parts he assumed in the many pieces by other authors which made up the repertory of the company. That he continued to act we need not doubt. For instance, he was one of the performers in Ben Jonson's "Sejanus," probably produced in 1602 or 1603.

But the absence of specific information on this point is evidence that he did not impress himself upon his contemporaries as an actor of power. As Lewis declared, "The mere fact that we hear nothing of his qualities as an actor implies that there was nothing above the line, nothing memorable to be spoken of." The parts which we believe him to have played did not "demand or admit various excellences."

Shakespeare may have had lofty histrionic ambitions, but probably he was not allowed to gratify his longings, and certainly we have no tradition or hint that he ever failed in what he attempted in the theater. Perhaps we are justified in believing that he had gone on the stage merely as the easiest means of immediately earning his living, that he did not greatly care for acting and that he was satisfied to assume the responsible but subordinate parts for which he was best fitted.

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it to account reasonably for the tension in which lamp chimneys will snap at untoward times. It seems absurd to attribute it to geological formation of the ground, but it is a fact that in one house built on easily vibrating made ground the student lamp chimneys would crack loudly in the middle of the morning when the trolley car came around the street corner half a block away. They were of the best make obtainable, and when the dealer was appealed to he said he was unable to prevent the same thing happening in the store, where the chimneys stood on the shelves, quite without pressure from burner at the base.

The little, slender student lamp chimneys seem the more liable to this sort of accident, and when they have "the habit" it pays to buy them by the half dozen or dozen, thereby getting them at a reduction. Then put them on the fire in a big kettle of cold water and bring it to a boil. The water should cool with the chimneys in it. After this wash and lay them away on a shelf, each wrapped in soft tissue paper. The treatment toughens the glass, and a clean chimney is always ready in case of emergency.

Not every young housewife knows that a lamp chimney washed in soapy water will never look clear. Held under clear running hot water and wiped quickly and thoroughly there will be no cloudiness when it is lighted. Soft old cheesecloth or alkoline makes the most perfect cloth for drying lamp chimneys, and generous pieces should be kept for that use alone.

A Fourfold Bag.

If you once have owned a fourfold bag you will never again be without one. Into the separate compartments can go buttons, hooks and eyes, thread and sewing utensils and a small piece of work, and there is no wild hunting for the article needed, as in a one piece bag.

These bags may be made in any size, but a convenient size is made from a yard and three-quarters of five inch flowered ribbon with colored satin edges. Cut the ribbon into four strips of equal length, double each strip and overcast the edges together to form a small bag. Turn in the top to the depth of an inch for the heading and run with a double line of sewing for a casing.

Use two yards of No. 1 or baby satin ribbon for a drawstring, cutting in separate yard pieces. Rip the stitches on the outside of the casing between the line of sewing and run the drawstring through the outside of each of the four bags, tying the ends in a fluffy bow. Start the other drawstring at the opposite end with two bags to each side and run around the four, using the inner side of the casing. Tie ends in a bow.

To keep the bags from sliding on the drawstring tack the two on each side together, running a stitch or two in the frill just above the casing. This makes them draw easily on one string.

Culinary Makeshifts.

For canning, preserving or making jelly, underripe fruit is preferable to that which is too ripe. It not only has a finer flavor, but keeps better and will jelly more surely.

A variation of mashed potatoes is made by boiling turnips with the potatoes and mashing both together. The turnips should be put on first, as they take longer to cook.

If there is cold chicken left from the roast cut it into dice, mix with a cream dressing, put in the baking dish, sprinkle the top with cheese and stuffed olives and bake in a quick oven until brown.

Extra crab meat for which there are no shells is delicious dressed with Hollandaise sauce and served on round croutons. Shreds of red peppers sprinkled on top just as the crab is served makes it more artistic.

Canned peaches left from one day's dessert are delicious put in individual deep pie molds and baked with strips of rich pie dough across the top. Put a lump of butter in the bottom of the dish and sprinkle sugar and cinnamon on top of the peaches.

The Rabbit Hat.

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British Pro-Guess Back to Governor the Half Million Square Miles That He Wrested From France at a Time When England Did Not Want It—He Suppressed Both Slavery and Cannibalism.

"He served his country with passion."

So wrote an illustrious Frenchman when, five years ago, Sir Frederick Lugard laid down his work in Northern Nigeria and went to Hong Kong. He goes back now to amalgamate and govern Northern and Southern Nigeria—500,000 square miles of territory, with a colossal population—our greatest tropical dependency after India, and, next to that land, perhaps the most romantic of all our possessions.

It seems almost too good to be true that the task of governing this vast consolidated empire should fall to him. These things happen more often in books than in reality. He has been too fearless of Downing street and its permanent officials, too thorough-going in his attitude towards both political parties, too free with pen and tongue in making his opinions known to have encouraged the hope that he would receive this noble vindication. He pitted himself against all the forces of France to secure this mysterious land to Britain, and he forced this territory into the unwilling lap of the Empire. And it was



SIR FREDERICK LUGARD.

when he had made it British, and not French, that the publicists of France turned round and eulogized him as one of the greatest of Britons, who had fairly and squarely beaten them in the race for one of the greatest prizes remaining in Africa.

His career comprises matter enough for a score of novels. He is a mixture of Clive and General Gordon—with the former's breadth of vision, and Gordon's fierce hatred of cruelty and wrong, his scorn of danger, his tenderness for the weak and the oppressed. He is the only British soldier who has calmly made war in his own name. "These operations (against the Emir of Sokoto) have been decided upon by Sir Frederick Lugard," Mr. Austen Chamberlain informed Parliament nine years ago, and Parliament, though it grumbled, yet acquiesced, simply because, although it was a dangerous precedent, here was a man whose rightness and justice were matched only by his gallantry and clear-sightedness. He had his way and his war, and the result was that slavery, the scourge and shame of the land, was smashed, after four hundred years.

Sir Frederick Lugard, a son of an Indian military chaplain, is an Old Rossian. He entered the army at twenty, and within a year took part in the Afghan War. He served in the Sudan (1885) and Burma campaigns, and, fighting with splendid valor, was several times mentioned in despatches before gaining his D.S.O. A breakdown in health sent him, as it sent Rhodes and Dr. Jameson, to Africa. It is curious that Africa's sick men have been latter-day giants of Dark Continent. He sailed with \$250 in his pocket and his gun across his arm, and hearing of activities at Massowah, went thither, taking a deck passage on a timber boat. Then he drifted back to Zanzibar, and took service with the British East Africa Co., for whom he struck his first blow at slavery in a brilliant campaign against the traders in human flesh on Lake Nyassa.

After four years with the B.E.A. Co., he was appointed by them Administrator of Uganda, and it was due in no small measure to his eloquent and forceful advocacy that Great Britain retained her protectorate.

A wound which he sustained when fighting the slave traders, succeeded by many hardships and fever, caused him to resign his Ugandan office and to return to England, where he wrote his monumental work on "Rise of the East African Empire," quite a classic. Returning to Africa, he was called to the standard of the Royal Niger Company, and accepted with avidity the conduct of the strangest race for Empire that has ever been run. France was out for new African territory, and she meant at all costs to conclude treaties with Kiems, King of Borgu. To make sure, she started five distinct expeditions by as many routes. Lugard undertook single-handed to beat them, and to open up negotiations with the King, by virtue of which the rulers within his wide domains should treat with Great Britain rather than with La Belle France.

Slavery no longer exists in Nigeria. It has gone, gone with the cannibalism that Sir Frederick suppressed, and now he governs all, and will govern nobly, without doubt.

it is in those parts of the globe where the winter is long, and where the snow lies on the ground for many months at a stretch that spring is, perhaps, fully appreciated. In several of these countries a day is set apart as a national holiday when the winter snows begin to melt, and in many towns the entire population assembles in the principal square, where they perhaps burn the effigy of winter, or, indulge in some form of national rejoicing.

Throughout the whole of the world, however, there is perhaps no more curious or picturesque custom than that indulged in by the Swiss of Zurich, and in other parts of that beautiful country, on the approach of spring. By far the greater portion of Switzerland is covered with snow from late in November till about the middle of April, and thus it is not altogether unnatural that the Swiss should indulge in some form of rejoicing when the valleys and the low-lying hills become green once more.

Next to the Swiss Independence Day, which is celebrated every year early in August, the "burning" of winter or Sechselauten Festival, as it is called, is the greatest of all Swiss holidays. The most animated scenes of rejoicing are to be witnessed at Zurich, though Basle and other places also take part in the festival, and here from early morning till late at night a scene of ceaseless gaiety prevails. The streets are brightly decorated for the occasion, and at night the sight which the beautiful Lake Zurich presents is one of great beauty.

The principal event of the day, of course, is the burning of the effigy of winter—a well-built snow man of gigantic proportions, known by the Swiss as the "Bogg." This always takes place at the stadthausplatz, a large open space some little distance from the city and overlooking the lake. Here, on the top of a huge pile of pine logs, well saturated with tar and other highly inflammable substances, the "Bogg" will presently be placed, and burned amid the cheers from a thousand throats.

But apart from the burning of the "Bogg" itself, there are other interesting incidents in the day which are well worthy of mention. Chief amongst these, perhaps, are the two processions which take place during the day, one in the morning and the other in the afternoon. The first of these takes place immediately after breakfast, and is composed of gaily dressed boys and girls, whose duty it is, amongst other things, to drag the "Bogg," seated on a specially-constructed vehicle, amidst a display of evergreens, through the principal streets to his place of destruction. Another interesting feature of this procession, too, is a beautiful figure of spring, which is placed amidst an abundance of the finest flowers which the Riviera is capable of producing, and is drawn by a troupe of boys and girls some distance behind the "Bogg." The whole city turns out to see this procession, and though the "Bogg" is perhaps the great attraction, yet "Spring" finds many admirers.

Two Recipes.

For a Wedding—To one summer's night add two young persons, a beach and a little propinquity. Mix in one lock of wavy hair, an atom of delicate perfume and stir with a slight breeze. Sprinkle the whole with moonlight and let alone for the evening.

For Happy Wedded Life—To one woman add numerous kisses, each supplemented with "Yes, dear; I love you more than ever." Mix thoroughly with long pleased expressions at sight of new gowns and hats, and season with many remarks about "youthful appearance." Sprinkle liberally with checks and bouquets (courtship brand). Do not stir up.

The Luck of a Goat.

A man once owned a fine and resourceful goat of which he was very proud. One day this goat lost caste with his master by swallowing a red flannel shirt which was the property of his owner. Angered beyond reason, the man led the goat to the railroad track and, tying the animal to the ties, left him to what he believed was certain death. The goat was opposed to capital punishment and made violent efforts to release himself from his bonds. In this he was unsuccessful, but in straining himself he produced a violent fit of coughing, and he coughed up the shirt and flagged the train.

A Tip to Tired Wives.

"Mrs. Brown never sits up to wait for her husband."

"No?"
"No. When she expects him to be out late she retires early, sets the alarm clock at 3 o'clock, and when it goes off she gets up and dresses and is ready, refreshed and reproachful."

Sorrow and Happiness.

Sorrow, with his pick, mines the heart. But he is a cunning workman. He deepens the channels whereby happiness may enter and hollows out new chambers for joy to abide in when he is gone.—Mary Chomondeley

A Great Territory.

The 1,000 mile survey across the great Australian desert for the proposed railway between western and southern Australia gives a hint of the amount of unexplored territory in this island empire.

Grown on a Mat.

One of the most remarkable exhibits at the Royal Agricultural Show was a fine crop of mustard, which had been grown on an old door-mat on the roof of a house in Queen Victoria street, London E.C.

Suffragette Losses.

The damage done to store property during the recent window smashing campaign of London suffragettes is officially estimated at \$30,000.

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Council Meeting

\$70,000 Waterworks By-law to be Submitted at Next Election

Municipality Will Shortly Have Telephone Exchange

The municipal fathers of the district of West Vancouver met as usual on Tuesday afternoon in the municipal hall, Hollyburn.

Probably the most significant feature of the session was wrapped up in a notice of motion to the effect that a by-law would be introduced at the next meeting of the council to raise by way of loan the sum of \$70,000 for a waterworks system for the municipality. At present a committee is engaged in investigating the existing facilities for obtaining water. It appears that West Vancouver will have a perfectly satisfactory water supply if arrangements can be made successfully for piping it down from the surrounding hills. Numerous small lakes from which some of the streams running through Hollyburn and Dundarave derive water have been discovered, and it is believed that with little expense natural reservoirs could be constructed. It was decided to have the engineer look into all possible sources of water supply within the boundaries of West Vancouver, with a view of acquiring them for the use of the municipal water supply.

Telephone Exchange to be Installed
Another step in the right direction which the municipality is about to take will be the installation of a telephone exchange.

A letter was received from the B. C. Telephone Company stating that the material for the local exchange had been ordered and work would commence on the construction of the exchange building and the installing of the apparatus as soon as possible.

Sidewalking and Lighting of West Vancouver

The sum of \$10,000 will also be borrowed for the building of sidewalks and a bylaw to cover this will be introduced at the next meeting.

In reply to a communication from the B.C.E.R. to that received at the last meeting of the board to the effect that the company could not proceed to construct a pole line through West Vancouver because the government's line already occupied both sides of the Marine Drive.

The municipal engineer, Mr. J. E. Carter, reported that, to his mind, no thing stood in the way of the British Columbia Electric Railway Company using the government telephone line running to Point Atkinson for the stringing of light and power wires into West Vancouver. A committee will interview the British Columbia Electric Railway Company and ask them to arrange to place lights in the municipality.

On the recommendation of the en-

gineer, a clause will be inserted in the health by-law now in course of preparation, regarding the disposal of all rubbish which is now, according to him, being thrown on the nearest vacant lot.

Tenders will shortly be called for the grading and macadamizing of a portion of 14th street. Tenders will also be called for a portable rock crusher for the municipal roads.

The application of Mr. Edward Piers for the opening of Taylor road from Fulton road was received and the incoming council will be asked to open this stretch of thoroughfare.

Road bonds to the value of \$75,000, in denominations of \$500 are now being printed and will be put up for sale shortly. The old bonds to the amount of \$15,000 were disposed of to Dow, Fraser & Co., of Vancouver, at the rate of ninety cents on the dollar.

An application for the renewal of the license of the Capilano Hotel was referred to the attorney-general, as up to the present no license board for this section has been authorized.

The pound by-law, the by-law for the placing of lanes in D. L. 237 and the by-law regarding the placing of poles within the district were all adopted. It was decided to locate a pound in the north half of the southeast quarter of D. L. 1032.

Conservative Club

Construction of New Building Commenced

Construction work has started on the new Conservative Club building in Dundarave for this section, and already the frame work is up. The building is located on lot 16, block 23, D. L. 555. The structure is 30 feet by 110 feet.

The main hall of the building is 30 feet by 60 feet. The equipment of this hall includes a moveable stage with a raised circular platform in the rear so that the room may be cleared and dances and other entertainments held that require large floor space. It is the intention to use the building not only as Conservative Club quarters, but also as a public hall.

The building will have cost, when completed, about \$4,000. Mr. J. W. McLean is the architect, and the building is being erected by Mr. H. E. Watt of Dundarave. Officers of the club are Messrs. John Alexander, president, and Mr. Todd, secretary. The club now has about thirty members.

Nov. 5, 1912.

North Vancouver, B. C.

Thirty days after date I will apply for a transfer of licence for the Seymour Hotel, D. L. 791, Municipality of North Vancouver, from John McInnis to Kenneth D. Stinson.

(Signed) JOHN McINNIS.

5-12

Editor Express:

Dear Sir,—We note with great interest your editorial in issue of 3rd inst. and are heartily in accord with you in your contention that recognition should be given by the underwriters for the improvements which have been made within the past few years in all matters pertaining to fire protection.

The only fault we have to find with your remarks is that you have not given the Underwriters credit for what they have done so far, nor have you given them time to make allowance for the more recent improvements you mention, and in fairness to them we would ask you to give publicity to this letter.

In April 1911, the whole city was re-rated and in December, 1911, the basis rate for frame dwellings was reduced from 75 cents to 60 cents and a corresponding reduction made on the dwellings of superior construction with a minimum of 50 cents.

The reduction recognized extension of water mains, increase of number of hydrants, erection and equipment of the new fire hall and other general improvements.

With regard to mercantile buildings, as these are all specially rated from time to time and credit allowed for existing conditions, we have no doubt that all such buildings rated during the past year have received proper credits.

The only buildings which may have been overlooked are those which were rated in April 1911, and for which application has not been made for re-rating.

We venture to say that this does not represent any considerable value for we, in common with other insurance agents in North Vancouver, are too fully alive to the interests of our clients to overlook any possibility of securing a reduction in rate when same is warranted.

If any such buildings have not been re-rated, the reason must be that no insurance is carried, or the insurance is placed with non-tariff companies.

The improvements you claim are the new auto-truck, the new fire hall, the increased strength of the fire department, the additional hydrants and better streets. Leaving out of consideration the fact that most of the improvements have already been recognized by the Underwriters, we would point out that the growth and expansion of the city and suburbs might easily warrant the increase in fire halls, fire departments and hydrants, without any reduction in rates, and about the only thing left on which to make a plea for a general re-rating is the street-improvements.

We will leave it to you to say whether or not the city is in a condition to ask the Underwriters to make a reduction on these grounds and may say that the underwriters are prepared, on request, to have an inspection made.

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Dear Sir,—This agitation to change the name of North Vancouver? It has been proved by experience that as a matter of principle, it is wrong to change the name of any town, village, city or street unless for very obvious and cogent reasons. In the present case there are no apparent reasons for a change, and, I should say, several good reasons for remaining as we are.

First of all, the name of Vancouver itself is fairly well known in most parts of the civilized world and the implied connection with the larger city is certainly no disadvantage to the smaller one.

Then again, the city has, I believe, raised loans in England under its present name, and is not unlikely to require more in the future.

Would it be as easy to get the public to subscribe for civic or municipal loans on the security of a place whose name is unfamiliar to them? It must not be forgotten that the investor is usually a shy and nervous bird and there is frequently more in a name than some people think.

I have often heard intelligent citizens (not including aldermen or civic officials) remark on the foolishness and futility of changing the names of Westminster Avenue and Park Drive for infinitely less euphonious ones, especially when the benefit derived or to be derived from the alteration has not been made clear to the average intellect.

New maps, too, are not printed every day, and in the event of an alteration, how soon would the new name appear in the atlas?

Yours faithfully,

F. P. BAUMANN.

Tenders for Clearing

Tenders are invited for clearing lot 5 and west half of lot 6, block 10, D. L. 786. Particulars on application to

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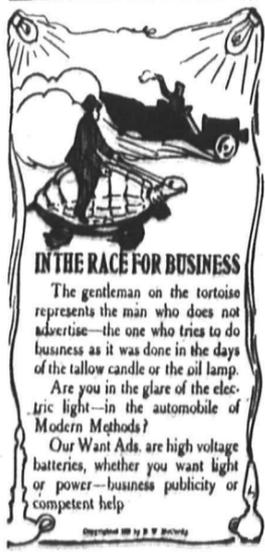
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FOR RENT—6-roomed house in front of Palace Hotel. See R. S. Hanna, 301 Holden Building, 16 Hastings Street east. t.f.

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FOR RENT OR SALE—On easy terms, modern 6-room house, 19th street block from Lonsdale, 33 feetx150. Fenced and in garden. Rent \$22.50. Apply Wood & Son, Everybody's Shoe Store.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Cook stove. Apply room 5, Thompson block, Lonsdale Avenue.

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BY-LAW NO. 214

A BY-LAW to enable the Corporation of the City of North Vancouver to guarantee the payment of Debentures to be issued by the North Vancouver City Ferries Limited, to the extent of \$142,000 and interest thereon.

WHEREAS the North Vancouver City Ferries Limited, hereinafter referred to as the Company, a Ferry Company having works constructed partly within and partly without the limits of the Corporation of the City of North Vancouver, (hereinafter referred to as the City), proposes to issue debentures, payable in forty years from the date of which the by-law takes effect, bearing interest at the rate of five per cent. per annum to be secured as hereinafter mentioned for the sum of \$142,000 for the purpose following, that is to say:

To take up and cancel an issue of Debentures of the Corporation of the amount of One Hundred and Twenty Eight Thousand (\$128,000) dollars issued pursuant to By-law No. 83 of the City, being schedule to the North Vancouver Ferry Aid By-law Validation Act, 1912, such debentures being already guaranteed by the City pursuant to the provisions of said By-law;

AND WHEREAS the Company has requested the City to guarantee the payment of said debentures, including interest, as aforesaid, and it is deemed expedient that the City should comply with such request, subject to the terms and conditions hereinafter expressed:

THEREFORE the Mayor and Aldermen of the City, in Council assembled, with the assent of the Electors of the said City duly obtained, enact as follows:

1. The Council of the City is hereby authorized on behalf of the City to guarantee the payment of the principal and interest of the said debentures to be issued by the Company for the purpose aforesaid, and payable as aforesaid, the principal of said debentures not to exceed the sum of \$142,000, and same to bear interest at the rate of five per centum per annum, and the said Council is hereby empowered to authorize the execution of said guarantee by the Mayor and the Clerk of the City and the affixing of the Corporate Seal of the City to such guarantee.

The said debentures shall be subject to the condition that no issue of debentures issued by the Company shall rank in priority and only those guaranteed by the City shall rank pari passu with said debentures without the consent of the City.

The said guarantee shall be constituted by endorsement written or printed on the back of each of said debentures, to the following effect, namely:

"The Corporation of the City of North Vancouver guarantees the principal and interest of the said debentures issued by the North Vancouver City Ferries Limited, to the extent of \$142,000, and same to bear interest at the rate of five per centum per annum, and the said Council is hereby empowered to authorize the execution of said guarantee by the Mayor and the Clerk of the City and the affixing of the Corporate Seal of the City to such guarantee."

2. Interest coupons shall be attached to each of the said debentures, and there shall be an endorsement on the back of each interest coupon to the following effect, namely:

"Guaranteed by the City of North Vancouver."

3. The said endorsement shall be signed by the Mayor of the City. Such signature may be written, stamped, printed or lithographed.

4. Before the guarantee authorized by this By-law is given, a Trust Deed approved by the Council of the City shall be executed by the Company charging all the property and assets of the Company present and future, and its uncalled capital, and any other property of the Company, and interest of said debentures, and also an agreement between the Company and the City satisfactory to the Council of the City, containing agreement by the Company to pay semi-annually during the term of the said debentures, the sum of \$3,425.00 being the semi-annual interest on said debentures, and also during the currency of said debentures to place in a chartered bank annually the sum of \$17,125.00 to provide a sinking fund for the redemption of said debentures, and also containing agreement that in the event of failure by the Company to provide the said sums for interest and sinking fund, same may from time to time be provided by the City and in that event that the Company will issue to the City for and in respect of such sum or sums as may be provided by the City, an equivalent amount in fully paid shares of the capital stock of the Company.

5. The carrying into effect of the purchase of the said debentures shall be commenced within twelve months from the date of coming into effect of this By-law and shall be completed within twenty-four months, from and after the said date, and this By-law is passed upon the express condition that failure to observe such time limit shall render the By-law void.

6. Authority is hereby granted to the Council of the City to assess and levy from time to time upon the whole rateable property within the City a sum or sums sufficient to discharge the debt or liability hereby authorized or any part or parts thereof.

7. This By-law may be cited for all purposes as "The Ferry Improvements Aid By-law, 1912, No. 1."

8. This By-law shall come into effect on the 24th day of December, A.D. 1912.

9. Passed by the Council of the City on the 25th day of November, A.D. 1912. Received the assent of the Electors of the City at an election held for the purpose on the day of A.D. 1912.

Reconsidered, adopted and finally passed by the Council of the City, signed by the Mayor and City Clerk and sealed with the Corporate Seal of the City on the day of A.D. 1912.

By Order of the Council,
WM. McNEISH, Mayor.
W. AUSTIN BROWN, City Clerk.

rate of five per cent. per annum, to be secured as hereinafter mentioned for the sum of \$137,000 for the purpose following:

"For the construction of a new and modern ferry steamer, with steel hull, for the service of the Company between the said City of North Vancouver and the City of Vancouver."

AND WHEREAS the Company has requested the City to guarantee the payment of said debentures, including interest, as aforesaid, and it is deemed expedient that the City should comply with such request, subject to the terms and conditions hereinafter expressed:

THEREFORE the Mayor and Aldermen of the City, in Council assembled, with the assent of the Electors of the said City duly obtained, enact as follows:

1. The Council of the City is hereby authorized on behalf of the City to guarantee the payment of the principal and interest of the said debentures to be issued by the Company for the purpose aforesaid, and payable as aforesaid, the principal of said debentures not to exceed the sum of \$137,000, and same to bear interest at the rate of five per centum per annum, and the said Council is hereby empowered to authorize the execution of said guarantee by the Mayor and the Clerk of the City and the affixing of the Corporate Seal of the City to such guarantee.

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5. The construction of the said ferry steamer shall be commenced within twelve months from the date of the coming into effect of this By-law, and shall be completed and in operation within twenty-four months from the said date, and this By-law is passed upon the express condition that failure to observe such time limit shall render the By-law void.

6. Authority is hereby granted to the Council of the City to assess and levy from time to time upon the whole rateable property within the City a sum or sums sufficient to discharge the debt or liability hereby authorized or any part or parts thereof.

7. By-law No. 202 of the City, being "The Ferry Improvement Aid By-law, 1912," adopted and finally passed by the Council of the City on the thirtieth day of May, A.D. 1912, is hereby repealed.

8. This By-law may be cited for all purposes as "The Ferry Improvements Aid By-law, 1912, No. 2."

9. This By-law shall come into effect on the 24th day of December, A.D. 1912.

10. Passed by the Council of the City of North Vancouver on the 25th day of November, A.D. 1912.

Received the assent of the Electors of the City at an election held for the purpose on the day of A.D. 1912.

Reconsidered adopted and finally passed by the Council of the City, signed by the Mayor and City Clerk and sealed with the Corporate Seal of the City on the day of A.D. 1912.

By Order of the Council,
WM. McNEISH, Mayor.
W. AUSTIN BROWN, City Clerk.

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According to a special resolution of North Vancouver City Ferries Limited the qualifications of a Director of that Company are now the same as those of an Alderman of the City of North Vancouver. Candidates for that position must be male British subjects of the full age of twenty-one years, who are not disqualified under any law and have been for the past six months next preceding the day of nomination the registered owners in the Land Registry Office of land or real property in the City of North Vancouver of the assessed value in the last Municipal Assessment Roll of Five Hundred (\$500) Dollars or more over and above any registered judgment or charge and who are otherwise qualified as Municipal Voters.

The voting this year is by Wards, of which the following are the boundaries:

Ward 1.—On the East Jones and Mahon Avenues, on the South, North and West City Boundaries

Ward 2.—On the North Keith Road, on the West Mahon Avenue, on the East Lonsdale Avenue, on the South the southern boundary of the City.

Ward 3.—On the North Keith Road, on the East St. Andrew's Avenue, on the south, the southern boundary of the City, on the West Lonsdale Avenue

Ward 4.—On the North Keith Road, on the south the southern boundary of the City, on the West St. Andrew's Avenue, on the East, City Boundary

Ward 5.—On the South Keith Road, on the West St. George's Avenue, on the North and on the East City boundaries

Ward 6.—On the North City boundary, on the south Keith Road, on the east St. George's Avenue, on the West Jones Avenue.

A Candidate for the representation of a Ward need not be a Voter in that Ward so long as he possesses the other qualifications for an Alderman of the City.

No Elector shall be entitled to vote in more than one Ward. A resident elector shall vote in the Ward in which he or she resides. A non-resident elector shall vote in the Ward in which he or she owns the largest amount of property. The voting place for all Wards is the City Hall.

The Court of Revision of the Voters' List will sit in the City Hall, North Vancouver on the 10th day of December, 1912.

W. AUSTIN BROWN, City Clerk.

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and conditions hereinafter expressed:

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1. The Council of the City is hereby authorized on behalf of the City to guarantee the payment of the principal and interest of the said debentures...

2. The said guarantee shall be constituted by endorsement written or printed on the back of each of the said debentures to the following effect, namely:

3. Interest coupons shall be attached to each of the said debentures, and there shall be an endorsement on the back of each interest coupon to the following effect, namely:

4. Before the guarantee authorized by this By-law is given, a Trust Deed approved by the Council of the City shall be executed by the Company...

5. The construction of the said work to be constructed by the Company as aforesaid shall be commenced within twelve months from the date of the coming into effect of this By-law...

6. Authority is hereby granted to the Council of the City to assess and levy from time to time upon the whole rateable property within the City...

7. This By-law may be cited for all purposes as "The Ferry Improvements Aid By-law, 1912, No. 3."

8. This By-law shall come into effect on the 24th day of December, A.D. 1912.

Passed by the Council of the City of North Vancouver on the 26th day of November, A.D. 1912.

Received the assent of the Electors of the City of North Vancouver on the 14th day of December, 1912, between the hours of 9 o'clock a.m. and 7 o'clock p.m.

of the City of North Vancouver duly obtained, enacts as follows:

(1) The Mayor and City Clerk of the said Corporation are hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the Corporation and to affix the Corporate Seal to a certain Indenture of Agreement made between the Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Company...

(2) This By-law shall come into operation on the date of its receiving the assent of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council by Order-in-Council to that effect;

(3) The works of the Company must be commenced within 24 months from the date of the assent of the Lieutenant Governor in Council as above mentioned and said bridge must be completed and ready for traffic and at least two miles of connecting railway completed before the lapse of five years from the date of the assent of the Lieutenant Governor in Council...

(4) This By-law shall take effect upon the 24th day of December, 1912, and may be cited for all purposes as the "Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Company Shares Purchase By-law, 1912."

(5) By-law Number 114, known as the "Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Company Shares Agreement Purchase By-law, 1912," is hereby repealed, save as to any indebtedness incurred under the said By-law, which shall be taken to be and shall be an indebtedness falling due under this By-law and shall be repaid out of the debentures issued hereunder.

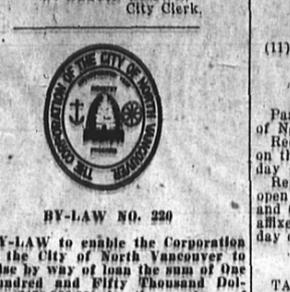
(6) This By-law shall receive the assent of the Electors of the said Corporation in the manner required by law, before the final passing thereof.

Passed by the Council this 25th day of November, 1912.

Received the assent of the Electors of the City of North Vancouver on the 14th day of December, 1912.

Reconsidered and finally passed in open Court by the Mayor and City Clerk and the Corporate Seal affixed the 19th day of December, 1912.

W. AUSTIN BROWN, Mayor.



BY-LAW NO. 220

A BY-LAW to enable the Corporation of the City of North Vancouver to raise by way of loan the sum of One Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000.00) for the purchase of shares in the capital stock of the Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Company.

WHEREAS By-law No. 219 has been passed authorizing the Corporation of the City of North Vancouver to enter into and execute an agreement with the Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Company for the purchase of shares in the capital stock of the said Company;

AND WHEREAS it is desirable to borrow the sum of One Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000.00) for the purpose of purchasing shares in the capital stock of the said Company;

AND WHEREAS a petition signed by the owners of more than one-tenth in value of real property in the City of North Vancouver (as shown by the last revised assessment roll) has been presented to the Council requesting them to introduce such a By-law;

AND WHEREAS it will be necessary for order to do so to issue debentures of the Corporation for the sum of One Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000.00) as hereinafter provided, which is the amount of debt intended to be created by this By-law; the proceeds of said debentures to be applied as hereinafter set out.

AND WHEREAS for the payment of interest on the debentures proposed to be issued under this By-law and for creating a sinking fund for the payment of the same when due, it will be necessary to raise by special rate, in addition to all other rates, in each year during the currency of the said debentures, the sum of \$7895.06, whereof \$6750.00 is to be raised annually for payment of interest during the currency of the said debentures and \$1145.06 to be raised annually for the purpose of creating a sinking fund for payment of the debt secured by the said debentures;

AND WHEREAS in order to raise the said yearly sum of \$7895.06 for interest and sinking fund an equal special rate on the dollar will be required to be levied on all the rateable property in the said City;

AND WHEREAS the amount of the whole rateable real property in the said City, according to the last revised assessment roll thereof is \$10,376,557.00;

AND WHEREAS the aggregate of the existing debenture debt of the Corporation (except for works of local improvement and for school purposes) is \$1,376,849.00, and does not exceed twenty per cent of the assessed value of the real property in the City, according to the last revised assessment roll, of which none of the principal and interest is in arrears;

AND WHEREAS the proposed expenditure and it necessary the raising of the moneys required to defray the same upon the credit of the Municipality;

AND WHEREAS it is necessary that the said money be raised upon the credit of the Municipality;

AND WHEREAS the Council has authorized the submission of this By-law to the electors;

AND WHEREAS for the payment of interest on the debentures proposed to be issued under this By-law, and for creating a sinking fund for the payment of the said debentures when due, it will be necessary to raise by special rate in addition to all other rates, each year during the currency of such debentures the sum of \$3947.52, whereof \$3375.00 is to be raised annually for the payment of interest during the currency of said debentures and \$572.52 to be raised annually for the purpose of creating a sinking fund for payment of the debt secured by the said debentures the same being made payable in fifty years from the 24th day of December, 1912.

AND WHEREAS in order to raise the said yearly sum of \$3947.52 for interest and sinking fund, an equal special rate on the dollar will be required to be levied on all the rateable real property in the said City;

AND WHEREAS the whole rateable real property in the said City, according to the last revised assessment roll is \$10,376,557.00;

AND WHEREAS the aggregate of the existing debenture debt of the Corporation is \$1,376,849.00, and does not exceed twenty per cent of the assessed value of the real property in the City, according to the last revised assessment roll, of which none of the principal and interest is in arrears;

NOW THEREFORE the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of North Vancouver in Council assembled, with the assent of the electors of the City of North Vancouver duly obtained, enacts as follows:

(1) It shall be lawful for the Mayor of the said City of North Vancouver and the City Clerk for the purpose of raising by way of loan the sum of Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000.00) for school purposes in acquiring by purchase an additional school site within the said City;

WHEREAS the Board of Trustees of the North Vancouver City School District have prepared a detailed estimate of the sums required to meet special or extraordinary expenses legally incurable by the Board, which estimate is as follows:

For the acquisition of a School site in the City of North Vancouver, British Columbia \$75,000.00

AND WHEREAS the said estimate was laid before the City Council and duly considered by the said Council and finally rejected and disapproved by the said Council on the 14th day of November, 1912.

AND WHEREAS the Mayor of the said City has since the rejection and

AND WHEREAS the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of North Vancouver in Council assembled with the assent of the electors of the City of North Vancouver duly obtained, enacts as follows:

(1) It shall be lawful for the Mayor of the City of North Vancouver and the City Clerk for the purpose aforesaid to borrow or raise by way of loan from any person or persons, body or bodies corporate, who may be willing to place in the Bank of British North America at North Vancouver, to the credit of the City for the purpose above recited, and such moneys shall be used for that purpose only.

(2) Debentures of the City not exceeding in amount the sum of Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000.00) may be issued by the said Mayor and City Clerk in terms of the Municipal Act in sums as may be desired but not less than One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) each, or the equivalent expressed in pounds sterling of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland at the value of \$1.86 2-3 to the pound sterling.

(3) The debentures shall bear date the 24th day of December, 1912, and shall bear interest at the rate of 4 1/2 per cent per annum payable half yearly on the 24th day of June, and the 24th day of December, in each and every year during the currency of the said debentures or any of them. There shall be attached to the debentures coupons signed by the Mayor only for each and every payment of interest that may become due, and such signatures may be either written, stamped, printed or lithographed.

(4) The said debentures as to principal and interest may be made payable at such place or places in Great Britain, United States of America or Dominion of Canada as may be agreed

THEREFORE the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of North Vancouver in Council assembled with the assent of the electors of the City of North Vancouver duly obtained, enacts as follows:

(10) This By-law shall take effect on the 24th day of December, A.D. 1912.

(11) This By-law may be cited for all purposes as "The City of North Vancouver School Site Purchase By-law, 1912."

Received the assent of the electors of the City of North Vancouver at an election for the purpose on the 14th day of December, 1912.

NOTICE TO ELECTORS

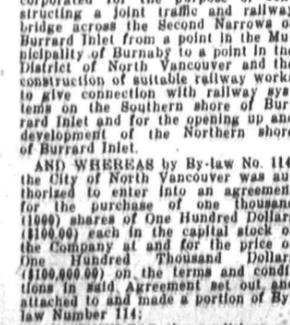
TAKE NOTICE that the above is a true copy of the proposed By-law upon which the vote of the Electors of the Municipality of the City of North Vancouver will be taken within the City Hall, North Vancouver, B. C., on Saturday, the 14th day of December, 1912, between the hours of 9 o'clock a.m. and 7 o'clock p.m.

W. AUSTIN BROWN, City Clerk and Returning Officer.

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the vote of the Electors of the City of North Vancouver will be taken on the 14th day of December, 1912, between the hours of 9 o'clock a.m. and 7 o'clock p.m. on "The Ferry Improvements Aid By-law, No. 3," and that within the City Hall, North Vancouver, B. C., and that W. Austin Brown, City Clerk, has been appointed Returning Officer to take the vote of such Electors with the usual powers in that behalf.

By Order of the Council, WM McNEISH, Mayor.

W. AUSTIN BROWN, City Clerk.



BY-LAW NO. 219

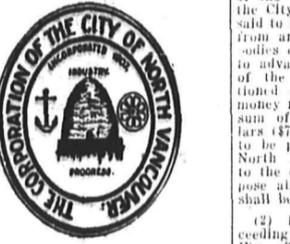
A BY-LAW to enable the Corporation of the City of North Vancouver to enter into and execute an Agreement with the Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Company for the purchase of shares in the capital stock of the said Company.

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BY-LAW NO. 225

A BY-LAW to enable the City of North Vancouver to raise by way of loan the sum of Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000.00) for school purposes in acquiring by purchase an additional school site within the said City.

WHEREAS the Board of Trustees of the North Vancouver City School District have prepared a detailed estimate of the sums required to meet special or extraordinary expenses legally incurable by the Board, which estimate is as follows:

For the acquisition of a School site in the City of North Vancouver, British Columbia \$75,000.00

AND WHEREAS the said estimate was laid before the City Council and duly considered by the said Council and finally rejected and disapproved by the said Council on the 14th day of November, 1912.

AND WHEREAS the Mayor of the said City has since the rejection and

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Agnes' church on Sunday evening next will be the Rev. F. A. P. Chadwick of Vancouver, and president of the deanery Sunday-school association. The vicar will preach in the morning.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. P. Kellas, corner of Nelson and 20th street, was on Wednesday night invaded by an unexpected contingent of friends. The invasion was a welcome surprise, however, and an extremely pleasant evening ensued.

The premises of Woods' Shoe emporium on 1st street east are now graced with the most modern and attractive signs. Henceforward the word "Shoes" in electricity will unfailingly attract the purchasing public to a store which is in every way a credit to the city.

Mr. Roderick Mackenzie of this city has awarded the contract for the erection of a building on his recently purchased lot in Newport. In this building when completed, Mr. Mackenzie

old next Sunday in the old church. The pastor, Rev. Ronald Macleod, will preach morning and evening. The newly-erected church on the corner of 10th street and St. George's avenue is to be dedicated on Sunday, Dec. 15th.

Mr. J. C. Teevans, formerly manager of the Palace Hotel, recently returned from a business trip to the east on which he was accompanied by Mrs. Teevans. The family have now taken up permanent residence at the corner of 3rd street and St. Patrick's Ave. Mr. Teevans has formed a company for the carrying on of business in the new hotel which is just being completed on the corner of Keefer street and Gore avenue, Vancouver. The hotel will be known as the Hotel Stratford and in all its appointments will be one of the most modern and luxurious hotels in Vancouver. Mr. Teevans himself will be manager.

There will be services at 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. on Sunday in St. John's church, while at 11:00 a.m. the bishop of the diocese will conduct an ordination service which includes celebration of holy communion, and will admit to the office of deacon Norman J. Thompson, who has for some time past been doing good work as lay-reader at St. Clement's church, Lynn Valley. At the evening service at 7:30 the bishop will be present to dedicate the organ recently installed in the church, and will preach. Special choral work will be rendered by the choir at these services.

THANKS TO THE FIRE BRIGADE

Editor Express:

Permit me through your columns to express my sincere appreciation of and thanks for the prompt and effective action of our fire brigade in responding to the call to my house last Sabbath morning. But for their good work the fire which then caused a loss of about \$200 would, in a very few minutes have consumed our home with all its contents. I appreciate the Brigade's work all the more as I was not then at home to attend to my own interests. I am,
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Mr. and Mrs. E. Danby have returned to the Valley and are residing in Mrs. R. Adams cottage. Mr. Danby has disposed of his dairy in North Vancouver.

The committee formed for dealing with the relief fund for Mr. Johnson and family have called a meeting in the Institute Hall for Saturday evening at 8:30 o'clock.

Mrs. George F. V. Brown will receive in her new home, 234 11th street east, North Vancouver, for the first time Tuesday, Dec. 10th, from 3 to 5 and every second Tuesday thereafter.

Mr. J. Milton Shaver of Murrayville, B. C., a late resident of the Valley, met with an accident a few days ago in which he sustained three fractured ribs, according to a communication received this week.

Mr. and Mrs. George Bowker, late residents of the Valley, have returned to the north shore, after spending a few months on Vancouver Island and Seattle. For the present they will make their home on the Esplanade, North Vancouver.

The Lynn Valley football team will play North Lonsdale on the Boulevard Park at 2:30 o'clock Saturday afternoon, December 7th. The following is the line-up: H. Douglas, Hardy, Bartlett, Bogue, Dutton, Burrows, Carbutt, Aitkins, Mitchell, Purdie, Marr, Reserves, C. Purdie, H. E. Sharpe.

On Tuesday evening a surprise party numbering about twenty-five visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Magennis. The party received a hearty welcome and a very enjoyable evening was spent in games, card playing and dancing, etc. A lunch was served and the visitors departed at twelve o'clock.

A meeting was called on Tuesday evening in the Methodist church to form a committee to make arrangements for a benefit concert for the Rev. C. E. Fakely. A letter was read at the meeting from the superintendent of missions of the Methodist denomination informing the Lynn Valley church that the mission board was willing and would give the necessary assistance to Mr. Fakely.

The Womens' Auxiliary of St. Clement's have arranged a sale of work, home-made candies and cooking in the St. Clement's Hall on Thursday, December 12, commencing at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. There will be a fish pond, and many other things of an amusing character. Afternoon tea will be served. The evening will be taken up by an entertainment commencing at 8 o'clock to which everyone is invited free. A good time is assured.

The Choral Society next Tuesday will give a concert of a high order. The first part will be of a miscellaneous program concluding with a minstrel sketch, while the second part will be a repetition (by request) of the play "Ici en parle francais" into which have been introduced one or two musical numbers, including the popular song, "There's no place on earth like Lynn Valley." This is the first time the choral society have appealed to the public for assistance and the concert promises to be a very successful one.

About 10:30 Wednesday morning a disastrous fire broke out and the home of Mr. F. C. Duval, Harold Road, was totally destroyed. The origin of the fire is a mystery. It started suddenly and spread so fast that nothing was saved. The local fire brigade were quickly on the scene but unfortunately they were powerless to do any good, as the house was situated about 1,000 feet from the nearest hydrant and the brigade had only 650 feet of hose. The house was a five roomed residence, and was valued at about \$1,000. Mr. Duval had about \$250 in cash in the house which was also consumed. The house was insured for \$1,000, but the furniture, clothes and cash were a total loss. The evening previous Mr. and Mrs. Duval's family enjoyed the merriment of a birthday party at their home.

Single Taxers, Socialists, Scientists and Students, Philosophers and Thinkers of both sexes be at the K. P. Hall, on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 15th, at 1:15 o'clock to help to start an Open Forum. The meeting will be called to order at 1:30 when everything pertaining to this, the most progressive step in North Vancouver's mental development, will be fully explained. No admission fee! No membership fee! No monthly dues! A collection will be taken up to pay the rent and other necessary expenses. Subject for discussion to be decided by the meeting. Bring a friend with you. 12-12

NOTICE

The North Vancouver Band will hold a special meeting in the Drill Hall, Esplanade West, on Monday, Dec. 9th, at 8:00 p.m. Business: Annual election of officers.

Representative)
Debate on Speech from Throne—Minister of Finance Develops Strength—New Senators for B. C.—Second Narrows Bridge Approved.

Ottawa, Dec. 3.—The debate on the address in reply to the speech from the throne has been in progress a week now and there is no sign of the flood of oratory abating. In the meantime the country is patiently waiting for the naval bill and it looks as if it will have to wait a full week yet for Premier Borden's announcement. The debate on the address is one of the few opportunities when members can talk on any subject from imperialism to apple culture without fear of treading upon the rules of the house. License to roam the whole realm of politics is given. It is a fine chance for new members to inflict on the house maiden speeches and for representatives with grievances to air themselves. Full opportunity of this privilege has been availed of this year and a dozen odd budding statesmen have quakingly first addressed Mr. Speaker. But there is more than this behind the length of the debate. There seems little doubt that the Liberals have been dragging out the debate with a view to holding up the naval bill as long as possible. Just what their object is is not clear or what is to be gained by such tactics is hard to understand, but the impression is growing at the capital that the Liberals are preparing this session to systematically block business. If the navy bill does not come down until the end of next week there is little possibility of its passing before Christmas, while it still has to run the gauntlet of the senate and there are Liberals at Ottawa who are predicting it will never pass the upper house, though it does not seem credible the senators would dare frustrate the will of the people as expressed by the popular chamber.

It has been a dismal debate with few speeches of more than passing interest. The outstanding speech of the debate so far has been that of Hon. W. T. White, the finance minister. The youthful minister last session established himself as one of the first debaters in the house. He enhanced his reputation by his opening speech of this session. Friend and foe alike admit today that he is one of the big men of the administration—many declare that he is the biggest next to Borden. Political prophets are predicting that as he grows in parliamentary and political experience he will be the coming man of the Conservative party. He has what a prime minister must possess, culture, polish and education. He is an easy and affluent speaker, a logical debater and quick at repartee. He has the happy faculty of making the duller facts and figures interesting. Premier Borden made a bulls eye when he picked the unknown financier as successor to Fielding. Mr. White spoke on cement. Early in the debate Sir Wilfrid Laurier charged that the duty last summer was cut in two for five months with a view of influencing the Saskatchewan elections. The finance minister's reply was one of the most complete ever heard in the house and he drove the opposition leader and his western lieutenant, Hon. Frank Oliver, into the position of either he was right or admitting they were speaking as defenders of the cement trust. As Mr. White succinctly put it, "I am afraid my honorable friend (Sir Wilfrid) is not so much interested in the principle involved as he is anxious for his friend and political adviser, Senator Edwards, head of the cement trust."

Mr. White showed that last spring there was a serious cement shortage in the west and piled up a formidable array of documents showing how he had been besieged for relief and how serious was the difficulty. He had made a personal investigation and the cement trust had admitted it was unable to take care of the market. Under the circumstances he did the only thing he could as a faithful public servant—reduced the duty as he was given power by the statute. If there was any political plot in regard to the Saskatchewan elections, then every town and city in the west was deep in it. About the only other interesting feature of the debate so far has been the admissions which George W. Fowler, member for King's and Albert drew from the Liberal leaders after much bantering and long twitting as to their stand on reciprocity. For over a year the Conservatives have been endeavoring to find out just where the Liberals stood. From the chieftain down they have side stepped definite answers. It took the sharp tongue of Fowler to drive Sir Wilfrid to his feet. "We are a united party," was Sir Wilfrid's first answer. The hero of the famous

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wine, women and graft episode persisted and asked for a definite reply, and finally Sir Wilfrid replied, "I know of some Liberals who have varied their views upon reciprocity. I am not one of them." Mr. Pugsley also admitted that he was still a believer in reciprocity, while Hugh Guthrie, one of the Ontario leaders, gave a somewhat cryptic answer which was interpreted to mean he still upholds for reciprocity.

British Columbia members have so far allowed the east to monopolize the debate. G. H. Barnard of Victoria, is the only coast member to have spoken and his speech was brief and very much to the point. He assured the premier that as far as the naval proposals were concerned they could not be too generous to suit British Columbia. He also drew attention to the way the fortifications at Esquimalt have been neglected, and urged upon the minister of militia and defence to at least restore them to the condition of effectiveness before the British admiralty withdrew control.

When the speech from the throne was read there was considerable surprise expressed that while it was announced bills would be brought down increasing the senate representation of the three prairie provinces no mention was made of British Columbia. The members from the coast province at once objected to the government. It is understood that it was thought an

amendment would have to be made to the British North America Act to add to the numbers in the upper house from B. C. Further study of the British Columbia Act by which the province came into confederation has convinced the government this will be unnecessary and British Columbia will get three new members making six in all. The other western provinces now have four senators each and they will get two more apiece, making twenty four in all from the west and increasing the total membership of the red chamber to ninety six. The Liberal majority with these additions will still be twenty two, though it is fast dwindling.

Vancouver will be pleased to learn that H. H. Stevens has been taking up the question with the engineer of public works of the new bridge at the Second Narrows. It will be approved with two hundred and fifty feet spans with a clear height of fifty five feet and placed at right angles to the current. The foundations of the spans will be sufficiently deep to permit of a minimum channel of thirty five feet at the lowest tide.

Another matter of interest which is being taken up by Mr. Stevens is the renewal of the permit of the New England Fish Co. to ship fish through Canada without paying the export tax. Mr. Stevens is putting up very strong opposition and with every hope of success.

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